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Hadith of the week

[Important] *The honour and respect of the words of Allah (SWT) and His Messenger (SAW) is obligatory on us. Due consideration needs to be given in the manner we dispose such material.*

Aishah Radiyallahu anha narrates: I heard Rasulullah Sallallahu alaihi wasallam saying: **Verily, a Mu`min by his good conduct acquires the rank of one who fasts and stands in Salat during the night.**

[Abu Dawud]

Abu Hurairah Radiyallahu anhu narrates that Rasulullah Sallallahu alaihi wasallam said: **The most perfect amongst the believers in faith is one who has the best manners; and best of you are those who are best to their wives.**

[Musnad Ahmad]

Abu Hurairah Radiyallahu anhu narrates that Rasulullah sallallahu alaihi wasallam said: **Undoubtedly upon resurrection, people will be treated according to their intentions.**

[Ibne-Majah]

Calendar of Upcoming Events

- ◆ 13th to 15th May:
Primary Boys Camp
- ◆ Naplan 2013:
14th, 15th and 26th May
- ◆ Prep Assessments for Enrolment:
 - Saturday 1st June
 - Monday 3rd June (Prep free day)
 - Saturday 15th June
- ◆ 10th June:
Public Holiday

Sunnah Corner

Etiquettes of Dressing

The Commandment of Dressing

The Shari'ah has not determined a specific type of clothing to be worn by all. People may choose their clothes depending upon the climatic conditions and other needs. However, Islam has laid out the important rules about the code of dressing and etiquettes of dressing up, some of which are as follows:

- ❖ The Sunnah of dressing is to begin with the right i.e., when wearing a shirt or a coat etc. one should insert their right arm into the sleeve first and then the left. Similarly, when wearing pants, trousers and shoes etc. he should begin with inserting the right foot and then follow on with the left. On the contrary, when removing his garments, he should begin with the left.
- ❖ In clothing, white colour was most pleasing to the Prophet (SAW). However he has also been reported to have worn black garments.

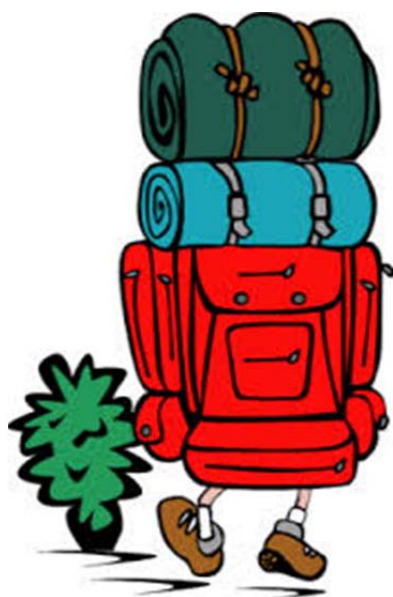


SRC LEADERSHIP CAMP 2013 @ THE SUMMIT

25 SRC members of the Boys Campus had a once in a lifetime experience when they participated in a high powered leadership training camp at The Summit Camping site situated in Trafalgar East, Victoria from 26th - 28th of April, 2013. They were led by Br Mohammed Azim and assisted by a team of staff comprising of Brs Faiyaz Khan, Sher Malik, Mudasir and Mubashir.



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The breathtaking 30 meter abseil, Sky Window and Victoria's biggest giant swing combined with Snowy River Challenge, Laser Skirmish, 200 meter Flying Fox, Sky Bridge, Cave Challenge, Human Foosball, Monster Course, Bush Challenge, Leap of Faith and Snake

Experience were a perfect fit for the SRC group to learn team building and leadership skills.

We were able to launch our CROPT mission that we unveiled at this camp (which is our school's original version of leadership training.) The letters in CROPT stands for *Confidence, Resilience, Organisation, Persistence and Teamwork*. Our team will be writing a book on this model of leadership later this year.

At the Summit, our SRC members were able to discover their true capabilities while letting go of self-imposed beliefs. Moreover, the phenomenal,

breathhtaking and awesome activities made our boys feel alive and inspired!

The teaching model provided during the camp by the Summit staff actually created a positive culture within the SRC group. Their GAS strategy was powerful enough to drum home the mission that we wanted to achieve. GAS stood for the following:

- Have a **GO**, You have **ABILITY** and People need **SUPPORT**.

SRC Boys were comfortably accommodated in three rustic style log cabins with full kitchen facilities, multiple bunk rooms and living areas. The cabins created a great community feel where students and teachers were able to socialize together and build rapport.



SRC members will be taken to the Summit again towards the end of the year so that they can be exposed to more activities like High Wire, Mega Cushion, Zorb Ball, Rock Wall, Water Slide, Tash's Ladder, Nail Walk, Tank Experience and Laser Skirmish by night!

We would like to thank the Principal, Vice Principal, Staff and Parents for their support and assistance in enabling our SRC to get such high powered and exclusive training at one of the best camping venues in Victoria.

The boys are all geared up to prove their worth at school with the needed adrenalin to make a difference in terms of performing their duties and supporting teachers and the school.

[Mohammed Azim]

GRIP LEADERSHIP @ MELBOURNE EXHIBITION CENTRE

10 Executive members of the SRC - Boys Campus attended the National Grip Leadership Conference held at Melbourne Exhibition Centre on February, 2013.

Brs Faiyaz Khan and Imran Javed accompanied the executive members to this one day leadership training conference.



The SRC executives found this training program to be truly inspiring, gripping and full of learning and they have showed what they learnt through their duties and day to day actions at school.

The boys were awarded with the certificates and we were able to get GOLD CLASS membership to the organization for any future programs, activities or even purchases!

SRC 2013 growing in number

Alhamdulillah, the SRC membership has grown and we now have 27 active members serving on the Boys' Campus. They meet weekly in the Graphics Room under the leadership of Head of SRC - Hamza Dhedhy and his assistant - Jihad Mohtadi.

The Term 2 Curriculum Day also saw the 27 SRC members giving up their holiday to be present for a day-long meeting. They were able to discuss their action plan for term 2, prepare duty rosters, discuss pertinent issues affecting students and had indulged in team building initiatives so that they become a formidable force in the school.



Their latest initiatives include the Soccer League Matches for Years 7 - 12 every lunch time, BULLY BUSTERS program that currently is in progress and the LUPA CHALLENGE (Lunch Physical Activity Challenge). This is coordinated by the PE department with over 20 student sports leaders who had their one day training on Saturday at

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school. These student leaders will be coordinating LUPA Challenge in the Oval and Basketball Courts from Weeks 3 - 8 of this term, Insha'Allah.

PRIMARY CAMP @ FOREST EDGE

A three day camp for boys in primary school has been fixed for May 13 - 15th, 2013. Students from Grades 4, 5 and 6 will be participating. This camp is also inclusive of Hifz students in primary grades as well.

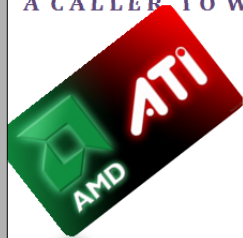
The students will travel to Forest Edge Camping site located in Neerim East and will be accompanied by their teachers. The cost per student is \$165 which must be paid by next week Friday, Insha'Allah.

Some of the highlights of this camp are as follows: High and Low Ropes Initiative Courses, Climbing Wall, Indoor Hockey, Hut Building, Flying Fox, Archery, Mini Golf, Trampoline, Blockbuster and Camp Cooking.



We will have an Islamic Learning program running concurrently alongside the camp activities as well. This will be an ideal opportunity for young students to be exposed to the true way of living Islam every day. Insha'Allah, this will inspire them to carry on the learning into their lives at home or where ever they will be.

We encourage parents to allow their sons from Grades 4 - 6 to participate in this once a year camping experience.



HOW'S I.T. GOING?

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I hope you're all keeping up with the pace. Time for something a little more complex!

Today's Piece of Tech: The Graphics Card (NOT Graphics Processing Unit or GPU)

The graphics card is actually a lot more complex than it may seem. Ever see a "2GB graphics!" sticker on a laptop and think it's awesome? Well, you're deeply mistaken. In fact, you couldn't have been deceived more! The graphics card is actually the second most complex, if not the most complex part of the PC. This is why there are many debates over which is better (you won't see too many fanboys of Hard Drive developers). This is because a graphics card's quality is often subjective... or is it? For starters, a GPU is the processing unit within a graphics card, not the graphics card itself. Start from there....

AMD vs. Nvidia: The Dualopoly.

AMD and Nvidia are basically the only two companies that actually make competitive GPUs. AMD was initially Ati, but was later acquired by AMD when they began to slip in market share (I don't do BM!). However, the two remained competitive even after their acquisition in 2006. Nvidia has always been Nvidia, and have been in the graphics cards business for a fair bit longer, meaning more experience and better optimisation/drivers.

So what's the difference? What do I look for?

- 1: Bandwidth (in GB/s). One of the most important factors, measuring how much can be processed graphically per second.
- 2: Floating point calculations (FLOPs) per second. It's usually in GFLOPs today. It's a measure of compute performance/physics/geometry.
- 3: Texture fill rate (in Gpixels/sec) is the rate at which the GPU can render textures. Higher is better
- 4: V-RAM (the 2 GB bit). This allows for gaming at higher resolutions and reduces bugs with more extreme settings.
- 5: Optimisation. The more optimised, the more you get out of the graphics card in terms of performance. With optimisation: Consoles (like the PS3) are usually around twice as optimised as PC, meaning double the performance from the equivalent hardware (John D. Carmack, co-founder of id software mentioned this in a tweet).

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6: Locked/unlocked. If it's unlocked, it's miles better, since you can overclock to get much better (free) performance while upping the power pull and reducing the life of your card. As of now, only AMD desktop GPUs are fully unlocked (voltage tweaking included).

7: Frame latency (the amount of time taken to go from one frame to another after it's been rendered. Lower is better). It basically measures choppiness in leman's terms.

So which is better already?!

Well, it sort of goes like this... AMD almost always has higher bandwidth, floating point calculations and memory size at the equivalent price. They are also unlocked. However, Nvidia cards are much better optimised, with much more up to date drivers, making up for the shortcomings in raw power. Because they have less raw power, they usually consume less electricity, too! They also have a slightly lower frame latency (this generation, that is). Nvidia cards also usually work better in multi-GPU setups* due to better drivers and optimisation. So which is better? Well it all depends on benchmarking. What do the numbers say? Well, it almost always varies due to updated drivers, firmware and biased test conditions. So I guess that explains why there are graphics card fanboys... The answer is often subjective. Just remember that graphics cards do a lot more than just play games. Rendering anything with Cuda and/or Open-GL is graphically accelerated. Sony Vegas 12 (video editing software) is graphically accelerated, as is Mental Ray in 3DS max and MAYA (3D development applications). All of these tasks have been sped up significantly thanks to graphically accelerated processing (because GPUs can be 100s X faster than CPU**s), and new processes have become possible thanks to GPU acceleration, such as watching an open render video in real-time to see what you want to edit before the final render. So in the end, the most important factor is what you want to do. Each graphics card will excel at certain tasks over others, and basing the quality of a graphics card solely on only one benchmark is slightly short-sighted.

Benchmarking?

There are many GPU benchmarking tools available today, but the only real way to tell is to see benchmarks done in real life and comparing the mean performance with other graphics cards. This is the most unbiased and accurate method to compare graphics cards.

Fact of the issue: if it weren't for John D. Carmack, you wouldn't be able to scroll pages, and real-time graphical shadows would not exist today.

***Multi-GPU setup in Nvidia cards=SLI, in AMD cards=X-fire. Two cards in one configuration will theoretically double performance. In reality, it is slightly less due to bottlenecking, connection latency, motherboard limitations etc. Some graphics cards will offer 2 GPUs in a single card. **CPU=Central Processing Unit (or processor). Think of the Core i7, for example.**



BOYS SUPPORT CLASSES 2013

Boys in Grade 5, Years 7 & 9 are getting NAPLAN support every Saturday from 8.30am to 1.00pm. Many students are reaping the benefit with this free tuition program in preparation for the forthcoming NAPLAN exam.

A team of teachers and ex-students are behind this program and we would like to thank the parents who are sending their sons to this program. Moreover, those students who are scoring 60% or below in their key learning areas are also supported by many teachers through special classes during lunch, afternoon, evenings and the weekends. Letters to this effect have been sent to parents informing them of these arrangements. All students who are falling behind in any subject will shortly receive a letter from their Teacher.

We urge you to support this cause for the benefit of our sons. We care and want to see all students succeed.