

SJIIM Weekly Update

19 January 2019



Lasallian Reflection from Brother Jason:

Dear Lasallians,

This week's piece is written in honour of St Jaime Hilario, FSC as today (18 January) was the day when he was martyred way back in 1937. Along with three other Lasallian Brothers Saints, St Jaime is the patron of one of our Houses (Jaime House). The following is an adapted version of St Jaime's life story:

The future Brother Jaime was born on 2 January 1898 in Enviny, a small town in northern Spain. Known for his serious nature, he was only 12 years old when, with the blessing of his parents, he entered the minor seminary. He soon developed hearing problems and was advised to return home.

Convinced that God was calling out to him, he was overjoyed in 1917 to learn that the De La Salle Brothers would accept him in their *novitiate* at Irun, Spain. After sixteen years in various teaching assignments, his hearing problems forced him to abandon the classroom and work as a gardener.

In 1936 the Spanish civil war broke out. Recognized as a Brother, he was arrested and jailed. He was then transferred to Tarragona and confined in a prison ship with several other Brothers. On 15 January 1937 he was given a summary trial.

Though he could have been freed by claiming to be only a gardener, he insisted on his identity as a Brother, and thereby sealed his doom. On 18 January he was taken to face his execution by firing squad.

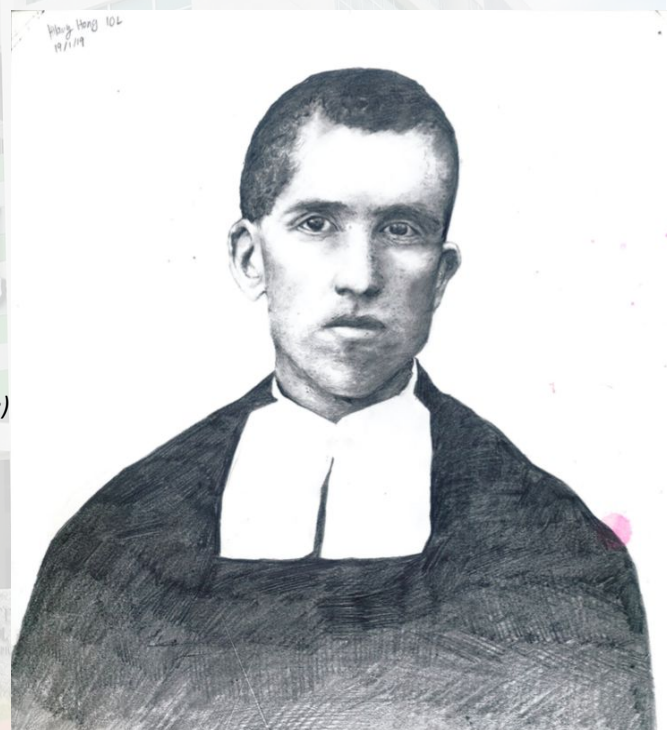
His last words to the firing squad were "To die for Christ, my young friends, is to live." When two volleys failed to end St Jaime's life, the soldiers dropped their rifles and fled in panic shouting "a miracle, a miracle!" The commander, shouting a gross insult to St Jaime, fired five shots at close range and killed him.

St Jaime had the moral courage (he was brave) to stand up for what he believed in. Have we the same inner strength to do things right?

For his moral courage, integrity and fidelity to the Brothers, St Jaime Hilario was canonized in 1999 by Pope John Paul II.

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

(pencil portrait of St Jaime Hilario by Hilary Hong Hyii Hsin, 10L Benilde House)



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.

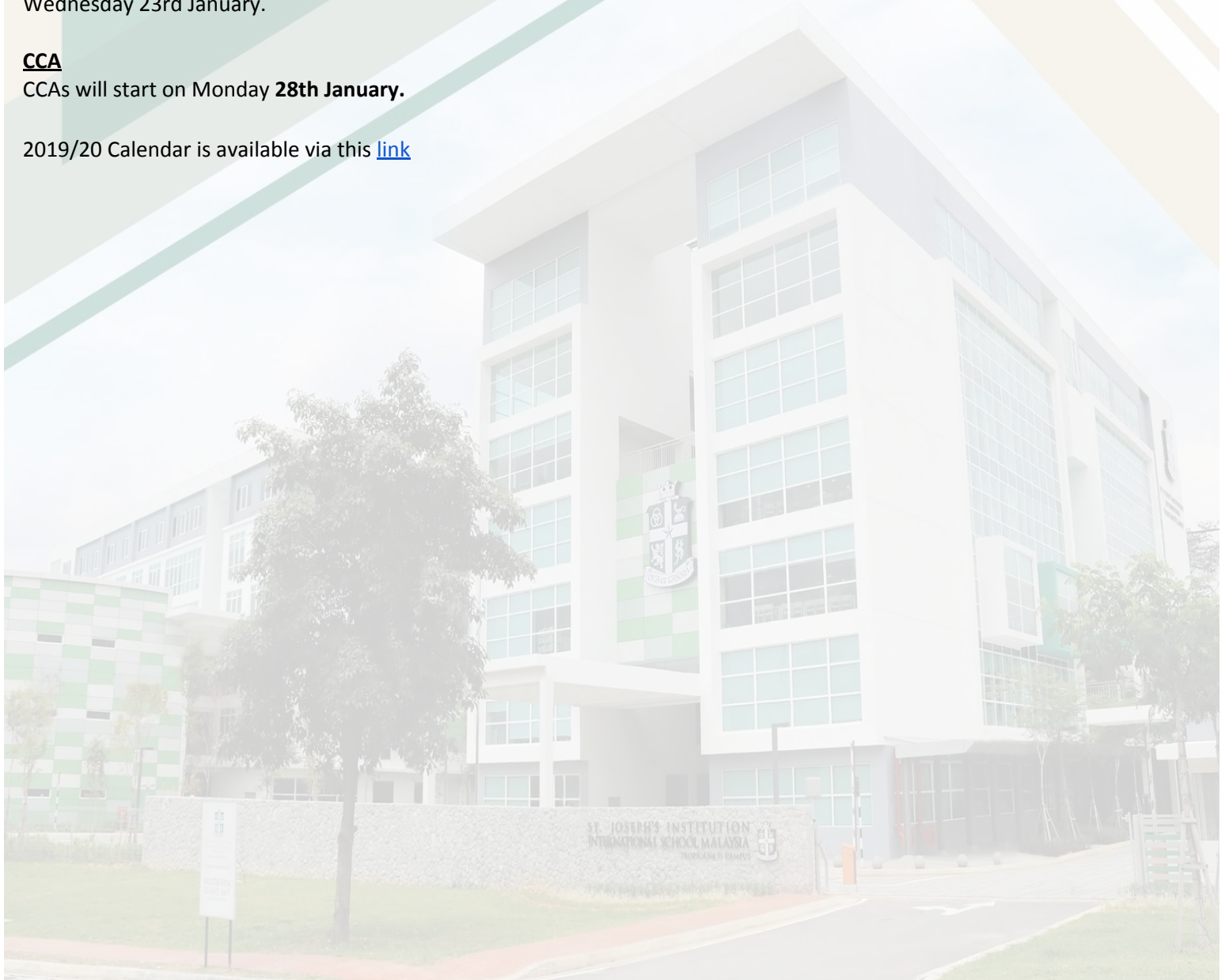
Parent Partnership Group Meeting

This will take place on Friday 25th January at 8a.m. Please send in any agenda items of the respective school offices by Wednesday 23rd January.

CCA

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

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





Elementary School Update

Harvard University's Making Caring Common

Following on from last week's Growth Mindset focus, we would like to share some useful tips for parents. This is from the Harvard Graduate School of Education's Making Caring Common initiative. It provides practical advice for families how to develop caring and empathetic young people. Follow the [link](#) to find out more.

Coffee Morning - Wednesday 23rd January 8.15am - 9.15am.

We would like to welcome our new parents to a Coffee Morning with Mrs Quigley. This will take place in the Corporate Lounge on level 6 and members of the our PSG will also be present. Please RSVP to Mei at cchandra@sjj-international.edu.my in the ES office. This is open to parents who have joined SJJIM in January.

Drop in session for new parents - Wednesday 23rd January 3pm - 3.30pm

Parents of all students who have joined SJJIM in Years 1-6 this term are invited to drop in and meet their child's class teacher. You should have received an email today inviting you to the drop in session.

Reports

Your child's report will be sent out next Friday. If your child is in Year 1 - 6, you will have to access the Parent Portal to download your child's report. If you are unable to access the Parent Portal please do contact our IT Helpdesk (helpdesk@sjj-international.edu.my)

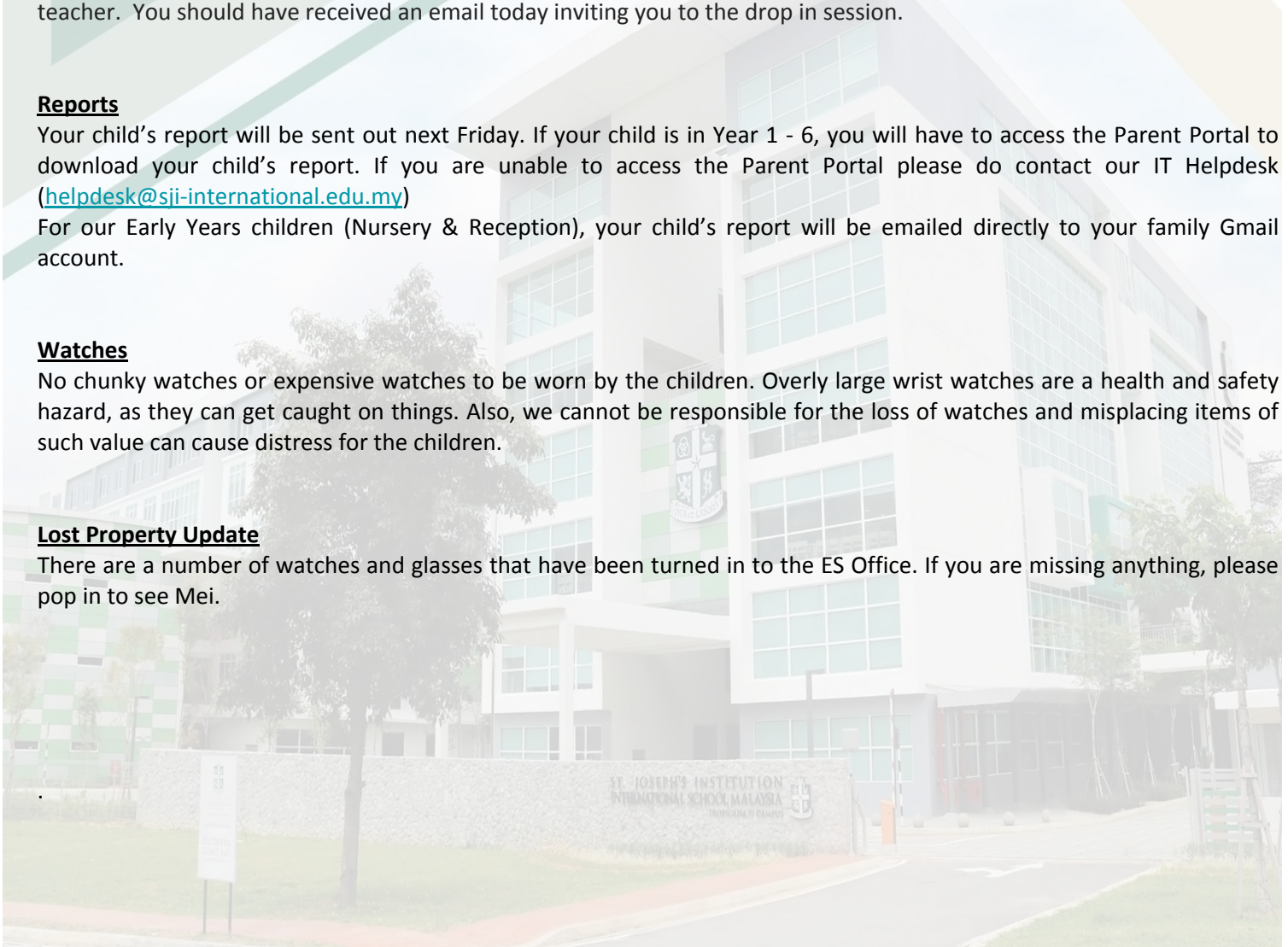
For our Early Years children (Nursery & Reception), your child's report will be emailed directly to your family Gmail account.

Watches

No chunky watches or expensive watches to be worn by the children. Overly large wrist watches are a health and safety hazard, as they can get caught on things. Also, we cannot be responsible for the loss of watches and misplacing items of such value can cause distress for the children.

Lost Property Update

There are a number of watches and glasses that have been turned in to the ES Office. If you are missing anything, please pop in to see Mei.



High School Update

HS Performance Opportunities

There are multiple performance opportunities for our students, both those who learn their instrument internally and externally. They are invited to indicate their interest in performing at our events through a form they can access through the Student Portal. Applications to perform in our Showcase Concert should be made by Friday 25th January. This will help our planning for the polished preparation of performance pieces.

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.

Year 11 and 13 Mock Exam Reports

Reports giving details of the Mock examination results for Year 11 and Year 13 Students will be released on Friday 1st February on the Managebac portal. A confirmation email will be sent to parents once the reports have been released.

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.

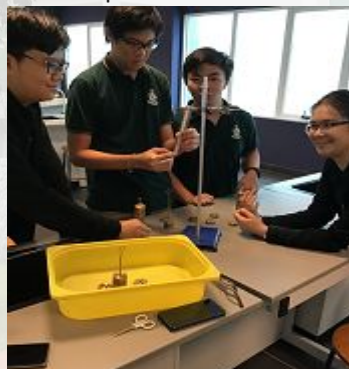
12 Hour Run

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 Karemuno 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](#).

Y12 Group 4 Project

Every year the Year 12 IB students complete a collaborative Science experiment called the Group 4 Project. This year the students were given the theme of Superheroes. Each group of 4 students consisted of students across at least 2 different Science subjects and they designed, collected data and processed the results. Each group created a poster of their findings and presented them to elementary students, teachers and staff in the foyer on Friday afternoon. You can see in the photos that a lot of fun as well as Science took place. Make sure to ask them what they did!



Useful Links



[ES Student Absence Form](#)

[HS Student Absence Form](#)

[PSG International Week](#)

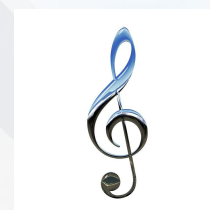


[Sports Website](#)



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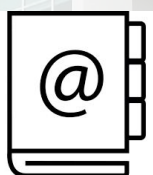
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