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# Background Information

## MESSAGE FROM PRINCIPAL

We would like to welcome you (back) to the Imam Husain Islamic School. As we enter into the 8<sup>th</sup> year of the school, we are very humbled that Allah (SWT) has granted his special Mercy to disseminate the teachings of HIS book and HIS Servant and family. We have continually improved our teaching, training, admin procedures and so much more with the help of dedicated and passionate individuals and teachers as well as patient and active parents! The ethos of the school is to be the best we can possibly be and inshallah we have instituted and continue to work on a number of new changes that will help us reach this illustrious goal! We are excited to be joined by new teachers and assistant teachers as well as the illustrious Sh. Mohamed Dehnawi who will be leading our Quran reading and memorization efforts. Please read carefully through this document, keep updated on our website and most importantly speak to us (we will not bite!). We are looking forward to a productive year!



## SCHOOL MANAGEMENT TEAM

The school is run by a group of volunteers and over 20 teachers and assistants who sacrifice a tremendous amount of time to ensure your children are taken care of and educated. Please talk to any of the people below with any concerns:

- Principal: Dr Abidali Mohamedali
- Deputy Prinicpal: Br. Mohsen Alizadehfard
- Adminstrator/PR: Sis Swaleha Jaffer
- Educational review and assessment: Sis Jihan Farhoudi
- Head of Extra curricular Activities: Br Haider Ademi

## SCHOOL TIMES

Parents are required to bring their students to the school **ON TIME** to ensure smooth running and maximal benefits.

Activity	Time	Notes
Salaat Duhur and 'Asr and Assembly	1:30-2:00pm	Salaat Academy and important events- THIS IS PART OF THE EDUCATION PROGRAM.
Quran Reading Classes	2:00-3:00pm	6 Levels, beginners to fluent (tajweed)
Memorisation	3:00-3:30pm	6 Levels encouraging memorisation of Quran
Recess	3:30-3:45pm	Range of healthy food in the Canteen– Usually gold coin donation. Contact Sis Fizza ( <a href="mailto:fizza@moloobhoy.com">fizza@moloobhoy.com</a> ) for more details.
Islamic Studies	3:45-5:00pm	6 Levels, kindy to adult (eHawza)

## IHIC School – What we teach your children

The Imam Husain Islamic Centre has, since its inception, had the objective of disseminating the teachings of Islam as taught by the Ahlul Bayt (as). It is our belief that, this dissemination must begin from the youngest age possible to ensure the shaping of the formative years of a child's life in the teachings of Islam.

### OBJECTIVES

1. To INCREASE the Imaan of the children so that they appreciate Allah(SWT) and the blessing for guidance
2. To ensure that the children of the community have a good foundation of essential, correct Islamic knowledge
3. To produce conscientious children, aware of their role as Muslims in a Western society, and what this requires of them
4. To cultivate leadership and community awareness in children and the youth
5. To ensure that students are able to critically think and analyse facts presented to them especially in relation to their beliefs, and to know where to find answers when needed
6. To introduce and encourage the ethical values taught and exemplified by the Prophets and Imams
7. In the end of the 10 year studies in Islam, students should be able to
  - a. understand the basic principles of Islam,
  - b. understand and know how to practice their faith with confidence,
  - c. be able to interact with and understand the multitude of speakers that visit their community
  - d. to motivate and inspire a new generation of youth (in other words, become active participants in the community themselves)
  - e. Pursue further studies in Islamic studies if they wish (eg. eHawza)
  - f. Be active participating members of their community and society.



### VISION

To ensure that students who attend and complete their Islamic studies are active, conscientious, driven believers who are aware of their responsibilities to Allah (SWT), can read the Holy Q'uran and are able to matriculate easily into higher forms of Islamic education with ease. In addition, this training will ensure the continued production of aware leaders to secure the future of the community.

### THE PROGRAM

#### Quran Reading

We have a comprehensive age neutral program comprising 6 levels of study from the very beginners (learning the Arabic Alphabet) to level 6- where they learn fluency and detailed rules of

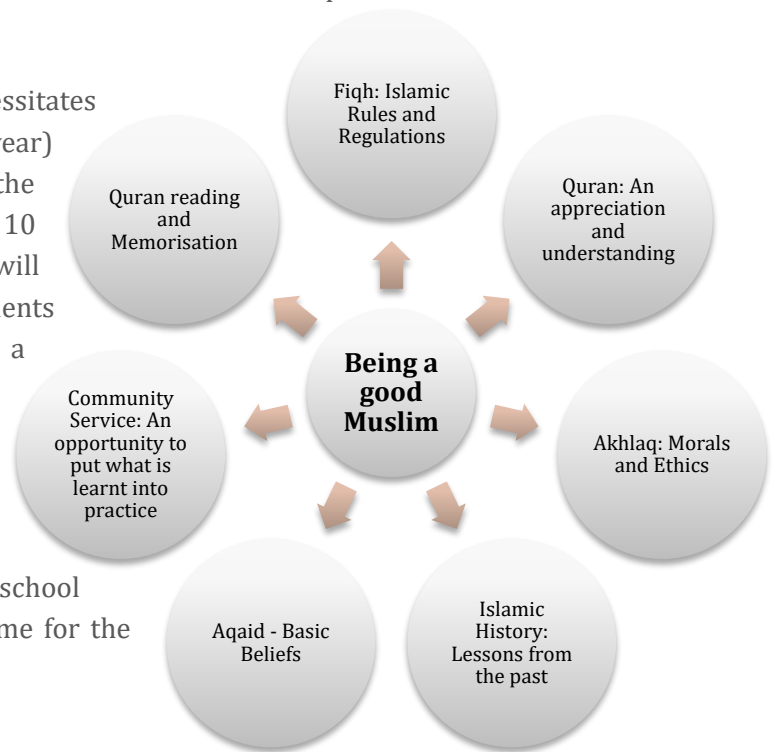
reading. Upon completion, the school is considering starting Arabic as a Language classes to increase literacy. Classes run from 2-3pm.

### Memorisation

The School has a comprehensive memorization class to increase familiarity with the Holy Quran. This class is compulsory for all students. Students wishing to participate in the annual Quran competition are chosen from these classes. Classes run from 3:00-3:30pm

### Islamic Studies

The syllabus is designed as such that it necessitates a student to have completed the level (year) before to fully appreciate and understand the next level. Each level is 2 years to make a 10 year program (Level 1-5). This year (2018) will be the start of a new 2-year cycle. Students completing the 5 levels graduate with a certificate and are eligible to enroll in the e-Hawza.



### E-Hawza Peer Assisted Learning

Upon completion of level 5, students have an opportunity to enroll in the e-hawza. The school runs e-hawza study session during class time for the senior students, teachers and parents.

### Arabic Language

We have now commenced teaching Arabic as a Language. These classes incur an addition \$100 per term per student fee and is taught by a highly qualified teacher (Sis Malak Nassreddine)

### Quran and Memorisation additional classes

Starting this year, we will be introducing a number of additional classes for memorization and Quran reading with Sh. Moahmmed Dehnavi. More details available online (school.ihic.org.au).

### Yearly Theme

Every year, the school will focus on one theme that will be tutored to students throughtout the year in various means (activities, exercises, homework etc.). This year's theme is **HONESTY**.

### Lateness Policy

This year we would like to encourage parents to bring their children to IHIC on time (1:30pm) and hence we are instituting a policy where parents dropping off their children late will have to sign in and produce a reasonable excuse. Consistent lateness without valid excuse may incur disciplinary action.

ADMIN TEAM AND TEACHERS LIST

Please use this information to ensure you know who is teaching your child/ren.

Quran- Reading and Memorisation		
Class	Teacher	Location
Level Kindy	Sis Fatima Bank	L1- Kids Library
Level 1 A	Sis Farzeen Virjee	L1- Corridor front class room
Level 2 G1	Sr Nafise Imami	L1- Glass Room
Level 2 G2	Sis Amani El-Hussaini	L1- Corridor Back Classroom
Level 2 B1	Sis Rukaya Medlej	L1-Glass room
Level 2 B2	Br Mohamed Reza Saidi	L1- Open area
Level 2/3 B Senior	Br. Zia Moghaddam	G- Men side main hall
Level 3 G1	Sr Hamideh Mir Sarshari	L1- Glass room
Level 3 G2	Sr Malak Nassreddine	L1- Library
Level 3 Boys	Br Ammar Keshvani	G – Men Side main hall
Level 3/4boys accelerated	Br Muhammedabbas Virjee	Sheikh Office
Level 4 Girls	Sis. Batool Khalife	G- Conference 1
Level 4/5 Boys	Sh Mohammed Dehnavi	Open area classroom
Level 5 Girls	Sis Hoda Jallad	L1- Glass room
Level 6 Girls	Sis Fatima ElZain	G- Main Hall
Level 6 Boys	Br Kumayl Virjee	L1- Gym
All Levels Accelerator/Support	Br Mohsen Alizadehfard	L1- Open Area

Islamic Studies		
Class	Teacher	Location
Kindy	Sis Fizza Moolobhoy	L1- Kids Library
Level 1	Sis Rukayyah Medlej	L1- Glass room
Level 2 Girls A	Sis Rebecca Khalil	L1- Open Area Classroom
Level 2 Boys A	Sis Swaleha Mohammed	G- Conference 2
Level 2 Boys B	Br Ammar Keshvani	L1- Corridor Back Classroom
Level 3 Girls	Sr Hoda Ayache	L1- Corridor Front Classroom
Level 3 Boys	Br Mohammed Medlej	L1 – Boys Side main hall
Level 4 Girls	Sis. Joumana Fares	G- Bookshop
Level 4 Boys	Br. Mohsen/ M Reslan	L1- Main library
Level 5 Girls	Sis Batoul Khalife	G- Main Hall
Level 5 Boys	Br Haider Ademi	L1- Gym

EHawza Discussions		
Class	Teacher	Location
Parents/Adults	Various	L1- Bookshop
Ehawza - Discussiona	Various	L1- Open Area
Parents/adults Quran Class	Various	G- Main Hall Women’s Side

## Expectations from parents

Not only is the support and encouragement of parents at home very critical to the education of children, but importantly their partnership with their teachers, the school and the broader community can help children to become a better Muslims. Therefore, we are excited to emphasize on some of the previous rules and introduce some new rules to help parents to improve the Islamic education and behavior of their children.

- **Students need to bring** all necessary learning materials such as Quran and Islamic Studies booklets, notebooks and pens/pencils.
- **Students must attend ALL** sessions throughout the year, unless they provide school with the absence note (see attachments below). It's the responsibility of parents to ensure the reason for missing school is acceptable by school, such as sickness. With absence notes, students cannot miss more than three sessions per semester
- **Students must be on time every week.** School starts with prayer at **1:30pm** (except during the month of Ramadan where we start at 12 pm).
- **Students must complete and pass all exams** (including Quran and Islamic Studies) at the end of each semester. If missed, it's the responsibility of school to provide a supplementary exam. Furthermore, if students couldn't pass the exam, it's the responsibility of both teachers and parents to support the students to study harder; this can be achieved by providing extra sessions outside the normal school hours.
- **Student must complete all community service hours** with the support of school and parents. The service to the community entails necessary and essential practical lessons that can help students to increase their spirituality and support the community.
- **Parents should settle their donation in a timely way.** The incredible amount of work put in by the volunteer teachers means that supporting the school with donations and paying the donation on time is an expectation. The fees are deliberately kept low to make it affordable.
- **Parents should support the school** to resolve discipline issues as early as possible

### FEES/DONATIONS

All money collected is used to improve the quality of the services offered and to maintain the Imam Husain Islamic Centre. The Imam Husain Islamic Centre/School does not receive ANY funding from any government. It is entirely funded by community members and parents.

- Term donation per student - \$100<sup>1</sup>
- For a second child/sibling the donation is \$80
- Parents with more than three siblings in the school - \$70 per child

This is a minimum donation to enable running of the classes. Any additional support is welcome!

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<sup>1</sup> Parents facing difficulties in fulfilling these costs can apply for waivers.

### Compulsory items

- Yearly Islamic Studies Book - \$20
- Quran reading booklet - \$10 (purchased per level)
- Quran memorisation booklet- \$5 - Suitable for the whole year

### Non-Compulsory items

- Imam Husain School Logo Bag - \$12
- Misc. items including scarves- Please inquire at the reception

### DICIPLINE

The School has a very strict discipline policy which may result in, counselling, reprimand suspension or expulsion of the perpetrator. Rules include:

- A zero tolerance policy toward any form of physical or mental abuse (between students or between teachers and students). This includes any form of violent behavior (punching, fighting, wrestling etc.)
- A strong emphasis on Taharah (especially toilet etiquette)
- A strict policy on the use of verbal expletives (swear words) and other derogatory comments against anyone.
- A strict policy against any form of extremism or passivism.

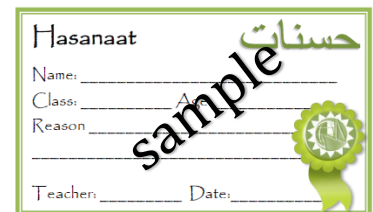
### HASANAAT

Here IHIC school we place heavy emphasis on good behaviour. Our teachers will ensure that children feel safe and secure and know the limits of their behaviour.

Children IHIC will learn about behaviour and how it affects others, while developing positive feelings about themselves (self-esteem). We believe The most effective discipline strategy is to provide incentives for children to want to be on their best behaviour via our reward system (Hasanaat).

Students will be able to redeem Hasanaat for gifts at the end of each term. Each child will receive a green Hasanaat based for the following reasons in addition to teacher discretion:

- Active participation in class.
- Exceptional homework.
- Exceptional class work.
- Exceptional classroom akhlaq
- Exceptional dress code (Inc. Scarf and socks)



Please see Sis Swaleha Jaffer ([swaleha.jaffer@gmail.com](mailto:swaleha.jaffer@gmail.com)) for details on this program or to donate gifts.

## Youth programs @IHIC

The youth program launched in 2018 has slowly been starting to collect momentum and inshallah this year will be going the next level. This Program is designed to complement/supplement the formal education provided at the school.



This program is particularly designed and caters for **boys and girls** of the **ages 10-14** and **15-21** (though programs for girls may be launched later in the year), and will be engaging them in various activities which could include:


- **Islamic education** (e.g weekly short talks/discussions, holiday crash courses, practical lessons by learning from example, special talks by world-renowned scholars e.t.c.)
- **Camps and retreats** Students, parents and teachers alike can partake in the awesome activities and learning opportunities.
- **Media Playground** (e.g teaching youth practical media skills in social media, photography, video production, website publishing, comic design, and much more!)
- **Sports** (regular sports sessions that could include soccer, cricket, swimming, ping pong, judo, bush walking, hiking, and much more!)
- **Elocution/Performance arts** (e.g Quran recitation, Anasheed recitation, Latmiyyat recitation, acting/theatre, debating, public speaking, and much more!)
- **Everyday life skills** [e.g cooking, time management, car maintenance (e.g how to change car tyre), study skills, financial management, career planning (e.g choosing a university degree or college course), and much more!]
- **Excursions/trips** [camps/retreats, social outings, BBQs, soul-searching trips (e.g early morning walks or trips to local cemetery), and potentially even spiritual group visits overseas to the holy cities/shrines/ humanitarian missions for older youth who are interested!]
- **Community service/activism** (engaging youth in giving back to our community, whether through work at IHIC or other local centres/mosques, or becoming involved in Islamic projects in the community or online)

For further information, please feel free to contact Brother Hussein Kobeissi on 0466989451, or via email at [huseyn.kobeissi@hotmail.com](mailto:huseyn.kobeissi@hotmail.com) Alternatively, you can contact Brother Ahmad Rachid on 0420944418



# Imam Husain Islamic Centre

The Imam Husain Islamic Centre, where the school is founded, is one of the early established Islamic centers in Sydney. Your support to continue to improve the services and functions is always welcome. Please email [info@ihic.org.au](mailto:info@ihic.org.au) if you have any questions or indeed visit the website or the Facebook page!



## Imam Husain Islamic Centre

### Complete Spiritual Care

The Imam Husain Islamic Centre was established in 1997 to cater for the communities spiritual and educational needs. It runs multiple programs every week and around the year to cater for the spiritual needs of all segments of the community. Regular participation can lead to increased awareness and closeness to the Allah (SWT).

- SPECIALTY**
  - MASTERCLASSES
  - FORUMS
  - CONFERENCES
  - SPIRITUAL WORKOUTS
  - JUDO
- FRIDAY**
  - PROGRAMS
  - ALL MAJOR OCCASIONS
  - SAALAT JUMUA
- SATURDAY**
  - ISLAMIC SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES (KINDY TO ADULT)
- THURSDAY**
  - TAFSIR DUA KUMAYL
  - DUA KUMAYL AND MAJLIS
- TUESDAY**
  - DUA TAWASSUL
  - YOUTH EDUCATION AND EMPOWERMENT
- SOCIAL SERVICE**
  - CHARITY
  - COUNSELING
  - LIBRARY
  - MEDIA
  - EHAWZA

IHIC.ORG.AU

### WEBSITE AND CONTACT DETAILS

We have a presence on social media and on the world wide web. Please do communicate with us with any concerns, suggestions, questions and criticisms. We wish to ensure that all aspects of the school are the best they can possibly be. We also are always looking for volunteers and teachers to assist us achieve our aims and become better. If you feel you have particular skills that you can help with to develop the school, please do contact us.

Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/ImamHusainIslamicSchool/>

Website: [school.ihic.org.au](http://school.ihic.org.au)

Email: [school@ihic.org.au](mailto:school@ihic.org.au)

WhatsApp/telephone: 0490 539 824 (Please send a message by SMS or WhatsApp if the phone is not answered)

APPENDIX: Dress code, Absence note

# YEAR Planner

## Islamic Syllabus Timetable and Calender

Week	Date (Sat)	Islamic Date	Occasion/holidays
<b>Term 1 -2019</b>			
1	02-Feb-19	26th Jamadi Awwal	Ayyam Fatimiyyah
2	09-Feb-19	3rd Jamadi Thani	
3	16-Feb-19	10th Jamadi Thani	
4	23-Feb-19	17th Jamadi Thani	
5	02-Mar-19	24th Jamadi Thani	HIJAB CEREMONY
6	09-Mar-19	1st Rajab	
7	16-Mar-19	8th Rajab	Wafaat of Sayyida Zainab
8	23-Mar-19	15th Rajab	
9	30-Mar-19	22nd Rajab	Teachers Awards Ceremony /Mabath
10	06-Apr-19	29th Rajab	
11	13-Apr-19	6th Shabaaan	

Week	Date (Sat)	Islamic Date	Occasion/holidays
<b>Term 2 -2019</b>			
12	04-May-19	27th Shabaaan	
13	11-May-19	5th Ramadhan	
14	18-May-19	12th Ramadhan	Shahr Ramadhan Quran Program
	25-May-19	19th Ramadhan	Shahr Ramadhan Break
	01-Jun-19	26th Ramadhan	
15	08-Jun-19	4th Shawwal	
16	15-Jun-19	11th Shawwal	
17	22-Jun-19	18th Shawwal	
18	29-Jun-19	25th Shawwal	Martydom of Imam Sadiq (as)
19	06-Jul-19	2nd Dhul Qa'dah	Islamic Studies Exam

Week	Date (Sat)	Islamic Date	Occasion/holidays
<b>Term 3- 2019</b>			
20	27-Jul-19	23nd Dhul Qa'dah	
21	03-Aug-19	1st Dhul Hijjah	IHIC Quran Competition
22	10-Aug-19	8th Dhul Hijjah	Hajj and Ghadir Program
	17-Aug-19	15th Dhul Hijjah	EID AL ADHA HOLIDAY
23	24-Aug-19	22nd Dhul Hijjah	
24	31-Aug-19	29th Dhul Hijjah	
	07-Sep-19	7th Muharram	ASHURA PROGRAMS
25	14-Sep-19	14th Muharram	
26	21-Sep-19	21st Muharram	
27	28-Sep-19	28th Muharram	

Week	Date (Sat)	Islamic Date	Occasion/holidays
<b>Term 4 - 2019</b>			
28	19-Oct-19	19 Safar	
29	26-Oct-19	26th Safar	
30	02-Nov-19	4th Rabiulawwal	Final Interschool competition on 3/11
31	09-Nov-19	11th Rabiulawwal	
32	16-Nov-19	18th Rabiulawwal	Milad Nabi Event Program
33	23-Nov-19	25th Rabiulawwal	
34	30-Nov-19	2nd Rabi Thani	
35	07-Dec-19	9th Rabi Thani	End of year examinations Last day
	14-Dec-19	16th Rabi Thani	