



ZAYED COLLEGE FOR GIRLS'

EDUCATE A WOMAN, EDUCATE A NATION

NEWSLETTER

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Assalamu Alaikum wa Rahmatullahi wa Barakatuhu, Kia ora koutou, Greetings

Welcome back to returning students and whanau, and a very warm welcome to those joining our College for the first time in 2022.

I am so delighted that you all are part of our amazing learning community. I welcome and value your positive energy and dedication to excellence in education, and we look forward to working with you and your daughters to strengthen our home-school partnership.

New Staff

Each year brings positive change. This includes a few additions to our staff. We are delighted to welcome:

Nafisah Rasheed

Ustadaha Nafisah is our new Office Administrator. She joins us after working in the government sector for last 10 years. She has come from the Department of Internal Affairs where she worked as a Citizenship Case Officer. This is an exciting and different opportunity for her. She is excited to be apart of the Zayed College team.

Koriana Good

Ustadaha Koriana is a current participant of Ako Mātātupu: Teach First NZ program. Koriana will be teaching History, Social Studies, and Te Reo. As a teacher of History, she can speak to the Māori indigenous voices and Pasifika histories in which she sees similarities with our Muslim communities but also our Migrant and Refugee communities.

Zahraa Ali

Ustadaha Zahraa Ali is our new Executive Officer. She is a qualified Chartered Accountant and has over 14 years of experience in finance-related roles. Some organizations she has worked for in the past are Te Roopu Taurima, Spectrum Care, St John, and Pumpkin Patch. She is delighted to be part of Zayed's Team.

Nishhza Thiruselvam

Ustadaha Nishhza will be working as a long-term relief teacher. Nisha is Malaysian Tamil. She is passionate about building strong resilient communities through

community and youth work. She is committed to being part of a growing coordinated network of teacher activists who design lesson plans and creative work for shared use in our classrooms.

Nahla Zaki

Ustadaha Nahla is our new acting Assistant Principal with the responsibilities of Pastoral care, Health & Safety, and SENCO. Ustadha Nahla is an experienced and passionate educator. She has over 20 years of teaching and educational management experience. She holds a comprehensive understanding of teaching and learning pedagogies. She is an advocate for inclusive education and believe education should be all-encompassing and tailored to suit the individual, where changing and molding ideas and teaching practices to suit learners' needs is vitally important. She is a believer that demonstrating genuine interest in children's ideas and thoughts are key elements to developing students' self-esteem, self-worth, and growth.

We have high expectations for our young ladies in terms of their effort, behaviour and attendance. Providing learning experiences that will enable all our students to develop the skills, attributes and qualifications that they will need in life beyond school, is at the heart of what we do.

We invite you to explore our Website and official social media Facebook pages to learn more about our school. We are proud of what our school has to offer and look forward to welcoming you too.

Zayed College for Girls where we believe if you educate a woman you educate a nation.

Regina Rasheed
Principal

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PREFERRED METHODS OF PAYMENTS

Zayed College wants to look at reducing cash handling moving forward.

Online Payments:

We encourage parents/care givers to pay any invoices directly into our School Bank Account as below
School Bank A/C Details: 02-0124-0100679-00

Reference: Childs full name

Code: Year Level

EFTPOS:

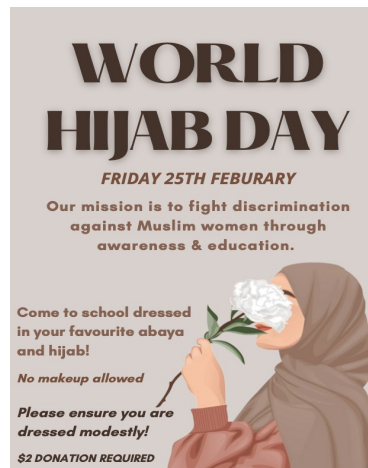
Eftpos is available at the School reception during office hours

Cash payments:

Please use cash payments as a final method of payment only

UPCOMING EVENTS

World Hijab Day : Friday 25th February



TONGA FUNDRAISER








Thank you to the families who have kindly donated items for families in Tonga who have been severely affected by the recent eruption and tsunamis that have destroyed houses, crops, schools and livelihood.

School Camp : 5th - 7th March

Year 7 - 13 girls will be going to Motutapu Outdoor Educational Camp this year. This will allow the girls to develop new skills and interests as well as increasing their environmental awareness. The girls are very excited and have been fundraising passionately to support their peers towards the costs involved. We encourage parents / care givers to support our students in this.



FROM 2020 SCHOOL YEAR, WE WILL BE USING SKOOL LOOP AS OUR MAIN COMMUNICATION TOOL

-  **Push notifications (Instant messaging)**
-  **Absentee Messaging:** Provides a quick, simple and convenient way for a school parent or caregiver to report absentees to the school.
-  **Paperless permission slips:** Parents and caregivers can electronically sign forms & permission slips directly from your school app. Submitted forms and permission slips are directly emailed to the schools chosen email address.
-  **Notices:** All push notifications (instant messages) sent from the school are recorded here as well any school notices.
-  **School Calendar:** Up-to-date school information regarding all school events, engagements and vital dates throughout the year.
-  **Newsletters:** Available for you to read anytime.
-  **Contact Details:** All the schools details plus staff including title of staff member

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WORLDWIDE SPECIAL DAYS - March 2022

- 3 March - World Wildlife Day
- 8 March - International Woman's Day
- 12 March - Plant a Flower Day
- 21 March - World Poetry Day
- 30 March - Take a walk in the park Day

**Unite
against
COVID-19**

Visit covid.govt.nz regularly for updates and guidelines. Advise school via Skool Loop if your child is absent as she is unwell, or is close contact or household contact

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URGENT TRANSPORT REQUIRED

Have you thought about carpooling with your friends and neighbours? We have students urgently seeking transport in the following areas:

Papatoetoe, Weymouth (Clendon)

If you know of someone who drives to school or if you have room in your vehicle please call Nafisah on 09 2550904 or email admin@zayedcollege.school.nz. We can advertise this for you or connect you with parents seeking transport.

If they/you are unable to pick up door to door due to being out of the way, maybe a pickup and drop-off point can be arranged.

The school is not responsible for transport nor will the school act as a communication between you and the driver. Please exchange numbers with the driver and speak directly. If you have any transport issues, please let the driver of your child/children know.

ATTENDANCE/ ABSENCES

Your help in ensuring that appointments etc. are arranged outside of school hours when possible and bringing children into school before and after appointments is much appreciated.

If a child is not coming to school, please ring or send a note with a sibling. It is school policy to contact parents if we have an unexplained absence. Please note that parents are legally obliged to provide a written explanation for children's absences.

The Principal has a legal obligation to report all children who are absent for more than 20 days in a school year and also those children whose attendance is erratic or giving the school cause for concern, whether they have missed 20 days or not.

FRIENDLY REMINDERS



Do not drive onto school property unless on official school business such as meetings with teachers etc.

Do not drive onto school property if it is raining. Please provide your child with

raincoats and/or umbrellas.

School finishes at 2:30pm on Fridays. Quite often parents forget we finish at 2:30pm and do not arrive until 3:30pm. Unless prior arrangements have been made with the school please pick your child up on time.

Do not stop at the front gate to drop off students. Park in the allocated spaces or on the side of the driveway before the circle begins.

ATTENDANCE DUES

This is a legal and compulsory payment by parents each year your daughter attends Zayed College. JazakumAllah Khairan to those parents that have paid or are making payments.

If you have not paid please contact Ust Zahraa on 2550904 (choose 1 for accounts) or email accounts@zayedcollege.school.nz to find out your balance. You can pay in full or make regular smaller payments.

BASIC HYGIENE TIPS AND PROTOCOLS

Basic hygiene measures include good hand hygiene, cough and sneeze etiquette, avoid touching your face and regularly clean and disinfect surfaces.

- Indoor spaces should be well ventilated, for example by opening windows, doors, and any vents. If mechanical ventilation is used, make sure the ventilation system is regularly maintained.

- Medical face masks are required: for all visitors to the school and students from years 4 and up when indoors or in close contact with others unless you have an exemption.

- If your daughter has cold, flu or COVID-19 symptoms, let her stay home and get tested.

- Take care and stay safe.

GUIDELINES REGARDING BRINGING PHONES TO SCHOOL.

Students are not permitted to bring their mobile phones to school.

If a student needed to bring her phone to school under irregular or special circumstances, it must be turned off and kept in their bag or locker, it can only be checked after school.

School takes no responsibilities if the phone is lost or damaged, it is completely under the student responsibility.

You may call the school and leave messages at reception and if your daughter is unwell, she is to come to sickbay and we will call a parent.

Please discuss the above points with your daughter, we really appreciate your cooperation and understanding. If you would like to discuss any personal matter regarding the above points, feel free to contact the school office and arrange for a meeting.

Jazakum Allah khairan

Best Regards

Nahla Zaki

Pastoral Care