Assalamu Alaikum,

Dear Parents/Guardians and Students,

Alhamdulillah Term 3 was a very productive and busy term for the Secondary Girls Campus with all the programs and activities for the school community including students, parents and teachers. Special thanks to the secondary staff and volunteers for playing a major role in making it all beneficial and engaging for our students and the school community. May Allah SWT reward all involved for their tireless efforts and hard work.

Students and teachers enjoyed celebrating the English, Mathematics and Science Weeks and welcomed the challenging and engaging activities run throughout the weeks prepared by our dedicated teachers. Spelling Bee competition created a buzz amongst students in wanting to become the best speller at Ilim College Secondary Girls Campus. Sixteen finalists competed in front of all secondary students and showcased their spelling talents. Science Invention Competition and Exhibition allowed the creative minds to run their imagination wild and create the best robot to display to their friends and teachers. Finally, Mathematics Week allowed competitive students to take part in healthy competitions and enjoy the challenges put forward by their teachers as part of many activities arranged for the week.

The activities, programs and excursions kept the students busy both physically, spiritually and mentally. The Year 7 and 9 students enjoyed the camps in Term 3. It was an opportunity for them to enjoy each other’s and teachers’ company, be active and enjoy the Islamic lectures delivered by their teachers. The Year 9 students also enjoyed "city school" experience where they spent 4 days exploring the city, learning how to find their way around and complete activities linked to their assessments. The Careers Expo program provided students guidance with their career pathways. On the night, the university representatives as well as the guest speakers from different professional background gave our students an insight into the university life and provided advice on career pathways to reach their career goal.

As secondary, we were pleased to have our parents involved again this term with various activities arranged by the iCommunity Engagement team. The families with their children enjoyed the family movie night, watching the movie while enjoying their popcorn and other refreshments. The team also arranged a seminar on "Healthy Lunchbox" where healthy lunchbox options were discussed and families felt informed. It was our pleasure seeing the school parents attend school events and we look forward to seeing you attend the activities in Term 4.

We hope that you enjoyed your Eid with your family and the community and wish you a restful term break. I would like to finish by thanking all the secondary teachers and volunteers for their efforts this term and congratulate all students who have put in their best effort to achieve their best. I look forward to seeing you in term 4 refreshed and ready to give your best to finish the year with excellent achievements inshaAllah.

Zeynep Sertel
Principal - Dallas Secondary Girls Campus
To celebrate English Domain Week, the English department prepared engaging and inspiring events to motivate our students and staff to not only read more but to strengthen their passion in this wonderful subject. The exciting week commenced on Monday, 1st August with a Year 10 secondary student and staff cross-campus debate followed by an informative event conducted by the Refugee Council of Australia for Year 9 students and staff to supplement their study of the memoir, *The Happiest Refugee*. Additional activities comprised of a Year 8 secondary English cross-class debate and a Year 7 *Chinese Cinderella* role-play competition focused on the importance of Chinese culture and traditions. Throughout the debate, Year 8 students demonstrated enthusiasm and a variety of reasoned arguments that positioned the audience to support the points of view presented. During the Year 7 role-play competition, students displayed creativity in their thinking and were able to communicate their ideas clearly.

On the final day of English Domain Week, a Year 7-10 Spelling Bee was held in the assembly hall. The atmosphere was buzzing and packed with students and staff who were cheering on the finalists. Sixteen students battled it out to become Spelling Bee champion, correctly spelling words such as ‘indistinguishable’ and ‘connoisseur’. After a number of nail biting rounds, Sakina Williams from 9C was crowned the Spelling Bee champion!

A big thank you to the English department for their amazing hard work and effort in creating and organizing the wonderful array of events for English Domain Week!
During term 3, Ilm College saw math week for the year 7 to 10 girls and teachers. This week was an important opportunity for the students and teachers to reflect on what mathematics means to them.

Students were engaged in activities that allowed them to display their understanding of mathematics learnt this year in an artistic and fun way by making posters that were displayed throughout building D corridor and the display cabinet at the school reception area as can be seen in the photos. All year levels also had the chance to show off their mathematical knowledge, teamwork and speed to respond to a range of mathematics questions that were displayed to them on the interactive whiteboard through “Kahoot” in the hall. As the photos show, all the students were engaged and had a lot of fun. The winning class from each year level was given a prize of pizza’s and drinks during a math class, which was an enjoyable and relaxing opportunity for all as can be seen in the photos. Year 10 showed their skills through a Math n’ go competition whereby they are to move between stations in a team and answer mathematical questions against the clock. The first three places were awarded vouchers.

It was a very enjoyable and engaging time for the students and teachers, but would not have been possible if it were not for the effort and dedication of the teaching staff (Mr Amer Basha, Mr Ahmet Altindagli, Mr Ali Zafir, Ms Ibtihal Albattat, Ms Rasha Abdul Qader, Ms Emine Erdem and Ms Rabia Guney)
Ilm College celebrated the National Science Week with lots of enthusiasm from staff and students. This year the theme for Science Week was “Drones, robots and droids”. There were lots of different activities organized for the students including a Guest speaker from “The Walter and Eliza Institute of Medical Research” who gave a very stimulating and thought provoking talk on Parkinson disease and use of technology to find a cure. Students were encouraged to use the robotic theme for their projects. It was wonderful to see the range of projects displayed on the Science Day. Our students tried to developed 3-D robotic arm, proto type scribbling robots or hydraulic pumps. We believe that every participant who dared to partake in the activities, is a winner. However, some projects stood out from the rest. The winners were chosen from 2 categories: Innovation Technology:
1st prize: “Prosthetic Arm” By Hafsa Chao and Easha Nasir - Yr 10A
2nd prize: Scribbling Robot” By Safiya Khalifullah, Sarah Khodr and Ayesha Fauzan - Yr 8A
The overall winners were as such:
1st: “Hydraulic Arm & Clawbot” By Shaakira Saldin - Yr 9A
2nd: “Makey - Makey” By Bedor Al Janabe, Zeynep Beken and Mulkiahaomea
3rd: “Robot Aid” By Seyma Baci, Karima Hussein and Yasmin Kassim
There was a story writing competition as well and our sole winner was Soulaym Derbas - Yr 9B
Well done to all the participants...
Interschool Sports
Ms Victoria Konnas

Term 3 saw another busy term of interschool sports – Table Tennis, Futsal and Basketball were on the menu for the girls to participate and represent Ilim in our Moreland division.

They worked together and fought their way to some victories – our table tennis intermediate teams, progressing through to the northern finals – to be played in October - and in other cases, came close to a win however lost just by a mere couple of points. The girls team spirit and sportsmanship to be commended.

As interschool sports wraps up for 2016 – The Physical Education Department encourages our sporting girls and any girls who wish to join the sports teams in 2017 to join a local club, practice playing their game, strengthen their knowledge about the rules and sport in general and become stronger and more confident in themselves and their abilities.

I hope every single one of you have an enjoyable September school holidays!

Library Updates
Ms Gabby Bannens & Ms Seda Dayakli

This term has seen the end of the Premier's Reading Challenge, and we would like to congratulate everyone who took part in the challenge of reading a bit more than you usually would! Your librarians have thoroughly enjoyed the numerous discussions we have had with you about books you've read and have really appreciated the way you have thrown yourselves into the July challenge of decorating your classrooms with a book theme! To those who went that extra mile, we hosted a High Tea in the library, and have got some great ideas from the students about what fun events we will hold next term.

Remember to come to the library to grab a good book for the holidays - Ms Gaby Bannens or Ms Seda Dayakli are happy to recommend one for you if you don't know what to choose!
The Year 7 students were involved in numerous exciting activities. They took part in the July’s reading challenge and created a book corner in their classrooms. Students put a lot of effort in creating their book corners and enjoyed the experience. They visited the Chinese museum as part of their Humanities. They participated in various workshops where they created their own lanterns, attended a self-defense session and learnt how to defend themselves. They also went for a tour of the China town which gave them an insight about the life of early Chinese population in Melbourne. The Chinese Museum visit allowed students to better understand the Chinese culture.

The Year 8 students took part in a school tour in the CBD which was based on the novel ‘Runner’ by Robert Newton. During the Runner excursion students completed activities such as:

- Reading extracts from the Runner on location at sites mentioned in the novel.
- Adopted an identity during the tour e.g. Henry Slater, Squizzy Taylor etc.
- Followed Charlie Feehan’s race route from Spring Street to the former Orient Hotel site.
- Visited places in ‘Runner’ e.g. the former Eastern Market, Bourke Street, Orient Hotel site, Little Lon.
- Explored locations from Squizzy’s life e.g. Chinatown slums, theatre back streets, rat runs, gunfights at Bourke and Russell, his hide-out etc.
- Learned about life in the Squizzy era (1990–1927) e.g. architecture, values, the depression, the black market economy, technologies etc.
- Experienced ‘two-up’ in a historic lane.

Victoria University Pre-Service Students conducted after school tutoring lessons to all year 8 students at the Girls campus. The tutoring lessons were run on Tuesdays and Thursdays starting from the 23rd of August until the end of the term. The sessions were run between 3.30pm to 4.30pm. This is a great opportunity for students to receive assistance for English and Humanities subjects. Students are benefiting from the support given and had extra guidance on upcoming assessments.
Term 3 was highly busy for year 9 students. Each PSD (personal, social development) class organized fundraiser events to raise plentiful funds to build a water well in Africa. The Fundraisers challenged the students and encouraged team work, it was inspiring to perceive how students worked together to solve, resolve and overcome the challenges they faced through organization and preparations of the fundraisers. Students raised enough money to open two water wells. What an outstanding achievement. Thanking all families who supported the year 9 fundraiser events with their generous donations.

All Year 9 students attended the Ottoman Aged Care Centre, which was highly emotional and rewarding at the same time. The year 9 students prepared cards and activities which was highly appreciated by the residents. Their eyes lit up with happiness and were eager to talk and interact with the students. This very special experience taught the students that giving back to the community is a significant factor. As, ongoing emotional support is required to assist residents to cope with the experiences of bereavement, illness, and in adjusting to becoming a care recipient.

This term, the Year 10 cohort participated in the ‘Study skills’ and ‘Time management’ seminars conducted by Elevate Education. These sessions provided students with an insight into practical study techniques and how to manage their time. They were given the opportunity to explore how to structure and review study notes, develop deep understanding and become independent learners. During this program, students brainstormed ideas and strategies that can be implemented in order to develop a study routine that allows for extra-curricular activities as well as academic productivity.

Students also attended the ‘Keys please education session’ conducted by VicRoads. This informative session offered students with information and practical ideas on how to effectively utilise the learning to drive period. Students were given the opportunity to explore how to obtain the required hours of practice and become safe drivers.
The focus this term for year 11 students has been very academic. Students have been well settled in their VCE studies by Semester 2 and planning for year 12 subjects. It was good to see them developing a mature attitude and planning ahead. Term 3 started with a motivational/time management seminar from ‘Elevate’ education. The response from students was great as some of them struggle finding time for all the subjects.

The year 11 chemistry class enjoyed a spectroscopy experiment at Latrobe University using state of the art equipment. The biology students visited Melbourne University and performed a genetics experiment for their SAC. The Health and Human classes visited child care center to gain a first-hand knowledge of child minding. All these excursions were wonderful learning experiences for the students. At Ilim College, we believe that exposing students to the ‘real world’ can greatly supplement the knowledge that they are taught in the classroom.

An excursion to Melbourne Carrier expo was organised by the carrier department. All the year 11 students visited with their respective teachers and learnt about different courses available to them. This trip was very useful as it will help them to make informed choices for their future profession IA. We been fortunate to have few new students in year 11. We welcome them with open arms and hope they will find the new environment comfortable. While year 11 have been very busy in planning and organizing their studies, we still manage to have a lunch together. It was wonderful to see them all giggling and enjoying the pizza and cakes. We wish them all the best for next term!
Term 3 has been a very busy time for the Year 12’s. Not only have they been intensely preparing and studying for their Unit 4 SACs they have also taken part in many excursions and an incursion. The term started off with a Biology class excursion to Melbourne University where one of their SACs were conducted. The change of atmosphere was a positive one for our stressed students.

The stress continued for some of our students as they undertook the UMAT exam shortly after. The UMAT exam is a test used specifically to assist with the selection of students into the medicine, dentistry and health/science degree programs at undergraduate levels.

After a stressful first few weeks all the year 12 students took part in a Galileo incursion which gave us a great insight into the different interpretations of the text. Students thoroughly enjoyed the performance of the key scenes. The Religion and Societies and Text and Traditions students visited the Hoa Ghiem Temple in Spring Vale as part of an outcome requirement. Students enjoyed roaming the temple and asking questions.

Visual communications and Design and Studio Arts students attended different art galleries to learn about the gallery staff as well as conservation & preservation of artwork. The visit to Gertrude Contemporary run in Fitzroy was a great educational program that facilitating this knowledge for our students.

Finally, the Business Management class attended the Toyota Manufacturing Plant to analyze business processes and production lines of large industrial suppliers. Students now have now completed majority of the Unit 4 requirements and begun revision. We anticipate the exams conducted in Term 4 will be well prepared for and InshaAllah produce successful results for our students.
The Secondary iCommunity Engagement Committee at the Girls Dallas campus held two events during Term 3. The first event was a family movie night which was on the 12th of August. Families had the opportunity to watch "Home Alone". The movie brought back and evoked all sorts of scary nostalgia. For example, like being left home alone, when you were a kid, hearing strange noises and being afraid to look in the basement. Students who viewed the film for the first time couldn’t control their urge to laugh out loud during the scenes when (main character) Kevin puts after shave on and screams "AHHH!!" and the swinging paint cans on the stairs hit the wet bandits and all the different traps throughout the movie. The committee served popcorn, drinks and candy on the night which added to the experience of watching a movie as if they were at the cinemas. Alhamdulillah students and families enjoyed the movie session.

Parents also gathered on the 24th of August for a healthy eating workshop by Derya Kucukali. Parents and students benefited greatly from the informative presentation and learned about what constitutes a healthy and balanced diet and lifestyle. The interactive and engaging workshop educated parents about the many small but practical changes they could make to achieve overall health and vitality, ultimately improving performance at work or school and their life. Parents were given handouts of simple, nutritious and great tasting recipes they could try at home. Parents had the opportunity to ask questions they had about their health and wellness. One parent mentioned "It was a fantastic workshop, it opened my eyes once again and I will be making a few changes to improve my daughters eating habits". We are looking forward to seeing more of our parents at our future events.
Islamic Enrichment Committee
Ms Fatma Kilic

Ilm Talent Show - Makkah Themed

On August 19, the Islamic Enrichment Committee organised the 5th annual ‘Ilm Talent Show’ which comprised of many different competitions. Some of the highlights of the program included the ‘Nasheed’ competition. Each performer bedazzled the audience with their amazing talent and showcase. The Nasheeds were exceptional and each performer gave a memorable performance. The other highlight of the program was the ‘Chubby Bunny’ competition.

The ‘Quran’ competition inspired, warmed and melted the hearts of everyone in the audience. However, the most exciting segment of the show was the ‘Cotton Ball Challenge’ competition held by the teachers. The teachers were given one minute to transfer as many cotton balls as they could with one hand from one bowl to the other while their eyes were covered with a scarf.

The poems that were recited during the ‘Poetry Competition’ were written by students themselves. Then there was the ‘Scarf Designing’, ‘Visual Arts’ and the ‘Cake Decoration’ competition.

Everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves and now look forward to next year’s program.

Makkah Poem

My heart relaxed as I kept walking,
There were a lot of people I could hear them talking
This is the blessed land,
This is Makkah the Holy Land,
In which Allah sent us to as a command,
Makkah is the city that the Prophet (s.a.w) was born,
Makkah is where the Kaabah was built and it once got torn,
Makkah the best way to learn your history,
Nothing will remain in your head as mystery,
Makkah, the once in a lifetime opportunity,
The place where there’s heaps of unity in the community
Makkah, the place where you feel a sense of belonging
Which will keep on prolonging,
Muslims from all around the world come and visit these places,
People of all ages,
Different races,
Come and go on a daily basis,
I envy you my Muslim Sisters and Brothers
Staying in Makkah, amongst so many others,
You have the life I never knew I need
A life one day that will intercede
Makkah is my ultimate travel destination,
It makes me fall into prostration
It’s my favourite location
A place which there is no need for your frustration,
A place which is its own meditation,
A place which is full of... relaxation...

Karima Hussein – Year 8A
In Term 3, the students involved in the Ilum College Girls Secondary Dallas Campus Pastoral Care Program, were involved in various activities and events. They participated in community events such as Edgars Creek Tree Planting Day, where the girls spent a day learning about the environment, sustainability and tree planting. The students have also organized their annual Madinah themed Iftar, full of spiritual reminders, catering for over 60 people. Students have also been participating in weekly gatherings where they have been participating in activities such as cup decorating and candle making linking it to Islamic values such as fulfilling the Sunnah of gift giving as the Prophet (peace be upon him) said: "Give gifts and you will love one another." (Bukhari)
This term Year 11 students had the chance to go to Melbourne Careers Expo. The big event consisted of many universities, institutions and colleges. Students had time to visit each stall and collect information to their interest. Victoria police and Ambulance Australia were among the stalls and the professionals delivered workshops. It was interesting to have a police patrol car on site and see the advanced technology involved. The expo was a great experience as it exposed our students to many professions they may be unaware of. The Careers team further organized the Ilim College Careers Expo during Term 3. One night event involved multiple university representatives including Monash, La Trobe and RMIT. The Mayor of Hume, Councillor Helen Patsikatheodorou gave the opening speech. We had 4 different career workshops where students and parents were able to engage with Muslim professionals from various fields and had some of their questions answered. Students also benefitted from having the opportunity to speak to university students. This allowed our students to have an idea of university life and the different pathways they can consider. By the end of the night one of parents mentioned that her daughter had finally decided on her career pathway and found answers to all her questions. Careers Expo Night was a successful event, we look forward to seeing more parents and students in our future careers expo.
Ilím College Secondary Girls Campus took part in celebrating NAIDOC week on 14th of July at Ilím College. A mosaic artwork “Connection to Country” completed by Ilím College secondary Girls Campus students, staff and parents in partnership with the AFP and members of the Aboriginal community was unveiled by Victorian Governor, Linda Dessau, during the ceremony in presence of guests, Ilím College students, staff and parents.

http://www.abc.net.au/btn/story/s4487792.htm
Ilim College
ART
Exhibition

You are cordially invited to our annual art exhibition for a gallery walk.

Friday the 16th of September
in the Ilim College Dallas Assembly Hall

You are welcome to view the showcased art work from 10 am to 6 pm throughout the day, to celebrate the talents and efforts of our students from Grade Prep to Year 12.