SJIIM Weekly Update 1 November 2019

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Lasallian Reflection: The Virtue of Honour:

Honor is living by the virtues, showing great respect for yourself, other people, and the rules you live by. When you are honorable, you keep your word. You do the right thing regardless of what others are doing. Honor is a path of integrity.

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when you...

- Guide your life by your virtues
- · Can be trusted to keep your promises
- · Avoid doing things that make you feel ashamed
- · Respect the rules you want to live by
- · Do what you believe is right no matter what
- Set a good example for others

Affirmation

I am honorable. I keep my agreements and treat others with respect. I care about doing the right thing.



CATHOLIC CORNER:

Thank you to those who attended our monthly Celebration of Faith. It was wonderful to see more high school students amongst us. This month we explored 'Faith'. Through discussions and some practical activities, we examined the concept of faith in ourselves and in each other. We concluded by asking the Lord to strengthen our faith and to guide us in our daily lives.

Our next gathering will take place on the last Wednesday of November-Nov 27th.

November- The month of Holy Souls

All Souls Day is a day to remember all who have died. Help us to remember and pray for our loved ones, to pray for their souls and to do something special in memory of them.

Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and

let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



Safe School Update: This week: On-line Videos





Survey says: For children today, there's nothing quite as cool as watching videos on their phones. Many children own smartphones by aged 11, and phone use is on the rise for children as young as 8. A new <u>Common Sense original report</u> reveals that children aged 8 and older prefer watching online videos more than most other forms of entertainment. For families, this signals a shift from four years ago, when network TV and streaming services far outpaced other platforms.

<u>The Common Sense Census: Media Use by Tweens and Teens, 2019</u> is a big-picture look at how young people i find entertainment and use devices. Beyond screen time, the report explores other critical challenges for families managing media use, from internet access for homework to unregulated, unrated online videos.

The results of this study show that our mission to ensure children's' digital well-being is more important than ever.

Elementary School Update

Deepavali Celebrations

Today, our school community celebrated Deepavali where traditional dress brought a fantastic display of colour to the Elementary school. In our assembly where we were treated to a spectacle of colour and dance. Classes 5S and 5J dramatised the Deepavali story. We enjoyed watching King Rama return to Ayodha following the defeat of Ravana by lighting rows of lamps. Sodexo provided us with a festival themed lunch menu and had a beautiful rangoli created in the dining room for the community to enjoy. Thank you to all parents who helped organising cultural activities and decorations in the classroom. These experiences are invaluable in building an appreciation and understanding of different cultures in our children. Thank you to all our parents for providing such vibrant outfits for today and to our PSG for supporting our Deepavali festivities. If you are interested in getting involved in the next ES event, please see the invitation from the IPC team below.



Car stickers

Parents have requested additional car stickers. It has been agreed that a fourth car sticker can be obtained from the admin office for a fee of RM 50. There will be a maximum of four car stickers per family.

International Week

As you are aware on **Friday, 22nd November**. SJII will be hosting a celebration for International Week and students will have the opportunity to dress up in traditional dress/costumes of their own country or the country their class has been studying. Parents are invited to watch the school <u>International Day Parade</u> in the morning (between 8:15 and 9:00am). More details will follow on class dojo.

Thank you to all parents who have offered to give up their time to run a stall based on one of the countries selected by each year group or a country of their choice on Friday, 23rd November. If you would like to run a stall please get in touch with your class rep. This is a real highlight for the children and your help and enthusiasm is much appreciated.

Many thanks, The IPC Team

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES: TUESDAY 3 DECEMBER SOCIAL MEDIA SAFETY INFORMATION SESSIONS- more information to follow

We will be running 3 identical workshops at different times during the day. (8am, 2pm and 6pm) We would like to encourage every family to be represented at one of the sessions.

Christmas Concerts

Tuesday 17 Dec - all of Year 1 and 2 plus String Ensemble at 9am. Tuesday 17 Dec - all of Year 3 and 4 plus Concert Band at 4pm. Wednesday 18 Dec - all of Nursery and Reception plus Piccolo Singers at 9am. Wednesday 18 Dec - all of Year 5 and 6 plus Cantabile Singers at 5.30pm.



Deepavali Mini Events Celebrations





















High School Update

Character Camp Week

Many thanks and huge congratulations to the students and teachers that participated in Character Camp Week before the holidays. The students and teachers worked incredibly hard on projects to support local communities within Malaysia whilst also participating in some challenging activities that included caving, white water rafting and trekking. The purpose of the camp was to develop moral and civic virtues in students whilst also building relationships within their peer groups and with their teachers.



World Scholar's Cup - Yale

Next week, our World Scholar's Cup teams head off to Yale University to compete at the Tournament of Champions. This represents the conclusion of this year's competition and our teams are excited to test themselves against some of the strongest teams from around the world. We're very proud of all they have achieved and the way that they have worked together and supported each other. They've done us proud in continuing our strong WSC tradition. We'll update you on their efforts when they return.

In Monday's assembly, we will hand out certificates to all of our teams who competed this year and acknowledge our teams departing for the Tournament of Champions.

At the Tournament of Champions, we will also learn the location for this year's Global Rounds! I know a lot of students are hoping for Tokyo!

House Captains and Student Representative Council

In Monday's assembly, we will present House Captain badges to our new House Captains of 2019/20. We're already planning some exciting House Competitions, to be held this term, which will give our new captains that opportunity to lead their Houses.

Shortly, we will also begin the process of electing our Student Representative Council for 2019/20 and our new SRC President. The SRC will hold a Halloween Event on Friday 1st November featuring escape rooms, a Hospital themed haunted corridor and haunted classrooms and lots of pizza.

Character Education Training and ASIST Training

Over the last couple of weeks, a number of teachers in the High School have completed an online course in Character Education led by the University of Birmingham's Jubilee Centre for Character and Virtues.

Next week, Mr Bush and Mrs Fitzgerald will attend ASIST training. For those of you that attended the recent session on wellbeing with Mr Cairns, you will know that this training relates to the identification and safeguarding of students that may be at risk of suicide.



Useful Links



ES Student Absence Form HS Student Absence Form



HS Parent Calendar 2019/20 ES Parent calendar 2019/20



HS Staff Email 2019/20 ES Staff Email 2019/20



November 2019 Menu Term 1 meal charges



Update from University & Careers Counselor



PSG Update PSG Coffee morning



Music Website



Sports Website

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