



AL NOORI NEWS

Al Noori Muslim School

Our mission is for all students to be empowered, resilient and future-focused.

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SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا كُتِبَ عَلَيْكُمُ
الصِّيَامُ كَمَا كُتِبَ عَلَى الَّذِينَ مِن
قَبْلِكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَتَّقُونَ

O believers! Fasting is prescribed for you—as it was for those before you —so perhaps you will become mindful of Allah. 2:183

Dear Parents/ Caregivers,

Assalamu 'alaikum wa rahmatullahi wa barakaatuhu.

It has been a busy Term 1 and the students have been engaged in many learning opportunities that are designed to build their knowledge and skill set. This term, we have had student voice at front and centre of every activity with a strong focus on mental health and wellbeing. We would like to thank our school community for their support with regards to the COVID-19 notifications. It has been a challenging time for staff, students and their families and we would like to acknowledge the tremendous efforts of our teachers, collectively working together to ensure continuity of learning for our students. As evidenced by the photos in this newsletter, positive school culture has continued to grow. Every day our students start with a growth mindset through the daily morning Du'a assemblies. This term, due to the easing of the COVID-19 restrictions, students have been able to interact with peers from other year groups and participate in extra-curricular activities, including the NRMA Science and Road Safety Show, SRC Leadership Workshops, Wellbeing Incursions, National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence, Orphan Sponsorship and the Ramadan Food Drive.

We would like to remind our school community that despite the easing of restrictions, COVID is still a concerning matter, and we ask that parents continue to be vigilant with hygiene practices and keep sick or symptomatic students at home. This is especially important as we head into winter and the cold months, as we are expecting a rise in COVID positive numbers.

Ramadan is expected to start in Week 10. We wish all members of the Al Noori Muslim School community a blessed and prosperous month. Ramadan Mubarak!

RAMADAN MUBARAK 1443

We wish the school community a Ramadan Mubarak and ask Allah (SWT) to ease the hardships faced by many in the world.



The Ramadan school hours will be **8:30am-2:30pm**, effective as of **Monday the 4th of April** (Term 1, Week 10) until **Friday 29th April 2022** (Term 2, Week 1).

During Ramadan, K-6 students will not be issued with homework while high school students will have a reduced homework load.

An exciting Ramadan program will be conducted in both the primary and high school to promote the engagement in good deeds and instill a love of fasting and faith in students. Ramadan activities will be further promoted in upcoming notes and newsletters.

Please note that there will be no canteen services during the month of Ramadan.

RAMADAN FOOD DRIVE

Thank you to all the students, parents and school members who have donated generously to our annual **Ramadan Food Drive**. We are reaching the final days of the collection as the charity organisations will be packaging the items to distribute at the beginning of Ramadan.

Donations will be accepted until Friday the 1st of April 2022 (Week 9). May Allah (SWT) reward you for your generosity.

SAFETY AROUND OUR SCHOOL

Safety around schools is a shared responsibility and everyone has a role to ensure the school environment is safe. Parents & caregivers are kindly requested to speak to their children about road safety.

Children **MUST** utilise the crossings to cross the road. No adults or children should be crossing Greenacre Rd from near the corner shop. This is a safety concern.

Parents & caregivers must also drive safely around schools and never complete 3 point turns over double-center lines or through the school driveways. Extra vigilance must be exercised around the staff and parent carparks as young children are unpredictable at times and may be in your blind spot.

It is essential that parents or carers **pick up their children on time at the end of the school day**. There are times when parents or carers may be running late for the pickup. It is important that parents advise their children to notify the Administration Office when they have not been picked up.

Recently, the media has also reported concerns about strangers around schools in Sydney. This is the time for teachers, parents, and caregivers to remind students about 'Stranger Danger'. Please ensure your child is aware of who is picking them up and ensure they have a consistent after school pick up routine.

Links such as [Stranger Danger | Teaching Children about Stranger Danger \(mychildsafety.net\)](#) and [Safety 4 Kids - Games, Education, Safety and More](#) can be used by parents to help explain to their children how to react in an incident with a stranger.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2022 STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

We welcome the election of the new Student Representative Council by their peers and teachers earlier this term. These students are our future leaders, and have shown outstanding commitment to learning, exemplary leadership skills and are positive role models for their peers.

Their selection to represent the student body was celebrated at the SRC Induction Ceremony on Wednesday the 16th of March 2022. May Allah (SWT) guide and protect you in your leadership journey this year.

The School Captains, Past & Present, hosted this event with poise, confidence, and inspiration.



Thank you to the combined effort of our student presenters. The 2021 High School Captains, Emad Merhi and Fatima Harb, the 2022 High School Captains, Mohamed Zailaa & Shayla Zreika and the 2022 Primary School Captains, Ismael Jalloh and Sadika Kabir.

Thank you to our special guests and attendees for attending the celebration of student voice.

Sarah	Natfaji	5 Orange
Rukaya	Najem	5 Purple
Haadi	Shahu	5 Purple
Raneem	Merheb	5 Red
Mikaeel	Wahab	5 Red
Soha	Waqas	5 Yellow
Ismaeel	Jalloh	6 Blue
Sadika	Kabir	6 Blue
Malik	Awadallah	6 Green
Mariam	Hassan	6 Green
Farah	El Mohtadi	6 Orange
Baraa	Krayem	6 Orange
Mouhammad	Abouloukme	6 Purple
Rythmica	Ahmed	6 Purple
Layelle	Chami	6 Red
Ahmad	Laalaa	6 Red
Ahmed	Fahda	6 Yellow
Syeda Namera	Hossain	6 Yellow
Saad	Ur Rehman	5 Yellow
Becker	Murad	7B1
Omar	Zreika	7B2
Jabriel	Merheb	7B3
Jana	Akra	7G1
Ilesha	Wahab	7G2
Rayya	Mousawel	7G3
Sheikh	Daiyan	8B1
Mohammad	Abdul Rehman	8B2
Noah	Kaled	8B3
Asmaa	Taljesic	8G1
Sereena	Akkaoui	8G2
Ghadaa	Marouch	8G3
Farhan	Eusuf	9B1
Hasan	Khammousieh	9B2
Yusuf	Shinnaq	9B3
Aaya	Hamada	9G1
Jana	Nachar	9G2
Loyal	El-Zahab	9G3
Hamza	Adel	10B1
Bahaa	Merheb	10B2
Nazafah	Mostofa	10G1

First Name	Surname	Class
Ahmad	Achouh	3 Blue
Amelia	Chaaban	3 Blue
Raheen	Patel	3 Green
Isaac	Samman	3 Green
Sarah	Sadik	3 Orange
Mohammed	Yaghi	3 Orange
Sarim Shoaib	Ahmed	3 Purple
Asiyah	Chamma	3 Purple
Isaac	Barake	3 Red
Mariam	Masri	3 Red
Camellia	Ramlawie	3 Yellow
Hamzah	Shinnaq	3 Yellow
Syed	Hasan	4 Blue
Mabniya Min	Tajri	4 Blue
Mohamad	Hamze	4 Green
Wafa	Hourani	4 Green
Fetinah	Laalaa	4 Orange
Abdullah	Nur	4 Orange
Jazmin	Elasmar	4 Purple
Nafez	Zakzouk	4 Purple
Tanzim	Hossain	4 Red
Shuhita	Islam	4 Red
Yusuf	Hassan	4 Yellow
Eva	Zreika	4 Yellow
Aisha	Akra	5 Blue
Mohammed	Al-Malliki	5 Blue
Alaayna	Mansuri	5 Green
Muhammad	Segu Haris	5 Green
Tashrik	Mahmud	5 Orange

Alanah	Makki	10G2
Zarin	Tasnim	10G2
Ibrahim	Mohammad	11B1
Haris	Naeem	11B1
Shadman	Rahman	11B1
Mohamad	Zailaa	11B1
Abdullah	Arja	11B2
Ibrahim	Jalloh	11B2
Raisah	Ahmed	11G1
Shayla	Zreika	11G1
Raghad	Elshahoumi	11G2
Fizza	Fatima	11G2
Rayhanah	Ibrahim	11G2
Clara	Athifa	11G3

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NATIONAL DAY OF ACTION AGAINST BULLYING

On Friday the 18th of March 2022, Al Noori Muslim School stood with all Australian schools to STAND UP AGAINST BULLYING.

The K-2 theme was 'No Bully Beans Here' and the 3-6 theme was 'Do Your Piece to Stop Bullying'.

Our students wrote their own messages against bullying and created wonderful school displays which help spread the message of positive school interactions and respectful friendships.



In the high school, students were engaged in a 2-week educational program on what constitutes bullying, how to deal with bullies, how to maintain a positive outlook and where to get help if you feel you are bullied.

Students were also invited to participate in the theme of the National Day of Action Against Bullying "Kindness Culture" by completing in-class activities, developing posters, and listening to a speech prepared by their peer, Anhaar Kareem. Anhaar shared the story of Shukri Abdi, a Muslim student who was bullied in the UK and shared practical steps on how we can continue to establish a "Kindness Culture" at the school.

Quote "Behind every single person who is a victim of bullying, we must remember that they are not merely a statistic or number, but the story of a person suffering".

The High School Wellbeing Team also launched a "Report Bullying" form for students who feel they are targeted by unwanted behaviours by their peers, at school or online. Matters reported will be investigated with the utmost care as we continue our commitment to ensure we have a safe and supportive, bullying-free school.

DESIGN FOR DEEP LEARNING – DDL NEWS

Al Noori Muslim School is in its third year of participating in the global Design for Deep Learning Program. This program has helped students and teachers design learning that is far beyond the achievement of syllabus outcomes.

The Deep Learning pedagogy is a practical approach to help students make connections to the real world, further student consolidation of knowledge and increase student engagement in learning.

The program utilises the global competencies for deep learning and prepares our students for the changes in our complex and dynamic world. The 6 Competencies that we have focused on are Character, Citizenship, Communication, Collaboration Creativity and Critical Thinking. Our focus on these competencies will develop learners into confident learners, leaders and changemakers.

Thank you to the Al Noori Muslim School Core Team for their commitment to the success of the DDL program and our students' learning.

NATIONAL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM- LITERACY AND NUMERACY

All students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 will complete their NAPLAN Assessments in Week 3 and Week 4 of Term 2.

We encourage parents to visit the Public Demonstration site with their child, which can be found here: <https://nap.edu.au/online-assessment/public-demonstration-site>.

For information about the national assessment tailored to parents, consult the online parent brochure by clicking on the following link: <https://nap.edu.au/docs/default-source/default-document-library/naplan-information-brochure-for-parents-and-carers.pdf>

The Primary School Saturday Literacy and Numeracy Program will conclude on Saturday the 26th of March 2022.

The High School Literacy and Numeracy Enrichment Program will conclude on Thursday, 24th March 2022.

UNIFORM DEPARTMENT

The Uniform Department has re-opened for **face-to-face purchases**. All sizes are now in stock and available for purchase. **The Uniform Department will be closed from Monday 11 April 2022 until Tuesday 26 April 2022.**

Location:

85 Mimosa Road, Greenacre NSW 2190

Hours of operation:

Open: **Mondays** and **Wednesdays** from 8:10 am to 10:30 am (school terms only)

Closed: Tuesday, Thursday and Friday

Purchase Options:

Via Administration Office: Submit your order form and payment at the Primary School or High School Administration Office during the week (**Monday to Friday**) from 9:30am to 2:30pm. You will be contacted when your order is ready for pick up.

In Person: Visit the Uniform Department on **Mondays** and **Wednesdays** from 8:10am to 10:30am **ONLY on the days specified above**. Parents are reminded that social distancing rules must be maintained at all times, in all interactions with Uniform Department volunteers and around the Uniform Department building.

Your cooperation in ensuring that we have a COVID-19 safe school is appreciated.

School Uniform Price List and Order Forms are available from the Administration Office and the Uniform Department.

There will be no refunds/returns on any items purchased from the Uniform Department. Exchanges are **ONLY** allowed upon presentation of a receipt and items must also be in original condition with tags still attached. Due to Health Regulations, there is **NO** exchange on hats or hijabs (regardless of whether the packet has been opened).

Note: The Uniform Department is not responsible for any lost property.

KINDERGARTEN TO YEAR 6

YEAR 5 & 6 RAMADAN IFTAAR - SAVE THE DATE

The Year 5 & 6 Ramadan Iftaar is being planned for Wednesday the 27th of April 2022. The iftaar will be hosted in the High School Hall. The event will be fully catered and there will be some fun competitions planned for the night.

Look out for the note confirming all the details.

KINDERGARTEN TO YEAR 6 PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS

The Term 1 Parent/ Teacher Interviews will take place throughout Week 9. This is a great opportunity to speak to the class teacher about your child's academic, social, and emotional progress.

The Term 1 Portfolio assessments give parents a snapshot of their child's strengths and weaknesses and the Parent-Teacher interviews may be used to set collaborative goals for Term 2.

The best way to achieve success is through a strong parent/ teacher partnership. Kindly finalise your booking through Sentral as soon as possible. If you are experiencing technical issues securing a booking, kindly email a.sowaid@alnoori.nsw.edu.au.

2022 NCCD

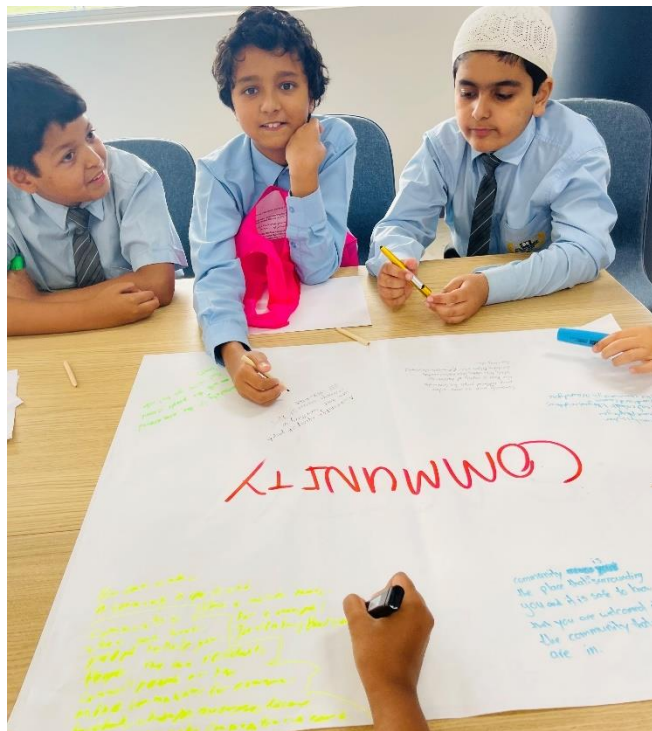
As part of the NCCD, teachers are devising Individual Learning Plans which help support the academic, social, and emotional needs of our students. These plans give students the opportunity to thrive at school and have an equal opportunity regardless of their individual needs.

Individual plans will be discussed with parents & caregivers during the Parent/ Teacher Interviews and parents are welcome to contribute to the plans.

If you do not wish for your child to be part of the NCCD please inform your child's class teacher.

CANTERBURY-BANKSTOWN COUNCIL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP

On Wednesday, 16th March 2022, students in Years 5 and 6 took part in a community development workshop which focused on future services for our community. Students offered their opinions and views on crime prevention, disability and senior citizen services. The feedback from Canterbury-Bankstown Council Officers was overwhelmingly positive and they enjoyed collaborating with our students on their views of the future.



NRMA SCIENCE AND ROAD SAFETY SHOW

Students from K-6 participated in the NRMA Science and Road Safety Program on Tuesday, 1st March 2022, where they explored and learned about best practice of road safety education. The purpose of the program was to increase knowledge and drive changes to attitudes and behaviours towards road safety. The program is aligned with PDHPE, English and Science Syllabus content. The students were all smiles during the interactive workshop.



YEAR 7 TO YEAR 12

PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS

The **Year 7 to Year 11 Parent/Teacher Interviews** are scheduled for Monday 28th March to Friday 1st April 2022 between 3:45 – 6:00 pm. The interviews will take place online on Microsoft Teams. The registration window opened for parents on Tuesday 15th March.

The **Year 12 Parent/Teacher Interviews** will be held in Week 2, Term 2.

SRC LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP

The SRC students participated in a 2-hour leadership workshop on Tuesday, 22nd March 2022 with Sheikh Hassan Elsetohy. The students were engaged in leadership lessons from the perfect example of humankind, the Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) as well as the leadership styles from renowned educational organisations such as Harvard Business School. The SRC left the session with the intention to inspire vision and focus on their teamwork skills.



“Leaders do not react to change; they create the change”



WELLBEING WORKSHOPS

Students in Years 7-10 participated in workshops designed to further equip learners with the skills needed to engage in society. Topics covered in the workshops included communication skills, innovation and creativity and emotional intelligence. The feedback from students was positive and students look forward to engaging in more sessions throughout the year.



HIGH SCHOOL IFTAARS

As part of the school's commitment to fostering an Islamic identity and instilling a love for fasting and good deeds, we encourage our high school students to participate in the annual Iftaar organised for Week 10. The Iftaar will be a catered buffet, including a selection of hot and cold dishes, drinks, and dessert. The Iftaar will also include Islamic trivia games and prizes.

The high school boys Iftaar will be on Wednesday, 6th April and the high school girls Iftaar will be on Thursday, 7th April 2022.

We kindly remind parents that there is no supervision for students before 5:30pm and their children must be picked up from school by 7pm. Please see the Iftaar notes for more details.

WEEK 9 SRC FUNDRAISING SAUSAGE SIZZLE

The SRC will be running a fundraiser for high school students on Wednesday, 30th March 2022 (Week 9) to raise funds for their orphan sponsorship. Please encourage the students by making a purchase. All profits will be going to charity.

UPCOMING TERM 2 EVENTS

Week	Event
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> First day for students is Wednesday, 27th of April 2022 Year 5 & 6 Iftaar (27/4/22) High School Inspirational Leadership Workshop (29/4/22)
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eid Al Fitr
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NAPLAN commences
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NAPLAN concludes

May Allah SWT keep you safe and in good health.

Wassalaam

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