



## MINARET COLLEGE

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**Middle School and Arts/Technology Wing Launch**



### **You are invited To the launch of The Middle School and Arts/ Technology Wing**

DATE: TUESDAY, 20TH JULY 2004

TIME: 11AM-1PM

LOCATION: 36, LEWIS STREET, SPRINGVALE

The Middle School and Arts/ Technology Wing will be launched by The Honourable Tsebin Tchen, Senator for Victoria.

Refreshments and guided tours of the school will be



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## Information from the Office

### FAS FORMS

This is a reminder that FAS (Family Assistance Scheme) forms are currently being reviewed. Families who have not provided a completed form are advised to contact the office immediately to obtain the form. Without the appropriate documentation to support the concession, school fees will be adjusted to reflect full fees.

### SCHOOL FEES

## **Term 3 school fees are now due.**

We rely on families to honor the fee payment arrangements made on enrollment to continue providing a quality education in an Islamic environment to the children of Muslim families in the South Eastern region of Melbourne.



We are sure that you will make it a priority to settle your accounts as soon as possible.

### EMA – INSTALMENT 2

Please be advised that EMA (Education Maintenance Allowance) forms for the second installment are now due. If you did not apply for the first installment, please come to the office to obtain the necessary forms.

### AFTER SCHOOL CARE

As you may be aware, Minaret College has an After School Care service available to families and staff who wish to access it between 3.30 pm and 6.00 pm Monday - Friday.

In an effort to ensure the safety of children on the school grounds after 4.00 pm, it is now our policy that the children will be placed in supervised care until an authorised Parent/Guardian is able to pick them up. Families will be charged accordingly.

For bookings please contact the Administration office.

### SCHOOL BUS



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Recently we have received complaints regarding the behaviour of children who travel to and from school using the bus service.

As students of an Islamic school, it is very important to convey an image to the outside community which reflects the Islamic manners you are taught and obliged to uphold. Misbehaviour on the school bus can cause distractions which are potentially harmful to other students traveling on the bus as well as motorists and pedestrians on the road. In order to maintain safety, the following rules will apply to students using the bus service.

- No food or drink is to be consumed on the bus
- No rubbish is to be left on the bus
- Nothing is to be thrown out of the windows **(this is a serious hazard to motorists and is an offence)**
- Behaviour and conduct must be maintained according to the schools rules and behavior policy.

Full co-operation is expected from parents to enforce these rules. Failure to comply to the rules will result in full suspension of the bus service

Narrated 'Abdullah

Allah's Apostle said: "Do not wish to be like anybody except in two cases: The case of a man whom Allah has given wealth and he spends it in the right way, and that of a man whom Allah has given religious wisdom (i.e., Qur'an and Sunna) and he gives his verdicts according to it and teaches it." (to others i.e., religious knowledge of Qur'an and Sunna (Prophet's Traditions)). "

Sahih Bukhari



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## *Senior School News*

### **Welcome to Term 3**

Assalamu Alaikum,

Term 3 has began and the students have already settled down and working hard. As you are aware 2004 is the year of '**High Expectations**'. Both teachers and students are working hard to realize our dream of establishing an impressive reputation and track record for academic excellence.

We are very pleased to inform you that we did run extra tuition/classes for Year 12 students during the term two holidays. Moreover, we are still running extra Mathematics and other subject tuition/classes during normal school hours. On this note I would like to thank the VCE teachers involved for their efforts. May Allah reward you.

Minaret College provides Muslim students living in southeast Melbourne with the option of a first class balanced education without having to attend those exclusive and expensive Grammar schools. It is a school of the future, based on innovation and modern teaching practices.

### **Year 10 Work Experience**

Year 10 students would attend work experience program in the next two weeks, i.e. 19 – 31 July 2004. They would be working in various industries of their choice during this period. They would be returning to school on 2<sup>nd</sup> of August 2004 Inshah Allah.

### **Parent/Teacher Interviews**

The midyear secondary school reports would be available for collection by parents/guardians at the parent/teacher interview day on 22 July 2004 at 2.30 – 7.00 pm.

### **Interfaith dialogue**

Once again, Minaret College students are actively spreading the message of Islam among non-Muslim schools in the southeastern region of Melbourne. Our students are going to visit Marist-Sion College in Warrigal on 27 July 2004 to spread the teaching of Islam in that school.

Salifu Baba  
Head of Senior School



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## *Primary Matters*

Dear Parents/ Guardians

I hope you and your children had a happy and rewarding time together during the holidays.

Term 3 is an extremely busy term for the Primary school. The swimming program will begin on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> July for the boys and Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July for the girls. Please make sure the children have their swimming gear with them on their respective days.

The students in Years 3 and 5 will be sitting for their AIM tests. Leaflets on the AIM tests have been given to the students to give to their parents.

Students in Years 5/6/7 are also busy learning their spelling for the Harvey Norman Spelling Competition.

Congratulations to Nafeesa Buksh of Year 5A for being one of the finalists in the Nestle Story Writing Competition, which is an Australia wide competition. We wish her well in the finals.

The Grades 3/4/5 camp to Gundiwindi Lodge will take place on the 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> of July. The students going will be given a camp book with all the information required.

Please remember that 22<sup>nd</sup> July is the very important Parent/ Teacher Interview Day. The Primary school has allocated the time for your appointments. Please be on time as we have a huge number of parents to see. You will receive your students reports at this meeting.

Sincerely  
Beverly Nick  
Head of Primary School

## *Middle School News*

### **READING CHALLENGE**

**YEARS 5,6,7,8,9,10**

### **The One Hundred Books Reading Challenge**

**Beat the Challenge and  
Become a  
READING CHAMPION**

**Dr Samir Dorhmi  
Head of Middle School**

*Science Department*  
*Dear Parents/Guardians,*



We have received recently the result for **55** students from grade **4 to year 11**, who participated in the **AUSTRALIASIAN SCHOOLS SCIENCE COMPETITION**. According to the report, students from our College demonstrated high-level science skills. This year, the competition attracted over **410 000** students from across Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific region.

The best achievements came from 8 students who received **Distinction** Awards.

We would like to congratulate the following students along with their parents.

**Certificate of Distinction:**

Grade 4: Mariam Hassan

Grade 6: Sameer Rafiudeen, Ahmed Terzic, Yusuf Abdullahi, Murat Abazi

Year 7: Yunus Hassan

Year 8: Galih Pangestu

Year 9: Fadli Faray

**Certificate of Credit:**

Year 6 : Esmail Merza, Ayesha Azimi, Deeba Azadzoi, Hawyda Ayoubi, Year

7: Sumayya Amirudin, Hidayat Yusuf,

Year 8: Hidaet Barucija,

Year 9: Jetmir Salit

Year 10: Shaheda Sadri

Year 11: Wajid Baryalai

We would like to encourage more students to participate and benefit from this event next year.

Thank You

*Friba Samadi*