



17 February 2020

NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents/Guardians,

Assalamu Alaykum WRWB,

Welcome to the new Kindergarten Class at Greenacre Campus

A very warm welcome to our new Kindergarten students at Malek Fahd Islamic School. Due to a high demand to enrol into our School, we are delighted to announce the opening of a new Kindergarten class making it the sixth Kindergarten class. The new non-sibling enrolments, when tested displayed very strong academic quality, and readiness for schooling. Late last year, due to the overall capping of student numbers at the Greenacre campus, these students were not able to be accepted into our fine School. In keeping with our philosophy of a reduced number of students in Kindergarten classes, this class will be accommodating approximately 20 new students.

If you are a first time parent in Malek Fahd you will soon discover the amazing students, staff and community we have. I have visited each of the three campuses and am delighted how easily and quickly other Kindergarten students have settled in to the School routine. Thank you to our dedicated and enthusiastic Kindergarten teachers and teacher aides for their commitment and support.



Upcoming Parent Information Sessions

Parent information sessions are being held for all students and parents at each campus. Following are the remaining upcoming sessions:

Greenacre Campus

Primary, K-6: Tuesday, 18th February
Years 9 & 10: Thursday, 20th February
Years 11 & 12: Thursday, 27th February

Beaumont Hills Campus

Years 11 & 12: Thursday, 20th February

Hoxton Park Campus

Primary, K-6: Friday, 21st February
Years 11 & 12: Wednesday, 26th February

Parent Advisory Committee – CALL FOR MEMBERSHIP

MFIS Parents Advisory Committee would like to invite parents from various campuses to join and participate in the committee. The Parents Advisory Committee meets once a month for 90 minutes at various campuses to discuss issues relating to the life of the School. We also have facilities for Audio/Video conferencing for participants who are not always able to attend the meetings. If you would like to join the committee, please send resumes/biodata to the PAC Chair, Mr Kamal Mahmoud via email: pac@mfis.nsw.edu.au.

School Photos

School photos will be taken early in Term 1. Please ensure students are in full school uniform and that haircuts comply with School policy. Beaumont Hills Campus had their photos last week and following are the dates for:
Greenacre Primary: Thursday, 27th February 2020,
Greenacre Secondary: Friday, 28th February and
Hoxton Park Campus: Wednesday, 11th March 2020.

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 8:20am onwards. Students will be supervised by teachers from 8:30am to 8:45am prior to the assembly bell. School starts for K – 6 at 8:45am. Students should not be at school before 8:30am as there is very limited supervision.

Prefect Investiture Ceremony

I had the great pleasure of presenting the aspiring young leaders with their badges at the Prefects Investiture Assembly at Beaumont Hills Campus today. A delicious morning tea was also organised for all the members of the Student Representative Council.



Beaumont Hills Bush Fire Fundraising

Beaumont Hills Campus held a bushfire fundraiser on Friday, 14th February to raise funds for the bushfire victims. Bake sale and gold coin donations totalled a sum of \$3300.00. The class with the highest collection will be given a pizza party on Friday 21st February. This is a tremendous effort shown by all. Special thanks to Ms Usman and Ms Kaur for helping with the sales and clean up.

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. Year 7 and new students will also be issued with accounts by the IT department. They need to activate their accounts and change their password at their first login. The School's Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Email Policy and Agreement should be read by all parents and students. We expect appropriate and acceptable use of Malek Fahd Islamic School computer facilities, internet and email for the purposes of fostering educational activities at School. Year 7 and new enrolments will need to read, sign and return the Policy to the school. Student email and login will not be provided to students until this form is completed and signed by both the students and parents.

Students Travelling via Buses

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/aboutopal/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://sstsapply.transport.nsw.gov.au/ApplySSTS/Replace Card.html>

2020 Term Dates

Please be advised the following are the dates of schooling for 2020. These dates have also been published on the school website.

Term 1 - Wed, 29th January to Thu, 9th April 2020

Term 2 - Tue, 28th April to Thu, 2nd July 2020

Term 3 - Tue, 21st July to Fri, 25th September 2020

Term 4 - Tue, 13th October to Fri, 4th December 2020

School Uniform

Parents are requested to make an appointment for fittings and uniform purchases by calling Midford directly on 0498 518 916 or by emailing malek.fahd@midford.com.au. You are also welcome to purchase uniforms online at your convenience. Your order will be filled when the store is next open. Website Address: <https://schoolshop.midford.com.au/login/passphase:malek1989>

Kind regards,

Mr Bruce Rixon
Principal