



# Newsletter

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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Assalamu Alaikum wa Rahmatullahi wa Barakatuhu

Welcome back to another exciting term of teaching and learning! Thank you in advance for all the support and help that you will be giving your daughter this term.

Eid Mubarak! On behalf of the staff at Zayed College. We hope you and your family had a joyous and blessed Eid. May Allah bless you all with success and prosperity and peace, Ameen.

Every day at school is significant for teaching and learning, and we hope you will support your daughters to be in school all day, every day. Please avoid trips overseas for long periods of time because it does have an impact on your daughter's achievement.

If students, especially senior students, feel they are not meeting their full potential; they will need to ask themselves what changes they need to make and take ownership of their learning. There is still a lot of time left before the end of the year, and if they have made a slow start, there is time to redress. However, the change needs to happen now. It would be good for parents to sit and talk with their daughters to see what support you can provide and what support they need from their teachers. We are here to help. Students are at the centre of everything we do.

It is getting cold, so please check your daughters have the correct winter uniforms. We have some second-hand uniforms at the office. Please get in touch with Ust Aisha to see what is available.

For continuous improvement, we urge parents to please respond to surveys that ask for your feedback on school matters.

Alhumdoulillah our roll is growing, and we look forward to yet another successful year of excellent academic achievement.

Please do get in touch with my PA at [papincipal@zayedcollege.school.nz](mailto:papincipal@zayedcollege.school.nz) if you would like to speak with me. We are here to support you.

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Ust Regina Rasheed

Principal



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## NEW KAIAKO/TEACHERS

A warm welcome to all of our new teachers in 2023! We are so excited to have you here.

Welcome onboard Ust Amarjit  
Ust Shana  
Ust Soumaya

Welcome back Ust Sahar  
Ust Lina

We are confident that you will be a great asset to our school community. Thank you for your commitment to our students and our school.

## A MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

Eid Mubarak, Sending you warm wishes and happiness on the occasion of Eid. May Allah Almighty keep you and your families on the right path and accept all your lbada.

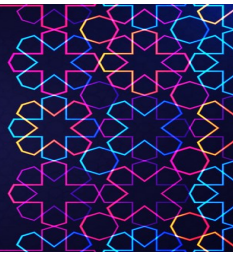
As we are at the start of term 2, I would like to remind parents/ caregivers about the importance of regular attendance of our students. Please support your daughter to be present at school unless sick or due to unavoidable circumstances.

Arriving on time is also expected, many of our students are arriving late without any valid reasons. Whānau/ Parents and caregivers support is vital to the success of our school and students.

Jazakum Allah khairan for your continuous support.

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Pastoral Care

## The Holy Month Of Shawwal



Following Ramadan, the month of Shawwal is a blessed month of which the first day is celebrated as Eid al-Fitr.

Prophet Muhammad (ﷺ) referring to the Ramadan and Shawwal crescents, reported: "Do not fast until you see the new moon; and do not eat until you see the (next) new moon. Should clouds interfere (with your sight), estimate the month."

At the sight of a new moon, Prophet Muhammad would supplicate as follows: "Allah is the greatest. O Allah, let the crescent loom above us in safety, faith, peace, and Islam, and in agreement with all that You love and pleases You. Our Lord and your Lord is Allah."

### Why do we fast 6 days of Shawwal?

The Messenger of Allah (ﷺ) gave the good tidings that anyone who fasted in Shawwal for six days in this following hadith:

عَنْ أَبِي أَيُّوبَ الْأَنْصَارِيِّ - رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ - أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ - صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ - قَالَ: { مَنْ صَامَ رَمَضَانَ، ثُمَّ أَتْبَعَهُ سِتًّا مِنْ شَوَّالٍ كَانَ كَصِيَامِ الدَّهْرِ } رَوَاهُ مُسْلِمٌ

Whoever fasts during the month of Ramadan and then follows it with six days of Shawwal will be (rewarded) as if he had fasted the entire year (Bulugh al-Maram, Fasting, 1164) Muslim

### Eid al-Fitr lasts for just one day, which is the first day of Shawwaal.

With regard to the commonly-held belief among people, that Eid al-Fitr lasts for three days, this is merely a custom that is known among the people, and has nothing to do with any shar'ia rulings.

Al-Bukhaari (may Allaah have mercy on him) said:

Then he narrated (1992) that Abu Sa'eed (may Allaah be pleased with him) said: The Prophet (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him) forbade fasting on the day of al-Fitr and al-Nahr.

Based on this, the day of al-Fitr is just one day, on which it is haraam to fast, As for the second and third days of Shawwaal, it is not haraam to fast those days; it is permissible to fast it to make up a missed Ramadaan fast or as a voluntary fast.

And Allaah knows best.

Ref: <https://islamqa.info/en/answers/38355/it-is-permissible-to-fast-on-the-second-day-of-shawwaal>

## ABOUT TEACHERS PARTIAL STRIKE

There has been some confusion regarding the notice that was sent out to parents last week.

This was only to keep you informed of the strike action that is happening in our country.

**Zayed College for Girls is open for instruction as normal.** If anything changes we will let you know.

JazakumAllah Khairan.

## CULTURAL DAY

Cultural Day is an important part of Zayed College for Girls. On this day, students showcase different aspects of their cultures including performances, clothing, food, and Islamic history.

This year, **Cultural Day will be held on Saturday, 27th of May, 2023 from 9.30am till 3.30pm. It will be considered as a school day. If students do not attend, parents and guardians must inform the school of their valid reasons. Please support your daughter(s) in the event.**

Entry will be by invitation only. Each family has been provided with 3 tickets for 3 female members of their family to attend the event. Girls under the age of 10 do not need a ticket to enter. This is strictly a female only event. No boys over the age of 6 are permitted to attend.

Should you have any further queries, kindly contact Ust Nahla. [nzaki@zayedcollege.school.nz](mailto:nzaki@zayedcollege.school.nz)

## WHATS COMING UP

4 MAY	Year 7 - Through virtual reality (VR) technology NZ-VR allows students to experience the rich biodiversity that exists below the surface of the ocean, as well as the damage that has been done to the ecosystems.
8 MAY	School Photos
15 MAY	Spelling Bee (to be confirmed)
24 MAY	Year 11 Business, Mangere Arts Centre from 12- 2.30 pm
27 MAY	Cultural Day
29 MAY - 2 JUNE	Dental Clinic in school
6 JUNE - 13 JUNE	Junior/ Senior Exams
14 JUNE	Spoken Word Competition
26 JUNE	Poetry Writing Competition