

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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Deputy Principal's Message

Assalaamu Alaikum WRWB,

A Big Thank You to Our Incredible Staff!

Year 1-8 (Primary School)

It has been an incredibly busy and productive time behind the scenes at Al-Madinah School. Our teaching staff have been working tirelessly to deepen their understanding of the new English and Mathematics curriculums. Additionally, teachers have been navigating our student management system to prepare mid-year reports using brand-new templates that you will be receiving at the beginning of next term. Throughout this period of significant change, our team has shown immense professionalism, diligence, and a deep commitment to ensuring you receive meaningful, accurate information about your child's progress. A huge thank you to our wonderful Primary school leadership team for leading this change. Their outstanding guidance and leadership have been absolutely invaluable as we navigate these refreshed curriculum and reporting changes together.

Supporting Success in Years 9-13

As we move through the year, we want to acknowledge the incredible dedication of our teaching staff. They are working tirelessly to prepare students across Years 9-13 for assessments and future pathways, while navigating challenges like the responsible use of AI in learning.

A major focus is helping students build confidence for the Common Assessment Activities (CAA) in literacy and numeracy. For our seniors, teachers are providing extensive guidance to help them achieve NCEA, gain University Entrance, apply for scholarships and tertiary courses, and explore future career pathways.

Beyond the classroom, our staff continue to create fantastic co-curricular and enrichment opportunities:

- Academic & Leadership: Students are competing in maths and English challenges, a new student-led Debate Club has launched, and our student leaders attend weekly training with Momentum Hub every Thursday morning.
- Arts & Sports: Seniors are active in college netball and soccer, while our boys are dedicating lunchtimes and weekends to an upcoming drama production.
- EOTC & Lifespan Skills: Students recently enjoyed a senior girls' camp, Year 13 Business students are selling products for charity, and Geography students are heading to Rotorua for NCEA assessments. Many are also gaining hands-on vocational experience in fields like barista work, retail, and forklift operation, while student volunteers are being recognized with badges.

All of this is only possible because our teachers generously give up their intervals, weekends, and before/after-school time. Our NCEA teachers also deserve a huge thank you for continuing to adapt to ongoing system updates, ensuring our students stay well-supported through changing times.