



Newsletter

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GVIC

Respect

Ownership

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School Term Dates

Term 1

Wednesday 30th January
– Friday 12th April

Term 2

Tuesday 30th April –
Friday 5th July

Term 3

Tuesday 23rd July –
Friday 27th September

Term 4

Monday 14th October –
Wednesday 18th
December

***Subject to change.**

ACTING PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Assalamu Alaykum Warahmatullahi
Wa Barakatuhu

All praises be to Allah (SWT) for His infinite blessings upon mankind. As we approach the end of term 3, some of the highlights, reminders and notices are as follows:

Year 10 Parent/Student Information Afternoon

Alhamdulillah, the subject selection information afternoon for current Year 10 students entering into Year 11 in 2020 was very informative and successful. This year we were privileged to get a representative from Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) to provide students and parents information and clarity on HSC, ATAR and subject selection.

Literacy Week/Character Parade

Both the Primary and High School organised a splendid program to celebrate and create awareness about the importance of reading, befitting to say "Today's Reader Tomorrow's Leader". Students and staff dressed up into their favourite character costumes creating a vibrant learning environment.

Parents Workshop

This year we had a joint (Primary and High) parent workshop at our school to provide parents the opportunity, knowledge and skills to be able to tackle issues that affect our students learning such as cyberbullying.

Quran Competition

In promoting the schools ethos and belief, Quran competition was held in the school hall for the whole school and parents were invited for this program. Students went through the internal selection process to be selected to take part in this competition program.

Year 12's Special Day

To allow the students to bid their farewell to our amazing Year 12 students and to appreciate and recognise their journey at Green Valley Islamic College, Wednesday 25th September is a special day dedicated to our Year 12 students. There will be an assembly, tea with teachers and sports organised for the Year 12 students.

Year 12 Graduation

Thursday 26th September, 2019 at the Skyview Reception and Function Centre in Liverpool.



Term dates

Last day of term 3, Friday 27/09/2019

First day of Term 4, Monday 14/10/2019

Important Information for Year 12 Students

University Application:

If you're applying for undergraduate study in semester 1, 2020, the early bird deadline is fast approaching – midnight Monday 30 September. Submit your application before this date and you'll avoid the higher application processing charge.

Schools Recommendations Schemes:

SRS applications close on Monday 30 Sep 2019. Schools Recommendation Schemes (SRS) are one way institutions make early offers of undergraduate admission to Year 12 students. They do this by using criteria other than (or in addition to) the ATAR.

ATAR 2019:

ATARs this year will be released at 1pm on Tuesday 17 December – the same day as HSC results.

ATAR Enquiry Centre:

UAC is once again operating its ATAR Enquiry Centre for students who have queries about the calculation of their ATAR.

- Tuesday 17 December, 12pm–8pm
- Wednesday 18 December, 8.30am–4.30pm
- Thursday 19 December, 8.30am–4.30pm
- Friday 20 December, 8.30am–4.30pm

ATAR Notices:

Students should download and print their ATAR Advice Notices when ATARs are released in December. They only have free access until February; after that they will be charged for a digital or printed copy.

Offer Rounds For Year 12 Students:

The most important offer rounds for Year 12 students are:

December Round 2 – Monday 23 December 2019

January Round 1 – Friday 10 January 2020.

Not all courses will be offered in December Round 2, and applicants should check UAC's website for details of excluded courses before they finalise their course preferences.

Students whose results are not available in time for December Round 2 can be assured that they will not be disadvantaged – universities will still have places available to make offers to all courses in January.

UAC PIN Reminders:

All 2019 NSW HSC applicants had their UAC PIN emailed to them in April this year. For students who have not yet applied through UAC, they will be sending a PIN reminder email on Monday 23 September.

Best Wishes

I take this opportunity to wish all our Year 12 students the very best in their HSC examinations. Prepare very well for all examinations. May Allah (SWT) give great success in all your examinations and in your future endeavours.

Mr Riaaz Ali

PRIMARY DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Assalamu Alaykum Warahmatullahi
Wa Barakatuhu

All praise is due to Allah (SWT) the most merciful, most beneficent. With the grace of the Almighty Allah, primary staff and students have continued to work collaboratively and are being fully supported by most of the parents. On behalf of the Primary staff, I would like to thank the parents who have inculcated outstanding manners in their children as most of them are demonstrating appropriate behaviour and have been following our key social skills, namely ROCKS – respect,

ownership (responsibility), caring, knowledge and safety. Positive behaviour support requires regular teaching of social skills and we seek parental cooperation in order to explicitly teach expected behaviour.

Parents are also requested to use the school diary as a means of communication or contact the school office. Parents are strongly advised that as per Child Protection Policy, please do NOT communicate with children other than your own, on the school grounds. Kindly also adhere to privacy laws and do not take or put photos of other's children on social media, without parental consent. Please do not breach these rules as every child has a right to have access to a safe and supportive learning environment.

Excursions – Experiential Learning

Students participated in a number of excursions, including a trip to the Longneck Lagoon by Year Four to conduct experiments on soil, while Year Five, as part of their study on Gold Rush visited Bathurst Goldfields. Year Six, as future leaders had hands-on experience at the NSW Parliament House. Excursions are integral part of the teaching/learning programs and students always look forward to having opportunities to participate in these interactive lessons beyond the classrooms.



Parents' Workshop

To create awareness on Cyber Safety a workshop for parents was organised on the 12th of September. The presenters were Senior Constable Rachel Kennedy and Multicultural Community Liaison Officer Mary Hilmi. They provided insight on how certain actions taken by our children can result into situations that can be very harmful.

Parents were also provided with resources such as literature on Cyber Safety and awareness on websites and organisations that can help regarding Cyber bullying. Such workshops have been provided since the last three years and we will continue to encourage parents to participate.





Maths Cup

This event is organised annually by Amity College and our Year Six students have been participating since the last few years. Maths Cup focuses on problem solving skills and it is a highly challenging event. Our Year Six students participated in this event on the 4th of September at Amity College.

Literacy/ Numeracy Week Celebrations

A number of interactive activities were planned for Literacy/Numeracy Week, including Maths Quiz and a special assembly with role plays and presentations. Sincere thanks to the organising team, Ms Raad, Ms Ghareeb, Ms Sadika and Ms Saab. Students have definitely realised that learning Literacy and Numeracy activities can be fun and enjoyable.

Primary Charity Work

Excess fund that was left over after sponsoring a child and well-digging, was donated to Daffodil Day charity to support cure for cancer. The amount was \$500.00 and we would like to thank our students who contributed generously. These are our tentative steps to involve primary in a range of charity work and our future plans include providing opportunities for hands-on experiences such as visits and support for Islamic aged care centres.

Parent- Teacher Interviews

Parents will be having interviews with teachers on the 25th of September, 2019. Letters have been sent home as a reminder. The interviews will be conducted in the school hall and the scheduled time frame is **4:00pm – 6:00pm**. Term Two Parent-Teacher session was

successful since most of the parents were actively involved as indicated by the class records. Parents who for some unforeseen reason are not able to attend are given the opportunity to reschedule the meeting.

Electronic Devices

Parents are being reminded that Primary students are NOT allowed to bring electronic devices including mobile phones, I-pads or any gaming device to school. For emergency purposes if students need to make a call to their parents they are required to use the telephones available in the school office. Please refer to our school policies for details.

2019 NAPLAN Results

We would like to acknowledge the effort of parents, all K-6 teachers (including support and teacher aides) and students of Years 3 and 5 as the NAPLAN results for 2019 is the best in the history of GVIC.

I would also like to thank Years 3 and 5 teachers for their final and intense moments and hard work. **This year we have 20 students with top bands in all areas (17 in Year 3 and 3 in Year 5)**. My sincere appreciation to everyone involved in improving the results as a tremendous amount of effort had been put in for such a record. The results were as follows, in comparison to the state’s national average:

Summary of 2019 NAPLAN Results for GVIC (Primary)					
	Numeracy	Writing	Reading	Grammar & Punctuation	Spelling
Year 3	Above national average in all strands				
Year 5	Above national average in all strands				

Mrs Samina Ali

LIBRARY MESSAGE

Our Scholastic “Dino-Mite” Book Fair was a great success due to the overwhelming support we received from our students, teachers and school community. Money raised will go towards purchasing some new books for our school library.

Congratulations to Book Fair Competition Winners:

Colouring Competition:

Kindergarten: Husnaa Walizada (KB) 1st, Sana Naem (KG) and Zahraa Ismail (KR) runner up.

Year 1: Aisha Rafeek (1G) 1st, Khaled El Sayed (1B) and Abdullah El-Kassir (1R) runner up.

Year 2: Safiyyah Al-Baba (2B) 1st, Elias Merhbi (2G) and Zainab Nazakat (2R) runner up.

Poster Competition:

Year 3: Mariya Ishaque (3B) 1st, and Talha Muhammed (3G) runner up.

Year 4: Mitra Omar (4B) 1st and Khodr Hassian (4B) runner up.

Creating a Book Cover:

Year 5: Mahum Bilal (5R) 1st and Hiba Ali (5G) runner up.

Year 6: Hajar El-Safadi (6B) 1st and Huda Abdul (6G) runner up.

Guessing Competition: Number of lollies in the jar –
Noorulain Ishtiaq- 4R

Raffle Winner: Yasser Ayas- KR



Mrs Fareesha Mohammed