WISDOM NEWS

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF WISDOM COLLEGE

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

MR. DAMIEN BARRY

Semester 1 has drawn to a close and there is much to celebrate and acknowledge. As a school community we continue to grow in numbers, subject offerings and programs across both curricular and extra-curricular areas. Our students have participated in a range of sporting activities, plus debating, music, technology and speaking competitions. We've had carnivals, fundraisers, parent breakfasts, and information nights. Our NAPLAN results continue to improve, we've hosted Iftar dinners during Ramadan, and held parent-teacher interviews.

I would like to thank all staff for their ongoing contribution to Wisdom College and our broader community. Our staff work very hard, they are committed professionals, and they care deeply about each of their students. Thanks also to our parents for your ongoing support, your partnerships, and your engagement. Our final week this Semester will see us host our annual cross-country event, and the Qurban Fair – both wonderful activities and a fitting way to wrap up this Semester.

There are 3 weeks of school holidays. The first week is when staff will finalise academic reports and prepare for Semester 2. The final 2 weeks will see a lot of repairs and maintenance done around the College. It will be a busy place with work being done on our facilities. Some of our classrooms will also be used by a Chinese Language School to allow them to deliver their holiday programs.

I wish everyone a wonderful break, and I hope that we all get a chance to get some rest and time together as a family. We return on Monday 8th July for Term 3 Semester 2.

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HEAD OF SECONDARY

MR. JAMES EASTHOPE

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we conclude Term 2 and Semester 1, I am delighted to reflect on the numerous achievements and memorable events that have defined this period at Wisdom College. Our community has come together to celebrate and honour significant occasions, enriching the educational experience of our students.

We began the term with the solemn ANZAC Day on April 25th, followed by our own ANZAC Day Ceremony on April 26th. These events were a poignant reminder of the sacrifices made by our servicemen and women. April 30th saw our annual Photo Day, capturing the smiling faces of our vibrant school community. On May 6th, we observed Labour Day, giving everyone a well-deserved break.

Our Year 10 parents attended the SET Planning Information Evening on May 7th, providing valuable guidance for their children's future pathways. We celebrated Mother's Day on May 12th, followed by a delightful Mother's Day High Tea on May 14th, strengthening the bond between our students and their families.

Students participated in the Elevate Study Skills Incursion on May 13th, enhancing their study techniques. The sportsmanship displayed during the Bachar Houli Cup on May 22nd was commendable. Our Fathers' Meet Up on May 23rd provided a wonderful opportunity for fathers to connect and engage with the school community. The Careers Expo on May 24th was an eye-opener for our Years 10 and 11 students, exposing them to a plethora of future career options. The Year 12 students had an enriching experience at the Writers Festival Excursion on May 31st.

In June, our Year 12 students celebrated their "100 Days of School Left" on June 7th, and the much-anticipated Year 12 Formal on June 12th was a night to remember. We concluded the term with the Cross Country Carnival on June 14th, fostering school spirit and healthy competition.

Our college culture is thriving, with continuous efforts to raise the standards of our students and establish a positive and safe learning environment. High uniform and appearance standards reflect our commitment to discipline and excellence, contributing significantly to our students' academic success.

As we look forward to Term 3, we have an exciting lineup of events. The term begins on July 8th, with the Year 9 & 10 Camp from July 24th to 26th, offering valuable outdoor learning experiences. Parent-Teacher Interviews will take place on July 31st, providing an opportunity to discuss student progress.

August will be packed with events, starting with the Wisdom College Fete on August 10th. Year 10 students will participate in Work Experience Week from August 12th to 16th, gaining practical insights into the working world. We will celebrate the Ekka Holiday on August 14th. Book Week, from August 19th to 23rd, will culminate in the Book Parade on August 23rd, promoting a love for reading among our students.

There are many more events to look forward to in the coming term. As we approach the holiday break, I wish all our students and families a restful and rejuvenating period. May you return refreshed and ready for another successful term.



HEAD OF PRIMARY

MRS. OLIVIA RUTHERFORD

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Families,

As we bid farewell to another term, it's with immense pride that we reflect on the incredible dedication and hard work demonstrated by our students. Their perseverance, coupled with the unwavering support of our exceptional teachers, has led to remarkable achievements and personal growth.

Throughout this term, our school has been abuzz with a rich tapestry of events, from engaging classroom activities to vibrant community gatherings. These experiences have not only deepened our students' learning but have also fostered meaningful connections within our college community.

As we approach the holiday season, I encourage you all to savor the simple joys of togetherness. Take time to gather around the dinner table, share stories of your day, and embark on new adventures together. Whether it's mastering a new skill, exploring a hobby, or simply enjoying each other's company, let's embrace these moments of bonding and discovery.

Looking ahead to the new term, I urge you to engage in conversations with your child about their aspirations. Whether it's setting goals for the upcoming sports carnival, auditioning for a lead role in the musical, or conquering a challenging novel, let's empower our children to pursue their passions with zeal and determination.

As we prepare for Term 3, please stay updated with important information and key dates by checking your emails and MyWisdom pages regularly. Term 3 promises to be filled with exciting events such as our sports carnival, school fete, enriching excursions, and informative parent information nights. Additionally, I kindly remind you to ensure your child's uniform is in order, including the correct bag and socks.

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to all the parents, guardians, and family members for your invaluable support throughout this term. Your partnership is instrumental in creating a nurturing and enriching environment for our students to thrive. I eagerly anticipate our continued collaboration in the upcoming term.



HEAD OF TEACHING AND LEARNING

MRS AYSE DOGAN

Dear Parents and Friends,

As we reach the end of another term and semester, it's remarkable to reflect on how quickly time has flown by. We have certainly had a very productive and busy first semester.

Some of the big highlights from this semester include our Learning Showcase at the end of Term 1, where our secondary and junior scholars proudly presented their incredible projects. Our Year 3, 5, 7, and 9 students completed their NAPLAN testing, and the preliminary results are looking very promising. Students will receive their NAPLAN results early next term.

Students from Year 7 and 8 participated in the YouDebate Competition, with our Year 7 girls finishing in third place, winning two out of three debate rounds. Our Year 8 girls also won two out of three debates, showcasing their impressive debating skills.

Our Year 10 students completed their subject selections for senior school, and we are excited to launch some new subject offerings for them. Our senior school has been evolving every year since its humble beginnings in 2020. Students now have a wide range of subjects to choose from and various pathways to pursue.

Your child will receive their first official academic report for Semester One via email over the school holidays. Students and parents also have access to progressive reporting through our Schoolbox platform. Please visit our curriculum pages to stay informed about what your child is learning in each subject and to engage in their educational journey.

Looking forward, we have a busy Term 3 ahead of us with three significant events: Science Week, Book Week, and National Literacy and Numeracy Week. We have prepared some exciting competitions and activities for these major events. We also have various external competitions happening such as ICAS and AMC. We look forward to seeing our students excel in these competitions.

I wish you all a safe and happy holiday and hope you have a wonderful Eid Al-Adha with your family. See you all in the new term!















HEAD OF CO-CURRICULAR

MRS. CANAN COSKUN

Dear Wisdom Family

When I took a glance at my Term 2 calendar and everything we have accomplished as a College I couldn't help but feel impressed and grateful for our community, staff, students and parents. I am always inspired by the hard work, dedication and compassion I see around me here at Wisdom.

This term we ran our selfless service week project which was initiated last year as part of our community engagement and service-learning programs. Our school came to life with an outpouring of kindness and love as each year level, Prep to 12 took part in a service activity of some sort, planning and leading various fundraisers, winter appeals, children hospital visits and so much more. We thank our wonderful staff for their leadership, compassion and dedication to our Service-learning programs and modelling these values we hold in high esteem at Wisdom College.

In the world of sports and Wisdom we have had our U16 boys and girls futsal teams who were competing in the Schools Futsal league take part in the shield cup where they were placed 5th amongst 10 other competing schools. Our U14 boys and girls teams are currently being selected for the new season of SFL and updates on the squads will be released early in term 3. We commend our teams and coaches for the dedication they have shown in representing the college and committing to this great competition with Veto Sports School Futsal League.

We had our 11th annual Ladies Night Fundraiser, and the night was an absolute success! A huge thank you to our P&F president Miss Bushra Beg for the hard work she poured into the event and to our ladies' night team as well as many of our P&F members who supported and helped in pulling this night together. Not only does the night raise much needed funds for our college but also helps to connect our community. And it is always a great way to showcase the Wisdom spirit and who we are as a college.

We have some exciting and meaningful projects in line with our Community, Service learning and well-being initiatives being launched next term so stay tuned and watch this space!

I wish you all a beautiful Eid al Adha with your families and loved ones and a well-rested and safe holiday.



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT OFFICER

MR. SULEYMAN KAYA

Dear Wisdom Community

Greetings from the Community Engagement Team

Term 2 has seen some amazing events and services by our students and community. We had upper primary and secondary parents' breakfast, annual Wisdom Ladies Night, Selfless Service Week and Wisdom Fathers Meetup, also hosted ISRA (Islamic Sciences Research Academy of Australia) Sydney team and some of the Brisbane Muslim community leaders during this term.

I would like to thank Mr. Sidqie Djunaedi, one of our parents, for running a session, around spending quality time with children and the importance of it for our kids nowadays. During Wisdom Fathers Meetup, he shared some great insights from his life experience and his expertise as a professional emotional fitness coach. Our parents joined in and enjoyed this meaningful conversation. We also had a fathers and children Kahoot competition at the end of the program in the library. Winners were rewarded with boxes of chocolate.

Our students and community members have done an admirable work during Selfless Service Weeks. It was a whole school approach to service learning and from Prep to Y12 all the year levels have taken up a project and successfully completed. Among the projects were; collecting donations for homeless runs, rubbish collectors, acts of kindness, fundraising for Children's Hospital Foundation, animal care, handmade cards for our friends on streets, homeless winter appeal, fundraising for cancer hospital, fundraising for Palestinian Refugee families and Gaza, Yemen Bread Distributions, Qurban Campaign, second hand uniform store, bake sale for orphans, 2 aged care visits, 12 cataract eye surgeries by our QECF community members (200\$ each).

Looking forward to seeing everyone in our events.









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FLYER LEADING UP TO
THE BIG DAY!!

We are currently seeking sponsors for our Wisdom College school Fete. If you own a business and are interested in supporting our College, please reach out to Aliya Wazir at a.wazir@wisdom.qld.edu.au for more information. We have many sponsorship options available!

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2024 CALENDAR

TERM 3 DATES

JULY

Monday 8th July School resumes Term 3 Monday 15th July - Dental Van @ Wisdom Tuesday 16th July Primary Parent Information Night - WISE Wednesday 24th-26th July Year 9 & 10 Camp Wednesday 31st July Parent Teacher Interviews Student Free Day

AUGUST

Saturday 10th August Wisdom College Fete Wednesday 14th August EKKA Holiday Friday 16th August Science Fair Friday 23rd August Book Week Parade

SEPTEMBER

Wednesday 11th September Year 11 Semi Formal Thursday 12th September RUOK Day Friday 13th September Athletics Carnival and Last Day of Term 3 MAY 2024 ISSUE NO. 5

<u>UPDATES AND INFORMATION</u>

UNIFORM SHOP



LUNCH ORDER SYSTEM







Wisdom College is excited to announce that our new lunch order system is ready to go!

WE HAVE PARTNERED WITH BLACKOUT COFFEE AND FLEXISCHOOLS TO BRING YOU THIS EASY ONLINE ORDERING SYSTEM.

As of today you can place second lunch break orders for your child/ren.

Please download the Flexischools App and click the link for more information on how to register today.



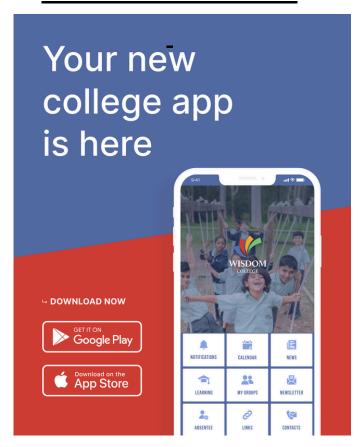






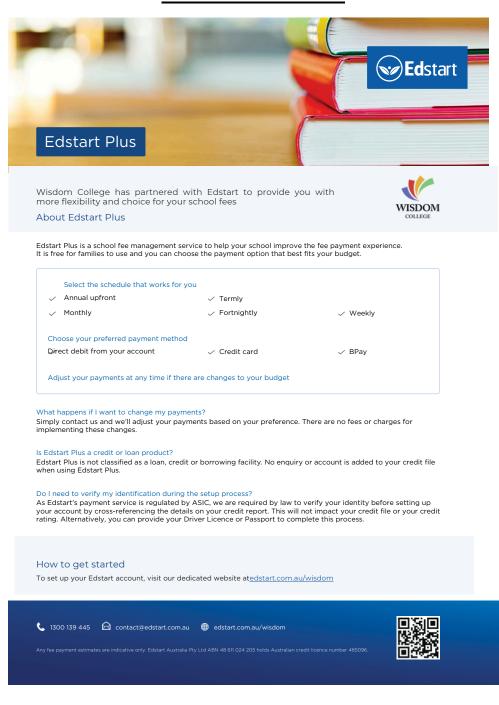


SCHOOLBOX APP -



PLEASE DOWNLOAD THE APP AND ENSURE THAT ALL OF YOUR FAMILY DETAILS ARE CORRECT

FEE'S EDSTART





Jaybel Office Choice will be supplying your 2024 booklist packs, Jaybel is a 100% Australian Family Owned & Operated school supplier. We've been working with Jaybel to make sure your child has an easy start to the new year. We've selected the list of items your child needs to start the year and worked with Jaybel so you can order everything you need in one go.

Please ensure that your child has everything listed on this form to start the 2024 school year.

2024 Online Ordering Guide

Ordering is fast, secure and convenient. Simply visit www.jaybel.com.au/booklists and follow these easy steps.

- Enter the School Code: BTSWC001 & Password: WC2024
- Select your child's year required for 2024 from the menu "Select Year Level"
- Quantities recommended by the school are noted as "Suggested Qty" against each item.
- To make ordering easy, you have the option to order a complete booklist pack or you can customise your order as
- required.
- After selecting your items, click on "Add Selected Items To Cart".
- Next, enter the Name of the Student this order is for and click "Proceed"
- If you wish to order for another student, use the menu to select the year level and follow the same steps.
- Once you have added all items required, click on the Shopping Cart Icon in the top right corner.
- Review your products in the shopping cart before checking out.
- Click on Continue To Checkout.
- Next select your Delivery Method, then enter your address details, your Name, Email and Phone in the fields provided.
- Click on Continue To Payment.
- Make payment and complete the order.
- Once complete, you will be presented with an order confirmation screen and an email confirmation will be sent.

Important information regarding your Delivery

- Delivery fees: \$9.95 per order inc. GST.
- Once the order has been despatched you will receive an order tracking number via email.
- For assistance with the website, your order, delivery information, or a general enquiry, please email sales@jaybel.com.au or call 07 3423 5888.

