

SJIIM Weekly Update

17th February 2023

Important Dates:

22nd Feb - Y11 PTM Evening

9th Mar - Y13 PTM

Upcoming Events:

22nd Feb - Mass

24th Feb - Parents Rosary Circle

25th Feb - HS Sports Day

2nd Mar - Benilde Day

7th Mar - Sixth Form Options

15th Mar - IGCSE Options Evening



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"Enter to Learn, Leave to Serve"

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Choosing IGCSE and Post 16 Options can be an exciting and liberating experience for students, but it can also raise questions, anxieties and concerns. But with the right guidance and support, it can be a chance for students to explore new horizons and find the path that is right for them.

As we move towards SJIIM's Sixth Form and IGCSE Options Evenings in March, students should remember that the choices they make now will shape their future. They should think about their ambitions, interests and aptitudes, and use this information to inform their decisions. SJIIM is very proud of the excellent CEIAG (Careers Education, Information and Guidance) programme that runs throughout the school, supported by Heads of Year and Mr Hollis (University & Careers Counsellor), making the decision-making process for students much easier.

Ultimately, choosing IGCSE and Post 16 options is an opportunity to take control of their own destiny. With careful consideration and knowledgeable guidance, they can ensure that they have the best possible chance of achieving their destiny.

Let's hear now from our very own Year 11, Saffron Toh, who is making her own important decisions right now...



Choosing subjects, be it for IGCSE or A-Levels/IB, is obviously a very big step in our lives. As a new academic year approaches, the nervous chitter-chatter about "What subjects am I going to do?" and "I am so lost!" return yet again. [Read more here](#)

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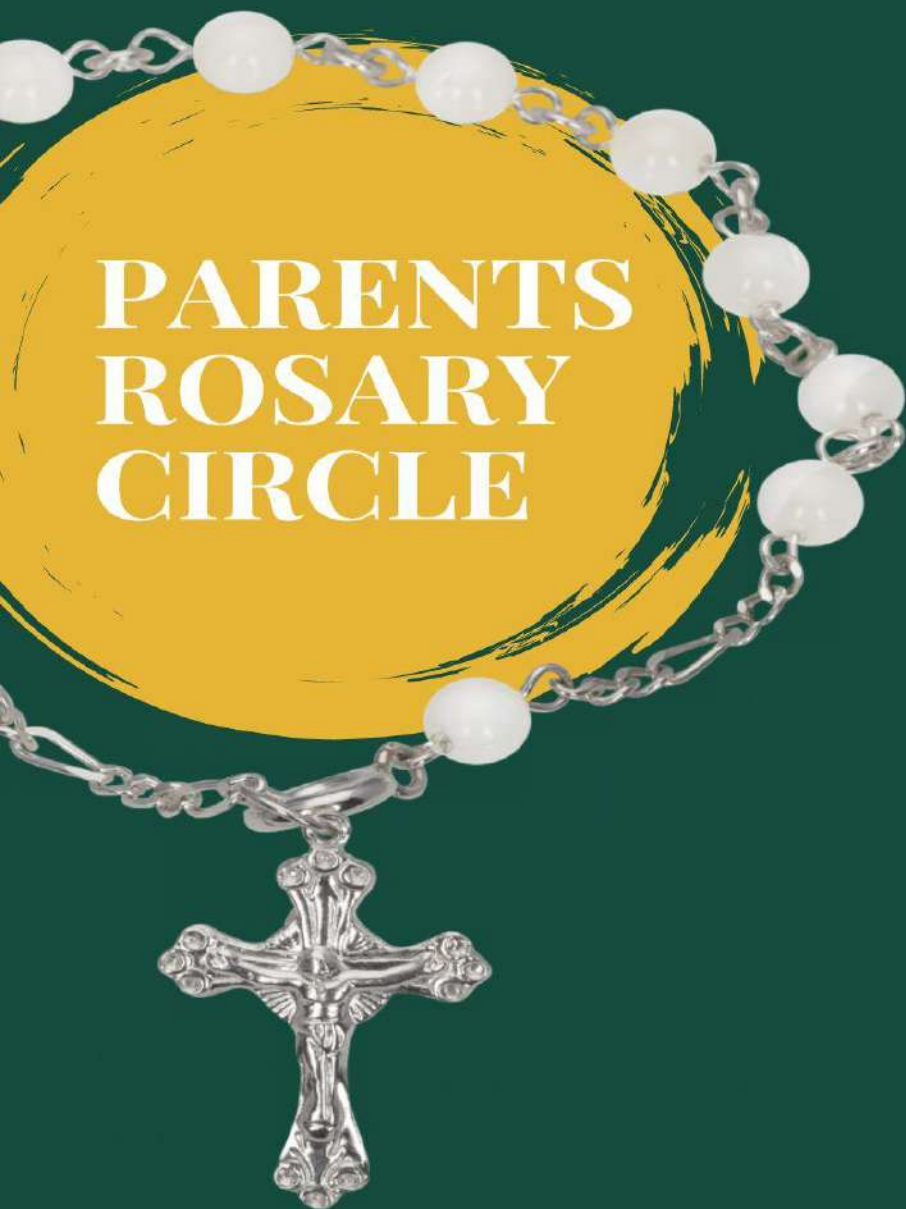
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If you are a Year 9 or 11 student or parent and you want to find out more information, please come along to the Options Evenings coming soon:

Sixth Form - Tuesday 7th March, 4.30pm

IGCSE - Wednesday 15th March, 4.30pm

We look forward to seeing you there!



FRIDAY
24 Feb 2023
8:15-8:50 AM



This season of Lent,
we pray the Stations
of the Cross in the
School Chapel on
the 6th floor.



To join please email:
cac@sji-international.edu.my

This activity is for non-Muslims only.

EVERY 2ND THURSDAY OF THE MONTH

Join us each month to lift the SJIM community in prayer. Just one decade of the Rosary and Christian fellowship as parents gather to pray for our children, teachers & school.

ORGANIZED BY THE CATHOLIC CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

Catholic and Christian Life

This week we began to prepare ourselves for the season of Lent. The children learned about the meaning of Lent and we discussed the different ways that we can prepare for Lent- pray, fast and give.

Mass dates

Our next Mass for students and parents in year 3 and above will take place on Ash Wednesday, February 22nd at 12:30pm in our school chapel, level 6. This Mass will be celebrated by Fr. Martin. Please sign the attendance sheet [HERE](#) if you wish for your child to attend.



Whole School Update

2023 CALENDAR



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Please take note that the last day of Term 3 is on 28th June 2023. Hari raya Haji falls on 29th June 2023 which is a public holiday.



School Photographs

Date : 6th March - 10th March

We are delighted to share that our school photographer will be in school to take class, individual and sibling photos. We are excited to have Fotorex back for the third year.

Teachers will give students a reminder closer to the actual date.



Welcome Baby Hollis!

We would like to share our warm well wishes to the Hollis family as they welcomed their new addition this week.

Baby Hollis (name not decided yet) was born Monday morning. He and Mrs Hollis are both doing well.

We wish Mr and Mrs Hollis, and big brother, Leo, well as they enjoy this special time in their family.



Kangaroo Maths 2023

The school is excited to be entering the Kangaroo Maths competition again this year and we are opening it up to all students in years 3-13. The competition will be held in school on 18th May and payment and entry needs to be submitted before the 20th March. The following [letter](#) contains more details.

If you have any questions, please contact our Heads of Maths; Shaun Wilson swilson@sji-international.edu.my (ES) or Joel Lawrence jlawrence@sji-international.edu.my (HS)



Pick-up and Drop-off Reminders to Ease Traffic

Can we remind parents that there should not be stopping or parking outside the school gates in the morning or at pick-up time. This causes significant congestion and frustration amongst other parents and our neighbours.

Also, please do not park along the football field. Other parents may not realise you have parked and end up waiting unnecessarily. We appreciate everyone's unity and cooperation to support the smooth flow of traffic in our community.



Uniform Guidelines and Haircuts

Please be reminded that there is guidance around haircuts within our school uniform policy. The guidance is below, as a reminder, as some families may not be aware:

The school does not permit children to have 'extreme' haircuts that could serve as a distraction to other children. This includes the shaving of letters, logos or names into a child's hair, Mohicans, steps/undercuts. Hair cannot be shorter than a number 2. Hair should not be dyed in extremes of colour, including unnatural colour streaks.

PSG Update

“Quench your thirst, recharge your energy for a good cause. Come to the drink and snack stall set up by the PSG during the sports day. For more details, kindly refer to the poster”

REFRESHMENTS
for **CHARITY**

 **High School
SPORTS DAY** **25 Feb 2023 (Sat)**
8.00AM to 12.30PM

**DRINKS & SNACKS WILL BE ON SALE AT
THE FOYER & GRANDSTAND AREAS**

All profits go towards purchasing athletic gear for **Rumah Kanak Kanak Impian (RKKI)**, a local orphanage that our PE Department will be working with during Term 3.

The PE department will also be accepting **used sports shoes** (cleaned, bagged & labeled). A donation box will be placed at the foyer on Sports Day. Age group : Girls ages 5-17 & Boys ages 8-14

We look forward to your support!

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TeachMeet at ISP

Four of our teachers from the Elementary School represented SJIIM at a professional development afternoon at International School Parkcity this week called TeachMeet. The event brings together teachers in the region to share innovative ideas that have been successful in classrooms. Ms Wright presented to the group of 60+ teachers about her use of Seesaw in the teaching of geography. Ms Willoughby shared about SJIIM's use of morning meetings in our classes, which play a vital role in creating a connected and happy community. We want to acknowledge our teachers for showing the virtues of excellence and service towards our wider community.



Valentine's Day Assembly

This week marked the celebration of St Valentine's Day across the globe. To tie in with this, children learned about the virtue of love. In assembly, we talked about what it feels like to be loved and how we can show the virtue of love towards those around us, including ourselves! The children thought about the importance of making time for our passions, healthy media balance, making sure we take care of our minds and bodies with healthy sleep routines, a balanced diet and doing regular exercise. These are all great ways to love ourselves.



Chinese New Year Assembly video

We are pleased to be able to share a [fuller length version](#) of our Chinese New Year assembly. We hope this longer version allows you to enjoy the performance again, in all its glory, with your children and family. Thanks again to our Chinese Department for a wonderful show.



Student Representative Council

Our youngest members of the SRC group are currently in the midst of preparing to set up a yoga station in the Calm Zone during lunch times each week. The SRC have proposed this idea in order to create an awareness of the importance of staying active and for children who regularly visit the Calm Zone to join in on keeping active in a relaxing way. They have proposed and received permission to run the station, and now they are researching equipment that they will need, researching and learning yoga poses to teach, and are making posters to invite and encourage students in the school to join us. Check out this photo taken during a meeting with the Deputy Principal.

High School Performing Arts Competition 2023

The 3rd Annual Inter-house Performing Arts Competition Finals took place over the 16th and 17th of February 2023, and we all were given the privilege of watching some wonderful performances from many talented students in HS!



Y11 Clothing Donation Drive

Last November, we launched a costume donation drive. We collected a total of 150+ costumes & accessories!

Over the Christmas break we visited Rumah Kanak Kanak Impian (RKKI), one of the homes under the Society of St Vincent de Paul. The children were all so excited to receive the costumes as an early Christmas gift. They all sang and danced for us in their new princess pirate outfits, it was something really special and heartwarming for us to see. We also donated to Rumah Ozanam Klang girls (ROK)

Thank you so much to everyone who donated. The support we received exceeded our expectations. Attached is a short slideshow with some photos and videos we took of the kids.

Sports Day



On Saturday 25th February, High School will host their annual sports day at school. Students should arrive and be ready for instructions from their House Captains by 7:45. Events will include futsal, netball, basketball, athletics and a variety of other activities. Families and spectators are welcome to attend and show their support!

Will Mutien defend their title or will another House take their glory?

Sixth Form Options Evening



We are pleased to invite Year 11 parents to our first 'in-person' Sixth Form Options Evening since 2019. This event will take place on Tues 7th March (4.30pm) and is designed to help our Y11 families make informed choices about Post 16 study at SJIIM. Parents and students will hear briefly from the Sixth Form team before getting the chance to chat to our IBDP and A Level teachers about their subject choices. We look forward to this exciting event, which follows our internal scholarship interviews taking place next week.



The PAWS committee would like to thank everyone for their contributions over the 3 months since the Sponsor a Pet project launched. Since the start we have received a lot of support from the individual donations, the Christmas raffle for doughnuts and our recent collaboration with the SLC for Palentines! We are pleased to say that we have raised a total of RM1274 since the start of the project. The pets at PAWS will certainly appreciate this grand donation that will be put to sponsoring 4 pets for 3 months. This money will go to helping the shelter with the costs involved in caring for unwanted dogs and cats and it is entirely funded by the generous donations of the public as well as proceeds from charitable events. We are on our way to raising enough funds to and are still hoping to meet our target of sponsoring a pet for each of the school houses, so if you haven't yet and are still willing to add a donation of RM20 to the PAWS fund, your contribution will be greatly appreciated. Payments can be made directly to the school either in person or by bank transfer, please just remember that if you make a donation to say that it is for the PAWS fund.



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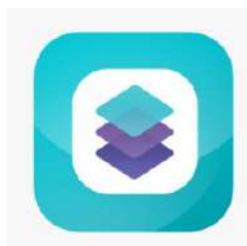
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