



Assalamu Alaykum WRWB

Dear Parents/Guardians

Curriculum news

Subject selection surveys have been completed for Year 8 and Year 10 students. We have now started to plan for the 2021 curriculum timetable.

The Year 12 students completed their HSC trial examinations on Friday 4th September. In coming weeks, it will be very important that all students attend school to receive their trial results and receive feedback from teachers. Students who continue to work hard during this period are often well-rewarded in their HSC examination. I ask that you support the School and indeed your child's learning by ensuring that they attend every lesson between now and Thursday, 24th September. Your child may tell you that he/she can be more productive at home studying, this is not the case. Our students have had a disrupted year due to COVID-19 and every minute that they can spend in their class with their teacher is essential. Home is full of distractions, for example television, technology and mobile phones which impact on the productivity of study.-Mr Rixon.

Year 12 students are reminded to sign their NESA Written Examination Photograph Collection form. These forms are kept at the administration office.

Year 11 students began their Preliminary examinations on Thursday 10th September with the English examination. Their final examination will be on Thursday 24th September. We congratulate Year 11 on completing the Preliminary course. Year 11 students will begin the HSC course on the first day of Term 4.

Careers news

Year 12 –important dates coming up:

Early bird UAC applications close at midnight, Wednesday 30th September. After this date UAC processing fee rises from \$70 to \$200.

Student applications for SRS close at midnight on Sunday 20th September.

For students who have not yet applied through UAC, a PIN reminder email will be sent to students on 23rd September.

Students who are eligible are also encouraged to apply through UAC for the Educational Access Scheme (EAS) and Equity Scholarships (ES).

Wellbeing news

R U OK? Week

R U OK? Day is the national day of action dedicated to reminding everyone that every day is the day to ask, "Are you OK?" and support those struggling with life's ups and downs. Throughout the week Greenacre Secondary held numerous awareness and teambuilding activities. Life's challenges can leave people feeling helpless, hopeless, afraid, disconnected and at genuine risk. Early-intervention and open communication can reduce stigma, break down barriers and build trust which in turn promotes long-term, positive behavioural change that saves lives now and into the future.

Greenacre Secondary RUOK? Week kicked off with a morning tea for staff in the Hall and an opportunity to discuss and plan some of the activities scheduled for the week. There were discussions throughout Homeroom engaging students, physical/team building activities; the Friday Khutba delivered a message consistent with the theme of the week. Students and staff wore their favorite Jerseys on the Friday. The messages during the week included emphasizing that we should be looking out for each other every day of the year, raising awareness of mental health (individuals and as a collective school community), improving and maintaining mental and emotional "fitness" and promoting how to check up on each other.



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Daffodil Day



On Friday, 28th of August, Greenacre Secondary Malek Fahd Islamic School joined in a successful fundraiser for the bright cancer researchers. Students and staff dressed in mufti clothing and contributed a gold coin donation. Thank you to our extremely generous community.

Claymation

Year 9 students completed an all-day Science Claymation workshop in weeks 7-8 of this term. This workshop involved each student submitting a Claymation animation and formed part of each student's overall Year 9 Science assessment mark. This workshop was designed to teach students how to use Claymation software to create their own stop motion animated video. Students captured images using a webcam, created characters, and applied editing techniques, added background images and music to create their own Claymation movies.

Below are snapshots from some of the students' videos.



School Canteen

The canteen has now special serving screens installed. However, for the remainder of the term, the School canteen will continue to operate with orders only. This will help to ensure social distancing practices are maintained. Consequently, there will be no casual purchases by students or morning orders from parents.

Students at Chullora Marketplace

Students of Greenacre Secondary campus are not allowed to be at the Chullora Marketplace after 8.15am and be at their lockers by 8.25am. Staff will be supervising Chullora Marketplace before school. Names will be taken of Secondary students who are entering School from Chullora Marketplace after 8.25am. A text message will be sent to parents of students who are on this list and detention will be issued to students after their third lateness.

Thank you to all the parents of our wonderful School for their contributions and support throughout the term in catering for the educational needs of our students. Your contribution this term has been most valued. Heading into the last week of term, I would like to wish all students and parents a relaxing and enjoyable Term 3 break.

Wa Alaykum wa Salam

Regards,

Yours Sincerely

Ali Dib

Head of Campus Secondary