



MALEK FAHD ISLAMIC SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Caregivers

12th April 2019

Assalamalaikum WRWB

We have now reached the end of Term 1, a long and fruitful term it has been. I'd like to thank all the staff and parents for their continued support towards the school. To the students, congratulations on all the achievements you have made, and I look forward to seeing you all in Term 2 for even greater success.

Before we have a look back at some of the things the primary school did in term 1, please see below for updates and reminders.

Term 1

Term 1 ends on Friday 12 April. **Term 2 starts on Tuesday 30 April 2019.** Inshallah you have a safe and enjoyable term break and we look forward to seeing back in Term 2.

Lost Property

Lost property is now located inside the office. Anything that has not been claimed by the end of each term will be removed. It is best to ensure that all your child's items are clearly labelled with their name and class so that if found can easily be returned. Please also remind your child to be responsible and look after their things too.

NAPLAN Year 3 and Year 5

NAPLAN will occur during the blessed month of Ramadan. It is advisable that the students sleep well before each exam and wake up for Sohour and have a healthy breakfast, and then pray fajr. Students must be at school at 8:45am. Please make suitable arrangements

so that your child is not late as not extension time can be given for lateness.

The NAPLAN timetable is as follows:

Year	Tuesday 14 May	Wednesday 15 May	Thursday 16 May
Year 3	Language conventions: 45 minutes; Writing 40 minutes	Reading: 45 minutes	Numeracy: 45 minutes
Year 5	Language conventions: 45 minutes; Writing: 40 minutes	Reading: 50 minutes	Numeracy: 50 minutes

Ramadan Times

During Ramadan, school for K – 6 will start at 8:45am.

Home time for K – 2 is 1:50pm

Home time for 3 – 6 is 2:00pm.

All buses will leave by 2:15pm.

Please pick your child up on time, as there will be limited supervision once the school day ends. **Please be reminded that your child should not be at school before 8:30am as there is no supervision before this time.**

Ramadan Iftar

The Primary School Iftar will be held on Thursday 16 May. Maghreb prayer will be held at the school. The Ishaá prayer is yet to be confirmed. Last year all those who came had an enjoyable time and so we hope more of our primary school families come along and join us for Iftar. Tickets can be purchased from the main office in the high school.

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Curriculum Matters

This year, the School has implemented the New Science and Technology Syllabus which the teachers were planning and programming throughout 2018. This subject area fosters a sense of wonder and curiosity about the world around them and how it works. Students are encouraged to problem solve, enhance their skills in inquiry and be prepared to succeed in a rapidly developing technological world. We are excited about the new BlueBot robots' students will be programming in the lower grades and the Edison robots for the middle to upper primary students.

Over the course of this year, teaching staff will continue to program and plan, this time in preparation for the implementation of the new PDHPE syllabus in 2020. In this KLA students will explore the interrelationship between health, safety, wellbeing and participation in physical activity.

Learning is a partnership between the school and the home. To help children reach their potential and succeed it is recommended that parents reinforce what is taught at school. Over the term break it is good practice to encourage children to revise their work, so that when they return to school they can make the connections and build on the work taught in term 1. Model reading at home by reading and especially listening to your child read, practice spelling frequently used words, and encourage them to answer questions and express themselves in full sentences. By working collaboratively, we can teach our children and impart knowledge upon them in the most impressionable years to become the leaders of the next generation of people

Holiday Activities

Check out your local councils for school holiday activities that your children can take part in. Your local libraries currently have several free activities that will run during the holidays. Children can also learn to illustrate their own story if they register

online at The Bankstown Art centre which is running linework and comic book structures.

And now let's have a look at just some of the activities the primary school took part in.

Support for New Zealand

Our Students created banners of support, peace and hope which were sent to the victims of the New Zealand attack



ANZAC DAY

Our SRC Captains, represented our school at the annual AIS ANZAC Day Commemoration Ceremony in Hyde Park. They were joined by hundreds of students from other independent schools around the state, where they listened to speeches and laid a wreath on behalf of the School.



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Kindergarten Grandparents Day

As part of their studies, Kindergarten students got to dress up in cultural dress. They also invited their grandparents to class, who shared stories about what life was like in the past.



Year 2 excursion to the old school house

Year 2 had an exceptional experience at the old School House. There they stepped back in time to the 1800s and experienced what school was like so long ago.



Have a safe and enjoyable break

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