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Latest School Updates On Covid-19

On the advice of the Victorian Chief Health Officer, the Victorian Government announced that metropolitan Melbourne is under Stage 4 restrictions to slow the spread of coronavirus (Covid-19).

All students, including VCE students are now studying remotely. Onsite learning is available for vulnerable children and children of permitted workers.

Please be advised that a section on the school's Learning Management System (Schoolbox) has been dedicated to communicate all school updates in relation to the coronavirus. The following is a link to this section:

[Remote Learning and Latest Updates on Covid-19](#)

Parents are kindly requested to visit this section on Schoolbox for the most current correspondence from the school in this regard.

Further details can also be found on the Victorian Government [Department of Education and Training website](#).

Thank you.



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Hadith of the Month

[Important] Honour and respect for the words of Allah (glorified be He) and His Messenger (peace be upon him) is obligatory on us. Hence, due consideration needs to be given in the manner in which we dispose of such material.

'Uthman bin 'Affan (May Allah be pleased with him) reported: The Messenger of Allah (peace be upon him) said, "The best amongst you is the one who learns the Qur'an and teaches it." [Al-Bukhari]

Semester One Reports now available online via Schoolbox

Please note that students' Semester One Reports can be accessed on the Parent Portal via Schoolbox. To do so please follow the instructions below:

1. Log into Schoolbox using your parent ID and password. In case you have forgotten your password please contact the College reception.
2. Once logged in, please click on the tile named 'Student Details and Reports'.
3. You will be prompted to enter the same credentials again. Once you access the page, please click on the tile named 'My Children'.
4. Select your child from the student list and select the Reports tab.

Here is a link to a visual guide to accessing Academic Reports: [Instructions for Parents to Access Academic Reports](#)

2020 School Census Collection Notice

Please be advised that as per regulatory requirements, the College will be submitting the 2020 Census data to the Department of Education for funding purposes in accordance with the Australian Education Regulation 2013.

For more details, please refer to the letter from the Department of Education, Skills and Employment linked below:

[2020 School Census collection notice](#)

E-safety resources

With students returning to remote and flexible learning this term, it is imperative that parents/guardians familiarise themselves with issues regarding e-safety.

Accordingly, the Student Well-being Team will be uploading resources relating to e-safety weekly at the locations linked below:

[Primary E-safety Resources](#)

[Secondary E-Safety Resources](#)

Upcoming Dates

August, September & October

31st of August till 4th of September:

Science Week

17th of September:

Last day of Term 3 (students)

18th of September:

Reporting Day

5th of October:

First Day of Term 4

7th of October:

General Achievement Test (GAT) for VCE students

Sunnah Corner

Abu Hurairah (May Allah be pleased with him) reported: The Messenger of Allah (peace be upon him) said, "Allah makes the way to Jannah easy for him who treads the path in search of knowledge." [Muslim].

VCE Update

The Victorian Government has announced new measures to reflect the impact of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic on VCE students.

The Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority (VCAA) will introduce a new 'Consideration of Educational Disadvantage' process to calculate VCE scores, taking into account disruptions to learning this year.

The VCAA will consider a range of data provided by schools, together with each student's exam results.

The data will include:

- the ranked order of students prior to and following the impact of coronavirus (COVID-19)
- a student's indicative grades prior to and following the impact of coronavirus (COVID-19)
- school assessments completed prior to remote and flexible learning
- the General Achievement Test (GAT)
- a range of statistical analyses used to calculate final results.

The scheduling of end-of-year examinations will remain unchanged. Further information about examination dates can be found on the [2020 VCE Examination timetable](#) page.

The General Achievement Test (GAT) will be rescheduled to Wednesday 7 October 2020.

For further details regarding VCE, please visit the [VCAA Covid-19 Advice](#) page.

2020 Independent Schools Victoria LEAD Parent Satisfaction Survey

The school is taking part in the 2020 LEAD School Effectiveness Surveys. Parents' opinions are valuable to us and we would therefore like to invite them to participate in this Parent Satisfaction Survey. The aim of the survey is to understand parents' perceptions regarding the quality of their child's educational experience with the school. The information obtained will be used to improve the quality of education at the school for students.

The survey is conducted by Independent Schools Victoria and is completely anonymous. The school receives only aggregate results.

To complete the survey, parents can access it through the following: [link to survey](#)

The survey will take approximately 10 minutes to complete. Please complete the survey by **Friday 28 August 2020**.

Either parent may fill out the questionnaire or both parents may complete the survey together. We ask that parents complete the survey for their eldest child at the school. However, they may also complete the survey for each child they have at the school, by clicking on the link again and redoing it for other children.

We appreciate all the valuable feedback provided.

Secondary Girls Career Advisor

Assalamu Alaikum Respected Parents and Students,

My name is Halabia Merhi and I have recently taken over as the school's career advisor for the girls campus.

Some aspects of the service offered to students include:

- A dedicated Careers tile on Schoolbox for both parents and students. This page will provide regular information and opportunity updates for all secondary students by both myself and Brother Selim, the Career Advisor on the boys campus.
- Individual and group career counselling.
- Subject selection assistance in Years 10-12.
- VTAC and tertiary application assistance.
- Guest speakers from various fields and industries.

I look forward to supporting our students and I encourage any students with any career/school queries to reach out to their Career Advisor.

Jazakullah Khair
[Ms. Halabia Merhi]

2020 High School Cancer Masterclasses (HSCM) program

Year 10 students are taking part in the HSCM program delivered by the Australian Cancer and Health Sciences Competition (ACHSC). The program is delivered online and consists of 5 masterclasses covering the following topics:

1. Basics of Cancer Biology
2. Causes of Cancer
3. Cancer Prevention & Screening
4. Cancer Treatment
5. Cancer Project Planning & Development

Each masterclass runs for 90 minutes, and is delivered by high-achieving and experienced student-tutors from the ACHSC and The University of Melbourne.

[Muddasser Dhedhy- Science Coordinator]



Grade 3 Geography

Isra from 3C showed an excellent application of the Geography unit: *Places are Similar and Different*. She put in a lot of effort and persevered to produce an outstanding pirate map with directions on how we can get to the buried treasure.



[Ms. Lamis Rafei - Grade 3C teacher]

Grade 3 Health

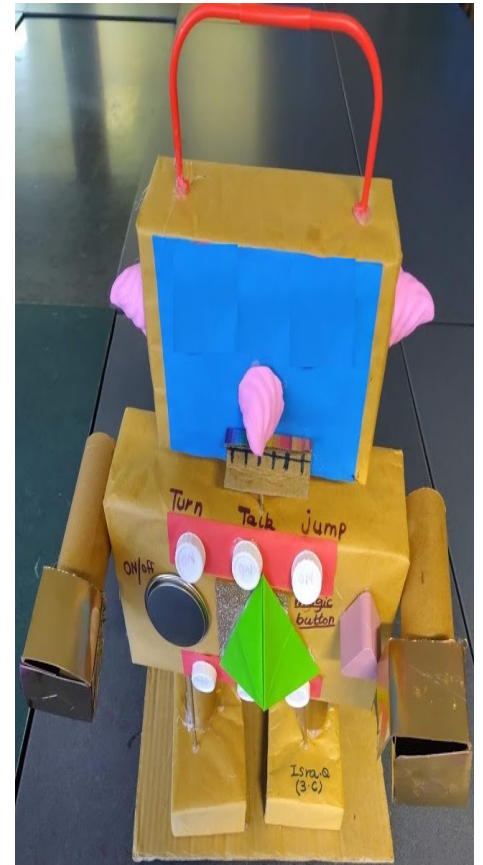
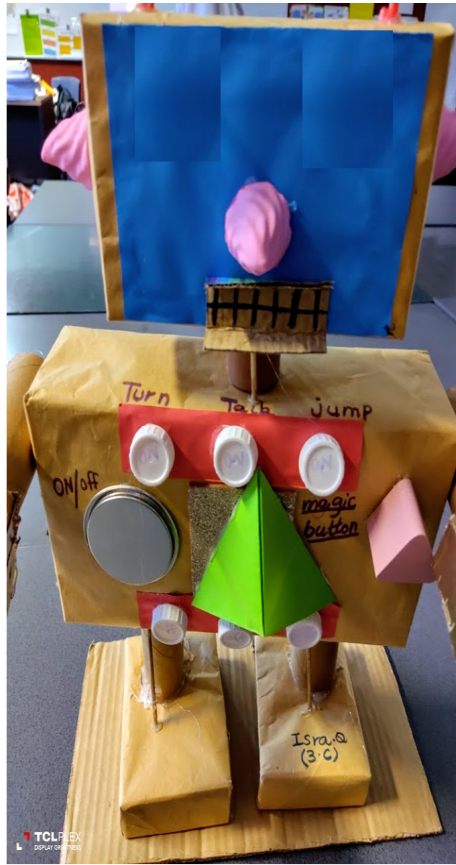
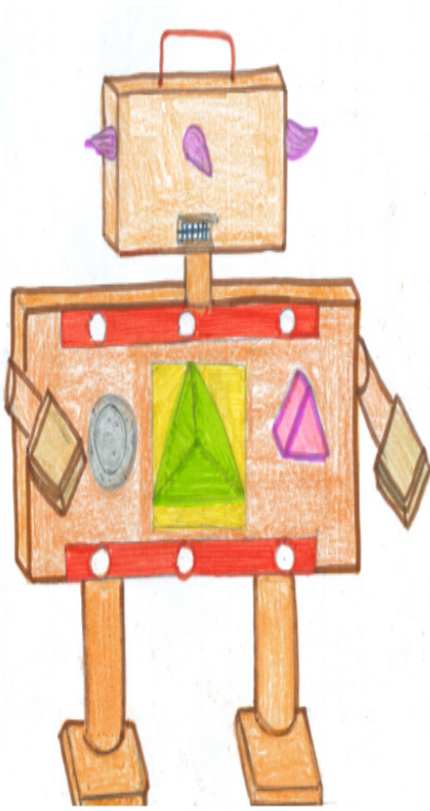
Mahmud from 3C put in a lot of effort to produce one of his best work in the Health Unit. The following is his list about the damaging health effects when we spend too long in front of screens. He has also given bright ideas as to how one can avoid spending too much time using technological devices.



[Ms. Lamis Rafei - Grade 3C teacher]

Grade 3 Maths

Isra from 3C applied her learning about 3D shapes in an outstanding manner. She produced a diagram and 3D creation of her robot, using a variety of 3D shapes that had been covered in class. She thereafter designed a 3D model of her diagram.



[Ms. Lamis Rafei - Grade 3C teacher]

Famous Muslim Scientists Project

With the Annual Science Week coming up in September this term, secondary science students have been working on an exciting new project entitled 'Famous Muslim Scientists'.

Muslim scientists led the development of new disciplines such as algebra, trigonometry and chemistry as well as major advances in medicine, astronomy, engineering and agriculture. Students have chosen a famous Muslim scientist, researched their contributions to these sciences and then produced a poster summarising their findings.

Thereafter, the best posters will be presented during Science Week online.

[Muddasser Dhedhy- Science Coordinator]