



15 August 2018

## NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents/Guardians

Assalamu Alaykum WRWB

### Eid Mubarak

Eid-al-Adha is a time for sacrifice, show of generosity to friends, family and those in need, as well as marking the end of the Hajj. I extend my warmest wishes to our School community. Eid Mubarak to all!

### Eid-al-Adha Celebration Break

Upon advice the break for Eid-al-Adha was originally gazetted for Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup>, Thursday, 23<sup>rd</sup> and Friday 24<sup>th</sup> of August with the Eid Carnival to be held on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> of August at the Greenacre campus. The original plan was to have Friday to clear and clean the School grounds following the Carnival. Over the weekend the Grand Mufti, Dr Ibrahim Abu Mohamad, proclaimed Eid-al-Adha for the year 1439H- 2018 would commence on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> August. I am conscious that parents have made arrangement for the extended Eid to have Friday, and the weekend, as part of the Eid celebrations and that students will not be at School.

In consultation with School Executive, Dr Bennett, School Chairman and PAC President, Dr Dib, the decision is the **Eid-Al-Adha break will be a 4-day celebration**, with the school being closed from **Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> August to Friday 24<sup>th</sup> of August inclusive**. I hope this gives all families who have made prior arrangements to have more time with their families.

### Eid Carnival

Malek Fahd Islamic School Eid Carnival is on **Thursday, 23<sup>rd</sup> August from 10am to 7pm**. I know everyone is looking forward to enjoying this terrific way of celebrating Eid with the whole family. The entry for the Carnival will be free and will also include many free attractions such as pony rides, petting zoo, outdoor cinema and stage presentations. **Wrist bands for unlimited rides** all day are for sale now. They can be purchased from the School Administration Offices at all campuses for \$25.00 each.



This will allow entry to all rides including, Dodgem Cars, Top Gun, Sizzler, Mini Pirate Ship, Giant Slide, Cup and Saucer, Jungle Safari, Bungee Trampolines, Animal Jungle, Euro Bounce, Adrenalin Rush and Toxic Wipeout Challenge. There is also an opportunity to purchase individual rides at \$5 or \$8 on the day. We will also have various food and other stalls. The carnival will end with spectacular fireworks display. Those who wish to have a stall at the carnival are asked to contact

**Mr Monser Gabr direct on 0424 777 755.**

### Passing of Mr Rahman Ali

It is with a sad heart that I inform you that Mr Rahman Ali, brother to Mrs Shah and brother-in-law to Mr Khan passed away on Friday. Mr Ali, a founding teacher of MFIS who taught the first 3 Unit Mathematics class in 1998. He was much loved and he was a valued teacher, mentor and friend to staff and students.

We extend our deepest condolences to his family. May his soul rest in peace.

## Year 12 Presentation and Awards Ceremony

Malek Fahd Islamic School will have a whole school assembly to celebrate the achievements of our Year 12 graduating students of Greenacre Campus and for the first time students of Beaumont Hills. The Year 12 Presentation and Awards Ceremony will be on **Thursday, 13<sup>th</sup> September 2018** at the Quaycentre, Olympic Boulevard, Sydney Olympic Park, commencing at 10.30am.

This will be the first time where all three campuses and some 2500 students, Year 12 parents, special guests and staff will gather together to celebrate our school and its graduating students. All students will be transported via buses to and from the three campuses.

## Cross Country Championships 2018

Malek Fahd Islamic School held its inaugural school Cross Country championships in glorious weather at Bark Huts Reserve, Strathfield on 1<sup>st</sup> August. The event involved students from all three campuses with girls and boys in Years 7, 8, 9 and 10 competing. 400 students competed on the day with many thrilling finishes. All Year 7 boys and girls competed over a 2 kilometre course and the Year 8, 9 and 10 students completing a 3 kilometre course. Special mention to the 10G1 and 10B1 students who assisted as officials and recorders. Noteworthy achievements:

Girls	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10
<b>1st</b>	Aisha Sabouh (G)	Raeanne El Mustapha (BH)	Salma Refaat (G)	Sarah Kak (G)
<b>2nd</b>	Tiana Johnson (G)	Najwata Taha (BH)	Swaleha Ali (HP)	Hanan Zureqat (G)
<b>3rd</b>	Sabria Ahounzada (BH)	Baseema Ahsan (G)	Layla Afionny (G)	Chaymaa Guerfi (G)

Boys	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10
<b>1st</b>	Mahmoud Salim (G)	Jad Kodr (G)	Kabeer Shah (BH)	Khalid Mohamed (G)
<b>2nd</b>	Abdullah Arja (G)	Shaheveer Malik (G)	Nabil Afazal (HP)	Mayez Hijazi (G)
<b>3rd</b>	Jamal Kak (G)	Ahmed Al-nuaimi (HP)	Mostafa Metleg (G)	Talha Yousuf (G)

## “Jeans for Genes Day”

Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> of August was “Jeans for Genes” Day. A day to bring awareness to childhood genetic disorders, cancers and autism and to raise funds for the Children’s Medical Research Institute. Former student

of MFIS, Ibrahim Darwich, visited the School and gave a talk to our Year 10 boys about his genetic disorder known as Muscular Dystrophy. Year 10 are currently studying Genetics in Science and one of the subtopics is genetic diseases. Ibrahim spoke of his condition in which a person’s muscles progressively weakens to the point of disability.

Ibrahim was open about his experiences with the disease and the struggles of daily life, including using a wheel chair. However, Ibrahim did not allow his disorder to hinder him from achieving his goals. He has 4 University degrees, including a Masters and he is currently an active member of the community mentoring young people. Ibrahim is an inspirational young man for us all.



## Careers Expo

Careers Expo was held on Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> August. It was a great success and assistance for students selecting subjects and reinforcing career choices. This year it was held during the day to enable all Years 10 to 12 students of all three campuses to attend. Special thanks to Ms Khalaf for assembling a wide array of career services. It was wonderful to have so many Alumni providing their time and services.

## Movie Presentation - “One Day in the Haram”

Yesterday, our students from Years 3 to 12 from all campuses had the opportunity to witness a documentary titled “One Day in the Haram”; an extraordinary story of the Haram in Makkah. This was presented by “One Path Network”. The movie was enjoyed by all and provided our students with knowledge and never seen before footage so close to the Kaaba.

## Year 8 and Year 10 Parent Information Afternoons

We will be holding Year 8 and Year 10 Parent Information Afternoons at all three Campuses to explain to our students and parents the new Preliminary and HSC expectations and subject selection criteria for 2019.



Below are the scheduled dates:

- Greenacre Year 8 – Tues, 28<sup>th</sup> Aug
- Greenacre Year 10 – Wed, 29<sup>th</sup> Aug
- Beaumont Hills Year 8 and 10 – Wed, 5<sup>th</sup> Sept
- Hoxton Park – Year 8 and 10 – Thu, 6<sup>th</sup> Sept

A note containing further details will be sent home to parents later this week.

### Science Week

The Science Faculty has organised the activities in recognition of the Science Week. The theme for the Science Week is “*Game Changers and Change Makers*”. The Science Club members have organised the various activities including *Dress up like a Scientist Day*, *Creative Science Competition* and *Science Trivia/Spelling Bee Competition*. A school assembly has been organised at Greenacre Campus on Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> August in the School Hall where the *Science Trivia/Spelling Bee Competition* will be held followed by a Science Awards presentation ceremony.

### Book Week 2018

This year book week falls in Week 5 and the theme is “*Find Your Treasure*”. English teachers will be incorporating the theme within the classroom with exciting activities. There will also be a *Dress Up as Your Favourite Character Day* on Friday the 24<sup>th</sup> where we will give out prizes to the best dressed!

### Premier's Reading Challenge

PRC is drawing to a close this month and many students have already completed their lists. Reading is an important part of English and this year we have made participation compulsory for Years 7 to 9.

### Education Perfect Global Competition

Our students came 8<sup>th</sup> in the whole world as they completed a range of English questions. We are incredibly proud of them, especially our Emerald Award winners Mahmud Fahim 7B1, Hasnain Bhurawala 8B1, Tamira Chowdhury 8G2 and Sidratul Islam 8B1.

 242,014 Questions answered
  175,250 Points earned
  633 Hours spent
  8<sup>th</sup> Global ranking
  3<sup>rd</sup> Category ranking  
501-1000 students

 Credit x52
  Bronze x26
  Silver x4
  Gold x3
  Emerald x4
  Elite none

### Malek Fahd Islamic School 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala Dinner – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2018

Malek Fahd Islamic School is pleased to announce our 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of HSC graduates. It is also the first year for Year 12 at our Beaumont Hills Campus. To celebrate this historic event, we are hosting a **Gala Dinner on Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> September 2018**. The Gala Dinner will be held at

Lantana Venues, 130 Edensor Road, Bonnyrigg NSW  
 Tickets for the Gala Dinner can be purchased from the Secondary Greenacre Administration Office and the Offices at Beaumont Hills and Hoxton Park.

**Online ticketing** is also now available through the closed group on MFIS Alumni Facebook account. Tickets are \$70.00 each and all tickets are numbered. It will need to be presented on the night for entry. The Gala Dinner will also be a fund raising event to contribute to the educational needs of our students across each of the three campuses. This year's fundraising focus will be technology and shade for each campus. There will be a *Silent and Live Auction* during the night. We welcome donations for these auctions. The 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala Dinner will be a great opportunity for our past cohorts, staff and parents to socialise and have fun in support of our great School.

## 30th Anniversary

## Gala Dinner

21.09.18

Photo Booth & Videos  
 Trivia Questions  
 Lucky Draw Prizes  
 Fundraising for  
 School's Technology  
 & Sun Shades



Friday, 21st September 6:30pm  
 Lantana Venues 130 Edensor Road  
 Bonnyrigg NSW 2177

*Remember: One book, one pen, one child, and one teacher can change the world.*

Yours sincerely,



Mr Bruce Rixon  
Principal