



Arkana Pulse

Our school newsletter

Important Dates

Principal's Message

It has been a busy yet extremely rewarding first five weeks of Term 3 for students and staff at Arkana College. Amongst many highlights was the Eid fete/concert, excursions, starting our disability engagement initiative and continuing our feed the homeless program. And having a number of our students and staff feature at a national schools awards ceremony.

With these programs we strive to provide unique opportunities for our students to participate in activities and events that make a social impact and learn lifelong skills and values. In this space we lead the Islamic schools sector at the primary school level and are widely regarded as setting the standard for schools from all sectors.

Together with a quality teaching/learning framework we strive to provide a first class experience for all our students by integrating Islamic values with 21st century learning. We encourage parents to share these experiences with us as parents play a critical role in the partnership to produce well rounded, confident young people who will lead us all to a better tomorrow.

- 30/08 Book week character parade
- 01/09 K-6 Spelling Bee
- 03/06 Debating vs, Trinity
- 06/09 IPSHA debating
- 06/09 Islamic schools public speaking
- 08/09 Yr. 3-6 touch footy
- 09/09 RUOK Day
- 11—14/09 Yr. 5/6 Snow Camp
- 20/09 Yr. 5/6 Interfaith
- 20/09 K-2 aquarium excursion
- 21/09 Science incursion
- 22/09 Yr. 5/6 Wellbeing Day and workshops
- 23/09 Last Day Term 3 and Jeans 4 Genes day



Osman Karolia

Mr Osman Karolia
Principal

Debating @ Arkana!



Congratulations to Ms Melligi and our debating teams on their outstanding effort against Newington

Our students did remarkably well with a win for our Yr. 6 team and a narrow loss for our Yr. 5 team. We're extremely proud of them all!

PREKINDY NEWS

MRS GHAZI AND MRS NASSER



IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

We send a warm welcome and thank you to Ms Bariah, who has been undertaking work experience as an Educational Support Teacher with us this term. Thank you for your efforts and hard work. Inshallah, we pray that your time with us is beneficial.

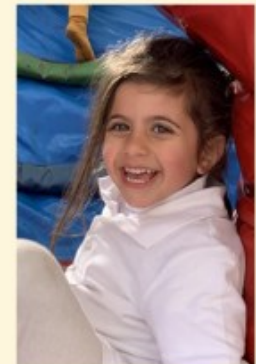


TERM 3 COMMUNITY HELPER VISIT

NURSE JEHAAN

LIVERPOOL HOSPITAL

This term, PreK are engaging with, and learning about, important and special community helpers.



EID AL ADHA HIGHLIGHTS



MORE INFORMATION AT: WWW.PREKINDYRULE.COM

KINDERGARTEN

This term, Kindergarten have been learning about how to look after themselves. One of these ways, is through healthy eating. Kindergarten have used a traffic light system to learn about 'Go!', 'Slow!' and 'Whoah!' foods.





Year 1



EXTRA-CURRICULAR FUN!

Eid Fete, Scope IT & Swim School

Year 1 had an exciting return to Term 3 with Arkana's celebration of Eid Al Adha. Our brains are also getting super charged as we learn to 3D Print in Scope IT. Swim School has been keeping our bodies active and teaching us very important water skills. Masha'Allah!



YEAR 1K

Kindergarten and Year 1 students blew us away with their generous charity donations towards the Orphan Appeal last term! In recognition of all their efforts, they were treated to a pizza party, earlier on this term. May our students continue to put out their hands and help others who are less fortunate. May their little (but big) hearts continue to be filled with generosity. Ameen!



Where there is magic, there is

Sprinkles.

Year 2 have kicked off the term learning all about the text types, Procedures and Narratives. We decided to test out our Fairy Bread Procedure to see if the instructions were clear and easy to follow. Lo and behold, we made the softest, sweetest, and brightest Fairy Bread in town. Narratives have proven to be a big hit with Year 2, as they begin to discover their creative imagination. It has been quite an enjoyable learning journey, and we look forward to sharing the wonderful stories with you all.





TO INFINITY AND BEYOND

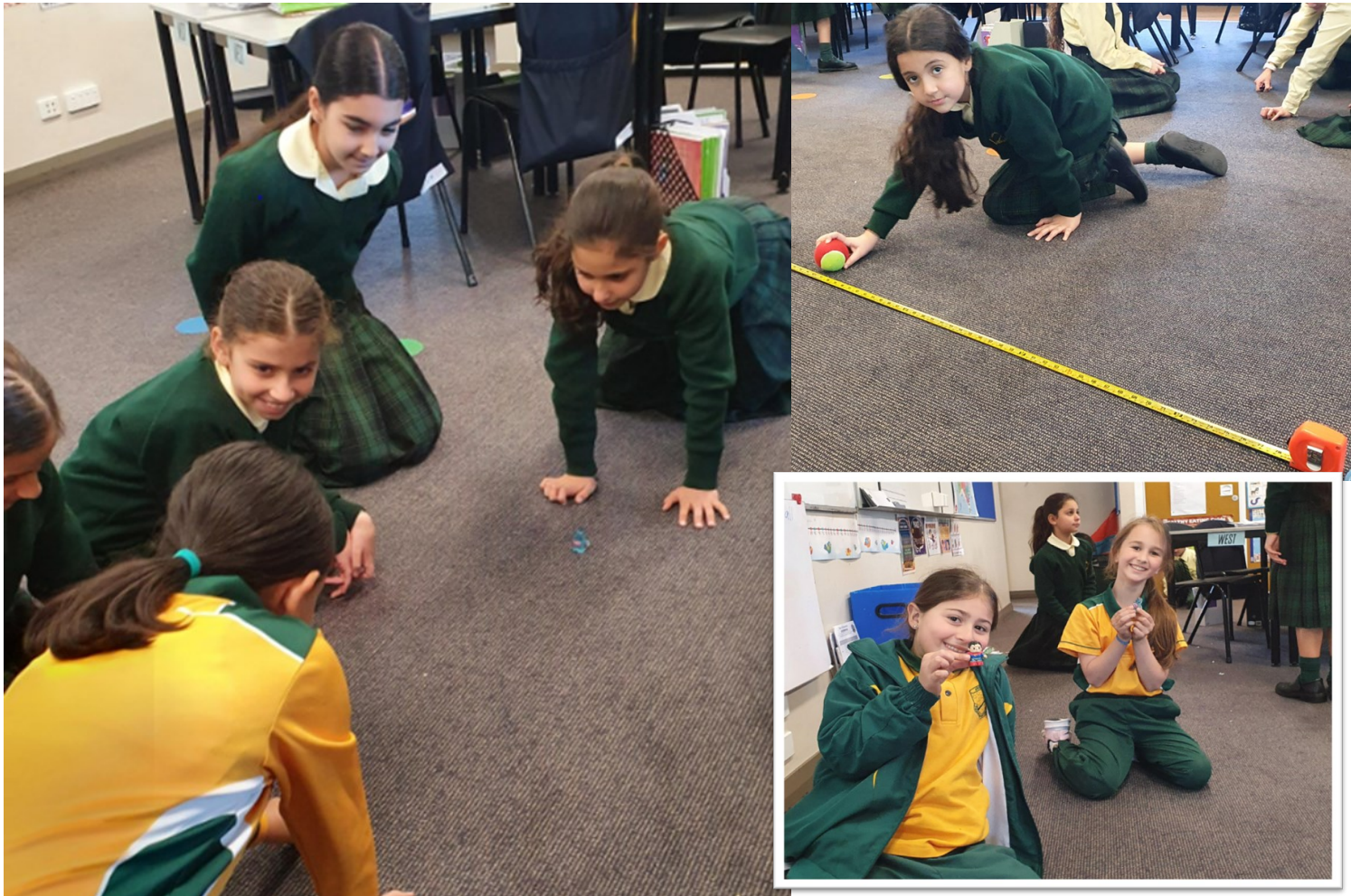
with Year 3

THE TERM BEGAN WITH A BANG! OR SHOULD I SAY WITH SONG AT THE FANTASTIC ANASHEED CONCERT AND EID FETE. IT WAS FOLLOWED BY A SPLASH, THE SOUND OF KIDS BODIES DIVING INTO THE WARM WATERS OF HURSTVILLE AQUATIC CENTRE. THEN WE ROCKETED INTO SPACE AND EXPLORED BEYOND OUR EARTH IN SCIENCE AND CREATIVE ART. WE CAME BACK DOWN TO EARTH IN GEOGRAPHY BY LOOKING AT PLACES THAT ARE SIMILAR AND DIFFERENT, AS WELL AS, SIGNIFICANT NATURAL SITES, SUCH AS, ULURU IN THE ALICE. WE LIT UP OUR BRAINS AT SCOPEIT WITH SOME ELECTRONIC WIZARDRY.

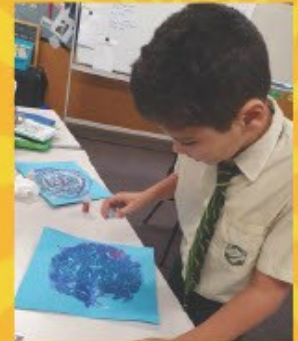
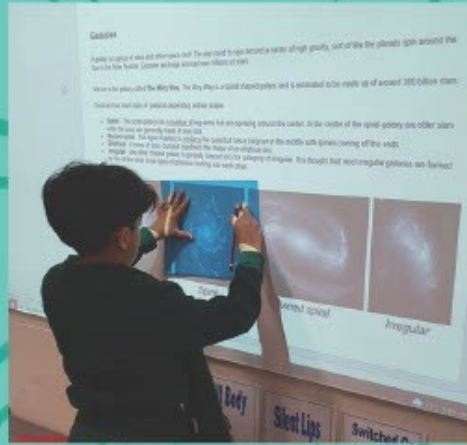


Year 4

Students are continuing to learn about the forces around us and how 2 objects react when they collide due to force. We experimented by playing the very popular game of "ooshie battles".



The Year 5 Incredibles!



Is it a bird?
Is it a plane?
No...It's the Year 5
Incredibles!

The students of Year 5 have rocketed out into space to learn more about 'Earth's Place in Space'! Along the way, students learnt about the main types of galaxies; The Solar System; as well as Earth's Rotation & Revolution to create night, day, and seasons. Is it a bird? Is it a plane? No...it's the Year 5 Incredibles out in space!

Year 6

Yr. 6 enjoyed a wonderful trip to Netstrata Jubilee Oval to watch the mighty St George Illawarra Dragons take on the Manly Sea Eagles ... and yes the Dragons won! Thank you to all students, parents and staff who attended!



Arabic

Assalamu Alaikum

This term has already been another exciting term for all of the Arabic department classes, full of fun activities and events. The term started with the Eid fete, where students had practiced the Eid song and were able to perform it amazingly on that day. A couple of weeks later in week 3, Year 2 & 3 had a fabulous excursion to Lakemba Masjid and Jasmine Restaurant. They learned about the importance of the Masjid, its operations, and were able to appreciate its wonderful and beautiful purpose, architecture and Holiness. Our excursion to the restaurant was also very enriching and we had the opportunity to enjoy different types of Arabic traditional food.

This rest of this term Insha'Allah is set to be another fulfilling term for all of the Arabic classes.



Quran/Islamic Studies



Yr. 5 and 6 today recently visited the Daar Ibn Abbas Mosque in Condell Park to learn of its services including it's remarkable Hifz program. Students then participated in an archery program at Sydney Olympic Park and finished the day with some laser tag!

CHOIR!



The Arkana School Choir

The Arkana School Choir has been kept busy with a few gigs in the opening weeks of Term 3, including the Minister's Assembly and the Anasheed Concert. The Choir performed outstandingly well on both occasions. The students of the Choir gave up several lunch times in order to rehearse and learn the song, *One Big Family*, by Maher Zain. The members of the School Choir are one big family, coming together to work with each other in beautiful harmony. It was nice to see them be rewarded for all their hard work and great energy, with a delicious Pizza Party.

Ms Ghazi, Ms Yasmin and Mr Puglisi



"Forget guessing lollies in a jar! How many chocolate bars in a jar?"



"WOW, a 3 in 1 extravaganza..."



**From the kids.
By the kids.**

Firstly do some shopping at the Arkana Officeworks.



Then finish by having a cup of delicious home-made Pink Lemonade... Yummo!!!"

Followed by having a guess at the sour lolly guessing competition.



CHARITY SERVICE COOPERATE



*Together
We Can!*

“Who wouldn’t want fresh smooth soft skin and non-cracked lips, after scrubbing that old skin away while enjoying the ultimate bath bomb experience!”

*FROM THE KIDS.
By the Kids*



“So, you think you’re all experts out there at guessing the lolly jar competition. Well if you think you’re that good, then try guessing how many lollies in 2 different shaped and sized jars!”

WONDERFUL!

Mr P & Mrs G

Support

In Support Lessons, we have been focusing on language and creativity skills, especially the use of "WOW" words. We need to encourage our students to make connections between what they learn at school and their lives outside school. Learning occurs best in the context of other experiences in a student's life. This is where most of their creativity and language will stem from. It is of vital importance for all educators, teachers, parents and significantly, peers, to give regular and specific feedback, when students talk about or write about their personal experiences.

Mr Puglisi



IPSHA SOCIAL IMPACT EXPO



Full marks to our school and students from Yr. 6 and Yr. 4 who are representing our school at the IPSHA Social Impact Expo hosted at the prestigious The Kings School.

It's an opportunity to showcase amongst Sydney's most exclusive schools the work we do with the homeless, preparing hot food packs for victims of domestic violence, providing water wells to Cambodia and our orphan sponsorship program.

We also support humanitarian programs in Lebanon and Palestine. We supported victims of local bush fires and floods and to date in our current campaign have funded eye surgery to 192 blind people to have their eyesight restored.

Caring for others is a part of our Islamic values and commitment to being caring local and global citizens.

Disability Engagement Program



Arkana College recently launched our new Disability Engagement Program with Yr. 6 visiting My Home Disability Services to make waffles and play games with those living with a disability.

Through service to others we learn so much about care, compassion and gratitude.

The Disability Engagement Program is run once each term .

Homeless Engagement Program



Well done to our students, parents and alumni who recently went out to distribute food with Brothers In Need to the homeless in Martin Place this weekend as well as those who brought donations of food items to the school.

You put into action the values we teach in class, at assemblies and during the Khutba ... actions are always heavier than words and some things are best learnt via lived experience.

Eid Fete/Anasheed Concert



A wonderful effort by students, staff and the P&C for an outstanding Eid Concert/Fete! The students concert performances were just amazing as were the fete attractions and it was truly wonderful to see so many of the Arkana community attend!

Minister's Visit - Hon Mark Coure MP



Arkana College recently hosted the Hon. Mark Coure NSW Minister for Multiculturalism & Minister for Seniors, Georges River Council Mayor Nick Katris and councillors Nancy Liu JP - Georges River Councillor and Benjamin Wang.

The visit included an assembly, choir presentation and visit to classrooms. It was wonderful to share with the Minister, Mayor and councillors the leading education programs and community service initiatives of our school. Yr. 4 also presented their work on the environment!

Crescent Islamic School Awards



CONGRATULATIONS TEAM ARKANA

Finalists at The Crescent Islamic School Awards for 7 NATIONAL awards and WINNERS of 4 of those national awards, more than any other Islamic primary school and amongst the highest for a single school primary or HS! From 65 schools nationally we did amazingly well!

NATIONAL WINNERS

Community Impact Award Yr 4 environmental initiative Abdallah Adra, Ilyas Tabikh, Raihana Jebeile, Salahadeen Bowens, Sayf Eldeen Arja, Sereen Kotb, Sofiya Kamaz, Tasneem Majanni, Zayn Lasic

Allrounder (academic, social impact) Safiyah Bowens
Sportsperson of the Year (primary) Asya Muzzafer

NATIONAL FINALISTS

Educational Leadership Mrs Shadia Ghazi
Co Curriculum Harmony Cup (Mr Kourouche, Mrs Ibrahim, Mr Puglisi)
Pedagogy Islamic Pedagogy (whole school)

Lifetime Achievement Award Mrs Madenia Abdurrahman for service to education including 21 years as principal of Arkana College

