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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.*

Abu Saeed Khudri (Radhiallahu anhu) relates that Rasulullah (Sallallahu alaihi wasallam) said: "During each day and night of Ramadan, Allah sets free a great number of souls from Hell. And for every Muslim, during each day and night, at least one prayer is certainly accepted."

Principal's Message

Assalam-O-Alaikum

Welcome back to Term 3, a term filled with a lot of academics and activities. This term also heralds the celebration of the Holy Month of Ramadan. I hope all of you have invested your time during this blessed month and may Allah (SWT) accept our fasting, prayer and our good deeds. Insha'Allah I hope it goes well for the whole school, community and everyone gains maximum benefit of this holy month.

Whilst thanking you all for your support and co-operation, I would like to draw your attention to the following issues:

- Firstly when you come to drop and pick up your children please follow the traffic rules so that the traffic flows smoothly, be concerned about others and avoid inconvenience to others.
- Be careful whilst giving access to children in the usage of Internet and Mobile phones. As per the school policy, students are not allowed to bring mobile phones to school.
- Annual Report for 2010 is accessible on our website on the following link:
<http://www.dulum.vic.edu.au/annual%20reports/Annual%20Report%202010.pdf>

Finally, I would like to wish all of you Ramadan Kareem. May Allah (SWT) give us the Taufiq (Divine opportunity) to gain maximum benefit and His pleasure in this blessed month (Ameen).

Wassalam
Zulfiquar Ali [Principal]

Calendar of Upcoming Events

- ◆ 12th August:
Iftar Night Program
- ◆ 30th or 31st August:
Eid Days (subject to moon sighting)

Sunnah Corner

Etiquettes of Eating

Every action of a Muslim will be rendered as doing Ibadah if it is done with the belief that it is the commandment of Allah (SWT), and it is in accordance with the way of Rasulullah (Sallallahu alaihi wasallam). Hence before eating we should take into consideration the following three intentions so that in doing so our eating & drinking will become a source of worship.

To partake of food because:

- a) It is the commandment of our sustainer.
- b) It is the Sunnah of our Holy Prophet (Sallallahu alaihi wasallam).
- c) To eat so that one gets strength and energy which enables him to serve the Deen of Allah Ta'ala, obey Him and worship Him.



Office Announcements

Square Scarves

Please note that the below mentioned scarves are available in the office for Grades 5-12 and not at 'House of Emaan.' Prices are as follows:

110 cms - \$10

120-cms - \$12

150cms - \$15

Food for Non-fasting children

It is important that you put some food in your child's bag as the canteen is closed during Ramadan.

BOOK CLUB

If you like reading, then why not join others like you?! We are putting together a Book Club for the Secondary Girls. We intend to broaden our minds and have lots of fun in the process. If you are interested or have any inquiries please speak to Mariam Saad. Happy reading!

Mariam Saad Year 9A



Girls' Khuruj

Alhamdulillah, with the Will of Allah (SWT), the 8am-8pm (Girls' Khuruj) program on the 2nd of June was a great success. Students along with teachers enjoyed their time and learnt valuable things along the way. Students who took part in the cake decorating session, designed and made the most creative cakes which were beautiful to look at and I am pretty sure, just as delicious to taste. The colored sands activity was bright and colorful and students made wonderful landscapes using salt and colored chalk.

Students compared their landscapes with the creation of Allah (SWT) which is so perfect and cannot be matched in its beauty, splendor and vastness. Great food for thought! Students also took part in other activities and enjoyed the delicious breakfast, lunch and dinner.



We wish you all a prosperous Ramadan and please encourage the children to spend most of their time on their Ibadah and studies because only Allah SWT knows if we will be here next year or not. One request is to ensure that the T.V is permanently switched off during this Holy Month so our attention is only towards our Lord (SWT).

We would also like to inform you that our DUCV traditional Iftar Program is underway and will take place in the second week of Ramadan insha'Allah. Students will enjoy an array of activities such as inspirational speeches, role plays, presentations and 'yummy' food insha'Allah.

We are looking forward to all students attending and insha'Allah benefiting from this great event.

[Shokria Niazmand]

Coles & Woolworths Programs



We have some good news! **Coles** has launched their **2011 Sports for Schools** program and **Woolworths** has started their **Earn & Learn** program. We are excited to announce that Darul Ulum College will be participating and collecting vouchers for extra sports equipment and educational resources.

Vouchers are available in all **Coles stores** from 11 August to 19 October and **Woolworths Stores** from July 18th to September 18th. We ask that you get involved to help collect vouchers for our school.

Our target is to collect **6000** vouchers to provide our school with Sports Equipment as well as **6000** vouchers for educational resources.

We are appealing to parents and guardians to collect as many vouchers as you can. By donating and encouraging friends and family to do the same, you are helping to provide a healthy and active education for our children.

Please visit coles.com.au/sportsforschools and earnandlearn.net.au/schools/about for more information about the program and you can also browse the sporting gear and educational resources available to see what equipment we are aiming for.

Collection boxes will be located at the front of reception so please feel free to drop the vouchers in the box or give them to your children to do so.

[Cem Huseyin]

VCE BULLETIN

August Edition

From the VCE Coordinator's desk

Firstly, we would like to welcome back all our VCE students to another productive semester Insha'Allah wishing them all a rewarding month of Ramadan. May Allah SWT accept our fasting and supplications.

During the first week of the semester break, the VCE coordinators conducted student progress interviews with the VCE students and their parents. The response was very pleasing and the feedback we received from most parents and their direct involvement in their child's learning was invaluable which was reflective of the parents' cooperation and commitment. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents who attended the interview sessions

In terms of content coverage, our Year 11 students have completed all requirements for Unit 1 and have commenced working on the curriculum of Unit 2 for this semester. It is indeed a very stressful period for our Year 12 students who are overwhelmingly occupied in completing their Unit 4 curriculum in order to start working on exam trials and practice tests in preparation for the November exams.

In attempt to equip our VCE students with good study habits and to prepare them to work 'smarter' when trying to

balance the rather significant amount of work, a session was organised on good study habits and was conducted by Mr Dunstan, one of the educational consultants who the school has been working with for quite some time. Below is a reflection of what our Yr 12 student, Ibrahim Abbas, had to say about the session.

"The study skills / habits session we had with Mr Dunstan allowed me to realise new ways for approaching stressful situations which I'm frequently facing this year. The session taught me how to study more efficiently. It motivated me to abandon my procrastinating ways of dealing with tasks. With the year end exams coming up, no doubt I see myself using these techniques to improve my marks considerably. Overall, the session was great and interactive."

In addition, VCE Coordinators and Administration are working hard to finalise 2012 Year 11 subject allocations.

We wish all our students the very best with their studies and thank our parents for their cooperation.

Finally, the following students are to be congratulated for receiving the PRINCIPAL'S AWARD for demonstrating excellent behavior and outstanding academic performance in Semester 1:

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

Juwaria Munib
Aamina Bhatti
Laila Gyftakis
Koaser Mohamad
Eman Osman

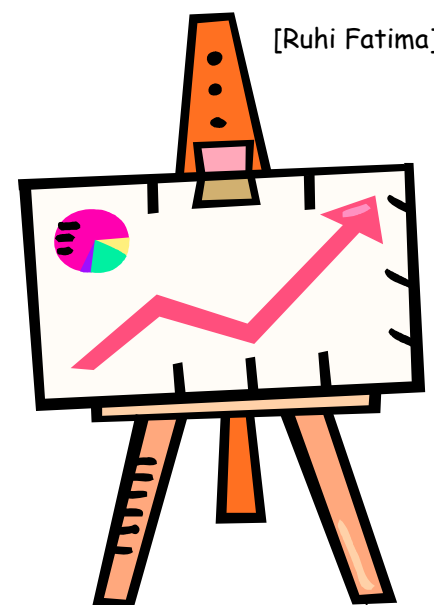
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VCE GIRLS

Alhamdulillah all is going well with the VCE department. The hard work, dedication and perseverance of the teachers and students paid off. We all had a very successful semester one. We are a school where we expect our students to develop self-discipline and social responsibility within a safe, caring and nurturing environment. A high standard of academic and excellent behavior is always fostered and as the level coordinator for VCE, I am very happy that we have achieved this standard to a great extent. However we always need to keep improving so that our students forge meaningful futures in our school and achieve high ATAR scores.

To help our students' further, an expert, Mr. Craig Dunstan was invited to guide them. He had a few sessions with our students which were very beneficial for their study habits. Students learned many tips particularly, the difference between homework and self study time and how well to utilize it. These enabled them to become more organized, focused and manage time well for their studies. We want them to keep up to good work.

[Ruhi Fatima]



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VCE Careers Update

Here are some of the things that the Careers Department has been working on:

- Year 10 Career consultations were held in the last week of Term 2. The purpose of these consultations was to assist students with their VCE subject selections. Alhamdulillah most students and parents attended and found the sessions useful.
- A VTAC application information session was held with the Year 12's on Monday 8 August. Students were given information about the course application process, scholarships, special equity schemes including SEAS, the offer process as well as important key dates

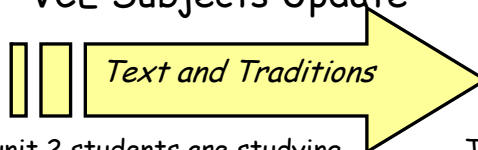
For our Year 12's - VTAC Course Applications opened Monday 1st August and will close on Friday 30th September 5 pm SHARP. All Year 12 students must apply for tertiary courses during this time. Don't worry if you are still not sure about the courses you want to apply for - just list them in your preferences. You can add, remove or reorder your preferences until the closing dates (see below):

Change of Preference times 2011		
Opens for all applicants	9.00am	Monday 1 August 2011
Closes for all applicants	5.00pm	Friday 28 October 2011
Reopens for all applicants	9.00am	Monday 28 November 2011
Closes for all applicants	5.00pm	Wednesday 21 December 2011

VTAC has launched several social media sites. So you can now keep updated through Facebook, twitter and the VTAC blog. See <http://www.vtac.edu.au> and <http://vtacmedia.wordpress.com/> for more information.

La Trobe University is holding a VCE Parents' Information Evening on Wednesday 31 August; 6.00-8.00pm. This event has been designed for Year 11 and 12 students and their parents. The aim of the evening is to demystify university and make sense of the many options available to students, while also offering advice to parents on how they can assist their children. More information and registration details for this event can be found at www.latrobe.edu.au/parents.

VCE Subjects Update



Alhamdulillah, it is wonderful to see the enthusiasm of all year 11 and 12 students in my Text & Traditions classes. Their dedication, hard work and the zeal to learn more about Islam is a great niyama from Allah (SWT) and I hope that our students strive in gaining the sacred knowledge and putting it into practice for the rest of their lives insha'Allah.

In unit 2 students are studying about the development of Islam in its early days, the Hijra of the Noble Prophet (S.A.W) and the significant events in his blessed life; the revelation of the Quran and its compilation as well as social issues such as gender roles, Hudood and Riba. In unit 4, students are studying the Tafseer of Sura Az-Zumar, Sura At-Tahreem and Sura Al-Ma'eda along with topics such as

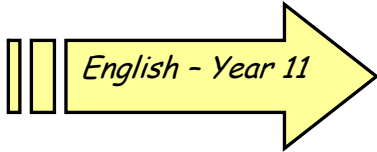
Tawheed, Eschatology and Repentance.

I would like to stress the importance of class attendance as it not only hinders student progress, it is also a requirement by the VCAA.

I wish my students all the best and the tawfiq to put into practice what they learn insha'Allah. Please do not hesitate to speak to me if you have any concerns about your daughter.

[Shokria Niazmand]

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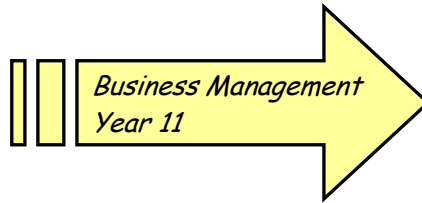


The year 11 girls have started English Unit 2 with 'Using Language to Persuade'. They have analysed opinion articles, cartoons and speeches, and have also listened to an effectively presented famous speech. Students are currently working on their own speeches which will incorporate some of the language devices they have learned through their studies.



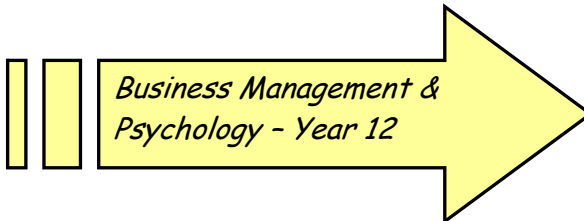
Students have understood how writers and speakers persuade their audience, and in turn they are learning how to incorporate these techniques in their own writing and speeches as well.

[Sevinc Ofli]



Alhamdulillah all girls in year 11 have passed Unit 1 Business management and are sailing through Unit 2 smoothly. Students are trying really hard this semester to understand their work and achieve high grades. Well done girls, keep up the great effort.

[Muna Azzam]



Year 12 girls have been working hard to achieve high grades for their class work requirements during semester one. Alhamdulillah all girls passed Unit 3 Sacs. The girls are all ready to tackle this semester and are aiming to do even better than semester one insha'Allah. May ALLAH guide you all and lead you to the path of success. Ameen

[Muna Azzam]

