



# MALEK FAHD ISLAMIC SCHOOL

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## Head of Campus Newsletter



Dear Parents and Carers,  
Assalamu alaykum wa ruhmatullahi wa barakaatuhu

The Years 7-10 Semester 1 Student Reports have been mailed home last week. Please contact the Campus Front Office if you do not receive your child's report. Students must ensure they act on the feedback given in the report to achieve their full potential.

I would like to thank all students and parents who donated towards the fundraising for Lebanon. A total of \$386.85 was raised.

### Allwell Academic Assessment

Students in Years 6 and 8 will sit the Allwell Academic Assessment on 31 August. Please ensure your child comes to school with their stationery. Allwell Academic Assessment is used by the School to collect data to inform on student abilities to best meet their needs.

### Canteen

All recess and lunch orders must be placed in the morning. Students are still not permitted to line up to purchase food from the canteen.

### ICAS

This is to advise you that we are past the cut-off date for parents to register students for ICAS 2020.

Students who have registered will sit the tests at school on:

Science 17 August

English 24 August

Mathematics 31 August

Spelling 31 August

### Science Week – Week 5

This year National Science Week falls in week 5, 17th August -21st August. The theme for Science Week is **Deep Blue: Innovation for the Future of our Oceans**. Students will be involved in the following activities at school.

- K-2 Learn about density and make saltwater jars
- Years 3-4 Responsible fishing - design a board game to educate others about responsible fishing
- Years 5-6 - Ocean acidification and shells - conduct an experiment to make an eggshell disappear.
- Year 7 watch videos on climate change and its effects of the ocean.
- Year 8 and 9 carry out research on the theme
- Year 10 and 11 class trivia

### Literacy & Numeracy Week – Week 6

Literacy and Numeracy week will be celebrated in Week 6, 29 August- 2 September. Literacy and Numeracy week supports students to develop stronger literacy and numeracy skills and understanding through a range of activities. The literacy activities include making a comic strip and storybook drama. The numeracy activities include making a board game using mathematical concepts and making art using shapes. This year, all students will also participate in a jellybean guessing competition as well.

This year, **Book Week** will be held in Term 4, from 17 October-23 October. Unfortunately, it will be a bit different to previous years due to COVID-19. Students will be given the opportunity to dress up as their favourite character, however, the annual Scholastic bookfair or parent assembly will not be held. Again, this will all depend on the Covid-19 situation in Term 4. There will be planned activities for students to participate in.

The theme for Book Week this year is: **Curious Creatures Wild Minds**

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### NSW Premier's Reading Challenge

The NSW PRC challenge closes for students on Friday 28 August. Students are encouraged to read the required number of books (20 books) and complete the challenge by the due date. Students can see the PRC coordinators for any queries.

Primary – Ms Warizah Usman

Secondary – Mrs Nafisat

### Important Message to Parents

1. Sick students must not attend school. They must stay home until they are free from symptoms.
2. Maintain physical distancing from other parents and teachers.
3. Drop off students at the carline in the morning. Parents will not be allowed to walk their children to the classroom.
4. Parents must wait inside their cars during carline.
5. Parents must not gather or socialise on Campus grounds.
6. Parents must have an appointment to see a staff member. No walk-ins permitted. Phone and email preferred.
7. Students must bring a filled water bottle from home.
8. Parents should speak to their children about avoiding close contact with their friends and regular handwashing.
9. Students must have a recess and/or lunch order from home. Students will not be permitted to line up and purchase food from the canteen.

### Attendance

Parents are required to **explain the absences** of their children from school promptly and **within seven days** to the school. Please remember that the explanation of the absence is your legal responsibility and as such you must respond to the text message you receive when your child is away from school. If the reason is other than sickness, then it is your responsibility to fill out a Leave Form.

### UNIFORM MATTERS

Please ensure your child comes to school each and every day in full school uniform. This includes a school blazer (during cooler seasons and for special events) with polished black shoes. Students are encouraged to have an official Malek Fahd School Bag. Sports uniform can only be worn on Sports Days and includes fully enclosed running joggers for students.

Any torn uniform must be replaced. Students must arrive at school each day looking neat, clean and presentable. Please note girls in Years 3-6 must wear the School scarf (instant scarf) available through the uniform shop only. Primary girls are not permitted to wear scarfs that require pins for safety reasons.

### Start Smart Program

On Monday 10 August, our campus once again welcomed the Commonwealth Bank to deliver their free, financial education workshops – called Start Smart. Our school has proudly been involved in the Commonwealth Bank's Start Smart Program since 2016 in its mission to improve the financial literacy of Australia's young people. Years 9 & 10 students attended this free seminar. Overall, the program proved to be a highly beneficial experience for students and was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

- Ms Lorizah Usman

NSW Health website

<https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/diseases/Pages/covid-19-resources.aspx> has useful information on Covid-19.

Kind Regards,



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Head of Campus