Say: O Allah increase us in knowledge.
Our Community School

Introduction
Taqwa School is a community-based school governed by the local community. The school opened on 2 February 2015 with Kindergarten and a composite Year one/Year two class. In 2016 the school expanded to incorporate Years 3 and 4.

Our Mission
We are committed to the pursuit of excellence in academic and values education. We instil the knowledge, skills and dispositions for our children to achieve their potential and contribute positively to the Muslim community and humanity as a whole. We aim for our children to be proud and secure in their Islamic and Australian identities. We are dedicated to ensuring our children have an indepth appreciation for the ethnic, linguistic and cultural diversity of the school community as well as Australian society at large. We are committed to being a student-centred, family-focussed learning community.

Our Vision
Our vision is for an all-inclusive school from Pre-Kindergarten to Year 12. A school that:
• instils a love for learning
• develops inquiring critical minds
• cultivates a love for good moral behaviour
• develops a clear sense of identity and the ability to effectively communicate with others in intercultural and international work
• provides a holistic curriculum to encourage each child to achieve their full potential intellectually, physically, creatively, socially, emotionally and spiritually

Learn ... the best for life
Excel ... in all your endeavours
Lead ... your generation
Who is Taqwa School?

The Board members are local Canberra residents who are committed to meeting the requirements of Muslim parents for quality education that incorporates Islamic Studies and values for their children. Its independence enables the board to respond effectively to community needs.

Governance

The School Board, led by the chair, provides strategic guidance for the school and to effectively oversee and review the school’s management. The Board’s role is to govern the school, leaving the day-to-day operations to the principal.

Management

It is the responsibility of the Principal and senior management team to manage the school in accordance with the strategic goal set.

Working Committee

School Working Committees (WC) are open for participation by community members who have an interest in the school and wish to add value to the establishment and functioning of a student-centred, family-focussed school.

Governance Structure

[Diagram showing governance structure]
**Location**

Taqwa School opened its doors to a temporary site in Spence in February 2015. The school’s permanent location is in Moncrieff in far North Canberra. The building of the school is a long term plan consisting of several stages.

Stage 1 will begin with an assembly area, sections of the administration building and an Early Learning Centre (subject to funding). The class rooms and mosque will consist of demountables until building can be completed.

### Stage 1 Map

![Stage 1 Map](image)

### Stage 1 Taqwa School Development 2017 - 2018

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Why should I send my child to Taqwa School

Integration of Islamic Education with the Australian Curriculum

Islamic Education Curriculum

• Values Education – character development with a key focus on respect and taruf (intercultural understanding)
• Biography of Prophet Mohammad (PBUH) and Hadith (Authentic tradition of the Prophet, PBUH)
• Quran stories of the great prophets - Isa (Jesus), Musa (Moses), Ibrahim (Abraham), Nuh (Noah) Yusuf (Joseph), Ismail (Ishmail) etc.
• Quran recitation and memorisation
• Islamic Personal Hygiene Protocol (Wudu) training

Student-centred, family-focused learning environment

• Interdisciplinary enquiry-based learning
• Multi-age learning groups
• Personalised learning plans
• Extension and support as needed
• Excellent qualified teachers
• Arabic from Kindergarten
• Safe, caring and Muslim sensitive school environment
• Affordable school fees
• Approachable and responsive school governance
• Sports and recreational activities
• Supported by the Imam Council of ACT (Imam Mohammed Swaiti, Imam Adam Konda and Imam Nourredine Laraibi)
Our Values

The connection between values and practice is at the core of the Taqwa School program. Our students’ faith is reflected in their practice and moral conduct with other people.

Excellence

Verily, Allah loves that whatever is done, shall be done with excellence.
Prophet Muhammad - PBUH (Hadith from Al-Tabrani)

Respect

He is not one of us who does not respect the elders, does not show compassion to the young ones, and honour our teachers.
Prophet Muhammad - PBUH (Jami Al-Tirmidhi)

Responsibility

Every one of you is a shepherd and is responsible for his flock.
Prophet Muhammad - PBUH (Saheeh al-Bukhari 893)

Intercultural Understanding

O mankind! We have created you from a male and a female, and have made you nations and tribes that you may get to know one another.
(Quran 49:13)

Fairness

O ye who believe! Stand out firmly for God, as witnesses to fair dealing and let not the hatred of others to you make you swerve to wrong and depart from justice. Be just: that is next to piety: and fear God. For God is well-acquainted with all that ye do.
(Quran 5:8)
Taqwa School provides many experiences to support the curriculum outcomes. These include excursions, guest speakers, sporting programs, incursions & partnership with other schools to name a few.
The Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said:

Seeking Knowledge is obligatory on every Muslim
Al-Tirmidhi, Hadith 74

How can I enrol my child at Taqwa School?

Please download the detailed enrolment package from our website.

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