



26th March 2020

Asalamu Alaykum Waragh Matullahi Wabarakatu

Respected Parents

All Praises are due to our Creator, the Lord of the Worlds, May Peace and Blessings be Bestowed on our Beloved Prophet Muhamed (SWA) His family and His Companions. I pray that you are keeping emotionally and spiritually strong at this time of fear and uncertainty. Indeed these are difficult times for our community, our country and the rest of the world. Prayers, safety, physical distancing, personal hygiene and wellbeing are our guiding principles in the days and weeks ahead.

May Almighty Allah (SWT) grant us to remain steadfast in our faith, take all necessary precautions to remain safe, adhere to rules that are set to prevent the spread of this life-threatening virus In Sha Allah, Ameen.

Education Ministers have cancelled NAPLAN for 2020 so that we can focus on the wellbeing of our students and prepare for the continuity of their education. **At this stage it is imperative that SACE students (especially the Yr 12's) maintain diligence in continuing their studies throughout this challenging time.** They should use the online leaning sessions provided by their teachers to their advantage to avoid putting undue pressure on themselves at this critical stage of their schooling.

The Prime Minister has advised that schools in South Australia will remain open until national health advice changes. He affirmed that parents are able to keep their children home if they wish to do so. I empathise with and understand the fear that parents are facing. Hence, our staff have diligently continued to teach the children that are present at school, in addition to setting all tasks on Class DoJo for Reception to Yr 2 and Google Classroom for Yr 3-12 for those students who are at home. I am deeply grateful to my staff for their sincere efforts, commitment and dedication. ***I implore ALL parents to work through the tasks that have been set to afford your children to continue their learning at home.*** In addition to the above, all Primary students have the Reading Eggs Program and Mathletics Program that they should be working through to support their Literacy and Numeracy. Please remember not to over-stress with the online learning. *Your children should still try to have as much normalcy as possible to get them through what is happening at this current time.* Respective class teachers will send home links to free online reading, fun activities to strengthen the bonding time that Almighty is affording us through this 'test'.

We are not sure what lies ahead, thus, I urge all parents of the primary school children to make the effort to come and collect their Math and English books from the front office (please call ahead of time) as the online tasks will require them to use their textbooks.

Term 1 will conclude on Friday 3rd April 2020 and will resume on Monday 27th April 2020 (unless otherwise instructed by Government).

Our staff will continue to work through until 9th April 2020 to work towards a transition model that will enable them to prepare remote learning experiences. I deeply appreciate & recognise the incredible versatility of my staff and commend them for their sterling efforts.

May Allah (SWT) grant us the patience, tenacity and temperament to overcome the test that we are facing. May His Protection and Blessings be bestowed on all the 'frontline workers across sectors' serving humanity with such courage and fervour. May He keep us safe and protect us from hardship and further calamities. Ameen.

Wasalaam

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