

## SJIIM Weekly Update

20th January 2023

### Important Dates:

30th Jan - 9th Feb - IB mock exam

23rd -24th Jan - CNY public holidays

25th-27th Jan - Half Term 2 break

30th Jan - Back to school

6th Feb - Public holiday (replacement for Thaipusam)

### Upcoming Events:

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### Chinese New Year Events

The Jade Rabbit welcomes the spring, happiness come to the school. (玉兔迎春至, 幸福到校来). All the teachers and students had a joyous and unique Chinese New Year (CNY) celebration today.

First of all, thanks to the efforts of our parents support group (PSG) in making this event a success. The CNY cultural fair, kindly organized by our wonderful PSG was the highlight of the event. From the moment our students entered the fair, they enjoyed the authentic CNY tastes; Jiǎo Zi (饺子), Niǎo Gāo (年糕) and a wide variety of other festival snacks including ubiquitous Mandarin oranges. With the Chinese traditional games, such as the iron roll, the Chinese shuttlecock, throwing pot, hopscotch, students have left the usage of smartphone and computer games, instead enjoying these games with their peers, experiencing the joy of the traditional games of the old days!

In addition, we also had a school-wide lion dance and a song-guessing game at the MPH. The lion dance performance was not only the highlight of the program and brought a lot of joy to the students and teachers, but also to promote the understanding of the Chinese traditional lion dance as a culture for the whole school.

### ES CNY Celebration

This year in Elementary School we celebrated the "Year of the Rabbit" with a fantastic stage performance. Children who joined the twenty-four festival drumming (二十四节令鼓) CCA awakened the Spring with their roaring thunderous rhythms! Our Early Years children enlightened the season with their adorable dance and Kung-Fu fighting. The year 4 & 5 assembly hosts entertained the school and the parents with their funny acting, and the poetry recitation team from our year 5 advanced class touched our hearts with their eloquent readings. Year 3's song; "Listen To Me, Thank You (听我说谢谢你)" reminded us of the virtue of thankfulness. Last but not least, our theme song for this year; "Celebrate the New Year with Joy" (开心过年), presented by year 6, added climax of the celebration.

The CNY cultural fair, kindly organised by our wonderful PSG, has been another highlight of the festivities. From the moment they entered the fair, our children enjoyed authentic CNY tastes; Jiǎo Zi (饺子), Niǎo Gāo (年糕) and a wide variety of other festival snacks including ubiquitous Mandarin oranges. Children also forgot about their smartphone and computer games, and experienced the joy of the traditional games of the old days!

### HS CNY Celebration

High school students from Year 7 to Year 13, made a lot of effort for the Chinese New Year events especially the student representative council (SRC), from planning the cherry blossom art competition, the Huat Project, the cookie wishes to the whole of High school's "LOU SANG" event.

The High School's Chinese New Year assembly showcased the talents and courage of our students. We have programmes such as Chinese instrument "steel tongue drum" and violin duet performance, student-led fan dance performance, Y8 sign language performance, Y8,9 & 10 vocal ensemble, and the highlight of our 24 festive drumming performances by the Elementary and High school students.

Once again, thanks to all the teachers, students, school leadership team, administration team, technical teams, nurses, canteen staff and not to forget our cleaners and guards from school. A big thank you to you all. Thank you.







## Catholic and Christian Life

Catholic CCA for term 2 commenced today. It was wonderful to see so many old faces returning and we also enjoyed welcoming new faces to our growing community. This term we would like to extend a warm welcome to Ms. Joanne who works in Early Years but will be leading the year 1 and 2 children for this term.

Today we focused on the Bible and the commandments of the Lord. Our craft was inspired by the words of 1 John 4:7 'Let us love one another' and we also linked our craft to our Chinese New Year celebrations- The Year of the Rabbit.



## Whole School Update



### Lost & Found

We seem to have accumulated a rather large amount of swimwear bags and water bottles. Please be aware that after the Chinese New Year holiday, the lost and found items will be cleared. The school will be open on Wednesday, 25th January to Friday, 27th January next week should you need to come and look for any lost items. Thank you for helping us.

## 32ND SELANGOR AGE GROUP SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS



(13-15 JANUARY 2023)

We had 22 swimmers representing SJIIM in the Selangor Age Group Swimming Championships which was attended by Swim Clubs from all over Selangor. Our swimmers swam well in their races, nervous at first but they switched their focus quickly to a positive mindset setting new personal best times. It was a great experience for our young and new swimmers, to be competing in a huge swim meet with some of our faster Selangor State swimmers. They had a treat to spectate UK's Olympian and World Champion, Ben Proud racing the 50m Freestyle, clocking in 22.06 seconds.

Congratulations to Kirsten Loh for qualifying and being selected to represent the state in Malaysia Open Swimming Championship 2023. Congratulations to Kirsten Loh and Janyn Loh for achieving top 3 in the Novice category in their respective events.

We are extremely proud of our swimmers who showed resilience and took the initiative to swim when they had access to a pool outside of school. The leadership and teamwork skills that our High School swimmers showed in pulling together a relay team and training together during the Christmas break were hugely admired. Huge thank you to our supportive parents and dedicated coaches, Coach David and Coach Keith. Well done everyone!- Coach Zyanne

### NEW! SJIIM SPORTS FEATURES WEBSITE

Please visit our new sports fixtures website. Here you can find dates for fixtures (be aware that they are subject to change) as well as match reports and photographs from previous competitions. The PE department will keep this up-to-date, so keeping checking for any events that may involve you or your children.

We also welcome any feedback for ways to improve the site moving forwards.







## Mutien Day

Thursday was Mutien House's Saint Day. Children demonstrated the virtue of service by sending turtle decorative notes to their classmates and teachers in recognition of virtues they see in each other. The House Captains created joy for our youngest EY students by creating an obstacle course for them at playtime as well as putting on Mutien themed arts and crafts during breaktime. We are grateful to the Mutien House Captains, Sher Yen (6S) and Amber 6J and our ES House Leader, Coach Keith for leading the organisation of the events of the day and making it all happen.



## Mid Year Reports

Today your child's Mid Year Report is available on the SJIIIM Parent Portal on ISAMs. A letter explaining the report in more detail was sent to your family Gmail yesterday. The address for the Parent Portal is:

<https://sji-international-my.parents.isams.cloud/api/login/>

If you have forgotten your username or password please reset it via the 'forgotten your details' link on the page linked above. If you have any difficulty accessing the portal please contact: [helpdesk@sji-international.edu.my](mailto:helpdesk@sji-international.edu.my).

The help desk is open from Monday to Friday, 8.00 am to 4.00 pm (excluding public holidays). If you wish to discuss any aspect of your child's progress, please contact the class teacher, or the relevant specialist teacher, at your earliest convenience.



## Recognition of Character Notifications

We are excited to share a new enhancement to our Character Education programme called 'Recognition of Character'. This is a short message sent to parents as and when their child has been spotted demonstrating an act of excellence in character. Teachers may now not only acknowledge children within the classroom but may also send home a 'Recognition of Character' note via your school Gmail account.



## Beauty and the Beast Parent Helpers Needed!

If you are interested in helping out with our term 3 ES production, please contact Miss Chin on this [link](#).

We are looking for strong leaders to lead in:

**1) Costume (need to have sewing skills)**

**2) Props**

**3) Make Up**

Thank you in advance for your helpfulness and service!

## Gong Xi Fa Cai!

What a wonderful day of celebration. Special thanks to our Parent Support Group for organising the Chinese New Year Cultural Fair and for decorating the school so beautifully. We want to congratulate the Mandarin team for yet another amazing show. This year's Chinese New Year show, including drama, dance, singing and some spectacular humour too!

**祝大家新年快乐，万事如意，兔年大吉，开心过年！**





## Year 7 'Let Me Entertain You'

On Tuesday 17th January from 4.30-6pm, in the auditorium, we were treated to an amazing showcase of our Year 7 talent. The event gave Year 7 students the opportunity to develop confidence, teamwork and a sense of pride in our community. Thank you to everyone who attended, the students and Miss Williams for the amazing evening.

Here are some pictures of our talented Year 7s!



## Year 10 English Trip

Tuesday saw our Year 10 students descent upon Central Market and Petaling Street in KLCC, in order to sample the sights, sounds and smells of this unique part of Kuala Lumpur's history. The purpose of the trip was to inspire our Year 10s as they commence the writing of their descriptive coursework, and the students walked the markets making notes on a structured worksheet, chronicling their experience in preparation for a longer piece of descriptive work when back in school. In amongst the learning we also found time for chicken, rice and pancakes!





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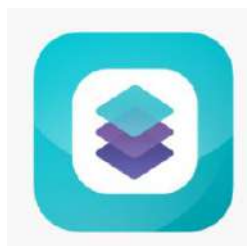
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