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Dear parents, carers and families,

This week we hosted our now traditional Eid party! This especial celebration is always an incredible opportunity for students to learn so many different skills: self-care, planning and preparation, cooking and, especially, social skills among so many other learning opportunities. Students and staff really enjoyed the time to commemorate diversity, sense of community and unity. Please see some beautiful photos of the festivities below.



FREEDOM PASSES

As mentioned in my letters to you last academic year, all students must have their Freedom Passes with them when attending Phoenix College. We have contacted all parents, carers and families with reminders about this.

This academic year, students will only be able to attend Phoenix College if they have their Freedom Passes.

All our students have the right to travel for free with their Freedom Pass and that is an essential part of our curriculum and outcomes for every single student.







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STAY UP LATE NEXT WEEK!!!

WEDNESDAY, 01st May – 3.15pm to 7pm

This is going to be our third and last movie night at Genesis Cinema. Students are very excited to see a different movie every term. This will be another opportunity for students to choose the movie that we will watch.

OPEN HOUSE – TRANSITION FAIR WEDNESDAY, 19th June – 3.15pm to 7pm

Open House to all parents. The main focus for our last Open House for this academic year will be the transitions for leavers.

STAY UP LATE – GRADUATION PARTY! THURSDAY, 18th July– 3.15pm to 7pm Graduation party!

Please save these dates!

THIS WEEK





On Wednesday, students joyously gathered for their Eid Celebration Party! As always, it proved to be a lively and delightful occasion, and this year was certainly no exception. Dressed in their finest attire, students arrived at the college prepared to revel in an afternoon brimming with entertainment. From all four classes, they relished in dancing, capturing memories through photographs, indulging in vibrant henna designs, and engaging in colourful activities. The highlight, of course, was the spread meticulously prepared by our **Catering Instructor**, **Mo Ahmed**, ensuring that both students and staff alike could savour the flavours of the celebration.



Darren Serrano-Griffiths, Fitness Instructor















This week's *Festive Friday* goes to **Ryan** for his remarkable and exemplary attitude towards his peers. Ryan consistently demonstrates a commitment to following the college rules, embodying qualities of kindness, thoughtfulness, and supportiveness in all his interactions. At our college, we place a strong emphasis on promoting positive behaviour and maintaining a respectful environment for learning. Through initiatives like *Festive Friday*, we aim to highlight and celebrate students who embody these values every day. Ryan's dedication to upholding these standards sets a shining example for his classmates and serves as an inspiration to us all. Ryan is a great role model and an inspiration to his peers. We commend Ryan for his outstanding efforts and encourage him to continue leading by example. Please join us in congratulating Ryan on this well-deserved recognition. Let's continue to celebrate and encourage the positive contributions of all our students. Warm regards,

Mohammed Ahmed, Catering Instructor

Ifti, a vibrant member of our college, continues to spread joy and laughter wherever he goes, and this week was no exception. In Frank's class, Ifti's enthusiasm and humour lifted everyone's spirits, creating an atmosphere of positivity and group spirit. He brought the same energy to our Eid party, dazzling us with his dance moves and capturing precious moments with his camera. Ifti's passion for connecting with others is truly inspiring. He encourages students to socialize, bond, and have fun together, setting a wonderful example of genuine excitement for our interests. Ifti was also engaged in insightful discussions about movies with Taylor during the week, showcasing his depth and intellect in diverse conversations. He is an exceptional role model for spreading happiness and connection throughout our college community!

Frank Kasa, eLearning Instructor





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Raihan is our Student of the Week! He maintained perfect attendance this week and showed great enthusiasm in his swimming session. Raihan also actively participated in most of our other sessions and was responsible in managing his own meals by collecting his food at break and lunch time independently. We are proud of Raihan's accomplishments and his positive spirit. On Wednesday, we had the pleasure of celebrating the Eid party at the college. Many students arrived dressed up, while a few chose to get ready in college. Some of the girls expressed interest in wearing makeup and styling their hair . It was wonderful to see their excitement and participation in celebrating cultural traditions.

Elena Vata, Self-Care Instructor









Have a fantastic weekend,



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