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HADITH

A man said to the Prophet (ﷺ) "Tell me of such a deed as will make me enter Paradise." The people said, "What is the matter with him?" The Prophet (ﷺ) said, "He has something to ask. (What he needs greatly) The Prophet (ﷺ) said: (In order to enter Paradise) you should worship Allah and do not ascribe any partners to Him, offer prayer perfectly, pay the Zakat and keep good relations with your Kith and kin." (See Hadith No. 12, Vol 8).

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents/Guardians, Assalamu Alaikum wa Rahmatul Allahi wa Barakatuh

I pray you and your family are in good health and high spirits. As we reach the midpoint of Term 4, I would like to share some important upcoming dates and events with you. We are gearing up for a busy and exciting few weeks filled with learning, fun and memorable experiences for our students.

Key Dates and Events:

• Cricket Gala Day: Friday, 4th November

Our Cricket Team participated in the Cricket Gala Day at Penshurst Park in Hurstville. It was a fantastic opportunity to compete against several other schools, learn new skills, have fun, and foster team spirit. The Girls' and the Boys' Team performed amazingly showing resilience, commitment, and determination. Congratulations to both the teams for making into the semifinals. Keep up the great work!



 Assessment Week: Monday 11th to 15th November In Week 5, students will focus on assessments, marking a key point for teachers to evaluate student progress and achievements throughout the year. We will be conducting various assessments to evaluate your child's progress. These assessments are designed to measure their understanding of the material covered and identify areas where additional support may be needed. Please encourage your child to study and prepare for these assessments, as they will play a significant role in determining their overall academic performance. Please ensure your child is well-rested and prepared.



5-Day Camp in Termeil, Ulladulla Monday, 21st November - Friday, 25th November

We are thrilled to announce our highly anticipated 5-day camp in Termeil, Ulladulla! This unforgettable experience will provide our students with an opportunity to bond, challenge themselves, and create lasting memories. From team-building activities to outdoor adventures, this camp promises

to be an incredible journey of personal growth and discovery. Students attending camp will experience an engaging program designed to build resilience, teamwork, and independence. We look forward to an unforgettable days of outdoor education and adventure.

 Swimming Lessons: Tuesday, 26th November - Thursday, 5th December Our swimming lessons will equip students with essential water skills and confidence in a safe, supportive environment. The lessons are 45 minutes in length and will cater for swimmers of all abilities from absolute beginners to advanced squad swimmers. This year's program will be hosted by Angelo Anestis Aquatic Centre at Bexley and all lessons will be conducted throughout the 8-day program. Students will need to come to school wearing their swimming clothes under their school sports uniform. To make changing easier for the children, they must come to school in their sports uniform for the duration of the swimming program.



Students will need to bring along a change of underwear, towel, swimming cap and goggles in a separate labelled bag. Please make sure your child has his/her full name written on all their belongings, especially their clothing. It is compulsory for boys to wear long board shorts and a rash top. Girls in Years 3-6 must wear a burkini or longer lycra type clothing that covers their arms and legs. Cotton garments such as t-shirts cannot be worn as they affect the filter system. We are an Islamic school therefore children must wear swimming attire that is appropriate, otherwise they will not be permitted to swim. It is imperative that children in Years 2 and 3 practise changing clothes independently. It will be vital for the children to change from their wet swimmers into their school sports uniform. They will also have to pack their belongings daily.

• Graduation Ceremonies: Venue will be at the Brown Theatre. Details will be sent to parents in due course

Kindy Graduation: Celebrating our youngest learners as they move forward in their educational journey.
K-2 Graduation: Acknowledging our K-2 students for their hard work and growth.
Year 6 Graduation Dinner & 3-6 Graduation: Recognising our senior primary students as they prepare to transition to the next stage.

UPCOMING DATES

Monday 4 th November	Stage 3 Cricket Gala Day at Penshurst Park
Monday 11 th – Friday 15 th November	Assessment Week
Monday 18 th November	Years 4 - 6 Cricket Match against Arkana College, Parry Park
Thursday 21 st – Tuesday 25 th November	Stage 2 & 3 Camp
Friday 29 th November	SRC speeches and elections
Tuesday 26 th November – 5 th December	Swimming Years 2 to 6
Thursday 5 th of December	Kindergarten Orientation for 2024 students
Tuesday 5 th December	Kindy Orientation & Robotics Competition
Monday 9 th December	Year 6 Excursion to Luna Park
	Last Day for Year 6 students
Tuesday 10 th December	Year 6 Graduation Dinner
	K to 2 Class Parties
Wednesday 11 th December	K-2 End of Year Presentation at Brown Theatre
	Last Day of school for K to 2 Students
	Year 3- 5 Class Parties
Thursday 12 th December	Years 3 - 6 End of Year Presentation at Brown Theatre
	Last Day of school for Years 3 -5
Friday 13 th December	Semester 2 Reports Released
	Staff Development Day

I would like to reiterate the concern regarding holidays taken during **school days** and the potential disruption it may cause to students' studies and assessments.

It is important to recognise that consistent attendance and uninterrupted learning are crucial for students' academic progress and overall development. When students miss school due to extended leaves, it can impact their ability to fully engage in classroom activities, keep up with the tasks, and perform well in assessments. To ensure the best possible learning environment for all students, we kindly request your cooperation in avoiding holidays during the school days. By prioritising regular attendance, you are helping to create a stable and consistent learning environment that benefits your child and their classmates.

We understand that family vacations and other commitments may sometimes coincide with school days. In such cases, we encourage you to consider the following alternatives:

- 1. Plan holidays during scheduled breaks: Whenever possible, plan family vacations and trips during school holidays. Parents to arrange their traveling at the end of Terms. This allows students to fully enjoy their time off without missing important instructional time.
- 2. Utilise extended weekends: Take advantage of long weekends or public holidays to plan shorter trips or family outings. This way, students can have a break from school without missing consecutive days of instructions.
- 3. Communicate with teachers in advance: If it is necessary to take a holiday during school days, we kindly request that you inform your child's teachers well in advance. This allows them to provide any necessary assignments or materials that can help minimise the impact on your child's studies.

By working together to prioritise regular attendance and minimise disruptions, we can ensure that all students could thrive academically to reach their full potential.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in this matter. Should you have any further questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to us. We are here to support you and your child's educational journey.

WORLD TEACHERS DAY

Happy Teachers Day!

On the 25th of October, we paused to honour the remarkable efforts and reflected on the essential role our teachers play at Al Hikma College.

They are at the heart of our school community, shaping not only the academic achievements of our students but also their character, confidence, and aspirations.

Al Hikma College celebrated World Teacher's Day by awarding certificates, roses and serving lunch to show appreciation for the dedication and commitment of our teachers. Keep up the great work!!!



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.
- If you are coming from the Canterbury Road into Haldon Street, you should not make a right turn into the driveway if there are cars already lined (coming from the opposite end) up to enter the gate. Failing to comply causes a huge traffic jam. This jeopardises the safety of the children and builds up traffic. Offenders will be asked to park their cars outside the premises and walk to the school to pick their children.

Sunny Kids Preschool Graduation:

A Celebration of Growth and New Beginnings

Last week, I had the honour of visiting Sunny Kids Lakemba to celebrate a significant milestone for the young learners—their graduation! The event was a delightful mix of laughter, smiles, and pride as we recognized the incredible achievements of each student.

As I walked through the school, I was struck by the warmth and energy radiating from the classrooms, hallways, and playgrounds. These students are remarkable! They have grown so much since I last saw them in Term 1, during Ramadan.

The graduation ceremony was full of joy and excitement, as the students stood proudly in front of their families, teachers, and friends. It was clear that each child had experienced a unique journey, and each had made tremendous progress in their learning and personal development.

I am thrilled to announce that many of these wonderful graduates will be enrolled at Al Hikma College in the Year 2025 to continue their educational journey with us. As principal, it fills me with pride and enthusiasm to know that we will have the



opportunity to continue guiding and nurturing these bright young minds at our institution.

The future at Sunny Kids is incredibly bright. We are thrilled and delighted to continue the bond that we have created with this school through attending various events throughout the year. Our dedicated teachers and staff are ready to make next year just as memorable and enriching for these new graduates.

Congratulations to the Sunny Kids Childcare graduates! We look forward to seeing you soon, ready for learning, having fun, exploring, and growing with us at Al Hikma College.

A Big thank you to Ms. Batoul Bazzi, teachers, and staff at Sunny kids Lakemba for making this graduation a celebration to remember.

Last but not the least, I would like to show my appreciation to the parents and guardians of Al Hikma College. Your ongoing support, whether through volunteering, attending events, or providing resources, has strengthened the bonds that make Al Hikma College a truly special place. The sense of unity and shared purpose within our community is a driving force behind our collective success. Thank you for entrusting us with the education and the well-being of your children. Keep us in your dua.

Wasalam,

Mr. Mohammed Safih Principal