

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Assalamu Alaikum

Influenza Immunisation Programme starts today

Health New Zealand recommends getting immunised against the flu for everyone aged 6 months and over. The vaccine is free for those who have a health condition that may mean they are at risk of getting very sick from a flu infection. This includes pregnant people and those aged over 65 years.

Check eligibility criteria at:

Pharmac eligibility criteria for 2025 funded influenza vaccination [PDF, 304 KB]

The flu vaccine is available from **1 April** from your local pharmacy, doctor, nurse or healthcare provider. Read more and book at:

Book a vaccine - Health NZ

Influenza Immunisation Programme – Immunisation Advisory Centre

Protect against measles

New Zealand is at risk of a measles outbreak and immunisation is our best line of defence.

When you have your flu or whooping cough vaccines, your vaccinator can also check that you are fully protected against measles.

For information on what to do if there is a measles case in your education setting, go to:

Measles: A guide for education settings – Health New Zealand

More information can be found at:

Measles - Health New Zealand

Check your immunisation status here:

My Health Record - Health New Zealand



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Eid Festival

As a reminder Iqra School will be holding an Iqra School Market Day on Sunday 6 April.



There will be bouncy castles, face painting, Old Macdonald Farm visit and hunger ball as well as soccer teams playing on both courts.

Put this in your diary as a wonderful family event your friends will enjoy. We look forward to celebrating a wonderful Islamic community event. We hope you all can come.



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Parent Teacher Interviews

A note has gone on Skool Loop letting parents know that they can book their Parent/ teacher interview for Wednesday April 9 to see their classroom teacher (either face to face or online). Please know that any bookings for April 2 will be moved to April 9 (due to Eid taking place on April 1,2 this year). Teachers Y1-8 are available after school 3:45-4:30pm and 5:00-6:15pm. You can also meet with your child's special character teacher from 9-2pm on April 9 face to face. Please go online and book these. Thank you to the parents who have booked and attended their April 3 interviews this week. If you have any difficulty please call the school to assist you with this.

Eid Celebration

Today the children came to school in their Eid traditional clothes, and brought a plate of food to share. Thank you everyone for participating. The weather was not fine enough for a bouncy castle so we will look to move the bouncy castle to the last day of term, 11 April!

Wall Mural

The proprietors have been working with Miss Ghada and a local artist to design a Qu'ranic Garden for the white wall on the outside of the building next door, near the concrete stairs. The artist will be painting the mural over the Term 1 holidays and the image of it is below. We are looking forward to beautifying our wonderful spaces.





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Citizenship Certificates

Finally on **Thursday 10 April**, **8:45am**, the whole school will hold a special assembly to acknowledge and present **Term One Citizenship Certificates** to one child in each class who their teacher feels has been working hard in all areas, showing the values that we teach at Iqra School, wearing their uniform with pride and coming to school with a fantastic attitude. Teachers will contact families of children who will be receiving this certificate.

Dismissal Time 3:30pm

It is important to pick up your child on time after school. School ends at **3:30pm** and teachers kindly wait until **3:40pm** at the dismissal gate. However there are a number of parents not arriving to pick up their child until 4:00pm. This is unacceptable as your child is not able to be supervised at this time. It is imperative you arrive on time. The school cannot take responsibility for your child outside of school pick up times. As well there are children participating in after school activities like tennis, chess, etc. Please ensure you pick up your child at the agreed time with the coach so your child is not distressed waiting and the coach is not asked to provide volunteer childcare outside of the agreed hours.

Thank you

A huge thank you to parents and caregivers for all your support this term. It has been very busy with reports, parent/ teacher interviews, shared lunches, Eid celebrations and Iftar nights and finally a market that is to come still! Thank you to our hard working team of teachers and special character teachers for all their care and commitment to the teaching and learning at Iqra School.



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Term 1 & 2 Events

- 6.4.25 Igra School Eid Festival- market day
- 8.4.25 Lockdown training with Harrison & Tew, 8-12:30pm
- 10.4.25 Citizenship Assembly 8:45am Year 1-8, Hall
- 11.4.25 Uniform free day- bring a gold coin, Last day Term 1, 2025
- 28.4.25 First day Term 2, 2025, voting for Term 2 Class Captains this week
- 5.5.25 -9.5.25 Book Week & New Lynn library visits
- 12.5.25-16.5.25 Science week
- 15.5.25 Food stall Y7,8
- 27.5.25 Cross country whole school event at Ken Maunder Park
- 29.5.25 Grandparents Day Year 1,2,3
- 30.5.25 Teacher Only Day- no school
- 2.6.25 King's Birthday- holiday
- 4.6.25 Immunisation Y8
- 5.6.25 Rain Date Whole School Cross Country
- 6.6.25 Eid- counted as school day- holiday
- 9.6.25- 13.6.25 New Lynn Library visits
- 10.6.25 Eid Celebration Y8 camp fundraiser
- 20.6.25 Matariki holiday- no school
- 26.6.25 Term Two Citizenship Assembly, hall Y1-8, 8:35am
- 27.6.25 Uniform free day- gold coin fundraiser
- 27.6.25 week 9, term 2 Academic reports available to parents



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:

Reporting for term 3

16.7.25-17.7.25 Parent / Teacher Interviews after school Term 3

19.9.25 week 10 term 3 Work habits & attitude reports available to parents

Reporting for term 4

12.12.25 Term 4, week 10 Academic Reports available to parents



Leader of Special Character Miss Ghada and her team:

ومع اقتراب نهاية هذا الفصل الدراسي، أود أن أتوجه بالشكر الجزيل لأسرتنا الكبيرة في مدرسة اقرأ، بداية من الأساتذة والطلاب، وانتهاء بأولياء الأمور وفريق العمل. فقد كان لكل دورٌ في دعم المدرسة وأنشطتها لنستمر كما عودناكم دائمًا. هدفنا الأسمى هو إرضاء الله سبحانه وتعالى من خلال تعليم أبنائنا كل ما هو مفيد وتوفير أنشطة وفعاليات في بيئة إسلامية آمنة. أود أن أذكركم بأن التسجيل في المسابقتين اللتين أعلنًا عنهما سابقًا، مسابقة القرآن الكريم (اقرأ وارتق) والقراءة العربية (رحلتي مع القراءة)، سيغلق الأسبوع القادم. نحثكم على تشجيع أبنائكم للتسجيل فيهما، لما لهما من دور في تعزيز ارتباطهم بالقرآن واللغة العربية.

ونحن في هذه الأيام المباركة، نستشعر نعم الله علينا، حيث وفقنا لصيام وقيام شهر رمضان المبارك، وبذل الخير فيه كلِّ حسب استطاعته. ثم أتم علينا بأن يسر لنا الاحتفال بعيد الفطر السعيد مع أحبائنا، فنسأله سبحانه أن يوفقنا دائما لكل ماهو خير وان يمن على إخواننا في كل مكان بالفرج والاستقرار. كل عام ,انتم بخير



Leader of Special Character Miss Ghada and her team:

Dear Esteemed Parents,

Assalam Alikom

As we approach the end of this academic term, I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to our large family at Iqra School, starting with the teachers and students, and concluding with the parents and the entire team. Each of you has played a vital role in supporting the school and its activities, enabling us to continue as you have always known us. Our ultimate goal is to please Allah Almighty by teaching our children everything beneficial and providing activities and events in a safe Islamic environment.

I would also like to remind you that registration for the two competitions we previously announced, the Quran Competition (Iqra wa Irtaqi) and the Arabic Reading Competition (My Reading Journey), will close next week. We encourage you to motivate your children to register for these competitions, as they play a significant role in strengthening their connection to the Quran and the Arabic language.

In these blessed days, we feel the blessings of Allah upon us, as He has granted us the ability to fast and pray during the holy month of Ramadan and to do good according to our means. Allah has also facilitated our celebration of Eid al-Fitr with our loved ones. We ask Him to always guide us toward what is good and to grant relief and stability to our brothers and sisters everywhere.

Jazakum Allah Khyran. Eid Mubarak.



Eid Activities

On **Friday**, **April 4**, **2025**, Iqra School celebrated Eid with a joyful day of fun and community spirit! Students from different classrooms took part in a range of exciting activities, including **lively games**, **beautiful henna art**, **and cheerful class photos** to capture the memories. Adding to the festive atmosphere, children also brought delicious foods to share with their classmates, creating a warm and welcoming environment filled with the aromas and flavors of Eid. A heartfelt thank you goes out to all the parents and caregivers who helped make the day extra special—your support and generosity truly brought the celebration to life!

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Sports Events







Our **Years 5-8** students had a great time playing cricket at **Eastdale Reserve!** They showed great teamwork and sportsmanship, winning some games and learning from the ones they lost. It was fantastic to see everyone giving their best, cheering for each other, and having fun on the field. Well done, team!



Sports Events

JOIN OUR TERM 2 SPORTS COMPETITIONS & TRAINING!

Get ready for an exciting Term 2 filled with fun, competition, and skill development! We will soon be enrolling new students for our Term 2 sports activities, including:

Senior School (Year 7-8):

Cross Country

Intermediate School (Year 5-6):

- Hockey
- Rippa Rugby
- Cross Country

Junior School (Year 3):

- Basketball
- Cross Country ,t,

WHY JOIN?

- Learn New Skills: Training sessions led by experienced coaches.
- Get Active: Fun, energetic, and engaging sports that keep you fit and healthy
- Team Spirit: Meet new friends and develop teamwork skills.

HOW TO ENROLL: Permission slips will be sent home! Make sure to hand them back to Mr. Thomas or Mrs. Fatima



Kawther Numeracy and Literacy learning: Year 4 & 5

Literacy

Students in our Year 4 and 5 classes have been diving into the world of storytelling, crafting imaginative and beautifully written narratives that are now proudly displayed in their classrooms. Their creativity shines through as they develop engaging characters, exciting plots, and vivid descriptions. Alongside their writing journey, they have also demonstrated impressive reading skills during lessons, showing a growing confidence in comprehension, fluency, and expression. It's wonderful to see their enthusiasm for both reading and writing flourish!





Kawther Numeracy and Literacy learning: Year 4 & 5

Numeracy

Students in our Year 4 and 5 classes have been actively engaged in numeracy, building their confidence and skills in addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division. They have been exploring different strategies to solve operations and word problems using their Prime Math books. Through hands-on activities, discussions, and problem-solving challenges, they are developing a deeper understanding of number relationships and efficient methods for tackling math tasks.





Staff interview

Ms. Asiya Rehman (Year 2 Teacher)

Questions:

1. Where are you from?

I am from Fiji

2. What is your favourite food?

I don't have favourite food

3. Why did you choose to teach at Igra School?

I choose to teach at Iqra School because the school values are aligned to my values

4. When did you start teaching?

I started teaching in 2023

5. What is your favourite colour?

My favourite colour is pink

6. Do you have any siblings?

Yes, I have one brother

7. Do you have any pets?

No, I don't have any pets.

8. What is your goal for the year?

My goal is to be more involved in the Islamic community

9. What are your hobbies?

I have many hobbies but my favourite one is reading books.

10. Have you ever travelled anywhere before?

Yes, I have travelled to Malaysia, Singapore, Fiji and Australia.

11. What skill would you like to learn?

I would like to learn pottery.

Interviewed by Aliksir Sunkar (Y7) & Ameerah Khan (Y7)



Junior Teacher—Year 2 asiya.rehman@igra.school.riz



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Caretaker	Milo Auva'a	****



Our school proprietors



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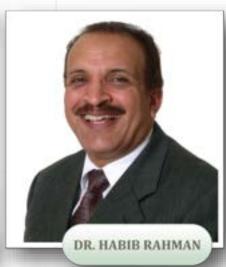
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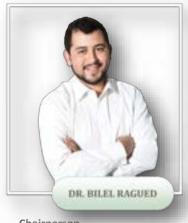
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Our school board members



Chairperson
Board Member



Proprietor Rep Board Member



School Principal

Board Member



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All Iqra students will be active learners, contributors and participants in the Muslim Community, New Zealand and the world



Iqra Values

















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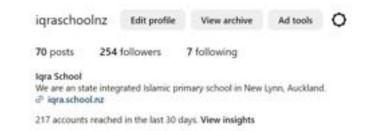


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P.O. Box 15425 New Lynn 0640 Auckland IQRA School is a state integrated area school catering to students from year 1 to year 8. IQRA was established in 2016 by our proprietors of Algoritim Educational Trust.

We focused on providing quality education as outlined by the New Zealand Curriculum as well as provide our localised curriculum and Special Character based on our integrated status.

Our special character focus in across the whole curriculum, however we have specialised areas such as Islamic studies, Quran and Arabic language. These areas are integrated within New Zealand Curriculum.

We at IQRA look forward to working with all of you on our journey toward making our school a leading Islamic School in New Zealand that ensures our students stay connected with our faith, languages, cultures and strong heritage.

Attendance dues:

Attendance dues must be paid through Ezypay, our third-party provider. You can access it through the caregiver portal under the payments tab. If you need help, contact the school. All parents have to set up the payment for 2025 prior to the start of each term.

Check the notice sent through the skool loop for more information.



Skool Loop is our main communication toola at Iqra school



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.



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.



Contact details: All the school details plus including titel of staff member.

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