

WISDOM NEWS

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF WISDOM COLLEGE



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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

MR. DAMIEN BARRY

Welcome to Term 2! I hope that everyone had at least a small break over the recent school holiday period and I also hope that everyone has enjoyed either some Easter time or Ramadan. Our first week of this term was full of activity. It was great to see everyone return and eager to get into their classes and subjects. We started off the week with a whole of College assembly where we once again recognised the winning House from our recent Inter-House Swimming Carnival - this being Eagles. We finished off the first week with an Anzac Service and Ceremony, which again included all year levels. This was a lovely service, attended by our local State Member of Parliament, Ms Leanne Enoch. Some of our students and staff also attended the local Anzac Service at Greenbank RSL on the Monday public holiday.

As this is the period of Ramadan, we have hosted a number of parent and community Iftar dinners. We've had two parent Iftar's, a community Iftar attended by a number of police and politicians, and a staff Iftar. All of these are designed to bring people of different faith backgrounds together, to build understanding and fellowship, and to promote inter-faith dialogue. All have been wonderful events. I'd like to thank our Community Engagement Officer, Ozgur Ozdemir, for the oversight of these events.

Finally, we are exploring a range of literacy programs at our College. Improved literacy amongst all of our students will deliver increased opportunities, career prospects and life expectancy. Therefore we are building two small outdoor libraries, where books will be available to borrow. One in the Primary and one in the Secondary. It is based on goodwill where a book can be taken and then returned when finished. To get us started I am asking for book donations from families. Please send in any books that you are happy to donate for other people to read. Books for all ages, genres, fiction and non-fiction. Together we will improve the literacy of our entire College community.



Anzac Day Assembly

HEAD OF PRIMARY

MRS STARKEY

It is at this time of the year we start to find ourselves reflecting on what we have achieved and looking forward to what we want to succeed in. Our year 6 students have worked exceedingly well already this term and have set themselves up for a very important and promising term. Our primary leaders have taken on personal challenges and continued with greater focus to achieve their academic goals as well as improve in how they are interacting with each other. I believe that the year six students have started to see how they are the leaders of our primary school and how their actions influence the students around them.

Within the lower years our students are continuing to surprise and motivate their teachers to extend their learning and create lessons that stretch beyond the classroom. We have had parent teacher conferences this week and I have been delighted to see so many families taking the time to come and speak with their children's teachers. These conferences help families and teachers gain a greater understanding of how together we can support and mentor our students to succeed.



First Day Smiles!

Looking ahead, we have a lot of co-curricular activities planned as well as some very important academic tests to undergo. While academic success is important, it is also important to ensure we are looking after our own wellbeing and helping those around us to do the same. Remember to take time to sit and be still, remember to ask others how their day was and remember to do something just because it's fun. When we look after ourselves we are able to be successful in many things.

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Swimming Carnival



Year 5 Students

HEAD OF SECONDARY

MS. GILLESPIE

Welcome back to term 2 week 2 in what is proving to be a very fast-moving year. This week we held our parent teacher interviews. Thank you to all parents who came to speak with teachers. We understand that this is a busy month of the year for a lot of our families, I acknowledge those parents who prioritised coming to meet with teacher during this time. Parent teacher interviews are a valuable tool to help connect home life and school and this forms part of the conversation we have with parents around their students' academic progress. If you were unable to attend our interviews, please contact your student's teacher if you would like to discuss their progress and to receive further feedback regarding their academic reports.

This term, our grade 10 students are continuing to investigate options for their Senior Education and Training Plans (SET Plans) and exploring options for work experience. If any members of our community are willing to host students, your valuable time would be greatly appreciated. Please contact the school regarding this matter.

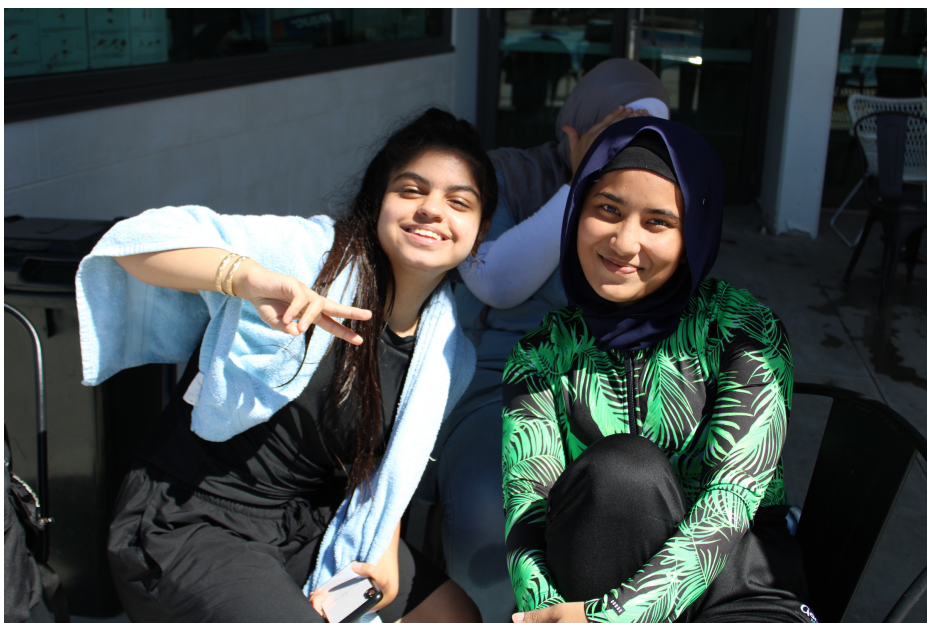


Secondary Science

As part of our continued career investigations, grade 10,11 and 12 students will be attending the Brisbane Careers and Employment Expo on the 20th of May. Please keep an eye out for upcoming emails about this event.

We would like to remind all parents and caregivers also about our uniform expectations. Students are expected to attend school each day in full formal uniform unless they have a scheduled sport lesson. In term 2 and 3, this includes a tie. As the weather begins to cool, we would like to remind students that the only suitable jumper with their formal uniform is the light blue, woolen formal jumper. A blazer may also be worn with or without this jumper. Students who are out of uniform will be sent home, or a parent will be contacted to bring the correct item of uniform in. We ask for your support in ensuring all students arrive at school in uniform; please no notes excusing incorrect uniforms as these will not be accepted.

I look forward to seeing students strive to do their best in all aspects of their schooling during this short Term.



Swimming Carnival

HEAD OF TEACHING AND LEARNING

MRS. DOGAN

Welcome back to Term 2!

I hope you have all had a restful holiday and for those of you who are fasting during this holy month of Ramadan, I hope it has been easy for you.

Two weeks into the new term and our students are well and truly engaged in the new content they are learning this term. Students have had time to reflect on their Term 1 results with their classroom teachers in Primary and Academic Care teachers in the Secondary school. Students have had the opportunity to set goals for this term and will work very hard to achieve them with the support of their teachers and family.

STRONG STUDY HABITS

All students are encouraged to form strong study habits early in the year. This includes setting up an appropriate study space at home and developing a homework/study timetable. Developing learning patterns, reinforces class learning, develops study skills and provides opportunities for revision, reading and completion of ongoing assignments.

The use of the College Diary to record homework and due dates for assessments will support students in being able to best manage their time. Teachers are also very conscious of the many demands on students, recognising that homework should not deny students the opportunity to spend time with their family, friends or engage in other interests. Students should be able to develop the ability to incorporate homework into their lives in a balanced way. Communication with the subject teacher from parents or caregivers is needed if students have been unable to complete homework.

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EXTENSIONS

Teachers understand that difficulties completing tasks can arise. In these circumstances, early communication of difficulties is strongly encouraged. If an assignment cannot be completed by the due date, then an extension should be requested. Students in Year 11 or 12 who are absent on the day of a test or exam due to illness may require a medical certificate. In situations where students are experiencing significant challenges with schoolwork, or if students are likely to be absent for more than a few days, students and/or parents should contact their daughter's Home Class teachers and/or subject teachers as soon as possible.

I am looking forward to seeing our students grow as individual learners who are capable of achieving great things! With a will to learn, persistence and good organisational skills anything is possible. I wish all our students and staff a very productive Term 2 and hope to see some great outcomes from our students over the course of this year.

Have a wonderful Eid to our Muslim families who are celebrating.



Naplan Practice Tests

HEAD OF CO-CURRICULAR

MRS COSKUN

Hello Wisdom Family!

We start yet another term and pray it will be a wonderful one for us all. Term 2 will be a very eventful and exciting one for the co-curricular department as we delve into our Service Learning and kick off our first camps for the year.

This term there will be a focus on sporting competitions with Gala days underway for the primary school and some futsal and inter-school competitions organised for our Secondary Soccer teams. Ramis Thunder has begun this term and the students are loving their Tuesday afternoon sessions learning Martial Arts skills. We have our annual Life Education visit next week where Harold the Giraffe and his team will be onsite at Wisdom all week delivering engaging lessons around making healthy choices to students in Prep to Year 6. We have had a new addition to our after school activities this term with Chess Mates partnering with Wisdom to deliver engaging chess lessons to our students.

I hope you have all had a chance to read my communication about our Service Learning Program at Wisdom. I have already received many responses from our community with ideas and suggestions as well as an interest in collaborating with our College to deliver this program. I highly appreciate your partnership and really look forward to the fruits of this program for our students and our community.

Our camps this term have been designed to give students opportunities to develop their skills around confidence, leadership, problem solving and team building. These camps are a great opportunity for students to develop character, social emotional and lifelong learning skills. I look forward to enjoying these camps with our students in weeks 5 and 6!

I wish you and your families a most wonderful and blessed Eid.



Pastoral Care
Girls

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Anzac Day Assembly



Community Iftar



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Swimming Carnival

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A MOTHER'S DAY POEM BY MS ISKANDER
ENGLISH, HUMANITIES, FILM AND TV

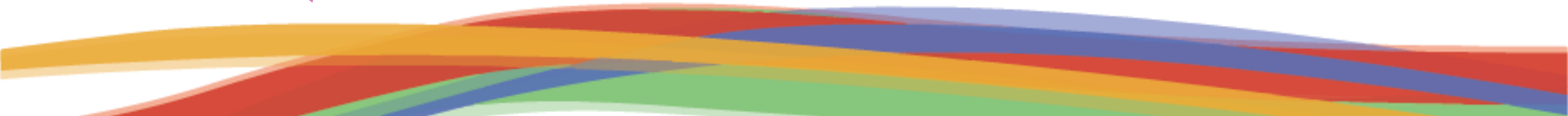
She speaks loud and clear.
She smiles with no ounce of fear.
She is always there- even not physically.
Like glue, she holds tight this family.
She's a very successful mum.
Overcomer of struggles- under the sun.

She has achieved the impossible.
To keep us safe, Holy and humble.
She's our light when we feel blind.
A grace, a flower- one of a kind.
She's a comforter, in our silent sadness.
And a smooth rock, in the loud madness.

Her care for us all, works well overtime.
Her love for us all, goes the extra mile.
No matter what I said, did, or didn't do.
She always nurtures, and forgives too.

In her stride, she's taken God's mission;
A cheerleader for us - with no selfish ambition.
She sacrifices and triumphs the stress;
In order to provide us peace and rest.

She is a good mother - trustworthy and kind.
She's a beacon of hope- even in worst times
She is incredible, in every facet and way.
She is our soul-changer, in every single day.



CALENDAR

KEY DATES

APRIL

- SATURDAY 30TH Wisdom Family Iftar
- MONDAY 25th Anzac Day HOLIDAY
- TUESDAY 26TH-FRIDAY 29TH Parent Teachers Interviews
- THURSDAY 28TH RUOK DAY

MAY

- MONDAY 2ND Labour Day HOLIDAY
- TUESDAY 3RD Eid HOLIDAY
- TUESDAY 10TH-THURSDAY 13TH Yr 3,5,7,9 Naplan
- MONDAY 16TH & TUESDAY 17TH Naplan Catch up Day
- MONDAY 16TH-WEDNESDAY 18TH Yr 11&12 Camp
- FRIDAY 20TH Careers and Employment Expo
- MONDAY 23RD - FRIDAY 27TH Under 8's Week
- WEDNESDAY 25th-Friday 27th Year 7&8 Camp

JUNE

- THURSDAY 2ND Wisdom College 10 year Anniversary Event
- TUESDAY 14TH Prep Open Night
- WEDNESDAY 15TH Year 12 Formal
- Thursday 16TH Qurban Festival
- Friday 17TH Cross Country Carnival P-12
- Friday 17th LAST DAY OF TERM 2

EID MUBARAK



Wisdom College *10 Year Anniversary*

YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND A MOCKTAIL
EVENING TO CELEBRATE 10 YEARS OF WISDOM

Date: 02.06.2022

Time: 6:00pm

Venue: Wisdom College, 97 Formby
Street, Calamvale 4115

For catering purposes RSVP is required.
Please complete the Event RSVP attached
RSVP by 25/5/2022

Please be advised that this is
an ADULTS ONLY event



CALLING ALL MUMS! PLEASE JOIN US IN
CELEBRATING YOU!

- DATE: MONDAY 9TH MAY 2022
- TIME: 2PM-3PM
- PLACE: PRIMARY SCHOOL UNDERCOVER AREA



Please rsvp to
c.coskun@wisdom.qld.edu.au by
Thursday 5th May.



BRING US YOUR USED BOOKS

- Novel
- Fiction and non-fiction
- All age groups



Please bring your books to the main office