# SJIIM Weekly Update 30th Sept 2022

Important Dates: 15th Oct - HS & ES Parent Teacher Meeting

**Upcoming Events:**6th Oct - Parent Prayer Circle



#### ST JOSEPH'S INSTITUTION INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL MALAYSIA (TROPICANA PJ CAMPUS)

"Enter to Learn, Leave to Serve"

### Message by Mr Gary Cairns, Head of School





On Wednesday afternoon, we held a special afternoon tea for the students and parents who attended, and performed so well, at the World Scholar's Cup Global Round in Bangkok. The special afternoon tea was attended by Brother Felipe and Brother Patrick who were keen to join us to celebrate the success and achievements of our students.

As you will have seen, we are very proud of our students for what they achieved - the medals and the trophies. I want to take the time though to recognise them for the amazing young people that they are as well.

I have been leading the WSC since I joined the school in 2016. We started our CCA with about 16 or so students who knew little about the competition. This week, we launched our new CCA to almost 80 students.

Over the years, I have had the pleasure to work with some incredible students and this group are no different.

To take part in the WSC requires drive, commitment, teamwork, a willingness to work hard and a willingness to step outside your comfort zone. Our students, whatever their success, never stop cheering each other on, never stop applauding others and always conduct themselves with the greatest humility.

At the end of the competition, our students burst out singing 'We are Lasallian'. They wanted to share where they came from, what they valued, what we stood for. They were proud of the school and proud of each other.

For that, I am proud of them.

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#### Catholic and Christian Life.



## **Parent Prayer Circle**

This will take place on October 6th at 08:15 am in the LMC.

#### **Mass**

Thank you to everyone who joined us for Mass last Wednesday. We would like to extend our gratitude to Fr Alvin and wish him the best in his new posting. We will update you in the near future regarding upcoming Masses.

#### Catholic CCA

A new record for attendance has been achieved for Catholic CCA. A big thank you for this wonderful support. We will add photos each week as part of sharing the learning with our school community.

# **Sports Update**

#### Fixtures for next week:

Tuesday 4th October - GIS Friendly Swim Meet

Wednesday 5th October - U15 Girls Football @ IGBIS

Wednesday 5th October - U9 Benchball @ HELP International School

Wednesday 5th October - U15 Boys Football @ Taylors Puchong

Thursday 6th October - U18 Boys Football @ IGBIS

# **Elementary School Weekly Update**



#### **Parent Teacher Conferences**

We are pleased to inform you of the Parent Teacher Conferences for Mandarin and Class Teachers in Early Years and Elementary School. These are opportunities to meet your child's class and Mandarin teachers to discuss their pastoral and academic development. These meetings will happen face to face at school.

Date: Saturday, 15th October Time: 8.00am-2.00pm Signup open - 7 Oct 8am Signup close - 13 Oct 4pm

You will book your child's appointments through the school's online booking system, Meet the Teacher. Specific login details for your children and further important information about the conferences have been sent to your family Gmail.



#### **House Captain Election Results**

Congratulations to our new ES House Captains for this year!

Benilde: Siobhan Fung (6S) & Megan Oh (6I) Jaime: Seyeon Sohn (6S) & Isabel King Cejas (6I)

Miguel: Roy Yim (6J) & Jaylea Wong (6I) Mutien: Sher Yen Lee (6S) & Amber Lee (6J)

We wish you the very best in your new leadership roles.



#### Responsibility - a visit from the dentist

In line with our virtue of responsibility, students learned about taking responsibility for their teeth in assembly today. The dentists from Kindle House Dental Clinic kindly came into school and shared with students some of the key routines to achieving good dental hygiene. The children really enjoyed the game that the dentists created! It was so lovely to have members of our broader community in supporting our students learning.



# **Student Representative Council (SRC)**

The election of our new SRC was announced in assembly this week. Students have been invited to apply by 10th October. They can do this by submitting a short video on Seesaw, or they can prepare a speech. These will be shared in their class, so their classmates can vote.

# High School Weekly Update



# SJIIM Alumni Event: Applying to Oxford

Last week, SJIIM alumni Tan Zhen Yi joined us to share her experiences applying to and being accepted into Oxford University. Her presentation provided a wonderful opportunity for our Y10-13 students to find out more about applying to Oxbridge and other prestigious universities. We thank Zhen Yi for giving up her time. As our IGCSE top-scorer in 2020, she obtained 10A\* and received the Top in Malaysia Award for Cambridge IGCSE International Mathematics in 2019. We asked Zhen Yi what her biggest advice is for students about to sit their IGCSE or sixth form exams, and who dream of one day applying to Oxbridge. She said, "Don't do things for the resume -- do the things you are passionate about, and do them well. Find the things that interest you, and remember to prioritise your sleep, your health, and your wellbeing!"



#### 12 Hr Run

Friday saw the 4th 12 Hr Run, and the biggest yet, with over 150 students participating. Racing and going without sleep for a good cause students from Y7-13, plus some familiar faces from the SJI past, came together to run, walk, crawl and eat copious amounts of sweets and fried chicken! A huge thank you to the teachers who helped out, the parents who came to support and most of all the students in the 12 Hr Run Committee who planned and prepared the event with supreme skill and attention to detail. Finally, thank you to our guards and school nurse who worked the full 12 hour shift with smiles and good humour. Next year we hope to involve even more students and we will keep you updated on the amount the run has raised. Please do help your child collect their sponsor money.



#### Football - Under 18

This was our first Under 18 boys football tournament of the year and the boys have raised the standard already. We started a little nervous but starting playing comfortably once the nerves had settled. We beat both Beacon House and King Henry VIIII 1-0 and drew with Fairview KL 2-2 to finish the group in 1st place. We lost 3-1 in the final to IGB with a slight chance of a comeback but we had some tired legs at the end. Great job SJIIM. Let's carry out the momentum for our tournament next week.



### 6th SJIIM Scholarship Awards Ceremony

On Tuesday, parents, teachers, Brothers, the Board of Governors, and Y10-13 students were able to witness and help to celebrate the fantastic achievements of our Y12 and Y13 scholarship students. We heard speeches from our LYM leaders, Meagan Motha and Allison Yee, who reflected on the importance of service in building community, from Alastair Tan, President of the SRC, who shared the ways in which the scholarship has afforded him opportunities to grow as a student, leader, and cohort member. Ms. Sarah Cole, Head of Sixth form, gave a speech highlighting the purpose of our scholarship programme and the ways that these students have enriched our community beyond their academic achievements. There were musical performances by Shao Yong Chan, Caithleen Eng, Deborah Ong, and Dhanya Dharmendran and a special performance led by Jynez Tan.

# **Useful** Links



ES Student Absence Form **HS Student Absence Form** 



HS Menu Term 1 22/23 ES Menu Term 1 22/23



Catholic Corner 22/23



Music Website



HS Parent Calendar 22/23 ES Parent calendar 22/23 Parent Calendar 22/23





**Schoolsbuddy** CCA - ES CCA- HS



WS Teaching Staff Email 22/23



PSG Update 22/23



Epurse (Top up credit) Tapestry (For ES) Parent portal (For ES)



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