



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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Dear Parents/ Caregivers,

Assalamu 'alaikum wa rahmatullahi wa barakaatuhu.

It has been another big term at Al Noori Muslim School. The highlight of the term was our 2022 Graduation Ceremony held on Tuesday, 13th of September 2022 where students, staff, parents, and families joined in the celebration. Over the coming weeks, the Year 12 teachers will focus on looking forward to the HSC which begins on Wednesday the 12th of October 2022. The Class of 2022 have aspiring goals this year and it is their collective vision and hard work that will push them to achieve their personal best and pursue their dreams.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all our teachers and staff for their dedication and efforts with all our students from Kindergarten to Year 12. Every day, our teachers challenge our students with rich tasks that build their skills to adapt, reflect, think critically, empathise, and have grit and perseverance. All learning experiences at Al Noori Muslim School are focussed on pursuing the school's mission for all students to be empowered, resilient and future-focused.

Last week, the Prime Minister announced that Australia will hold a National Day of Mourning to observe Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II on Thursday, 22nd of September 2022 in honour of the life and service of our late Queen. Hence, **the students' last day for Term 3 will be Wednesday, the 21st of September 2022.** We look forward to welcoming you back in Term 4. Staff look forward to welcoming students back on Tuesday, the 4th of October 2022.

WHOLE SCHOOL

'CLASS OF 2022' GRADUATION CEREMONY

Congratulations to our Graduating Class of 2022 who celebrated the culmination of their school journey in a wonderful ceremony and dinner on Tuesday, the 13th of September 2022. The celebration was held at the Renaissance in Lidcombe, and attended by parents, students, primary and high school teachers and notable guests. Thank you to all who attended and shared the wonderful memories and achievements of our Year 12 Class of 2022.



Congratulations to all award recipients on the night.

Dux Awards

- First Place Dux - Mohammad Ali Khan who received a \$1000 cheque from the school.
- Second Place Dux - Nabihah Nawar
- Third Place Dux - Emad Merhi

First Place Awards

- First Place in English Advanced - Emad Merhi
- First Place in English Standard - Tahiyah Khan
- First Place in Extension 2 Mathematics - Mohammad Ali Khan
- First Place in Extension 1 Mathematics - Mohammad Ali Khan
- First Place in Advanced Mathematics - Mohammad Safi
- First Place in Standard Mathematics - Tahiyah Khan
- First Place in Physics - Mohammad Ali Khan
- First Place in Chemistry – Nabihah Nawar
- First Place in Biology - Yara Natfaji

- First Place in Earth and Environmental Science - Sumaya Haddad
- First Place in Business Studies - Emad Merhi
- First Place in Legal Studies - Aya Shatnawi
- First Place in Society and Culture - Adam Elhami
- First Place in Society and Culture - Leah El Jamal
- First Place in Studies of Religion I - Nabihah Nawar
- First Place in Studies of Religion II - Emad Merhi
- First Place in PDHPE - Ahmad Shoaib

Ampol Best All Rounder Award

The recipient of the 2022 Ampol Best All Rounder Award was Aya Shatnawi. This award recognises the positive qualities of a student, including leadership, service and community, attitude, and personal conduct.

Reuben F Scarf Award

The recipient of the 2022 Reuben F Scarf Award was Haisum Murad. This award recognises the student's consistent commitment to their learning.

ADF Long Tan Award

The recipient of the 2022 ADF Long Tan Award was Humna Khan. This award recognises leadership and teamwork qualities. Humna Khan received a \$550 cash prize.

ADF Future Innovators Award

The recipient of the 2022 ADF Future Innovators Award was Obadah Meqdadi. This award recognises a student's passion for STEM. Obadah Meqdadi received a \$550 cash prize.

Academic Achievement Award

The recipients of the 2022 Academic Achievement Awards were Sumaya Haddad and Ahmad Shuaib. This award recognises the consistent application to their studies.

Citizenship Award

The recipients of the 2022 Citizenship Awards are Manar Alaqbari and Jad Sabini. This award recognises the positive contributions to the broader school community.

Leading by Example Award

The recipients of the 2022 Leading by Example awards are Fatima Harb and Nasr Mohammad. This award recognises students who have been role models to their peers.

2023 TERM DATES

Al Noori Muslim School Term dates for 2023 are below. Parents are reminded to book holidays and family events outside of the term dates. It is important that students do not miss out on valuable learning time and that their attendance at school is at a satisfactory level.

Term 1 (10 Weeks)

Monday 30th January 2023 to Thursday 6th April 2023

Term 2 (10 Weeks)

Wednesday 26th April 2023 to Friday 30th June 2023

Term 3 (10 Weeks)

Tuesday 18th July 2023 to Friday 22nd September 2023

Term 4 (10 Weeks)

Tuesday 3rd October 2023 to Wednesday 6th December 2023

STUDENTS AND SOCIAL MEDIA USE

Al Noori Muslim School teachers encourage and teach responsible and safe use of the internet and online applications. The school's official online platforms for students are Microsoft Office 365, Outlook, and MS Teams. These platforms are monitored by the school to ensure all students abide by our responsible and safe practices that are also in line with the school's Islamic ethos. We have filtering systems to ensure students are not exposed to anything deemed unsafe or inappropriate.

Many parents have enquired about their child's use of the platform, Discord. The school does not support the use of Discord by students; rather this platform is being used by students mainly to avoid the school's monitoring process. Parents are responsible for their child's online activity and the decision to allow students to use Discord or any other online application is at the discretion of the parents.



Discord

The government's e-safety guide is an excellent guide to all social media platforms: [The eSafety Guide | eSafety Commissioner](#)

Parenting advice on how to approach the social media talk with your child can be found here: [Social Media and Safety | Parentline](#)

PRIMARY SCHOOL

PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS

K-6 Parent/Teacher Interviews will run throughout Week 10. This is a great opportunity for parents/caregivers to discuss where students are at with their learning and development.

The Term 3 Assessment portfolio will be released on Monday the 19th of September and will help highlight students' strengths and areas for improvement.

Please review the student assessment portfolio and develop goals with the teachers for Term 4. Your ongoing partnership and support are extremely valuable in the education of your child. May Allah (SWT) reward you greatly.

NAPLAN 2022

Congratulations to the students in Grade 3 & 5 for the outstanding NAPLAN results achieved. We are proud of your hard work and effort.

Many of our students achieved 'off the scale' results especially in writing, grammar & punctuation, and spelling.

Let's continue to build on our students' success by nurturing reading, problem solving and writing/typing skills. The advice is for students to practise typing on a desktop computer or laptop rather than typing on an iPad.

RED NOSE DAY



On Friday the 12th of August, our wonderful students came together to support this important cause. They brought in their gold coin donations and purchased Red Noses.

Prior to this day, the upper primary students ran an education campaign at the morning assemblies to tell the story of Red Nose Day.

Thank you, Al Noori Muslim School, for your generosity.



Al Noori Muslim

For raising:

\$3867.10

THE PRIME MINISTER'S SPELLING BEE



CONGRATULATIONS UMME ABIHA RAHEEL

This year our students in Years 3 to 6 participated in the Prime Minister's Spelling Bee. We are pleased to announce **Umme Abiha Raheel** from class 5 Orange progressed into the State Level for her outstanding spelling abilities.

Umme Abiha Raheel, we are so proud of your efforts.



THE STAGE 3 MOATHEN COMPETITION

This term, the Stage 3 Islamic Studies Department hosted a **Moathen Competition**, and the student response was inspirational. Many students enthusiastically entered the competition and dedicated time and effort to practising making adhan in a truly beautiful manner.

It was extremely competitive as students showcased their amazing talents. It took a panel of 3 judges to award winners.

The winners of the 2022 **Moathen Competition** are:

First Place: Nuraz Ali

Second Place: Ibrahim Shaddad & Omar Saleh

Third Place: Baraa Krayem, Omar Ali, Aminuddin Mir & Muazz Rashid



We look forward to hearing your voices filling the school prayer halls for many years to come.

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The 2022 Athletics Carnivals were thoroughly enjoyed by students, teachers, and families. It was great to see our Kindergarten to Year 2 students enjoy their first ever carnival.

Students competed with pride and showcased their outstanding skills. Congratulations to all the participants and winners. The house group scores were as follows:

Tornadoes - 5705

Hurricanes - 4960

Flames - 4885

Lightning - 4735

CONGRATULATIONS TORNADOES!



WE LOVE ATHLETICS



TERM 3 REFLECTION

Thank you to all the staff who go above and beyond to engage their students and provide extracurricular activities that enrich the curriculum. Here's a snapshot of some great Term 3 Activities.

Kindergarten - Visit to Murru Mittigar Cultural Centre

This excursion immersed students in Australian and Aboriginal history and cultural. Our Kindergarten students were fascinated by the Aboriginal Culture and displayed maturity and respect beyond their years.



Year 1 - Powerhouse Museum Excursion



Our Year 1 students took a step into History and a step into the Future on this fun-filled excursion. The students observed an impressive collection of artefacts collected over the span of 125 years. They also took a step into the future and explored cutting edge technology such as space travel equipment.



Year 2 - Featherdale Wildlife Park Experience

This excursion brought out the nurturing and caring side of all our students. They responded beautifully to park rangers and showed the utmost care and gentleness when interacting with the wildlife. Students thoroughly

enjoyed this day and learnt about protecting endangered animal species.



EXCURSIONS BRING LEARNING TO LIFE!



Year 3 - Taronga Zoo Visit

This was a great day for our Year 3 students. They experienced a variety of shows and explored the zoo exhibits with their teachers and friends. They learnt about different needs and behaviours of animals in the wild.



**“THINK AND WONDER,
WONDER AND THINK”**



Year 4 – Royal Botanical Gardens Workshop

The focus of the excursion was biodiversity and investigating our natural environment. Students explored the grounds of the Royal Botanical Gardens and learnt about Australian Flora. Our students were commended on their outstanding behaviour and manners.



Year 5 - CosmoDome Incursion

As part of the Science unit, *Earth and Space*, students will be stepping into a dome as they journey through space in an enthralling IMAX style immersive 3D experience. This experience will take place on Monday the 19th of September, we will share photos soon!

Year 6 – Wheelchair Roadshow Incursion

Students were asked to walk in the shoes of a sportsperson who plays professional basketball in a wheelchair. Our students were shown that what they believe may be impossible is truly possible. This was a challenging but very enjoyable experience.



2022 CHARACTER PARADE

On Thursday the 15th of September, our school came to life with the most fantastic book characters. The vibe in the primary school was joyous, the costumes were amazing, and the parades were entertaining.

Thank you to all the students and staff who came to school dressed up and thank you to our wonderful parent community who always support school events.





HIGH SCHOOL

GIRLS ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

After a three-year hiatus, the high school girls finally geared up for the annual Athletics Carnival on Wednesday, 14 September. The girls showed exemplary effort and grit participating in the races, shot-put, high jump and long jump events. We were very pleased to see the positive attitude displayed by all girls. The results of the winning house will be released next newsletter after the boys' carnival.



The boys' athletics carnival is next Wednesday, 21st September 2022.

ISLAMIC SCHOOLS DEBATING COMPETITION



Well done to our junior debating teams who have been bringing their points and arguments to a win in the

recent Islamic Schools debating competitions. The Stage 4 and 5 debating teams have won all of their rounds. We thank their coaches, Ms Issa and Mr Sowaid for their dedication and support for our students' successful participation in the debating rounds.

- Aminah Zara – 8G1
- Zaynab Noor - 8G1
- Riami Ahmed – 8G2
- Ahmad Yar – 7B1
- Afeefa Asad – 10G2
- Nesrin Khalifa – 10G1
- Anhaar Kareem – 10G1
- Jaad Ardati – 10B1
- Hana Farid – 10G1
- Inas Yaghi – 10G2
- Shaymaa Suhair from 10G1
- Nazafah Mostafa from 10G1
- Yasmin Elmir – 10G1
- Aaya Hamada 9G1
- Fareeda Hamouda 9G1
- Mehtaab Siddique 10G1
- Rawan Inaizi – 10G1
- Alanah Makki – 10G2
- Shifaa-Zachariah Matthews – 10G1
- Esma Skulic – 10G1
- Mohamed Homsy – 9B1
- Toawaf Morol Mohammad – 9B1
- Tehzeeb Mohiuddin - 8G1
- Suhail Ahmed - 10B2

PUBLIC SPEAKING- LEGACY JUNIOR

Anhaar Kareem of Year 10 is representing Al Noori Muslim School at Parliament House for the Legacy Junior Public Speaking Award. We wish her the best in her speech delivery today.

R U OK? DAY

On Thursday, 8th of September 2022, the High School Wellbeing Team addressed student mental health as part of the R U OK? Day campaign. This year's theme was about encouraging people to ask R U OK? We continue to remind our school community that we do not need a qualification to initiate a conversation that could help someone.



Students were given strategies, tokens, and conversation starters to use with friends and family. Students engaged in wellbeing activities, including the Friday Khutba which addressed empathy and camaraderie.

YEAR 10 COMMERCE MARKET DAY

Our Year 10 students displayed their business and entrepreneurial skills today by running a market day for Years 5-9. The students executed their marketing campaigns over the last fortnight for a culminating outdoor market day serving up delicious and amazing meals to feed the masses.



Well done to the Year 10 Commerce teachers and their students for another successful event.

LATENESS AND EARLY LEAVE

Students who arrive to school after 8:40am must collect a late note from the front office. Students who are repeatedly late will be addressed by the Welfare Coordinators and may require a meeting to discuss management of their attendance. Please assist your child to arrive to school on time to allow them time to attend the assembly.

Medical and other appointments are encouraged to be booked outside of school hours. Early Leave must also be avoided during Friday prayers as we cannot guarantee your child to leave early during the prayers. Please arrange appointments outside school and prayer times.

May Allah SWT keep you safe and in good health.

Wassalaam

Mr Ali Kak
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