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Reflecting back and Gearing ahead Principals Message



Rana Al-Baghdadi
PRINCIPAL

The recent weather has certainly reminded us that we have moved from winter to spring. At the time of writing this article, our Year 12 students have successfully completed their official days of schooling and are now embarking on the final stretch of their semester 2 exams. This remarkable group of students has undeniably brought charm and positive influence to our school environment, and their presence will be greatly missed.

I eagerly anticipate their upcoming Farewell assembly early next term, where we will have the opportunity to congratulate and celebrate the outstanding achievements of our Year 12 students.

Al-Ameen Family Night

The night was filled with excitement and joy and it could not have been possible without the presence of hundreds of our parents, students, staff and the extended community. We are committed to fostering a strong sense of belonging with our community and what better way to do this than through a family lecture, entertainment with lots of fun and food.

We thank our parents for being a part of our event, your support and commitment is valued.





Senior Cook OUT!

Sheikh Yahya graciously cooked for our 67 year 12 students and teaching staff to bid farewell to our beloved students. We all testified to Sh Yahya's great cooking skills and thank him for this wonderful gesture for our students and staff.



Year 6 and 12 Graduation Celebrations

We have two significant Graduation celebrations planned for the end of this Term.

First, we have the Year 12 Valedictory on Saturday, November 18th, starting at 4:30 pm. The following week, on Thursday, November 23rd, we will host the Year 6 Graduation Ceremony. Both of these events will feature academic prize-giving ceremonies.

Please note that due to seating capacity limits, these events are ticketed and available exclusively to Year 6 and Year 12 students and their four guests. I am excited to join in celebrating the remarkable Class of 2023 and extend my best wishes to our Year 12 students as they prepare for their ATAR exams.

Student Enrolment

Al-Ameen College currently has limited student enrolment vacancies. We are also introducing a new GATE program for Year 7 in 2024. For students currently in Year 6 who wish to enroll, they must complete a High Ability Selective Test (HAST) scheduled for Saturday 28 October

2023 and can register using the link provided at [7GATE registration](#). Last day to register is Friday October 13 2023.



Re-enrolling for 2024?

To all our current families continuing with us in 2024, I urge you to initiate the re-enrolment process by completing and submitting the online form to secure your child's position. Equally important is informing us if your child will be leaving the College, as this information is crucial for planning purposes and for families waiting for positions on our waiting lists. You can visit this link to complete the [Re-enrollment Form for 2024](#). This form must be completed by Friday 17 November 2023.

NEW 2024 School Calendar

In 2024, we are introducing some changes to our school holidays, including an extended end-of-year break, providing our students and staff with an increased 8-week summer holiday. Consequently, the term 3 break for 2024 will be slightly reduced to accommodate the end-of-year holiday. Please refer to the 2024 school term calendar below for details.

In 2024:

- School commences Monday 29 January 2024 for all primary and year 7, 11 & 12 students
- School commences Tuesday 30 January 2024 for all remaining students
- Last day of the year Friday 29 November 2024

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AL-AMEEN COLLEGE 2024 TERM DATES

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Back to school dates

Our Term 4 this year will commence on **Tuesday, October 10th 2023**, and we anticipate a busy and productive end to the year, with the last school day of school being Wednesday, December 13th, 2023.

Term 3 Key Dates/Events

Here are some of the key events and activities scheduled for Term 4. For a comprehensive list of events and excursions, please refer to our Term 4 Calendar on your SEQTA Dashboard.

- Year 5-6 Camp
- K-Year 2 Sports Carnival
- Year 12 Farewell Assembly
- Year 3-6 Sports Carnival
- Year 12 WACE Exams
- High School Sports Carnival
- High School Boys Games Night
- Year 11 Exams
- Year 12 Valedictory
- Year 6 Graduation Day
- Pre-primary Graduation Day
- Kindy Graduation Day
- Year 1-3 Awards Ceremony
- Year 4-5 Awards Ceremony
- Year 7-9 Awards Ceremony
- Year 10-11 Awards Ceremony
- High School Boys Camp
- Kindy Orientation

- High School Girls Gala

Year 12 ATAR Written Exam Timetable

The ATAR written exams are set to commence on Monday, October 30th, 2023. You can access the complete [ATAR written Timetable](#), along with additional information, including the Exam Equipment List, through this link. Each Year 12 student will have access to their personal exam timetable via the <https://studentportal.scsa.wa.edu.au/>. This timetable will list the students' written exams, as well as any other exams they are entered for, such as oral exams for languages, performance exams, and submitted works.

Year 6 SPARKS Program

Our Year 6 students are embarking on an exciting journey as they prepare to transition into high school in 2024. Al-Ameen College has designed an exciting program that will gradually prepare our Year 6 students for the changes they can anticipate in Year 7, 2024. Throughout Term 4, students will be involved in the following activities:

1. Joining the high school's daily assembly
2. SPARKS Orientation Day: Friday, October 13
3. Year 6/11 student mentorship initiatives
4. Year 6-7 team-building activities
5. A day in the life of a high school student



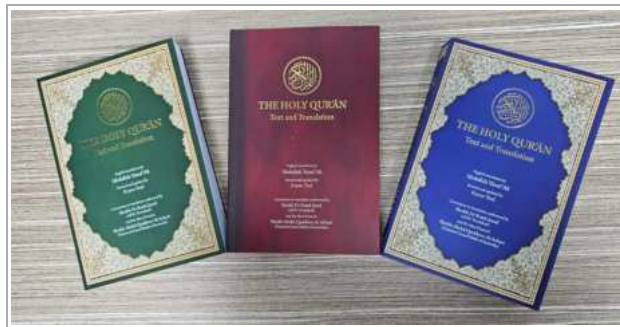
New Campus- Malaga

There have been unforeseen delays to the intended start date of our much anticipated Al-Ameen College, Malaga Campus. The new expected opening date will be January 2025. We look forward to planning ahead for a grand opening in 2025 inshaAllah.

Holy Quran Available

We are pleased to inform our parents that Arabic

Quran with English translations are available exclusively for our Al-Ameen families. Each family can collect a maximum of 2 copies which can be accessed from our Office reception, collect your free Quran books before they run out.



We are eagerly looking forward to a productive term 4 ahead and appreciate your continued support and prayers. For any concerns or queries, please do not hesitate to get in touch with me on principal@alameencollege.wa.edu.au.

Best wishes,

Rana Al-Baghdadi

Principal

Assistant Principal – Teaching and Learning



Dr Fincy Patrick

Term 3 at Al-Ameen College was jam packed with educational experiences that enriched students' knowledge and skills. Science expo started off with a drone show aligning perfectly with this year's theme: Innovation powering future industries. This was followed by a science exhibition, project presentations including a Drobotic arm to showcase the influence of artificial Intelligence in day-to-

day life. This was an opportunity to celebrate the incredible achievements of science and to engage in discussions about the role of innovation in shaping our future. Another highlight was Book Week. The English Learning Area together with library staff organised an array of activities for our students, including Prime Minister's Spelling

bee competition, a role play and, of course, the annual dress-up day to complete the week. It was a fabulous day with many students and most of the staff showing off their creativity and their willingness to have fun.

During Term 3, we successfully organised competitions such ICAS and AMC, which have proven to be invaluable platforms for nurturing talent, encouraging academic excellence, and promoting critical thinking among our students. In this term we also had a remarkable cultural exchange program, where our Year 11 and 12 visual arts students engaged in a collaborative project with students from Darling Range Sports College. This unique initiative provided our students with an incredible opportunity to establish meaningful connections and foster mutual understanding. Numerous sporting events took place during term 3, including Bachar Houli cup carnival and the Year 9-12 Girls' Volleyball Tournament.

At this time of the year, our Year 12 students are moving through the last few weeks of their formal Secondary education. Information sessions for parents and students regarding TISC was conducted to assist students in making informed decisions about their preferences for university studies and navigating the application process. We have arranged after school tutoring sessions and practice exams to offer support to our students during their final lap. Both ATAR and General students have been occupied with numerous assessments to complete their school reports. My best wishes to all Year 12 students diligently preparing for their exams, and I encourage them to take a break from study and find a balance.

Dr Fincy Patrick

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL: Teaching and learning - High school

Assistant Principal -Wellbeing & Pastoral Care



"A Term of Wellness, Learning, and Fun at Al-Ameen College"

Assalamualaikum wa
rahmatullahi wa
barakatuh,

Dear Al-Ameen College
Community,

As the term draws to a close, we're taking a moment to reflect on the vibrant and enriching experiences that have unfolded within our school community over

these past few months. From insightful workshops to joyful celebrations, it's been a term filled with growth, learning, and a whole lot of fun.

Year 12 Head Space Workshop: Transitioning out of High School

Our Year 12 students embarked on an exciting journey as they delved into a workshop packed with valuable tips and guidance. This workshop equipped our graduates with the tools they need for their next exciting chapter in life.

Bully Zero Workshops: Building Resilience and Empathy

For our students in Years 4 to 11, we hosted a series of Bully Zero workshops designed to foster resilience, self-worth, and empathy. These workshops covered an array of topics, including building resilience, interacting with others, understanding different types of bullying, and strategies to combat it.



WAVE Virtual Reality Workshops: Understanding the Impact of Drugs and Alcohol

The Department of Education treated our students to a mind-bending experience with Virtual Reality workshops. These preventive sessions

focused on educating our students about the negative effects of drugs and alcohol on the brain and overall health.

R U OK Day: Bringing the Whole School Together

September 14th marked a remarkable day at Al-Ameen College as we came together to celebrate R U OK Day. This event was a true testament to our school community's commitment to mental health and emotional well-being. Activities ranged from class discussions to a whole-school assembly, photo booths, pledge walls, and special gifts for both staff and students. Not to forget, the highly-anticipated raffle, where students displaying empathy were awarded tickets for a chance to win fantastic prizes. We owe a huge shout-out to our dedicated student councillors who played a pivotal role in planning and executing this heartwarming day. The culture of support and togetherness at our school was on full display as even students who weren't councillors stepped up to make this day a resounding success.

Girls' Night: A Fun-Filled Extravaganza

At the end of Term 2, we celebrated the hard work and dedication of our students with the hugely successful Girls' Night. This event was a perfect blend of fun and building connections among our incredible students and staff. It was a night to remember, and we can't wait to create more cherished memories in the future.

As we wrap up this term, we want to express our heartfelt gratitude to our amazing Al-Ameen College community. Your support, participation, and enthusiasm have made these events not just successful but truly meaningful. We look forward to more exciting experiences, growth, and fun in the terms to come.

Here's to a thriving school community that cares deeply about wellness, learning, and having a great time together!

Yours sincerely,

Manal Jneid
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL: PASTORAL CARE

Primary School – Coordinator



Assalamu Alaykum
Warahmatullahi Wa
Barakatu

Dear Parents

As we approach the end of another successful and productive term 3, 2023, it is time to reflect on the achievements of our students in the world of Mathematics, Science, Digital Technologies and Literacy. In this newsletter article we will be highlighting the Australian Maths

competition and the International Competitions and Assessments for schools (ICAS). In addition, we will also highlight other important events which took place over term 3 in this article.

Australian Maths Competition [AMC]

Primary students at our school adore mathematics as a subject. The Australian Maths competition this year had a strong interest with 117 primary students participating.

The Australian Maths competition is a national event that aims to encourage students to develop their problem – solving skills and mathematical knowledge. The competition is open to students from years 3-12 and covers a range of topics including algebra, geometry, measurement, numbers and patterns, and reasoning. Students will receive their certificates once received by our Admin Department. We are incredibly proud of all students and their dedication showing a strong participation in these assessments.

ICAS competitions

The ICAS series is a comprehensive assessment program that tests students' abilities in Literacy, Mathematics and Science. We had a total of 293 Primary students who participated. The results for the ICAS series assessments are now available to parents online. Students as early as year 2 participated for the first time during this term. All certificates will be handed out to students once received from ICAS.

We are thrilled with the ICAS results over the

years showing several students achieving high distinction awards. However, we are also proud of all the students who have participated and showing a commitment to have completed the online platform assessments. Hence, so to speak to 'give it a go'. We always encourage students to participate in these external assessment online events, even if they don't necessarily have a talent for maths, writing or science. However, these experiences doing online platform activities can help shape the student to become well-rounded individuals who are prepared for success in whatever path they choose to pursue in the future

Importance of All Term 3 Events

While the ICAS and Australian maths competitions are certainly to celebrate, it is important to remember that the above events form just one part of a well-rounded education.

All term events, whether science and book weeks, Islamic and Arabic performances, crazy hair day fundraiser, sport competitions and swimming lessons, play an essential role in developing life skills such as teamwork, communication, and resilience building including overall wellbeing.

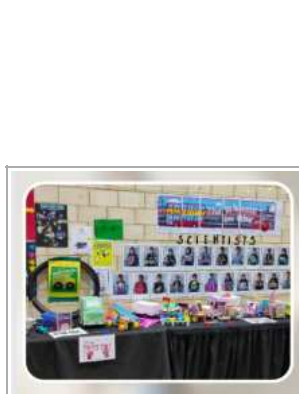
In conclusion, we encourage all our students to participate in these term events. We look forward to complete the semester 2 and the year 2023 and further nurturing them for the future. As a college, we are committed and continuing to provide all our students with the support and resources to complete a well-rounded education.

A big thank you to all the Primary school staff who made the delivery of implementing a well-rounded curriculum and high impact teaching in our classrooms also showcasing the new writing program 'Talk for Writing' motivating students to re-create their own texts.

Mrs Shaamillah Davis
Primary School Coordinator



It all started with a cooking
Adventure...



WE HAVE BEEN BUSY IN KINDY!

Here are some highlights from this term

1. Cooking Adventures

Our little chefs have been whipping up tasty creations in our classes. We made jelly cups, fruit kebabs, muffin pizzas, silly face pancakes and damper bread! We explored lots of different ways to encourage healthy eating.

2. CRAZY hair day

We came to school with our crazy hair! We had so much fun showing our crazy hair with our friends!

We have been busy in KINDY!

3. Science WEEK

Hands-on experiments that sparked curiosity and wonder and discovering the magic of science together!

4. BOOK WEEK

Transforming into our favourite book characters. A world of imagination and storytelling!

Looking ahead

We've had a busy term, but there's more to come in Term 4! Get ready for more exciting activities and learning adventures inshaAllah!

Jannah Salehan
PRIMARY SCHOOL
Early Childhood Teacher

Carly Rusdu
HEAD OF PRIMARY - EARLY CHILDHOOD
ECE Line Leader/Primary School Teacher

Roar went the Dinosaur!



Nabilah Hamkha
PRIMARY SCHOOL TEACHER
Kindergarten

Carly Rusdu
HEAD OF PRIMARY - EARLY CHILDHOOD
ECE Line Leader/Primary School Teacher

Exploring our rich History

Year 1 Term 3, 2023

Highlights: "Captivating Moments in Our Learning Journey."

Once again, our term has brimmed with activities that have enriched the learning opportunities for our students.

1. Museum Excursion: Exploring History

Early in the term, our students embarked on a thrilling journey to the local museum. This educational excursion provided them with the opportunity to journey back in time and fully engage in the fascinating history of days gone by. The interactive exhibits and insightful guides provided our students with a deeper understanding of the past, making history come alive in a memorable way. It was a day of learning, exploration, and discovery that left a lasting impression on our young historians.

2. Embracing Learning Tasks with Enthusiasm!

In the ever-evolving landscape of education, the literacy and numeracy learning areas stand as fundamental pillars in shaping the future of our students. Students are engaged in a diverse range of tasks in these areas. Literacy and numeracy skills are the keys that unlock doors to countless academic and career paths, fostering a lifelong love for learning.



3. Crazy Hair and Scarf Day: Unleashing Creativity

Our school spirit soared on Crazy Hair and Scarf Day! Students arrived with wild and imaginative hairstyles, adorned with colourful scarves, creating a fantastic spectacle of creativity. It was heart-warming to see the unique ideas and the sense of fun that our students brought to this event.

4. Science Week: Innovation and Exploration

Science Week was a highlight for our budding scientists! The theme for the Year 1 students was "LEGO creations using Code KLIX and Coding with Oscar". Our students delved into the world of coding, unleashing their creativity to craft unique LEGO creations. It was an exciting week filled with experiments, discoveries, and a deeper appreciation for the wonders of science and technology.

5. Book Week: A World of Imagination

In Week 6 of Term 3, we celebrated Book Week with tremendous enthusiasm. Our teachers, staff, and students donned spectacular costumes that brought beloved literary characters to life. The library buzzed with excitement as students eagerly searched for answers to the Book Week quiz questions, fostering a love for reading and exploration.

6. Father's Day: Crafted with Love

As Father's Day approached, our students showcased their artistic talents and crafted heartfelt, handcrafted gifts for their fathers. The arts and crafts activities were a delightful way to express their love and appreciation for their fathers.

In conclusion, Term 3 was a whirlwind of learning, creativity, and excitement. We are immensely proud of our students for their participation, enthusiasm, and dedication to each activity. As we head into Term 4, we look forward to even more adventures, discoveries, and achievements together as a school community. Let's continue to celebrate our children's successes in all areas of their learning journey where the possibilities are boundless, and the horizons are limitless.

Thank you for your continued support, and we hope you enjoy the well-deserved school break.

Mrs C. Rodricks

Charlotte Rodricks
PRIMARY SCHOOL TEACHER
Year 1

Ikram Ali
HEAD OF PRIMARY YEARS 1-2
Lower Primary Line Lead



Year 2 News

TERM 3, 2023

As we are approaching end of Term 3, let us take some time to reflect on some of the memorable moments and amazing accomplishments of our Year 2 Students. Here are some of the highlights.

SCIENCE

Perhaps the most exciting activity our Year 2 students participated in this term was the National Science Week. This year's Science Week theme was 'Innovation: Powering Future Industries'. The Science Week theme correlated with the Year 2 Science curriculum on Physical Sciences: Push and Pull. Students were very excited to explore how push and pull affects how an object moves or changes shape. They used a range of methods to sort information, compare observations and, finally, to produce a variety of innovative and creative push/pull toys for our Year 2 display. In addition to our Push and Pull display, our clever Year 2's designed and created a music box using Lego blocks and Coding with the Oscar program. What an amazing achievement, Year 2's!

ENGLISH

This term in English, Year 2 Students are learning how to write a Persuasive text. We are so excited to use our amazing writing program, Talk For Writing. Our model text is based on the fun and exciting story by Drew Daywalt, 'The Day the Crayons Quit'. Students are taking a journey from imitating the model text to innovation and eventually applying their skills independently. They have so much fun retelling the story using a story map and actions before applying their knowledge to independent writing. In our PLD phonics program, students are focusing on acquiring strong phonetic skills to be able to read and spell fluently. In the area of Language, this term Year 2 students worked on synonyms and antonyms, plurals, prefixes and suffixes as well as the text structure.



Beata Lisek
PRIMARY SCHOOL TEACHER
Year 2

Ikram Ali
HEAD OF PRIMARY YEARS 1-2
Lower Primary Line Lead

Smart bug catchers!

Mashallah what a fun filled term it has been in year 3. Science week: During science week, students were able to design and create their own bug catchers. With these amazing and crafty bug catcher's students caught snails, caterpillars, ants and spiders. SciTech: After learning about our solar system in science, students were able to visit SciTech. They watched a planet show, explored the exposition area and became investigators on who ate the professor's lunch. Students had a wonderful time and thoroughly enjoyed it. Book week: 'Oh, the places you can go' – Dr Sues What an amazing effort students and parents put into their book characters. Students were able to capture the image of their characters well and enjoyed the performances by the staff at Alameen College. - Year 3 cohort

NUMERACY

In Numeracy, Year 2 students are focusing on Strategies for Subtraction, Multiplication, Groups and Arrays. They are working on measuring in meters and centimetres, as well as exploring the topics of clocks and area. In the coming weeks, they will also delve into Statistics, where they will be learning about Picture and Column Graphs.

HASS (Humanities & Social Sciences)

In Geography Year 2 students are focusing on a wide range of concepts. They are exploring the location of the major geographical divisions of the world, such as, continents, oceans in relation to Australia. They are also studying the connections that people in Australia have with other places both within the country and across the world. Furthermore, students are learning about how Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people maintain connections to their country/place. This includes understanding the significance of land culture to these indigenous communities. Students are discovering that local features and places are given names that hold meaning to people. They are also learning how to define and understand these places on various geographical scales, helping them develop a deeper appreciation for their surroundings and broader world.

HEALTH & TECHNOLOGIES

In Health this term Year 2 students are immersed in learning about strategies and behaviours that promote health and wellbeing such as healthy eating, sufficient sleep, staying hydrated, being sun smart and following safety rules. They are also gaining insight into the ways health messages are communicated in the media and how they can influence personal health choices. During term 3 we integrated Health and Technologies subjects, culminating in a project where students were created a health poster promoting healthy eating. This project not only reinforced the importance of a balanced diet but also tied to our Literature program, where students were introduced to another example of the persuasive text in the form of a Healthy eating advertisement. The dedication and creativity of all Year 2 students in producing their work was commendable – well done!

THE ARTS – DRAMA

In Drama this term, students are experiencing both performing and being part of the audience. They are presenting scenes that involve the application of drama narratives, creating a dynamic learning experience. Currently, the focus is on the Reader's Theatre Story, 'The Three Billy Goats Gruff.' Throughout these drama sessions, students are delving into various elements such as voice, movement, role-playing, and situational dynamics. They also explore the motivations behind why people engage in drama. It's evident that drama lessons are not just educational but also incredibly enjoyable. The enthusiasm and creativity of all Year 2 students shine as they eagerly improvise and immerse themselves in the world of Drama. It is a pleasure to work with such a talented and imaginative group!

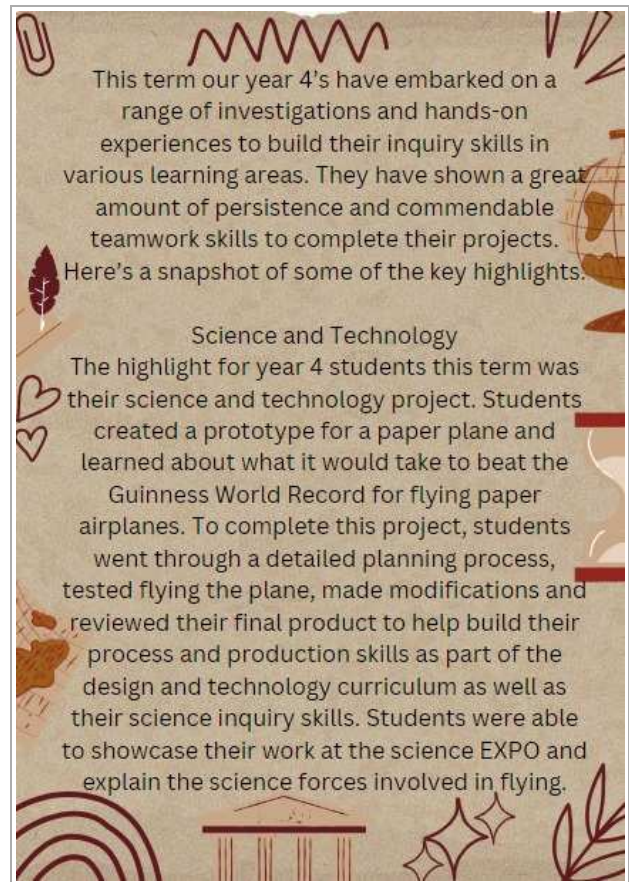
On behalf of all Year 2 Teachers

With warmest regards,

Mrs Lisek

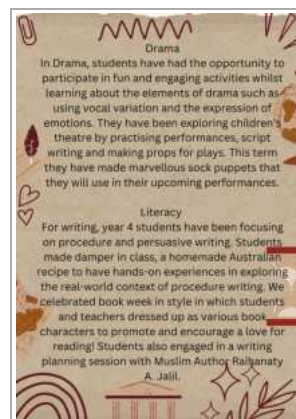
P.S. Additionally, we just had a blast dressing up and taking part in an amazing Book Week Day!

Creating flight and soaring into the future



Islam Choueib
PRIMARY SCHOOL TEACHER
Year 3

Diana Bromell
HEAD OF PRIMARY YEARS 3-4
Upper Primary Line Lead



Salma Arab
PRIMARY SCHOOL TEACHER
Year 4

Diana Bromell HEAD OF PRIMARY YEARS 3-4 Upper Primary Line Lead



Now, Design and Technology got us building boats – mini-marine architects in the making! 🛶 The challenge? Design a boat that can carry a load across water without becoming the next Titanic. It was a journey of teamwork, determination, and maybe a hint of boat-building drama. But guess what? Most of those watercrafts sailed to success!

And let's not forget about our rockstar dads – Father's Day was our moment to shine the spotlight on them! 🎤 The kids turned into creative confectionery wizards, crafting Father's Day Wreaths with chocolates and keyrings that'd make any dad's heart melt like chocolate in the sun. 🍫🔑

To wrap it all up, a massive shoutout to my incredible students. 🌈 Your hard work and cooperation light up our classroom like a rainbow – you're the real magic behind our educational journey! 🌈🌟



The Super Hero's

Hey there, fabulous readers! 🌟 Year 5 Purple has been on fire with their hard work – seriously, they've been bringing it like champions! 🏆 It's been like watching a magical grade-improvement parade – hats off to those brilliant students who've been turbocharging their efforts and embracing their inner education superheroes. 🦸 Even the NAPLAN results did a happy dance to show off the awesomeness!

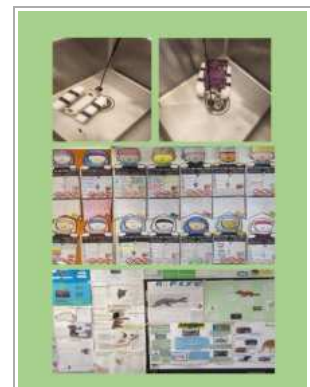
But hold on tight, because our education adventure isn't confined to the classroom – oh no! 🌍 We're like educational explorers venturing into the wild wonders around the school.

Our latest escapade? The Science Scavenger Hunt for the Solar System. Imagine this: students chasing hidden fact cards like they're on a mission to discover intergalactic treasures! 🌌 It was basically a race of cosmic proportions, and the excitement was as real as a meteor shower.

And speaking of excitement, did you know Crazy Hair Day is the official smile-sparking event? 🤪 Besides having a blast, we were also raising money for a super-worthy cause. Crazy hair + good vibes + making a difference = winning combo, right?

Now, hold onto your lab coats, because Science Week brought out our inner mad scientists with the theme 'innovation: powering future industries'. Our classroom transformed into a creativity lab, and our brains powered up like never before. We tackled 'Motion Without Power' and created some epic inventions – from water-powered fountains to rubber band-driven helicopters and cooling fans. 🌀💡

Don't be surprised if you see some of these on the market soon! But wait, there's more! 📖 Book Week was a costume extravaganza, and boy, did we rock it! We had prize winners strutting their stuff like literary runway models.





Adriana Debowski
PRIMARY SCHOOL TEACHER
Year 5

Angela O'brien
HEAD OF PRIMARY YEARS 5-6
Year 5

Seniors ... always lead the way!

Unbelievably, term 3 is almost at an end. Where has the year gone....?

By now, the year 6's are well-settled and getting ready for the next step in their learning journey- High School!!

The year 6 cohort is an amazing group of students. They are mathematicians, scientists, explorers, artists. They are kind and caring, they are confident, happy students.

We have been on a wonderful learning journey up till now and we look forward to continuing with this for the rest of the year.

Mrs Rankin
Here's a look at our year so far.....



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HEAD OF PRIMARY YEARS 5-6
Year 5

Visual Literacy through Story Boards

In today's world, we are all surrounded by images and it is essential that we train our future generations to understand the tools and techniques of this mode of communication. We in the English department endeavour to incorporate the visual literacy element in our program in multiple ways. The aim is to enable our students to be more aware of the techniques and strategies of visual texts. Every year my year 7 students compose a narrative text in class and then transform it into a visual text, a picture book or story board, to demonstrate their understanding of visual and written modes. Attached are some exceptional

submissions that prove our students' deeper understanding of visual literacy and their ability to transform a text from one mode to another.



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Theatre, drama, poetry and so much more...

Salutations,

Since our last SchoolZine update the English Department has been full steam ahead with several major events.

At the end of Term 2, Year 12 ATAR students attended the English and Literature Conference at Curtin University which included a series of lectures to help students prepare for their WACE examinations, we would like to kindly thank the P & F committee for helping subsidise the cost for our students. A huge JazakAllah. Students were kindly escorted by Sr Haneen, Sr Nasiha and Sr Saima .

Year 11 Literature students attended an evening at Hayman Theatre at Curtin University where they experienced a live theatrical drama performance by the university Theatre Arts students, the play was based on the Greek tragedy by Aeschylus "The Persians", the play immersed us with excellent acting in ancient Greece 472BC and the consequences of war. This fit in with students' studies of "Antigone" by Sophocles which was in the same era.

Year 11 General English students (Sr Nasihah and Sr Haneen's classes) have been visited by guest speakers to enhance their understanding of careers and planning for their future. They were visited by a surgical nurse/surgery co-ordinator who works at Fiona Stanley Hospital and a dental hygienist who works for the Government Dental Health Services. The students' comments are included below, explaining in their own words their experiences.

One of the biggest events held this term has been Book Week 2023, the theme this year was "Read, Grow and Inspire". We certainly tried to do this with the play that was enacted. Students were entertained by a unique adaptation of the novel/film "Jurassic Park" with four dinosaurs making appearances as well as "Dorothy the dinosaur". I would like to sincerely thank the brave teachers and students involved in the production. Sr Marwa, Sr Sherifah, Sr Aesha, Sr Noura, Sr Jasmin, Sr Anees and Year 12 students, Mujtaba, Rinaldo, Illyas and Mostafa and for all the behind-the-scenes assistance by Sr Haneen and Sr Sitti Zakaria. Everyone had a great time and laugh.

The play was followed by the English Poetry Competition where students recited their own poems based on novels they had read. The quality of the poems were exceptional and the three winners were: Aisha Ali for her poem "Auggie", based on the book "Wonder", Rihan Zukra for her poem "Little women in pages and ink" based on the novel "Little Women" and Eshal Zubair for her poem "Echoes of Resilience" based on the novel "Trash". Congratulations to the winners and a Thank you and commendations to all participants, InshAllah we look forward to your participation next year.

Finally, we wish to bid farewell to our Year 12 students as they complete their Semester 2 examinations and focus for their upcoming WACE exams. InshAllah they will be successful in their efforts.

That's all for now, more exciting English studies are awaiting in Term 4 InshAllah.

<p>Year 11 General English Student Comments:</p> <p>In Term 3 we were privileged to have 2 guest speakers who spoke to us about their career and their daily routine at work. Ms Suha came to speak to us about her job as a dental hygienist. I learnt a lot about her routines around her job including what time she starts and finishes, the procedures on patients and how she has to sanitise the working area. This helped me gain a deeper knowledge about the job of a dental hygienist. Ms Layla is a dedicated nurse who shared about the many cases of death that she sees while at work. She helped us understand that this job is not for the weak. I felt a deeper connection towards the occupation, and I have a huge respect towards the nurses and surgeons working in the hospitals. Overall, I find these sessions very educational, and I look forward to more in the future.</p> <p>-Amara Yr 11</p>	<p>The sessions with the two guest speakers were informative. It gave me an insight into their duties and the challenges that they faced.</p> <p>-Thorik Yr 11</p> <p>I enjoyed the career talk as I learnt about the day-to-day duties of a dental hygienist and a nurse.</p> <p>-Gabriel Yr 11</p> <p>The first speaker shared many photos and her presentation reminds me about the importance of oral hygiene.</p> <p>-Syafiq</p>	<p>The honoured guest speakers had amazing presentations, with different learning experiences. The speakers had me thinking about the different career paths and what would suit me best, the presentations inspired me and were interesting.</p> <p>-Husnia</p> <p>Being visited by the guest speakers was an interesting and unique experience. I found the speakers to be very engaging and they kept my attention throughout most of the talk. I felt inspired and it gave me a clearer idea of the field I would like to go into. (nothing medical)</p> <p>-Halemah</p> <p>The speakers we have had for these past two weeks have been extremely helpful and made me realise how the real world is. That we have so many choices and different pathways in life.</p> <p>-Fatimah</p>	<p>Both of the female Muslim speakers have given me more confidence in myself to continue my medical dream, especially as a covered person. Both were very encouraging and have interesting jobs, that also gave me an idea of different jobs that I can do.</p> <p>-Aisha</p> <p>Both the guest speakers had good information on their careers. It was interesting as they explained how exactly they do their job.</p> <p>-Sana</p>
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Year 12 English and Literature Conference at Curtin University

Water wise & water smart Al-Ameen kids!

All the year 7 classes had a terrific experience at our incursion. An informative lady named Tanya came to our school from the Water Corporation, to teach us about gigalitres, climate change, and water supply areas in Perth. Perth's water source timeline and current water source quantity were important topics. Tanya also showed us two videos about desalination and how it works and ground water replenishment. We also learned about the different types of water around Perth and how they travel to dams. We did fun activities and multiple-choice questions where students could choose their answer on a small device. Tanya even demonstrated some experiments! This is all thanks to the amazing HASS Department and especially Sr Noura who organised the Water Corporation Incursion. Thank you for the wealth of information that we learnt from the Water Corp during this incursion. Thank you so much to all our amazing teachers and students.

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Kind Regards,
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English HOLA

Innovation like never before!

Al-Ameen College recently hosted an awe-inspiring Science Book Week Expo, and this year's theme was all about *Innovation: Powering Future Industries*. The event showcased the incredible talent and creativity of our students and educators, highlighting the importance of science and technology in our rapidly evolving world.

Primary School Exhibitions: A Showcase of Creativity

The primary school exhibitions were a testament to the hard work and dedication of our primary school

teachers, educational assistants, and their young prodigies. Each year level had its own unique exhibit, captivating visitors with their creative projects. The students' enthusiasm and commitment to their work shone through, inspiring everyone who visited.

Br Adam's Thrilling Experiment Show

Br Adam's experiment show was a highlight of the expo, keeping students on the edge of their seats with his engaging and explosive experiments. His passion for science was infectious, and students left with a newfound appreciation for the wonders of science.

High School Exhibitions: Pushing the Boundaries

The high school exhibitions were equally impressive, showcasing the advanced scientific concepts and experiments conducted by our High School teachers and students. From 3D printing and precision farming to holograms and robotics, the high school exhibits demonstrated the depth of knowledge and talent among our older students.

Drone Show: Taking to the Skies

One of the most visually stunning aspects of the expo was the magnificent drone show organized by Sr Marwa. Drones took to the skies, choreographed to perform breathtaking aerial manoeuvres. It was a powerful reminder of the role technology plays in shaping our future.

IT Computer Station: The Future of Coding

Mr. Delport's IT computer station engaged students in the world of programming and coding. Students had the opportunity to explore the digital world and the limitless possibilities it offers, sparking their interest in technology and innovation.

The Al-Ameen College Science Book Week Expo was a resounding success, celebrating the spirit of innovation and scientific exploration that lies at the core of our school's mission. It was a testament to the dedication and passion of our educators and the boundless potential of our students. We look forward to future expos that will continue to inspire and amaze us with the wonders of science and technology.



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Efficient Housing for the future

This term, the Year 8 students are challenged to design an energy-efficient house for their research task that incorporates sustainable practices and technologies. Their design should aim to minimize energy consumption and maximize energy efficiency. Students applied their knowledge and understanding on the topic of Energy, which was the focus of our Science learning area. They designed a house incorporating energy-efficient features, such as insulation, renewable energy sources, efficient appliances, and water-saving devices and explained how each feature contributes to energy efficiency and sustainability. Overall, students and teachers had an insightful and meaningful experience.



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Precision farming - the new future is here

Integrating Humanities and Social Science Curriculum with Science: Precision Farming

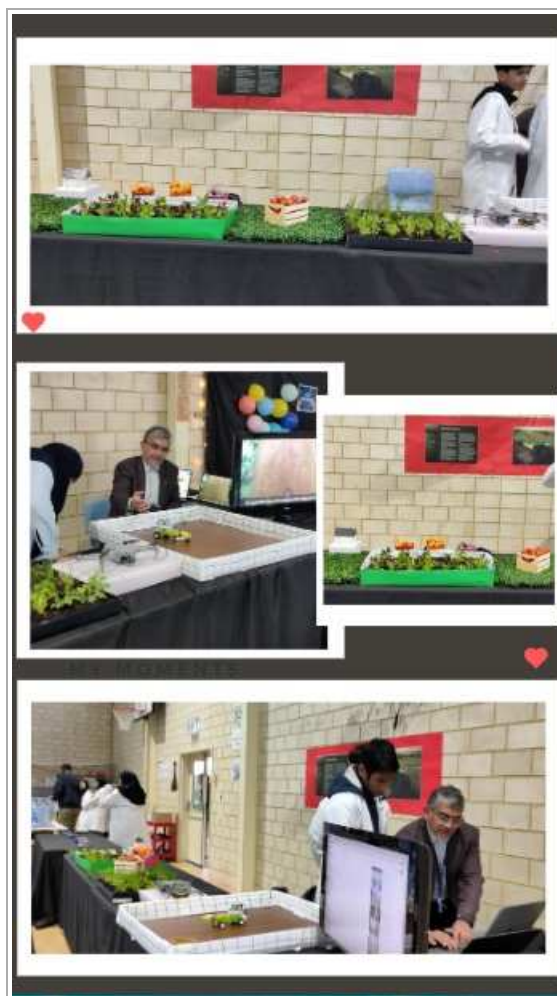
Precision farming, also known as precision agriculture or smart farming, is a cutting-edge approach that utilizes technology and data analysis to optimize agricultural practices. This innovative method aims to increase productivity, reduce waste, and minimize the environmental impact of farming.

On Tuesday 15th August, (Week 5) the Y9 Blue class showcased what they have learnt in the geography curriculum at the College's science week exhibition. This exhibit provided the students with an invaluable experience and new insights into this transformative and innovative way of farming. This project further explored the methods in which this is achieved by displaying various technologies such as GPS (Global Positioning System), GIS (Geographic Information System), remote sensing, Drone, Satellite, and the use of an automated tractor to enhance decision making in maximizing crop yield in agriculture with the least impact on the environment.

Collecting real time data on soil conditions, weather patterns, crop growth, and other relevant factors,

farmers can make informed decisions about irrigation, fertilization, pest control and harvesting, turning the traditional farmhouse into a data center.

Some students and staff enjoyed themselves with our fresh produce: fresh fruit and vegetables of our precision farm at the exhibition.



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Preserving our WA Foreshore & Ecosystems

Year 10 Mandurah Ecosystems and Foreshore Excursion

Students at Al-Anwar College have embarked on an exciting and educational excursion to Mandurah for many years now as a part of their geographical studies. This year on the 17th August, the Year 10s set out on this wonderful journey to collect information on Mandurah's marine and coastal environment, all while investigating the impact of human activity on these critical ecosystems. This expedition was meticulously organised by Ms. Don (Y10A) of happy so that every aspect of the trip was both educational and enjoyable.

Upon reaching the Mandurah region, we were given the opportunity to immerse ourselves in five distinct yet equally captivating experiences. The boys were set free to explore the bustling foreshore's city centre, treating themselves to seafood and dessert from the numerous stores that lined the streets. Meanwhile, the girls set out on a memorable trip aboard the Mandurah cruise, traversing the intricate Mandurah canal system. Here we explored the region's coastal and marine ecosystems, studying the rich biodiversity whilst being treated to the sights of dolphins and seabirds unique to the region.

Both groups would later exchange activities being exposed to both a lively day out in the Mandurah foreshore and an engaging cruise through the Mandurah canal system, creating an environment where learning and enjoyment seamlessly interwove.

Despite all the enjoyment we experienced, it's important to underscore that the primary objective of this excursion was the educational cruise. Upon embarking on the cruise, we found ourselves in the capable company of Natalie, an experienced and knowledgeable educational officer and her team, Natalie, through her vast knowledge on the region, shared valuable insights and information concerning the coastal and marine ecosystems of Mandurah.

The cruise itself was a carefully curated experience that first took us just off the point where the river meets the vast expanse of the ocean. Here, the region's local dolphins accompanied our boat providing us with a firsthand encounter of these majestic creatures in their natural habitat. As the cruise continued its course, it navigated through the residential areas that dot the Mandurah region, offering us a glimpse into the human landscape that coexists with the pristine nature of surroundings. This portion of the journey provided a unique contrast, highlighting the intricate relationship between urban development and the delicate coastal ecosystems.

The cruise would then culminate at the Mandurah Estuary region, a significant ecological hotspot. Here, we had the privilege of witnessing the diverse ecosystems and allowed us to develop an appreciation for the significance of estuarine environments and their role in supporting marine life.

As the day concluded, the Year 10 students returned to Al-Anwar College satisfied with their newly formed insights and knowledge, rendering the excursion both instructive and immensely pleasurable for all. The annual excursion to Mandurah has once again been a valuable and exciting experience for all students involved. We extend our heartfelt appreciation to Ms. Don, Ms. Naureen, Mr. Chew, Ms. Husein, Dr. Alabattin and Dr. Adam for not only ensuring the safety and guidance of all students, but for making the excursion enjoyable and unforgettable for us.

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**INDOOR VOLLEYBALL
COMPETITION**

**VOLLEYBALL WESTERN AUSTRALIA
WA HIGH SCHOOLS CUP 2023**

**THIS YEAR AL AMEEN COLLEGE
ENTERED A TOTAL OF 9
REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS TO
COMPETE IN WESTERN AUSTRALIA'S
MOST PRESTIGIOUS SCHOOL'S
INDOOR VOLLEYBALL COMPETITION.
AFTER ONLY A FEW YEARS OF
EXPERIENCE IN THE SCHOOL'S CUP,
IT IS A PLEASURE TO ANNOUNCE
THAT THE COLLEGE HAS WON ITS
FIRST EVER GOLD MEDAL IN THE
COMPETITION. BELOW IS A LIST OF
THE REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS AND
THEIR PLACINGS:**

VOLLEYBALL

Year	Division	Place
12 Boys	A	9 th
12 Girls	B	5 th
11 Boys	B	1 st
11 Girls	B	3 rd
10 Boys (A team)	A	3 rd
10 Boys (B team)	B	5 th
10 Girls	B	9 th
9 Boys	B	6 th
9 Girls	B	9 th

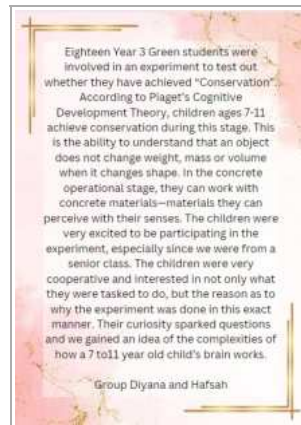
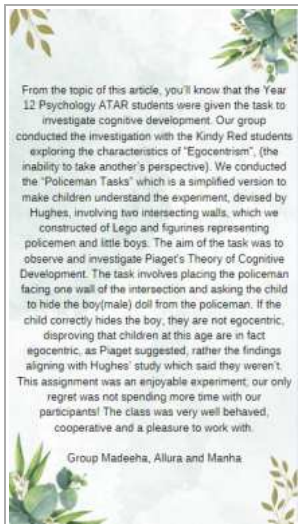
**CONGRATULATIONS AGAIN TO THE YEAR 11 BOYS
TEAM WHO WON THE SCHOOLS FIRST GOLD MEDAL
AT A STATE TOURNAMENT AND ALSO A SPECIAL
MENTION TO THE YEAR 11 GIRLS AND YEAR 10 BOYS
(A TEAM) WHO BOTH CAME CLOSE TO MEDALING.
A SPECIAL THANKS TO THE ADMINISTRATION AND
THE HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT STAFF WHO SUPPORT THE VOLLEYBALL
PROGRAM THROUGHOUT THE YEAR AND INSHALLAH
WE CAN MOVE FROM STRENGTH TO STRENGTH AND
KEEP IMPROVING EVERY YEAR.**

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Action research ## Piaget's theory of cognitive Development

As the Y12 Psychology ATAR students entered Term 3 for the final time, they completed yet another very interactive investigation. The students were assigned an assessment project by Ms Don, involving an investigation to observe cognitive development of children during their formative years. The project was grounded on characteristics featured in Piaget's Theory of Cognitive Development. Students undertook a project representing various stages of development in groups to investigate, observing the Primary School students. It was completed in groups of 2-3, following which the findings and conclusions of the investigation were shared with the class via PowerPoint presentations. Below are short passages from each group recounting their respective investigations.

Touring the future – Opportunities to connect and explore



Al-Ameen College has embarked on the UniReady in Schools Program offered by Curtin University for our Year 11 and 12 students since 2021. This endorsed program provides university entry opportunities to school students by offering them an alternative pathway to University.

The focus of this program is to prepare students academically for higher education. To prepare our students in finding out what campus life is like, we brought them on a campus tour to Curtin University in Bentley on 6 September 2023 (Wednesday).

We started off the morning with a meet-and-greet session by the Curtin Team followed by a Prospective Student Advisor Talk in the Lecture Theatre with two other schools. Later, students took part in a campus trek with the Student Ambassador Panel, who also facilitated a Q&A session with our staff and students. The campus visit concluded with a Business and Law Faculty visit where students participated in a Marketing Activity which involved coming up with a sales pitch for a given product.

Compiled by Madeeha.



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We would like to thank Ms Noura Hildeed (Year 11 UniReady Teacher) for accompanying us on this enriching and fun-filled day.

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