

NEW MADINAH TIMES



ACTING PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE MS RAJWAN BARGHACHOUN

Assalamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuh,

As we reach the end of Term 2, it is wonderful to reflect on what has been a busy, rewarding, and memorable term at New Madinah College.

Over the past ten weeks, our students have embraced many opportunities both inside and outside the classroom. From our Athletics Carnival and excursions to fundraising events, slime the teacher and countless classroom achievements, our students have demonstrated enthusiasm, resilience, and a willingness to challenge themselves. It has been a pleasure to see their confidence and growth continue to develop throughout the term.

None of this would be possible without the dedication of the staff, who consistently go above and beyond to support and nurture our students. Their commitment to providing a caring and engaging learning environment is greatly appreciated.

I would also like to sincerely thank our parents and families for your ongoing support, kindness, and partnership throughout the term. Your encouragement at home, participation in school events, and trust in our school make a tremendous difference to the success and wellbeing of our students.

Please note that the final day of Term 2 will be **Friday, 3rd July 2026**. Students will return to school on **Tuesday, 21st July 2026**, In sha Allah.

The holiday break is a valuable opportunity for our students and families to slow down, spend time together, and enjoy some well-earned rest. Whether you are travelling, visiting family, or simply enjoying some quiet days at home, I hope the coming weeks bring happiness, relaxation, and many special moments with your loved ones.

Of course, we would not be doing our jobs properly if we did not leave you with one final reminder. As Sheikh Ayad is well known for saying, **"Remember to practice!"** Whether it is Qur'an, reading, mathematics, or simply helping around the house, a little practice each day goes a long way. I am sure many of our students can already hear his voice reminding them!

Thank you once again for being such an important part of our school community. I wish you a safe, restful, and enjoyable holiday break, and I look forward to welcoming everyone back next term, refreshed and ready for another exciting chapter, In sha Allah.

IMPORTANT DATES

02 July 2026: Award Assembly

03 July 2026: End of Term 2

20 July 2026: Staff PD Day

21 July 2026: Student Return

KINDERGARTEN WITH MS NAFIESA

As another wonderful term comes to an end, Kindergarten has so much to celebrate! We have enjoyed making new friends, learning new skills, and growing in confidence every day. Last week, our excursion was a fantastic way to finish the term, with the children showing curiosity, enthusiasm, and excellent behaviour throughout the day. Thank you to our families for your ongoing support this term. Looking ahead to Term 3, our exciting 100 Days of School celebration is coming up, so please start thinking creatively about a fun costume for your child to wear on the day. Have a safe and happy holiday!



YEAR 1 WITH MS ZANAB

Our Year 1 students have had another busy and exciting few weeks of learning. In English, they have continued developing their reading, writing and phonics skills and were recently introduced to nouns and verbs.

In Mathematics, students have been learning about addition and subtraction fact families, building confidence in recognising number relationships and solving problems.

We also enjoyed participating in the Athletics Carnival, where students showed great sportsmanship and encouraged one another throughout the day.

Our excursion to Wagga Zoo and Vortex was another highlight, with students representing our school with outstanding behaviour, respect and enthusiasm.

We were also thrilled to be awarded Class of the Week in recognition of our positive behaviour and teamwork, celebrating with delicious hot chocolates topped with marshmallows!

Islamic Studies / Qur'an / Arabic K-4 Update WITH MS HAMMOUD

As we conclude a wonderful and productive Term 2, I congratulate our Kindergarten to Year 4 students on their hard work, enthusiasm, and excellent progress.

Alhamdulillah, students are progressing well in Qur'an memorisation, Arabic, and Islamic Studies. It is especially pleasing to see their growing confidence and accuracy in applying Tajweed — their dedication has been outstanding.

A highlight of the term was our Hajj simulation during Eid al-Adha week. Students actively participated and gained a meaningful, hands-on understanding of this important pillar of Islam.

Over the winter break, I encourage families to continue supporting daily revision at home. Even short, consistent practice greatly strengthens learning and confidence.

May Allah ﷻ reward our students and families for their support. We pray for a safe and restful break and a successful Term 3, In Shā' Allāh.

Year 2 Excursion to Questacon WITH MS PRINCE

We set off early on a freezing, dark morning, but the students' excitement never faded. The bus ride was filled with chatter, laughter, a few naps, and even some real-life practice telling the time.

At the science centre, curiosity took over. The fire show was a highlight, with a hydrogen balloon "explosion" leaving everyone amazed. Students eagerly explored each exhibit, creating a lively (and at times chaotic!) atmosphere.

Most importantly, the day showed that science is exciting and learning is an adventure. It was a joy to see students so engaged. They represented the school with pride and excellent behaviour, and we returned home tired but happy after a fantastic day beyond the classroom.



Islamic Studies / Qur'an / Arabic 5-10 Update WITH SHEIKH AYAD

Assalamu Alaikum Dear Parents and Families,

As we come to the end of a successful term, we are pleased to share our students' progress in Quran studies.

Year 5 have worked hard on Surah Al-Insaan and now have only six verses remaining. With regular revision over the holidays, In sha Allah they will complete it early next term.

Year 6 are studying at different levels:

- Level 1: Surah Al-Layl - Level 2: Surah Nuh - Level 3: Surah At-Talaq

Stage 4:

- Level 1: Completing Surah Al-Layl - Level 2: Surah Al-Hashr (up to verse 10)

Stage 5 have reached verse 20 of Surah Al-Hadid.

All students should be commended for their effort and dedication.

We kindly encourage daily revision during the holidays, even 10-15 minutes, to help maintain and strengthen memorisation.

We wish all families a safe, restful, and enjoyable break, and look forward to another successful term. Thank you for your continued support.

Jazakum Allahu Khairan.



STAGE 2 STARS!

WITH MS MAYSAH



✨ Growing Together, Learning Together ✨

What a fantastic and successful Term 2 it has been for our Year 3 and 4 class! This term has been filled with exciting learning experiences, assessments, challenges, and achievements, but most importantly, it has been wonderful to see our classroom community grow even stronger. As the weeks have gone by, everyone has become more comfortable with one another, allowing each student's unique personality to shine and making our classroom a place filled with kindness, laughter, respect, and support.

From celebrating successes to encouraging one another through challenges, it has been a joy to watch each student grow both academically and personally. We are incredibly proud of everything our class has accomplished this term and are so excited to continue this journey together

YEAR 5 - UPDATE

WITH MRS WHITE

Approaching the end of term, Year 5 has been spending time on two fun skills - singing, and soccer! A few of the boys in our class have some pretty good soccer skills to share, so they have been taking the lead coaching the rest of the class. The singing is part of our CAPA unit, and will be shared at Thursday's assembly. We hope you enjoy it, and that lots of you might even join in!



Year 6 Highlights Term 2 WITH MS NIKKI

Our students have been busy, engaged, and full of enthusiasm over the past few weeks!

Earlier this term, students in Years 3–6 enjoyed a special Sunnah Day, where they took part in a range of exciting and meaningful activities. These included creating Hajj maps, designing their own prayer beads (misbaha), and participating in a fun and interactive Prophet scavenger hunt. The day was filled with learning, creativity, and teamwork, and it was wonderful to see students so involved and enjoying themselves.

Today, we enjoyed our exciting “Slime the Teacher” event. This fun activity was a reward for students who achieved their reading goals and read over a set number of books. It was wonderful to see such enthusiasm for reading, and we are very proud of the effort students put into reaching this milestone. The event was a memorable and laughter-filled experience for everyone involved!

As we come to the end of the term, we would like to congratulate all Year 6 students on their hard work, resilience, and positive attitude towards learning. They have shown great growth academically and socially, and we are very proud of their achievements.

We wish all students and families a safe and relaxing break. Thank you for your continued support throughout the term, and we look forward to another exciting term ahead!



Support Team Term 2 Update

As Term 2 comes to an end, the Support Team would like to celebrate the most improved students in our **PAT Reading Adaptive** results across Stages 1, 2 and 3.

Congratulations to **Juweria Quadri Syeda** from Year 2 for Stage 1, who improved by **19.8 scale score points**; **Moosah Mowafy** for Stage 2, who improved by **14 scale score points**; and **Amani Barghachoun** for Stage 3, who improved by **8.9 scale score points**. Well done to these students on their wonderful progress.

High School Update

MS ALBAF

Alhamdulillah, we have reached the end of a rewarding term. It has been wonderful to see students' growth across Stage 4 and 5 HSIE and English, from exploring the Ottoman Empire and World Wars to studying belonging, migrant experiences, and humour in texts. Students showed great engagement, developing their thinking, analysis and empathy.

Over the holidays, we encourage students to read daily, even for 15–20 minutes, to maintain their progress.

Thank you for your continued support. We wish all families a safe and restful break and look forward to an exciting Term 3. May Allah (SWT) bless you all with health and happiness.

WITH MS NOOR

Stage 5 students unleashed their creativity by crafting stunning vases inspired by ancient Greek art using clay! From elegant shapes to intricate patterns, their beautiful handmade pieces brought history and artistry to life.



DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP

Technology plays an important role, but balance is key. Students are encouraged to take regular breaks from screens, and to prioritise sleep and offline activities.

Being a good digital citizen also means using technology respectfully—communicating kindly, thinking before sharing, and protecting personal information online.

Parents can support this at home by setting healthy screen-time routines and encouraging open conversations about online experiences

