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Assalamu Alaykum WRWB

We are seven weeks into Term 1. The students have settled well and embraced the changes to the timetable. Students have completed seven weeks of the curriculum program in each of their subjects and most students have completed at least one assessment task. I would like to once again show my gratitude to the parents for their support of the Greenacre Secondary Campus and the staff.

Curriculum

Interim reports for Years 7-10 were sent out to parents in Week 7. Year 11 Interim reports will be sent out in Week 8. The Interim report provides a snapshot of how your child has engaged in their learning across the first weeks of the new school year in selected subject areas. The report considers your child's work habits, behaviour in class and their attitudes towards their work. A full academic report, including marks and comments on all subjects will be sent to you in Terms 2 and 4. We encourage you to review this report and discuss it with your child.

Students have now settled into their elective subjects. Years 10, 11 and 12 students have completed their NESA entries and are encouraged to log in and see Mrs. Bragg to update details if necessary.

Mock trial exams will be held for HSC students starting Week 10 this term. These are valuable opportunities for students to practise examination conditions and receive feedback on content covered to date.

Year 11 students are currently in the process of working through the Minimum Standards Tests. These are completed online during school time.

HSC students interested in applying for Disability Provisions should see Mrs. Bragg no later than 20th March.

Excursions/Incursions

Greenacre Secondary students have participated in numerous incursions and excursions across all curriculum subjects during the first seven weeks of term. These incursions and excursions are an excellent opportunity for the students to reinforce the content and concepts learnt during the theory lessons. They allow students to engage in practical and interactive activities and experience learning from a different perspective. Our students have also performed admirably at the Sports Gala Days. Below are two reports:

Start Smart Incursion

On the 5th of March, our year 12 Mathematics students attended an informative incursion hosted by the Commonwealth Bank. The incursion was to provide students with an insight into their current unit, Financial Mathematics. They covered a range of topics from loans, advantages and disadvantages of credit cards and investing in shares. Our students were educated on these ideas. Their understanding of concepts used in their everyday lives was enhanced with new-founded knowledge. The Start Smart incursion proved to be of great help, and our students appreciated the entertaining yet eye-opening information that they have provided.

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ACPE Year 11 SLR and 12 PDHPE Excursions

This excursion proved to be a valuable experience for students studying Sport, Leisure & Recreational Studies and PDHPE in Stage 6. Students had the opportunity to develop a deeper understanding of course content in the ACPE state of the art facilities.

The areas covered included areas of the syllabus dedicated to improving sports performance and included the energy systems, types of training, principles of training, physiological responses to exercise, aerobic, anaerobic, circuit and strength training.

ACPE kindly provided lunch and a gift pack for students and staff and their friendly and cooperative staff made our visit memorable. This another example the diverse positive community relationship which MFIS PDHPE faculty has developed over the past few years. The MFIS students were great ambassadors for the school and other visits are planned for later in the year.

My thanks to Mohamad Ghamraoui Business Development Manager at ACPE, Mr. Afioni PDHPE teacher and teacher responsible for establishing the excursions and Ms. Le Quesne.

G. Spotswood
Head of PDHPE



School's Precautionary Measures against Coronavirus (Covid-19)

The School has taken the following precautionary measures to minimise the risk of spreading the Coronavirus (Covid-19). These precautions have not been taken lightly. They are in the best interest of our School and the wider community.

These precautions include:

- Postponement of all external excursions until further notice.
- Postponement or cancellation of all upcoming sporting activities where travel is required via public transport until further notice. This will include PSSA Sports at all campuses.
- The provision of additional cleaners at each campus during the day.
- Request for all students (Primary and Secondary) to bring their own filled water bottles from home to minimise the use of shared facilities, such as bubblers.

Whilst we are taking these precautions, as per the advice from the Department of Health, Malek Fahd Islamic School will operate as usual. We shall notify all parents, if circumstances change at all.

Morning Drop off

In the interest of safety, when driving into School grounds, please ensure that you are considerate to others in the driveway and drop off your child from 8:00am onwards. School starts for Years 7-12 at 8:25am. Students should not be at school before 8:00am unless they have a scheduled lesson from 7:30am as there is very limited supervision.

Email Accounts for Secondary Students

Your child should have their own School email address and computer login details to use School computers for learning purposes. Please inform the school if your child does not have a school email account or has lost his/her account details. It is essential that all students have setup their accounts and can access them. Their school email account is also a way their class teachers can communicate, provide lessons and resources to them.

Reminders

Please make every effort to abide by traffic rules when dropping off and picking up your child from School. Please show due respect to all Staff on duty at these times. We are all working together to keep all children safe.

Parents Parking Please note: Suttons, Chullora management would appreciate no parents blocking their driveways whilst dropping off or picking up children in the morning or afternoon. Parents need to be aware that cars and delivery trucks need to use their driveways throughout the day and this is why it needs to remain clear. Council rangers will be notified to fine any parents parking illegally on their property.

Please be aware EWE Global Express Transport Group will be operating out of the industrial complex next to our school. Their management would appreciate no parents blocking their driveway whilst dropping off or picking up children in the morning or afternoon. Parents need to be aware trucks will be using their driveways throughout the day.

Bus Services have requested that I inform parents and students of the significant change created by the introduction of the School Opal cards. Students need to tap on and off when they travel to and from school. Opal data gathered by tapping on and off is used to determine demand for bus services. If students do not tap on and tap off, services may be cancelled due the lack of recorded patronage.

If your child does not have a School Opal card or their details have changed then please visit www.opal.com.au/en/about-opal/opal-for-school-students/. Damaged or lost School Opal cards can be replaced by completing the form found at [\[https://ssts%1fapply.transport.nsw.gov.au/ApplySSTS/Replace\]](https://ssts%1fapply.transport.nsw.gov.au/ApplySSTS/Replace)<https://sstsapply.transport.nsw.gov.au/ApplySSTS/ReplaceCard.html>

Regards,

Yours Sincerely

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