SJIIM Weekly Update 12th May 2023

Important Dates:
19th May - Founder's Day
Celebration (early dismissal)
Early Years 12:00
Elementary School 12:15
High School 12:30

21st Aug - Start of Term 1 for Academic Year 2023-2024

Upcoming Events:
24th May - High School Class
Ensembles Concert
26th May - ES Student Led
Conferences
27th May - ES Sports Day
10th - 12th June - WSC Regional
Round
23rd June - EY Sports Day



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"Enter to Learn, Leave to Serve"

Under 11 Primary FOBISIA Games 'The Friendly Games'

It gives me great pleasure to share this update after returning from our first ever trip to the FOBISIA Primary 'Friendly Games' at The Pattana Sports Resort in Thailand. This has been a long standing event for FOBISIA schools, and after a three year absence, it was wonderful that our school was able to take this opportunity to take part.

The games aim to create a positive, inspiring experience where participants learn sportsmanship and the value of healthy competition. It is an opportunity for competitors to realise their potential, foster personal growth and engage with other athletes, forming friendships in the context of 'The Friendly Games'.

I am immensely proud of the 20 Y5 & 6 girls and boys who committed to the trip this year. They competed superbly in 3 days of hard fought competition. Day 1 saw our team win many medals in swimming and athletics. Day 2 was the children's first experience of playing in a Tee Ball tournament and our mixed teams performed brilliantly in this great game of skill and tactics. Day 3 saw the boys and girls compete separately against tough competition in football. Both teams played some of their best football to date and can be very proud of the resilience, skill and effort they showed.

We were supported loyally by participants' parents, some of whom we were very pleased to see enjoying the thrill and excitement of the games in person. I am very grateful to the coaches that led the children. Coach Zyanne and Mr Long mentored the children superbly in the importance of sportsmanship; win, lose or draw, and in competing with courage and honour. I truly look forward to 'The Friendly Games' becoming a longstanding tradition at our school for students to enjoy for many years to come.

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Whole School Update

Catholic and Christian Life

This term in Catholic CCA we are dedicating our learning to Mother Mary. Throughout this month (May), we will learn more about Mother Mary and we will practise saying prayers written in her honour including the Hail Mary and the rosary.









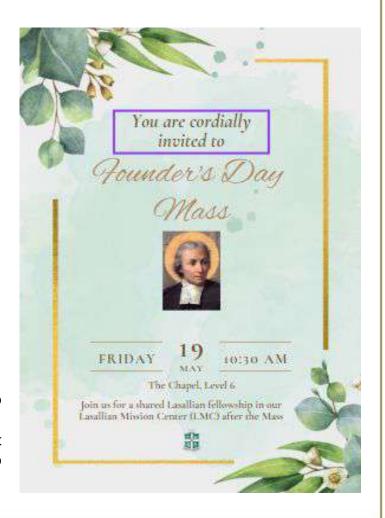
Founder's Mass

This Mass will take place on May 19th in our school chapel for students in year 3 and above.

Please use the sign up link <u>HERE</u> for your child to join.

Shared Fellowship

There will a shared Lasallian fellowship afterwards on the fifth floor. Even if you are unable to attend the Mass, you are most welcome to join us for the fellowship afterwards (11:15am).



Whole School Update

Founders' Day



SJIIM's Founders Day SHARE CARE fundraiser kicked off this week with parents gathering to create handmade gifts for donors.

New friendships were forged, and new skills were learnt over coffee. The fellowship shared in helping the Malaysian Association of Paediatric Palliative Care (MAPPAC) care for terminally ill children has made it a meaningful way to start each day!

100% of donations will go towards the purchase of milk and medicine infusion pumps, and ventilators. Donate to MAPPAC via the SJIIM Finance Office from 2nd to 16th May, and receive a KitaKitar upcycled gift with a minimum donation of just RM50.

If you'd like to volunteer please email kitakitar@sji-international.edu.my











Selangor Symphony Youth Orchestra Concert - Discounted tickets

On 18th June 2023, SJIIM will host the Selangor Symphony Youth Orchestra as they present their concert *From The New World*.

There is a 20% discount available to SJIIM students and their family members, using the code **SJIIM_20%** at checkout.

For more details and booking link see the information here.

PSG Update

The Parent Support Group (PSG) Committee would like to invite any enthusiatic and dedicated parents to join the committee or as volunteers. If you are interested, kindly express your interest through this email psg@sji-international.edu.com.my by 19th May.

Whole School Update

KL Shakespeare Player











Last Friday saw the KL Shakespeare Players bring Shakespeare to life at SJIIM, performing Macbeth to both the Elementary and High Schools. For many students, this was not only their first experience of seeing Shakespeare performed but also their first experience of live theatre, particularly for our younger students who have endured nearly three years of lockdowns. As Mr Cairns emphasised in his update last week, the genius of Shakespeare lies in his timelessness; what themes are more relevant today than greed, misuse of power and how betrayal catches up with us all in the end? For these are the themes of Macbeth, and our students also got to see the craft and care that goes into live performance, not to mention the courage. In the high school, students got to grapple with the depth and weight of Shakespeare's use of language, and unpick the messages within it- vital skills for IGCSE, IB and A Level.

The elementary school performance focused on telling the story of Macbeth in an engaging and interactive way. Our students were part of "Team Macbeth", "Team Macdonald" and "Team Cawdor" and were fully immersed in the play - creating their own battle cries, banquet dances and even a soothsaying potion! The elementary school was able to see the power of words when brought to life, the joy of live theatre and the longevity that gripping storytelling can have. Literature is at its most impactful when it envelops you in the story, and our children were truly swept away and inspired by this experience.

SJIIM has now welcomed the KL Shakespeare Players a number of times, and we hope to continue creating opportunities for our students to see world class drama live either at school or at local theatres.

Elementary School Update





ES Sports Day

Unfortunately, due to the MOH directive postponing outdoor activities at school, we will be cancelling our ES Sports Day on 27th May. Mr Long already has plans in place to hold a replacement event in the MPH once HS exams have finished. This event will take place during the school week and further information will follow.



Assembly week extravaganza

This week we were treated to not one but three classes getting on stage to share their expertise in The Human body and the virtue of diligence. 1J not only helped us to understand how important our 5 senses are, they also danced and sang to much loved Dem Bones song. The children clearly had a blast on stage and loved seeing so many mummies, daddies and grandparents attend.

In year 6, 6J and 6M came together to share their expertise about the virtue of diligence. We saw how Thomas Edison needed this virtue to become the great inventor that he is famous for today. We also saw how the children needed diligence to become better in their learning and sports. It was great to see our younger and older students jump on stage with such big smiles and such confidence.



Student Led Conferences

We are delighted to inform you that on Friday 26th May, Student Led Conferences will return to the Elementary School. On this day, parents/guardians are invited to come to school with their child to discuss and celebrate their child's learning. Please see the letter shared today with more information and the timings for each year group. A booking sheet and timetable will also be shared by class teachers on Monday 15th May at 4pm.



Founder's Week Service games in support of **MAPPAC**

Early Years- Year 6 students

Service Games- RM10 to join in the fun.

All proceeds will go to the Malaysian Association of Paediatric Palliative Care (MAPPAC), our chosen service project for Founder's Week 2023.

Your child is welcome to pass on their RM10 to their class teacher any day throughout Founder's Week.

Play your Part

"Play Your Part" is a school-based exhibition planned and organised by the Year 12 Geography students based on different themes related to social issues that need awareness. The themes include Climate Change, Plastic Pollution, Animal Conservation and Gender Inequality. This aims to inform the school community about these problems and encourages students to seek ways to "play your part". Come and see the exhibition while it is on display on the ground floor near the school shop! If you miss it, the boards will later be on display in the HS humanities corridor. We are so impressed by the work that has gone into designing these boards and their important messages. Way to go above and beyond!





Mental Health Awareness

Thursday marked SJIIM's Mental Health Awareness Day. We enjoyed welcoming parents in the morning to participate in a workshop on how they can better support their children with their mental health. Mental health can be at times a very complex, dynamic and intricate system, with many facets and twists and turns. We focused on the social and emotional skills that young people learn in the classroom and at home can help them to build resilience to cope with whatever challenges that life throws at them and set the pattern for how they will manage their mental health throughout their lives. More info here.

High School Weekly Update

ARTS WEEK

During this week the High School have enjoyed a range of activities including assembly performances, lunchtime busking and tutor time painting. More info and photos here.









High School Class Ensembles Concert - 24th May 2023 4:45pm

On 24th May ensembles from various music classes will perform, including our year 7 Honours Band and Year 7 class concert bands. We look forward to celebrating the musical development of our students across the year and hope you will join us.

Useful Links



ES Student Absence Form HS Student Absence Form



HS Menu Term 3 22/23 ES Menu Term 3 22/23



ES Parent calendar 22/23 HS Parent calendar 22/23 Parent Calendar 23/24



WS Teaching Staff Email 22/23



Catholic Corner 22/23



PSG Update 22/23



Music Website



Schoolsbuddy WS CCA



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



Sports Fixtures
Website



If you need support, please email customerservice@tekgroup.my or call 0125537202 (Ms Kosmita) Online guide for SJIIM

HS Booklist 2022/23

ES Booklist 2022/23