Dear students, parents and teachers,

2008 has been an exceptionally vibrant, exciting and productive year. With a new team of staff and highly motivated teachers, many co-curricular and extra curricular programs were designed and student activities organized to cater for the needs of our students. Some of the highlights and memorable moments include: Parents Welcome BBQ, Open Day, Annual Humanities Catwalk, 2007 Awards Ceremony, Yr 12s Farewell and Graduation Ceremonies, End of Year Ceremony, School Camps and last, but not least, our Sports Carnivals.

I would also like to share with you, our recently publicized 2008 VCE results. I would like to congratulate, not only, our Yr 12 students on their achieved ENTER scores, but, our parents for their support, our VCE teachers for their unrivalled commitment and dedication and Ms Hatice Mohamed, our VCE Coordinator for her year long, painstaking work and undying commitment to co-coordinating and synchronizing the efforts of our students, parents and teachers. In addition, I would like to extend my thanks and appreciation to my Deputies Ms. Nazan Polat, Ms. Esra Boz and Ms. Derya Kabak for their exceptional efforts and dedication throughout 2008. This success would not have eventuated without any one of these dedicated people.

It has been a great pleasure for me to have shared these many memorable moments with you all. I will remember each and every moment for the rest of my life. Your New principal Mr. Ilker Temizkan will be replacing my position as the Principal of the Girls Campus in 2009. I will continue my position as the Coordinating Principal of Isik Colleges while trying to establish our new school in the Sunshine area.

I wish you all the best for 2009. Have a happy and safe school break.

Mr Tuncay TERZI

Happy New Year
We celebrated the end of the 2008 educational year with our *End of Year Ceremony*, which took place on Tuesday, 25th of November, at the Plenty Ranges Arts Centre in South Morang.

A nostalgic slide show, traditional Turkish folk dancing, Turkish songs and drama performances, recital of poetry, and particularly our year 10 comedy performances received standing ovation.

The night came to an end with the much awaited *Award Ceremony*. The ceremony recognized and acknowledged student academic, behavioural and social achievements in 2008. Congratulations to all recipients' of an award!

**ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AWARD**

- Year 7 Academic Excellence: Sibel Tarakci
- Year 8 Academic Excellence: Hayrunnisa Okur
- Year 9 Academic Excellence: Masad Alfayadh
- Year 10 Academic Excellence: Sara Metanios
- Year 11 Academic Excellence: Ozlem Sezer

**BEHAVIOUR AWARD**

- Year 7 Role Model Student: Ayse Nur Uguz
- Year 8 Role Model Student: Yolan Asmon
- Year 9 Role Model Student: Elif Doktoroglu
- Year 9 Role Model Student: Tugba Gurkan
- Year 10 Role Model Student: Zeynep Temel

**NATIONAL COMPETITIONS**

- UNSW ICAS Spelling: Busra Unal
- UNSW ICAS Spelling: Aylin Cangokce
- UNSW ICAS Computer Skills: Selin Kurdas
- UNSW ICAS Computer Skills: Nilufer Okur
- UNSW Australian Maths Competition: Elvan Akbulut
- UNSW Australian Maths Competition: Ceren Erdem
- UNSW Australian Maths Competition: Aaya Hakeem

**STATE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION**

- Regional challenge debated in state parliament with other schools: Gulsah Kul
- Regional challenge debated in state parliament with other schools: Reyyan Yucel
- Regional challenge debated in state parliament with other schools: Zeynep Temel
- Regional challenge debated in state parliament with other schools: Serenay Kalkan
- Regional challenge debated in state parliament with other schools: Sebnem Camur
As part of the Pastoral Care Program at Isik College, six year 10 students along with their Pastoral Care Teacher Ms Derya Oztan Kabak, have gone trekking in the South East Asian region, namely Malaysia and Singapore. The year 10 students will be away on holiday between 10 December and 20 December.

One of the main aims of organizing pastoral care activities is to enhance, support and monitor each student’s physical, psychological and emotional wellbeing and development and to eventually bring out the best in each student as an individual.

Melbourne’s New Turkish Consul General Pays a Visit

Melbourne’s new Turkish Consul General, Mr Aydin NURHAN paid a visit to our Turkish-speaking teachers as part of the Teacher’s Day festivities on the 29th of November. After touring the school and interacting with the teachers, he delivered a short seminar on the importance of the Turkish language and the pivotal role which teacher’s play as positive role models. On behalf of Isik College, we kindly thank Mr Aydin NURHAN for taking time out of his busy schedule to pay us a visit. We wish him all the best in his new position.
Subject Perfect Scores

- Pınar Eski: Further Mathematics 100%
- Yusuf Döger: Further Mathematics 100%
- Emre Akgöz: Turkish 100%

80+ Scores

- Fauzia Yassine: 89.85
- Tolga Akkurt: 86.30
- Mujdat Keser: 82.85
- Mustafa Moustafa: 81.20
- Saif Aliftawi: 80.65
- Cemil Yildiz: 88.65
- Zeynep Cioak: 85.60
- Murat Ulukan: 82.75
- Zuhre Koyu: 81.15
- Sait Uygur: 80.25
- Bilal Kor: 88.55
- Asiye Gökler: 84.25
- Cüdem Yasılýurt: 82.75

University Entry Success Rate 91%