Principal’s Message

Term one has seen Ilim College embark on its journey in providing quality education to its cohort of male students. We are currently in the midst of finalising our master plan that will see Ilim College boys Campus transform itself into a state of the art educational institute over the next few years.

Other building projects such as the expansion of the masjid and the development of more classrooms and art rooms will support the growth of the college in 2016. The details of the master plan will be shared with parents in due course.

This term our focus is empowering parents. With the restorative practices session with Adam Voigt in full swing, we aim at updating our parents on the same pathway the school is taken in dealing with students in a positive and constructive manner.

Feedback from the parents who participated was positive, with many parents connecting via emails with the provider.

The Yr 7 meet and greet session was another productive opportunity where the Year 7 parents and teachers had an open discussion in an atmosphere that was inviting and friendly. We have organised events throughout the entire year and we whole heartedly ask the parents to attend these events.

The richness of the educational program on offer during term one has sparked the beginning of a most rewarding educational year in 2016. The students have immensely enjoyed participating in the lunchtime activities, the interschool sports competitions, the sleep overs, the camps, and the transition excursions.

These activities are designed to assist in the social and wellbeing development of the students.

Moreover, we are excited by the launch of the “Ilim Pioneer” program that was launched at the Islamic Museum of Australia on Wednesday 13 April 2016. The aim of the program is to nurture strong leadership skills amongst the students through their involvement in rich and varied activities.

I take this opportunity to thank all staff, parents and students for the great start to the year. We look forward to the rest of 2016 with high expectations.

Mr Fadi Koubar
Principal.

Ilim College wishes to farewell Mr Murat Karadag who leaves the college to pursue an alternative career. He will be missed dearly and we ask Allah (swt) to ensure a smooth transition into his next chapter in life.

"When you find yourself in a position to help someone, be happy because Allah is answering that person’s prayer through you”
Nouman Ali Khan

Ilim College Boys Campus
Term I 2016

Principal’s Message

Dates to Remember

- Naplan Testing: 10, 11 & 12 May 2016
- Scholarship Closing Date: 6/5/16
- Scholarship Exam: 28/5/16
- End Of Term Exams: 1/6/16
- Ramadan Starts: 6/6/16
- Queens B’day: 13/6/16
- End of Term 2: 22/6/16
- Eid Ul Fitr: 7/7/16
- Start of Term 3: 11/7/16
- 2017 Enrolments Closing Date: 19/8/16
- Entrance Exam: 2/9/16

Special Announcement

Masjid Extension
The Yr 7 Meet and Greet was a stellar success. The night deviated from the traditional lecture and speech approach and instead allowed parents and teachers to mingle and chat in a more casual, relaxed manner from the get go.

After a brief welcome and introduction, the evening was soon abuzz with fervent dialogue as parents took full advantage of this unique opportunity to probe teachers, discuss school policies, gain valuable insight into teaching practices and of course pry into their son’s achievements. By the end of the night, friendships were forged and relationships solidified.

Of course the highlight of the program was the promotional video that magically encapsulated the essence of Ilim College Boys Campus. It was truly a show stopper that had the audience spellbound.

The evening went well beyond the scheduled time as all parties were engrossed in wonderful and meaningful conversation. As the night eventually wound down, parents walked away armed with a greater understanding and appreciation of what the school stands for - including the plethora of programs on offer at the Boys Campus. It was truly everything a Meet and Greet should be.

Andrew Turcinovich
Head of Student Services
Ilim College Boys Campus

Yr 11 Breakfast

In Term 1 the Yr 11 cohort were treated to a morning breakfast provided by the school.

The students turned up in vast numbers and it was perhaps one of the few occasions that Yr 11 students were at school well before the first bell rang!

The purpose of the breakfast was to welcome the VCE students to the Boys Campus. They are the first cohort of VCE students at the Boys Campus and we wanted to celebrate this milestone. In addition, the school felt it was an opportunity to engage with students, provide an incentive to arrive to school early and forge friendships between students and staff.

The morning was a great success and we hope to emulate this event in the near future.

Andrew Turcinovich
Head of Student Services

SRC Harmony Day

Term one was a successful one for the Student Representative Council. At the Boys Campus students engaged in several activities and projects including:

- Cadbury Fundraising Drive - over $3000 raised,
- Sponsoring an Orphan - over $700 raised and the Out of Uniform Day to raise funds for our beloved Children’s Hospital - over $1000 raised, Alhamdulilah.

The SRC team also organised the Harmony Day Event; eating juicy oranges and engaging in a multi-ethnic soccer match.

The events were a great success whilst having lots of fun too! Thank you to staff, students and parents for their generosity and support. We look forward to an even more exciting times in Term 2.

Ms Asmah Abou-eid
Movie Time

The i-community team organized a movie night for the parents to build a better network. Parents enjoyed watching the ‘Rabbit Proof Fence’ and meeting other parents in a fun filled environment.

Thank you to all the parents who have made the effort to join us and giving us a chance to get to know each better.

We will have more events organized in the following terms please make time to join us as we look forward to sharing these events with our parents.

I.COMMUNITY
Team Leader
Ms Ozlem Ozdemir

The year 11 Turkish class have embraced the commitment in order to achieve great results in Turkish this year.

As a token of celebrating the achievement students enjoyed having Turkish dinner with friends tasting the traditional ‘Beyti Kebab’.

Next term onwards Ms Ozlem Ozdemir will be taking leave till the end of this year. However, Ms Emine Cetinkaya will take over the Turkish classes whom has a vast experience language teaching.

Lote Turkish Coordinator
Ms Ozlem Ozdemir

Turkey domain has started the term with a feel of the Ottomans as all students from the Boys Campus were invited to join the Ilim Mehter (Traditional Ottoman Band) team. We have introduced library sessions to enrich the habit of reading in Turkish for pleasure.

The year 11 Turkish class

Ilim College participated in the Islamic Schools futsal tournament at Coburg Basketball Stadium in March, 2016. The Year 8 & 9 team played five matches against quality opposition, where they narrowly lost the first game 2-3 to the eventual winners, AIA Melbourne. All teams struggled on an oppressively hot day, but the competition was played in good spirit, with exemplary Islamic behaviour.

The Year 9 and 10 Ilim Boys Campus Soccer Team travelled to John Fawkner College to play a friendly against rival Victorian schools.

On a beautiful day and played in good spirit, Ilim Boys won gallantly 4-2.

Thank you to Mr Abdullah Turker for his assistance, and to Mr Abdulrahim Ahmed for driving the bus and supporting the boys. Special thanks to Zakariya Isaac (10A) for being manager on the day.

Mr A Ryan

Born of different mothers, Skins of all colours, Come together as brothers

Education is the most powerful weapon for changing the world
Sounds of Light Concert

On the 26th of February 2016, 15 Year 7 Ilim College students where given the opportunity to sing the national anthem at the biggest Islamic fundraising tour in Australia. The fundraiser was held at Margaret Court Arena Melbourne Park.

The event also featured performers and renowned guests such as:
- Maher Zain – Sweden
- Mesut Kurtis – Macedonia
- Mohammed Al Azzawi – Iraq
- Harris J - UK

Our very own Belael Zoghbi also performed a beautiful nasheed on the night in front of thousands of people in the audience. The students were extremely excited to see the performers, and enjoyed the ‘behind the scenes’ interactivity with Omar Reagan.

We look forward to next year’s Sounds of Light event.

Mr Fadil Xheka
Engagement Manager

Yr 7 Sleepover

The annual Year 7 sleepover held at the start of the year provides an opportunity for the Year 7 students to mingle and build rapport. 55 students partook in the following activities,
- Soccer
- Footy
- Basketball
- Down ball
- Computer gaming
- Group activities
- Solving puzzles
- And attend the Cinemas.

The Islamic talks allowed the students to ask about their religion to our guidance coordinator.

We would like to give a special thanks to the following staff members for also partaking in the event:
- Mr Nadeem
- Mr Turker
- Mr Khaled
- Mr Abdu
- Mr Kuzucu.