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TERM 2 NEWSLETTER | ISSUE 1

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HADITH

Muhammad, upon him be peace, said: "When a man dies, his deeds come to an end except for three things: Sadaqah Jariyah (ceaseless charity); a knowledge which is beneficial, or a virtuous descendant who prays for him (for the deceased)." (Muslim)

The Prophet, upon be peace, said: "The believer's shade on the Day of Resurrection will be his charity." (Al-Tirmidhi)

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents/Guardians,

I pray for your good health and ask Allah ST to shower His mercy and blessings upon everyone. I ask Allah to have accepted all our worship during the month of Ramadan and make us among those who will be entered into Jannah without reckoning. We hope and pray that we can maintain the good habits we have inculcated in our lives during the month of Ramadan and be steadfast throughout the remaining part of our journey in this world.

Term 2 is racing away as we are entering into the busiest part of the term which entails Gala Days, School Photos, assessments, excursions and progress reports. I would highly appreciate it if you could make a note of the forthcoming important events for this term.

TERM 2 UPCOMNG EVENTS

| Monday 22 nd – Friday 26 th May | Assessment Week | |
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| Monday 29 th May | School Photo Day | |
| | Stage 3 Soccer Gala Day | |
| Tuesday 6 th June | Year 3 Excursion – Taronga Zoo | |
| Monday 12 th June | Monarch's Official Birthday (Public Holiday) | |
| Thursday 15 th June | Kindergarten Excursion – Sydney Zoo | |
| Friday 16 th June | Year 5 Excursion – Botany Bay Field Trip | |
| Monday 26 th – Thursday 29 th June | Assessment Week | |
| Wednesday 28 th June | Eid Al Adha (TBC) | |
| Thursday 29 th June | Last Day of Term 2 | |
| | Reports Released | |
| Friday 30 th June | Pupil Free Day | |

RAMADAN APPEAL

I would like to thank you for all your support during Ramadan by donating generously towards the poor. The total amount we raised was \$3,780.00 plus anonymous donations. This was distributed to various countries namely:

- Egypt (Ramadan Family Baskets)
- Uganda (Iftar for a large Village)
- Uganda (50kg of Dates)
- Yemen (Iftar- providing hot meals to the orphans and refugees during the whole month of Ramadan)
- Yemen (40 children were given Eid clothing which included shoes, new clothes and a small Hadiya)
- Lebanon (Iftar meals throughout the month of Ramadan for 150 families)
- A well for few families in Bangladesh.





PREVENTING FROM CATCHING FLU AND VIRUS THIS COLD SEASON

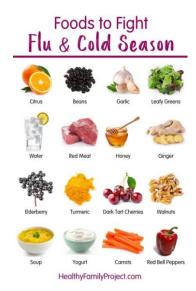
As the winter season is approaching, many students are falling victims to the vicious virus which is highly contagious. Some precautionary measures we can take as parents include:

Keeping your child at home if he/she is sick

Though it can be tough to miss school when your child has assessments and you have to go to work, it is crucial in stopping the spread of illnesses. Your child should stay home as this gives them a chance to recover. This is also causing a ripple effect where the teachers are falling victims to the various strains of viruses that are going around.

Cover Your Mouth and Nose When You Cough or Sneeze

When coughing or sneezing make sure to cough into your elbow and not your hand. If you cough into your hand, then everything else you touch will be infected by the germs. Every time you sneeze or blow your nose, wash your hands or use hand sanitizer to prevent further spreading.



Boost Your Immune System

Though medicine is the most effective way to prevent the flu, keeping a healthy immune system can be just as beneficial. Reducing stress, sleeping seven to nine hours a night, and exercising regularly can improve your body's defence system. Eating foods that are rich in Vitamin C such as oranges, grapefruit, kiwi, strawberries, and watermelon can all give your immune system the boost it may need. Flu season can be gruelling, but it doesn't have to be if you take preventative measures.

UPDATING MEDICAL ACTION PLAN

We have been informing some parents about updating the medical action plan for their children. It is compulsory for you to update the medicine (expiry date) and the action plan for students with allergies or any other specified medical condition. Please contact the admin staff for further clarification. The office with contact you if your child's medicine has expired.

RAPID ANTIGEN TESTS

COVID-19 PCR testing in NSW

COVID-19 PCR testing in NSW is changing from 13th May. For most people, if you have COVID-19 symptoms, please do a <u>rapid antigen test</u> (RAT). RATs are available for free at Service NSW service centres, mobile service centres and recovery centres. <u>Find a RAT near you</u>.

If you are at higher risk of severe illness from COVID-19, contact your doctor for testing advice.

If you can't contact your doctor, call healthdirect on 1800 022 222 or use the online <u>Service Finderlaunch</u> to find a GP near you.

If your doctor recommends a COVID-19 PCR test, they will give you a pathology referral form for a free COVID-19 PCR test.

The referral form will have a private pathology provider location to visit so you can get tested

What should I do if I test positive?

NSW Health recommends you:

- stay home until your acute symptoms have gone
- register your positive rapid antigen test result with Service NSW
- wear a mask indoors and on public transport, if you must leave your home
- avoid large gatherings and indoor crowded places
- don't visit people at higher risk of severe illness.

Please Note

The school will provide RAT tests to all the children as a precautionary measure. Get yourselves tested if you feel that you may have symptoms of Covid-19. Follow the latest protocol issued by NSW Health.

REMINDER: PICK UP AND DROP OFF

Kindergarten – Year 2: Begin school at 8:30am and will be ready for pick up at 3:05 pm from the front office drive through or the Kindergarten (small) playground.

Years 3 – 4: Begin school at 8:30am and will be ready for pick up at 3:15pm sharp, from the front office drive through or the kindergarten(small) playground.

Years 5 – 6: Begin school at 8:30am and will be ready for pick up at 3:20pm from the back gate or the Kindergarten (small) playground.

(NOTE: Students from Years 5 - 6 are **NOT allowed** access to pick up from the front office drive through. They must **ONLY USE** the back gate or Kindergarten (small) playground to avoid congestion).

Adhering to the designated times will allow for a smooth flow of traffic. Your cooperation will be much appreciated. Should you have a special request for a change of your child's pick-up location, please message the class teacher on Class Dojo and your request will be reviewed.

REMINDER: SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS FOR PICK UP AND DROP OFF

At Al Hikma College, the safety of our students and convenience of our local community is paramount. Hence, the following guidelines have been put in place for parents to follow, during drop off and pick up of children:

- If you drop off or pick up your child from the front office drive through, your child must enter and exit the car from the left-hand side. Under no circumstance are students allowed to enter from the right-hand side. This is to avoid the risk of students crossing in front of or behind other cars.
- To ensure a smooth traffic flow, parents need to clear the driveway as soon as their child enters or exits the car.
- Please train your child to put on their own seat belt to avoid delays. Under no circumstances are parents
 allowed to exit their cars to help their child with their seat belt. If you feel your child cannot put their own
 seatbelt, please park outside or pick them up from Kindergarten (small) playground.

- Parents driving through the front office driveway must always turn right at the top of the ramp when the traffic lights are red. No parent is allowed to block the exit for the purpose of waiting to turn left.
- The carpark is only for quick drop off and pick up purposes. Parents are not allowed to park in the school
 carpark or on school premises, for any reason. If you wish to access school grounds, you must park outside
 and walk to the school.

MESSAGE FROM TRAFFIC QUIZ - ROAD SAFETY AWARENESS

We hope this email finds you in good health and spirits. We are writing to you today to raise awareness about the importance of promoting road safety among school children. As we all know, road safety is a critical issue that affects everyone, especially children. As per the World Health Organization, road traffic injuries are the leading cause of death among children and young adults aged 5-29 years. The main reason behind these road accidents is not following/knowing traffic & road safety rules.

<u>Trafficquiz.com</u> is **FREE** to use website developed with an aim to spread awareness about road safety and traffic rules. Through <u>trafficquiz.com</u> school students can learn and test their knowledge about traffic & road safety rules in an entertaining way i.e. by playing quizzes. Teachers and Parents can also use <u>trafficquiz.com</u> regularly to refresh their knowledge about traffic, road safety & child safety rules. Benefit of being **ONLINE** is that trafficquiz.com can be used anytime, anywhere on any device.

As responsible members of the community, we believe that it's our collective responsibility to promote road safety among school children. By doing so, we can create a safer and more responsible community that values human life and well-being. We would like to request your support in promoting road safety among your students. Please share the links of the interactive quizzes about road safety given below with students, parents and teachers, so that everyone can learn and be conscious about following road safety and traffic rules. This can save many lives.

The links are as follows:

1. For Age group (5 to 9 years): https://trafficquiz.com/road-safety-quiz-junior-level-1/

2. For Age group (10 to 15 years):

https://trafficquiz.com/road-safety-quiz-secondary-level-1/

3. For Parents (Child safety quizzes):

https://trafficquiz.com/child-safety-quiz-for-parents-level-1/

4. For Parents and Teachers (Traffic & road safety rules quizzes):

https://trafficquiz.com/road-safety-quiz-for-adults-level-1/

5. For Drivers and support staff:

https://trafficquiz.com/road-safety-quiz-for-adults-level-1/

6. Road Signs quiz

Yours Sincerely,
Team <u>trafficquiz.com</u>

TERM 2 CLASS CAPTAINS AND VICE-CAPTAINS

Al Hikma College is committed to preparing our students in becoming exceptional future leaders. To support our students in achieving these footsteps, we have nominated 2 students from each K – 4 class as a Class-Captain and Class Vice-Captain. This position will provide students with a rich array of opportunities to advance the confidence and skills to develop strong leadership attributes.

Class Captains and Class Vice-Captains are role models who possess to have knowledge, wisdom and character. Congratulations to the chosen K – 4 Class Captains and Class Vice-Captains:

| TERM 2 | | |
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| CLASS | CLASS CAPTAIN | VICE-CAPTAIN |
| KB | Muadh Muhammad | Alifah Noor |
| KR | Saara Ghori | Abdelaziz Nasser |
| KG | Humaira Yahya | Jacob Kabbara |
| 1B | Amtul Manna | Jihad Dennaoui |
| 1R | Arifa Siddiqui | Muhammad Khan |
| 2B | Azmeer Waseem | Inaya Farhan |
| 2R | Mawizat Ul Huque | Ibrahim Uddin Syed |
| 2G | Taseen Kamal | Farzana Suhana |
| 3R | Taseen Ibn Karim | Khadijah Nofal |
| 3B | Nedal Omar | Israa Vidmar |
| 4R | Mohammad Abdul Rafay Iftikhar | Yusairah Salwa |
| 4B | Ameer El Chafchak | Jawaria Bintejahir |

K – 4 Class Captains and Class Vice-Captains will be changed each term.

MOTHER OF ALL ARTICLES

The Dojo message given below was sent to Mr Safih.

I am highly appreciative of Ms Silvana Alameddine who has posted this message to me. Thank you so much for nice words of encouragement. Together we can make the difference.

May 11, 2023

Silvana Alameddine

https://fb.watch/ksvJsZZ2F3/?mibextid=YCRy0i

So proud of our teachers who reinforce our faith in every way possible. It's heart warming. Amazing teachers

QURAN HAFIZ CLASS

QURAN Hafiz classes will continue to run as scheduled.

Day: Wednesday Time: 3:30 to 4:30 Online Rehearsals: Every Friday

Cost: \$0

Refreshments provided.

Please continue to encourage the students to be regular. We have a couple of spaces for new students. Please see Tanjima (Office Staff) for further details.

HIGHLIGHTS OF EID, QURAN RECITATION AND ISLAMIC QUIZ

Islamic and Quran competitions were held during the last week of Term 2. The children thoroughly enjoyed participating in these events. Awards for the winners were presented on the 26th of April when the school celebrated the Eid Festival. It was a great success. The highlight during the Eid celebration was the Jumping Castle where the students enjoyed jumping and sliding. Keep it up Al Hikma College!





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Mr Mohammed Safih Principal