

# **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.

Welcome to our final term of the year. The end is fast approaching and the key message to all our students is to finish the year strong. During Term 4 students in K-10 will complete their Yearly examinations and will be engaged in several extracurricular activities, as well as End of Year Award Presentations. One of our biggest accomplishments is the support of disadvantaged children across the globe. In 2022, Al Noori students sponsored numerous orphans, as well as partnered with Shishumela Bidaniketon School in Dhaka (Bangladesh) to support 25 students and over 300 families.

An important reminder to all our families who use the High School Driveway (Greenacre Road to Mimosa Road), please ensure that you always remain in your car (do not park your car and leave it unattended), be aware of the children who are also using the driveway and abide by the 5km/hr speed limit. Please follow and respect the instructions given by School Security personnel. Safety is a priority.

We thank you for your support of our wonderful school and look forward to seeing you at our end of year events.





# School **Partnership:**

Support Shishumela **Bidaniketon School** in Dhaka



# Introducing: Shishumela Bidaniketon School



Location: Uttara Slums, Dhaka, Bangladesh

Students **Enrolled** 

**200** 



Grades: Pre-K - Year 3





### Meet Sumon

Where do you live? Khilket, Dhaka We've been living here for eight ye

I work on a farm in the mornings before school. My family needs help and I'm the oldest so in the morning I get up and go to the farm and help sell the cow milk. After that, I run to school. ant to be a police officer when I grow up to help the people make sure the country is a good place.

love to read, especially story books, poems, and stuff like that. Since the other kids and I have books, all students gain outside ledge. And it is so good if every day someone brings a paper here, from there we can gather worldwide



# Life in Uttara Slums



Average income: < \$100 AUD/month

Average family size: 4-7 members





82% of children are underweight

cannot afford education



# **PRIMARY SCHOOL**

# **ATTENDANCE**

All students are expected to be at school unless they are sick, are on approved leave or have another significant and acceptable reason.

If your child is away, kindly ensure you reply to the school's official SMS message to provide a reason for your child's absence.

Kindly avoid using reasons such as tired, slept in etc. as these are not acceptable reasons for students to be away from school.

# LEAVE APPLICATIONS

Parents and caregivers are kindly reminded to apply for leave by completing the school leave request which can be collected from the Administration Office.

All leave must be approved by the principal. Taking leave without approval may jeopardise your child's enrolment at the school.

# **NAPLAN 2023**

In 2023, NAPLAN will be held from Wednesday 15 March to Monday 27 March.

The following info graph can be accessed through:

NAPLAN 2023 test window infographic

NAPLAN test window



March 2023

42 mins Writing

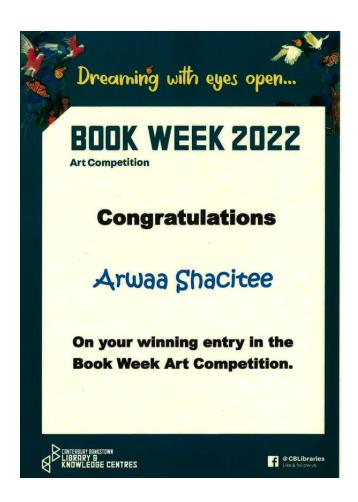
Please visit the NAPLAN website for further information and the access the demonstration site.

# **BOOK WEEK**

Breaming with eyes open....

Congratulations to Arwaa Sharifee on winning the Canterbury Bankstown Book Week Art Competition.

Arwaa's 'My Dream' submission represents the values of helping those in need.





# **BOTTLE RECYCLING INITIATIVE**



The 2022 bottle recycling initiative has been a remarkable success. A huge thank you to all the students, families and staff who have donated generously to this initiative.

At the end of every term, we acknowledge and reward the students who donate large amounts on a regular basis. Here are some photos of the end of Term 3 celebration.



We look forward to celebrating the success and generosity of our students again at the end of this term.

Please continue to donate your empty bottles. Each 10c return goes towards sponsoring orphans.

# **HARMONY DAY**

The annual Harmony Day events provide a great opportunity to celebrate diversity. This year some of our students participated in a poster competition.

Well done to all the students who participated and developed posters which celebrate our uniqueness, individuality, and diversity.



Sometimes it is the little things that make the biggest difference!

# YEARLY EXAMINATIONS

K-6 teachers have released all the examination timetables to students. These provide parents and students with the dates for the upcoming examinations as well as the areas for revision.

It is important for students to complete all revision activities in preparation for the exams. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact your child's class teachers through ClassDojo.

# **END OF YEAR CEREMONIES**

Parents and caregivers are invited to attend the end of year presentations. The presentations will be held in the high school hall during the following days and times.

#### Week 9

Kindergarten	Monday the 28 <sup>th</sup> of November 2022
	KG, KR & KY - 9:00-10:30am
	KO & KP - 11:30-12:30pm
	KW & KB - 1:30-2:30pm
Year 1	Tuesday the 29 <sup>th</sup> of November 2022
	9:00am-11:00am
Year 2	Tuesday the 29 <sup>th</sup> of November 2022
	1:30pm- 3:20pm
Year 3	Wednesday the 30 <sup>th</sup> of November 2022
	9:00am-11:00am
Year 4	Wednesday the 30 <sup>th</sup> of November 2022
	1:30pm- 3:20pm
Year 5	Friday the 2 <sup>nd</sup> of December 2022
	9:00am-11:00am
Year 6	Thursday the 1 <sup>st</sup> of December 2022
	9:00am-11:00am

These celebrations will be a great way for the students, families, and staff to celebrate a very successful year.

We look forward to seeing you there!

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Week 5 Year 2 Elizabeth Farm Excursion
- Week 6 Kindergarten Royal Life Saving Association Incursion
- Week 8- Kindergarten Farm Excursion
- Week 9 Year 1 End of Term Excursion

# **HIGH SCHOOL**

# **PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS**

Thank you to all the parents who attended the Years' 7-10 Parent-Teacher interviews. The interviews were scheduled over a 4-night period to give parents ample opportunity to discuss their child's progress with their teachers.

Parents are reminded that they can contact the school to make a phone/face to face appointment with teachers at any time during the academic year.

# **WORLD TEACHERS' DAY**

Parents and members of the teaching profession can all appreciate the time, effort and sacrifice that teachers put in to ensure their students are learning and exceeding at their potential at school. This year, the High School SRC celebrated World Teachers' Day by leading their peers in sharing messages of gratitude with their teachers. Messages of kindness and gratitude are always appreciated and are especially welcomed by our own students. Thank you for all the kind messageswe loved sharing them with each other in the staffrooms!

# **YEARS 7-10 EXAMINATIONS**

Yearly examinations are underway with Year 10 examinations which commenced this week ahead of their work experience in Week 6.

Parents of Years 7-9 were emailed the Yearly Exam timetable on Monday 31 October for their examination period set to commence on Monday 14 November 2022 and conclude on Wednesday 23 November 2022.

# **EXAMINATION REVISION**

Parents are encouraged to assist their children with their preparations for the examinations by taking the time to organise a home study schedule. It is important that the schedule is balanced and reflects time to eat, rest and do something they enjoy. Students should already be in the process of preparing their revision notes and revising their notes in the lead up to the examinations. Encourage your child to prepare any questions from their revision work and raise it with their class teachers during the revision lessons.

Parents should also be vigilant with their child's use of devices. Teachers will share revision notes and answer questions through MS Teams but it is not essential that all your child's studies to occur online or on a device. We remind parents that Discord is not an official school platform and is not needed for your child's studies.

# ABSENCES DURING EXAMINATIONS

Parents are reminded that student absences (full or partial) during examination or assessment periods must be supplemented with medical certificates to avoid their child being penalised on their examinations. Individual student attendance with a pattern of absence during an assessment period will be followed up by the Welfare Coordinators.

# **HSC EXAMINATIONS**

Thursday, 3rd November marks the final day of HSC examinations for our Year 12 students. We ask Allah (SWT) to grant them the success they have been working hard to achieve. We look forward to sharing their results in upcoming newsletters.

# YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE

We are very excited to announce that our Year 10 cohort will be on work experience next week (Week 6) as part of their Commerce Studies. The Social Science department has worked tirelessly with students, parents, and industry representatives to give our students the insights and opportunities to gauge their career interests. We look forward to our students engaging with the general public and leaving with a positive experience.

# PRAYER AND WUDU WORKSHOPS

Years 7-9 will be participating in a Prayer and Wudu workshop in Week 8 to remind them of the etiquettes and requirements of Salah/Prayer. The High School Islamic Studies department will lead the day with a presentation on how to pray and complete a wudu workshop.

# HIGH SCHOOL AWARD PRESENTATION

Parents are welcome to attend the Years 7-11 Award Presentation Ceremony scheduled for Monday, 5th December 2022 (Week 10). The event will take place in the high school hall commencing from 9am until 11:30am. Students will receive awards for their achievements over the course of the academic year with a video presentation of their various accomplishments.

# HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Well done and Congratulations to the Tornadoes team for their outstanding triumph in both the boys' and girls' athletics carnivals. The captains readily accepted the shield to share their accomplishments.



# PUBLIC SPEAKING AND DEBATING ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to Anhaar Kareem (Year 10) for being placed second in the 2022 Legacy Junior Public Speaking Award NSW State Final. This competition involves students from both government and non-government schools across Australia.

Anhaar successfully progressed through the local, regional, and state rounds, and will now compete at the national final in Tasmania. Congratulations to Anhaar on her achievement and all the best in the national final.





Our students across Years 7-11 have been competing exceptionally well in the Islamic Schools Debating Competition. We have several teams who have progressed to the finals for the Islamic Schools Debating Competition on 23rd November 2022. We wish them continued triumph and success. Go Team Al Noori!





# **UPCOMING EXCURSIONS/INCURSIONS:**

- Years 7-10 Girls' 3-Day Excursions
- Year 10 IST Excursion
- Year 9 Peer Support Training
- Year 6 Orientation and High School Tour

The last day of term for 2022 is Wednesday, 7 December 2022. We wish everyone a happy and safe break.

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Mr Ali Kak Principal