



Western Grammar School

NEWSLETTER

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Assalamu Alaikum,

A brand-new year, 2020, got off to a fresh and exciting start. We wish to welcome back all returning and new students to WGS for another year of engaged teaching and learning. We also extend a warm welcome to several new staff members who joined our team and look forward to them contributing to the strengthening of the school. Our second batch of HSC students graduated last year with all but one going on to university studies this year. We wish them well in their future endeavours and pray that Allah (swt) continues to guide and bless them. This year will be one of further growth and development especially in the areas of academic performance and student well-being where every student is catered for. The new-look newsletter is part of the improvement strategy for 2020. Enjoy!

- Dr Zachariah Matthews, Deputy Principal



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We would like to welcome our new staff to Western Grammar School:

Head of High School - Mr Siddiq Buckley

Head of Primary School - Ms Amira Kirsten

High School Teacher - Ms Sameena Aslam

Islamic Studies Teacher - Ms Ummu Kulthoom Matthews

Learning Support - Ms Masooma Moazum, Mr Yhayia Alam

Lab Assistant - Ms Aisha Tirmzey



Graduated Class of 2019

Where are they now?

Western Grammar School congratulates the Class of 2019 for their dedication and commitment during the HSC. We would like to further congratulate our teachers for their hard work and time spent working with these students. We look forward to attaining even better results from the HSC Class of 2020.

We are pleased that all 2019 students received early offers into the courses of their choice:

Yusir.A - Bachelor of Education at Macquarie University

Rami.A - Currently Working - Taking a gap year

Alaa El-Dine.H - Bachelor of Technology and Construction at Western Sydney University

Rimsha. K - Bachelor of Education at Western Sydney University

Saalihah. K - Bachelor of Education - Online University

Shahana. K - Bachelor of Psychology at Macquarie University

Adama. K - Bachelor of Islamic Studies - Charles Sturt University

Amaan. R - Bachelor of Technology and Construction at Western Sydney University

Parent Info Session

Western Grammar School will be holding its first parent information session this year on Wednesday, 26th February 2020. This information

session will be held in the school hall from 9:00am-10:00am. Please RSVP at the school office or call 9677 9229. We look forward to meeting our parents.

Attendance and Punctuality

School gates open at 8am. Please drop off your child/ren after 8am as there is no supervision before that time. Children are to be dropped off at the Bottles Road entrance.

All students must be on time to the school assembly which commences at 8:20am.

If your child/ren are absent, parents are kindly requested to provide a medical certificate or a written and signed note justifying their absence.

Early Leave

If for any reason you wish to pick up your child/ren from school early, please come to the office to sign him/her out. Children must be picked up before 2:30pm and not during break times.

Road Safety

Speed Limits

The gates on the Bottles Road entrance open at 3:00pm. Please ensure you drive at the speed limit, 5km/h, on school grounds. The speed limit around the school is 40km/h. Driving safely and following road signs will keep our students and staff safe at all times.

Private Property

Please do not park on or in front of private property driveways. Park in designated areas and walk your child/ren to school.

Please STOP and look out for pedestrians when exiting the school gate

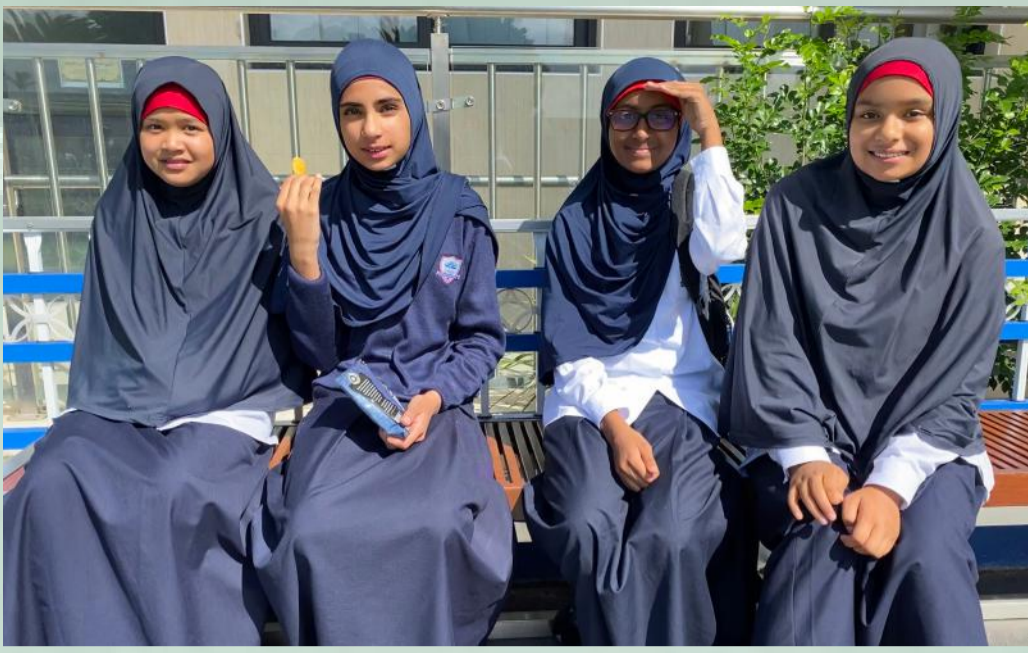
Uniform Shop

Location and Times

WGS uniforms can be bought from school. It is open on Mondays and Thursdays from 8:40 - 10am.

Please ensure your child is in full school uniform at all times.

A note must be submitted if students are unable to attend school in the correct uniform.



It is WGS policy to wear the correct uniform to school. The uniform serves to promote the importance of discipline and uniformity. These two values enhance the learning environment of the school.

Canteen

Please make sure recess/lunch orders are sealed in an envelope. They should be labelled clearly with student name, class and choice of food.

Please note that the canteen will not be accepting any orders without payment.

Nut Policy

In line with the NSW Department of Education directive, peanuts, tree nuts or nut products must not be used at school. This policy is to minimise the risk to those students at school who have a nut allergy. Parents must ensure that their child/ren do not bring nuts or nut containing products to school.

School Fees

All fees paid by parents play a major role in enabling WGS to meet its operating costs. Therefore, prompt payment every term is highly appreciated.

Term 1 fees are now due. Please arrange payment as soon as possible.

Sports Days

Current sports days for respective classes are as follows:

Primary:

Kindergarten to Year 2 - Thursday

Year 3 to Year 6 - Wednesday

High School:

Year 7 to Year 10 - Wednesday

Hadith of the Week

قال النبي ﷺ
« إِنَّمَا الْأَعْمَالُ بِالنِّيَّاتِ وَإِنَّمَا لِغَلِّ امْرِئٍ مَّا نَوَى » (متفق عليه)
GOOD INTENTION
 The Prophet ﷺ said:
“Verily your actions depends upon your intentions, and you will be given that which you have intended”
 (Bukhari)

GREETINGS
 The Prophet ﷺ said:
“Spread Salam amongst yourselves”
 (Ibn Maajah)
 قال النبي ﷺ
« أَفْسُوا السَّلَامَ بَيْنَكُمْ »
 (ابن ماجه)

KNOWLEDGE
 قال النبي ﷺ
« طَلَبُ الْعِلْمِ فَرِيضَةٌ عَلَى كُلِّ مُسْلِمٍ »
 (ابن ماجه)
 The Prophet ﷺ said:
“Seeking Knowledge Is compulsory upon Every Muslim”
 (Ibn Maajah)

RESPONSIBILITY
 The Prophet ﷺ said:
“All of you are shepherds and each one of you are responsible for your flock”
 (Al-Bukhari)
 قال النبي ﷺ
« كُلُّكُمْ رَاعٍ وَكُلُّكُمْ مَسْئُولٌ عَنْ رَعِيَّتِهِ »
 (البخاري)

قال النبي ﷺ
« إِنَّ لِلَّهِ تِسْعَةً وَتِسْعِينَ اسْمًا، مَنْ أَحْصَاهَا دَخَلَ الْجَنَّةَ »
 (البخاري)
اللَّهُ
 The Prophet ﷺ said:
“Indeed Allah has 99 names, whoever memorises and lives by them will enter paradise” (Al-Bukhari)

Week One

Week Two

Week Three

Week Four

Week Five

Former HSC students that attended the session:
2018 Graduates: Captains: Aiesha.F & Hussein.M
 Monim.R & Jawad. S
2019 Graduates: Captains: Yusir.A & Amaan. R
 Adama.K & Rimsha.K

GRADUATE HSC session



It was pleasing to see students from our 2018 and 2019 HSC cohort return to Western Grammar School to enlighten and speak with the current Year 11 and 12 students about the challenges of the HSC.

This session provided senior students with the insights on how to combat distractions and set clear goals to achieve their own successes. Graduated students further mentioned that subject preparation and balancing life and school work is the key to doing well in the HSC exams.

Thank you to Ms Hajar Rafiq for organising this event and to the students who attended.

Sun Safety Week



SUNSCREEN



STEP ONE

STEP TWO



SHADE

STEP THREE

STEP FOUR



SLIDE ON SUNGLASSES

STEP FIVE

COVER UP



HYDRATE



Assalamu Alaikum

At WGS, as part of our duty of care, an important school rule is that students should wear hats when outside. This rule applies to all students from Kindergarten to Year 12.

A number of events were held last week. This included drawing competition entries from Primary School. Congratulations to all students who participated.

Students were permitted to wear any suitable hat of their choice on Friday, 21st February 2020. They each made a gold coin donation which contributed towards the welfare fund.

