

SJIIM Weekly Update

11 January 2019



Lasallian Reflection from Brother Jason:

Dear Lasallians,

Happy New Year 2019!

2018 ended on a rather high note, as far as Lasallian activities were concerned. I am happy to list down on a few of the Lasallian activities that we were involved with.

In early December, SJIIM sent 4 students to St Michael's Institution, Ipoh to participate in the 28th National Lasallian Youth Convention (click [here](#) for a student's reflection on the Convention). The annual convention attracted 68 student delegates from 17 Lasallian schools across Malaysia and Singapore. The annual convention is organised by the La Salle Centre, Ipoh which also organises and facilitates programmes for our schools such as, Personal Development and Value Formation, Human Relations Training, Leadership Training, Communications Skills, Counselling Skills, Faith and Spiritual Formation, and Skills in Community Animation.

As I mentioned in my previous installment, the Brothers in LEAD held their Assembly in Melaka in mid-December. In attendance were about 133 Brothers from the 7 countries of LEAD. After the Assembly, and just before Christmas, the Brothers received news from Rome that our new Brother Visitor had been appointed by the Brother Superior General (click [here](#) for more). We offer **Brother Armin Luistro** our heartfelt congratulations and sincere promise of obedience.

The new year is now upon us and welcome all the many challenges, changes and opportunities it undoubtedly will bring, knowing that our shared journey will be taken *together and by association* as a Lasallian Community.



Yours in De La Salle,
Br Jason Blaikie, FSC
Brother Director



Whole School Update

New Year Mass

We would like to welcome our Catholic parents to celebrate Mass on Tuesday 22nd January, 12.30 pm in the school chapel. Catholic students in year 4 - 13 will be able to attend. If your child is in year 3 or below and you would like to take them to Mass, please let Siow Yin in the ES office know.

Thaipusam

School will be closed on Monday 21st January for Thaipusam.

CCA registration

You should have received an email from Mr Liam Monnery explaining the CCA registration. This will be open from 9 am tomorrow and close on Monday 14th January at 5 pm. Please look at the CCA website for more information.

ES CCA Website: <http://bit.ly/SJIESCCAT2>

HS CCA Website: <http://bit.ly/SJIHSCCAT2>

CCAs will start on Monday **28th January**.

2019/20 Calendar is available via this [link](#)



Elementary School Update

A warm welcome to all of our new students and their families. It was wonderful to see so many new children joining our school from all over. The children have settled into their classes well and are beginning to settle into our routines. Please join us in welcoming the new families into our school community!

Sports day

Our ES Sports Day will be held on **Saturday 26th January** at school. More information will follow in the coming weeks.

School Lunch for Nursery to Year 2

Please note that if you are opting into the school lunch programme this will include a morning snack and lunch. You cannot have one without the other. If you want to opt out of school lunch and would prefer to bring a packed lunch, please inform your class teacher and Fiona at Sodexo. TAN.LaiFa@sodexo.com

Movie Nights

KS1 will be held on **Friday 15th February** from 2:50 - 4:30

KS2 will hold a movie night on **Friday 22nd February** from 2:50 - 4:30

Tickets will be available after the CNY break. More details to follow.

Chinese New Year Celebrations

The ES will be holding CNY celebrations on **Friday 1st February**. The children will be invited to dress in traditional attire and also share in a special assembly put on by the Mandarin team. The whole school will celebrate with a lion dance, as well. Further information will follow.

Absences

If your child is absent please do email or do message the class teacher. Classes start at 8.05 am in the ES school, it is important that your child is here for the start of their lesson. If they are late, they must report to the ES office and collect a slip. If you have a holiday planned during term time, please complete the ES absence form (linked into the last page of this form) and send it to the office.

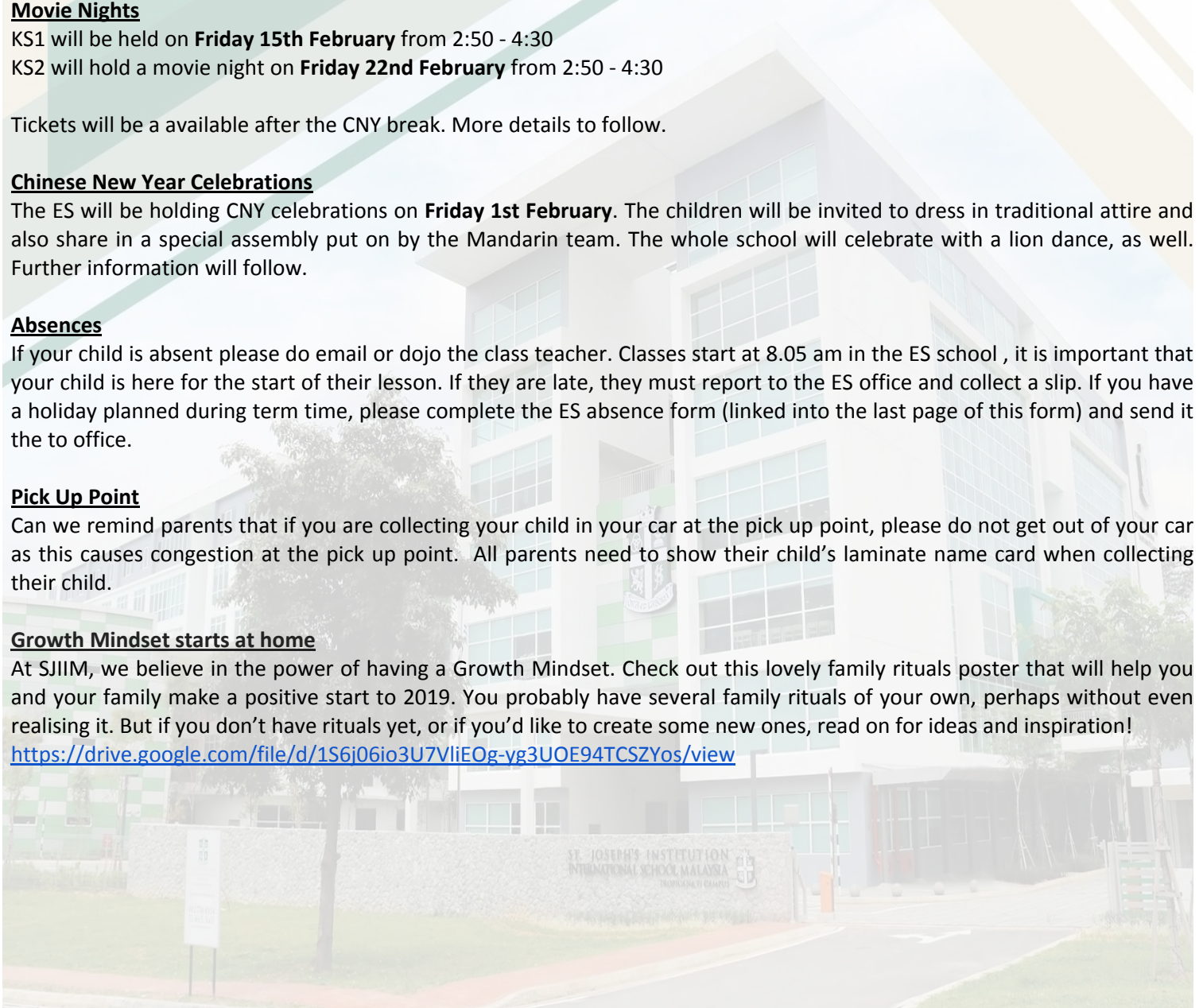
Pick Up Point

Can we remind parents that if you are collecting your child in your car at the pick up point, please do not get out of your car as this causes congestion at the pick up point. All parents need to show their child's laminate name card when collecting their child.

Growth Mindset starts at home

At SJIIM, we believe in the power of having a Growth Mindset. Check out this lovely family rituals poster that will help you and your family make a positive start to 2019. You probably have several family rituals of your own, perhaps without even realising it. But if you don't have rituals yet, or if you'd like to create some new ones, read on for ideas and inspiration!

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High School Update

Mock Examinations

The Mock Examinations for Year 11 and 13 students will commence on Monday 14th January until Friday 25th January. Year 11 and 13 students will be on study leave during the examination period with normal lessons suspended. Students taking exams should arrive in school at least 20- 30 minutes before the start of each exam. Detailed exam schedules have been sent previously to both students and parents. These exams provide important indicators towards levels of achievement in the final exams, and provide an opportunity for the students to practice good, healthy and sustainable study habits. We wish all the student well in these exams.

12 Hour Run

SJIIM's 3rd annual 12 Hour Run will take place between 8 p.m. on Friday, 18th January and 8 a.m. on Saturday, 19th January.. This year we will have more than 100 students and teachers running to raise funds for the La Salle Karemeno School in Kenya. We invite you to come and support the runners at the beginning and end of the event; visitors will be welcomed on campus until 10 p.m. on Friday and after 7 a.m. on Saturday morning but please note that no cars will be permitted on campus between 7 p.m. Friday and 8.30 a.m. Saturday.

If your child is running in the event, please read the [attached letter](#).

Musical Achievement - Chan Jing Yuan

Throughout term one the High School had the pleasure of hearing Jing Yuan play in assembly as she prepared for her Trinity College diploma exam. We are pleased to report that having now completed her exam she has obtained her Diploma with distinction. This achievement is a great testament to the hard work and effort she has put in to develop her musical skills and talents and her deliberate and careful preparation.

Chinese Parental Talk Presentation by Dr Aw


We are glad to have Professor Aw Guat Poh from the Institute of Education, Singapore to run a parent workshop entitled: 'Parents' role in nurturing bilingual children in 21st century context' on 14 Dec. It was a very informative workshop as Prof. Aw had introduced different ways about learning Chinese in the 21st century. Please refer to this [link](#) for the presentation.

Visit by Korean Teachers

On 14 and 15 January, SJIIM will be pleased to welcome a group of 10 teachers from the Daegu MOE, one of 17 public school districts in South Korea. This district has recently decided to implement the IBDP curriculum alongside the Korean national curriculum. These teachers are in Malaysia to attend their initial IBDP training, and are seeking to further develop their understanding of the curriculum and the approaches to teaching and learning that are at the heart of the IB Diploma Programme. This visit will be a great opportunity for our teachers to give service to other schools, teachers and students outside of our own immediate community and country. Teachers and students at SJIIM will also benefit from these intercultural interactions, as our teachers and students develop further the international mindedness that the IBDP aims to encourage. Whilst they are here, the teachers will observe IB lessons, and meet with teachers and students.

Curriculum Overviews

Please use this [link](#) to access the curriculum overview for Years 7- 10. These overviews provide further information about what will be covered in Term 2 and 3. Year 12 and 13 course overviews are available on the school website.



High School Update

Student Representative Council

At the end of last term, last year's Student Representative Council met with our newly elected members to hand over funds raised at the Halloween event. These funds, raised by the students, will be used to support student led initiatives and social events.



Base Camp Cafe

Base Camp Café is the brainchild of four Year 12 students Christine Wong, Emily Chan, Rachel Desiree, and Seerat Tayyab as part of the Global Social Leaders competition. Making use of an empty room located in Level B2 of the school, the goal is to promote a conducive, warm school environment through our renovation of it into a cafe-cum-hangout-spot. The girls hope to make it a permanent fixture of the school and they truly believe in the long term good this project will bring. We thank them for their effort and willingness to make a contribution to our school.



Developing Character: Seerat Tayyab

One of our key messages to the students this year has been that making contributions to the broader life of the school develops their character. Through helping others, they help themselves to grow as people. A special mention then to Seerat in Year 12 who has clearly responded to that message and has shown real growth since joining us at the start of Year 11. It has been wonderful to see her get involved with projects such as the Base Camp Cafe and the SRC.

Lost and Found

A purse has been handed into the High School Office. If you have lost a purse, please come to the High School Office to claim it.

Useful Links



[ES Student Absence Form](#)

[HS Student Absence Form](#)

[PSG International Week](#)

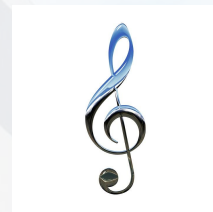


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