Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Assalamu ‘alaikum wa rahmatullahi wa barakaatuhu

Principal’s Message

I would like to welcome back all the students, staff and parents for another successful term. This term will prove to be an eventful term, some highlights will include the Mid year exams, Years 3 and 5 writing competition, Walk Safely To School Day, Australia’s Biggest Morning Tea, Parent Teacher Interviews and NAPLAN testing.

Homework is an important link between the school and the parents, it is the main tool of communication and it consolidates what the child is learning at school. Parents are encouraged to consistently discuss what is happening at school with their child and offer positive reinforcement and encouragement. Always remind your children to try their best in everything they do and to always display the best behaviour as taught by the Prophet Mohammed (PBUH).

Attendance

All students are expected to attend school everyday unless they are sick or there is another valid reason. All absences must be explained through the submission of a signed note. Parents of students with unsatisfactory attendance will be required to meet with the Principal to discuss the student’s school attendance. *Long leave of absence* is subject to the Principal’s approval; all requests must be made in writing through the main office. The cooperation of parents in this matter is greatly appreciated.

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**NAPLAN Testing**

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an annual national assessment for all students in Years 3 and 5. All students in these year levels are expected to participate in tests in Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy. The NAPLAN tests will take place at school on Tuesday the 13th, Wednesday the 14th and Thursday the 15th of May. **The students will be tested on either a persuasive or narrative text type.**

There are two remaining Saturday NAPLAN classes:

1. Saturday the 3rd of May.
2. Saturday the 10th of May.

Students will be undergoing trial tests during these classes therefore, it is crucial for all students to attend all remaining classes.

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**Uniform**

Parents are reminded that students must attend school wearing full school uniform, this includes a blazer for girls and boys and a tie for all boys. In special circumstances, where students are unable to wear their uniform a note must be sent with the child outlining the reason why the student is not wearing uniform. Uniforms must be clean at all times, it is vital for all students to look presentable as this impacts their self-esteem and performance. Compliance/warning letters will be issued to students wearing incorrect uniform and/or attending school with inappropriate haircuts.
Afternoon Quran Classes

As part of an initiative to provide students with opportunities to excel in the recitation of the Holy Quran, the school will offer Afternoon Quran classes for Years 1-6 students every day. One day will be allocated per grade from 3:30 to 4:30. Classes will be scheduled according to feedback received from parents. These classes will commence next week insha Allah.

Dates to Remember

Enrolments for 2015

Enrolments for entry into Kindergarten for 2015 close on Friday the 27th of June 2014. Enrolment forms can be collected from the main administrative block and must be lodged with all required documents e.g. birth certificates and immunisation records.

Premier’s Reading Challenge

Parents are encouraged to continue taking students to the library to borrow books which is part of this challenge. This challenge is due to school before the end of term 2.

Half-Yearly Examinations

The Half-Yearly Examinations will take place during week 7 of this term. All students will be receiving an examination timetable, this timetable will outline the areas for revision as well as what concepts and units students should study in preparation for the exams. Timetables will be issued to all students later on this term.

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Term 2 School Fees

Parents are kindly requested to pay Term 2 school fees during the first week of Term 2.

Wassalaam,

Mr Khalil
Principal