



# ISC Newsletter

## Islamic School of Canberra

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Dear Parent/Carer

*"Your Lord knows best who strays from His Way: He knows best who they are that receives his guidance"*  
(Chapter 6: Verse 117)

Many thanks for your attendance at our End of Year Formal Assembly and Awards Evening for 2017. It was an outstanding night which provided our community with opportunity to congratulate the excellent work of our students and staff across the year.

We were provided with several presentations across the evening and I thank the staff and students who were involved in these.

I thank the PFA for their assistance across the evening and providing a light supper and refreshments for those who attended.

The Albert Hall is an excellent venue for us and I hope that we can make further use of the facility across 2018.

Many staff were involved in decorating the hall and supervising the students across the evening. Their work on the night and during the year has been enormously appreciated.

I congratulate all the award winners and I acknowledge the students who were voted in as Leaders in 2018. Well done to the following:



HOUSE CAPTAINS	AL AQSA	ABDULRAFAY MALIK
	MADINA	WAJAN ALHOWIDY
	MECCA	SALAR AFRIDI
	HIRA	MARIAM AL-ANI

SCHOOL CAPTAINS	MALE	ZEBEDIAH MORSHED
	FEMALE	MANAAL KAMRAN

We are spoilt with such an excellent Leadership group and together with the remaining Year 6 students will lead well across the 2018 Academic year.



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### IMPORTANT NEWS

I was informed by the ACT Education Directorate that Islamic Practice and Dawah Circle (IPDC) have been accepted as the new proprietors for our school. This news is OUTSTANDING for us and means that another hurdle has been overcome on our way to hopefully receive Government Funding into 2018.

At this stage-

1. Registration for 2018 has been forwarded to the Minister for final approval
2. IPDC has NOW received Proprietorship of Islamic School of Canberra
3. Transfer of Lease documentation can now be finalised
4. Approved Authority application can now be completed

I thank you all for your patience associated with the acquisition of the above. I ask that you all continue your prayers as we move forward in completing all required documentation for our school. The 2018 Academic year looks very bright for us.

### REPORTS

Enclosed you will find your child's report. Considerable time has gone into assessing students across the year and I would ask that you read the comments carefully and align the grade to the descriptor to obtain an accurate sense of achievement.

On Wednesday 13th December, between 1-4pm an opportunity will be provided for families to meet with staff to discuss aspects of the school report. If you are interested in this, I would encourage you to contact the front office to book in a time.

### FEES

This is a final reminder for the payment of overdue school fees. As the school plans for the 2018 academic year it is critical that we have available funds to purchase resources and update our facilities. We have some families who are late in payment or have debt that has been carried over from previous school terms. As a community we need to support one another in the payment of these fees. Office staff will be contacting families over the next week and I would be happy to meet with those who are finding payment difficult.

### SCHOOL UNIFORM

This week you would have received communication around the changing of school uniform. It was clear that families were not comfortable with the current uniform in terms of practicality, comfort and style. The samples sent home were an attempt to:

Gauge from families a preferred colour/style

Appropriate colour style

Have a uniform that is practical, economical and reflective of a modern look



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The Polo Shirt is a design that is planned to also be used as sports uniform in the winter months. It brings out the green, gold and grey of the school emblem and is practical in terms of colour and style. Please consider what has been communicated to you and if there are further questions communicate these to the school. The school is also looking at the uniform for the girls and will be proposing a style of loose pants with a false skirt that will enable students to be comfortable throughout the day and take part in sporting activities without concern.

### NEXT WEEK – STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The school will remain open next week until Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2017. Across this week staff will be involved in a variety of Professional Development sessions and will prepare for the 2018 Academic year. The front office administration will remain open until Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December. The office will close from Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December through to Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January. The office will re-open again on the 8<sup>th</sup> January 2018 in preparation for the new year.

Next week I will be posting out to ALL families the calendar for 2018, the 2018 school fees schedule and uniform requirements.

Wishing you all a peaceful weekend

David Johns- Principal



Year 5 and 7 went to Birrigai Outdoor School for an end of year excursion. The students participated in abseiling and giant swing. Miss Nikro and Mrs Brammall were very impressed in student's behaviour and their perseverance to conquer their fears!! Well done!!



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### FORMAL ASSEMBLY 2017



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