

## SJIIM Weekly Update

16th June 2023

### Important Dates:

27th June - HS PTC

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

### Upcoming Events:

19th - 23rd June - HS camps

23rd June - EY & ES Sports Day

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*"Enter to Learn, Leave to Serve"*

### **The Importance of Drama in Character Education by Mr Andrew Bayfield**

Drama, in its various forms such as theater, film, or even role-playing exercises, can play a significant role in building character in young people. In the week of our Beauty and the Beast ES production, what better time to think about the myriad ways drama helps develop the character of young people. Amongst many, five ways drama builds character are:

**1. Self-confidence:** Drama provides a platform for young people to express themselves, speak in front of others, and perform. Through rehearsals and performances, they learn to overcome stage fright, build self-assurance, and develop a strong presence. This newfound confidence extends beyond the stage and can positively impact various aspects of their lives.

**2. Empathy and understanding:** Drama often involves portraying diverse characters with different backgrounds, experiences, and emotions. By stepping into someone else's shoes, young people learn empathy and gain a deeper understanding of the human condition. They develop the ability to see the world from different perspectives and appreciate the complexity of human emotions, fostering greater tolerance and compassion.

**3. Communication and teamwork:** Drama requires effective communication, both verbal and nonverbal, between actors, directors, and production teams. Young people learn to articulate their ideas, actively listen, and collaborate with others. They develop the ability to work as part of a team, negotiate differences, and solve problems collectively. These skills are invaluable in personal relationships, academic settings, and future professional endeavors.

**4. Creativity and imagination:** Drama encourages young people to tap into their creative potential and explore their imagination. It allows them to think outside the box, come up with innovative solutions, and develop their own unique artistic expression. This fosters a sense of creativity that can be applied to various aspects of their lives, such as problem-solving, critical thinking, and finding alternative perspectives in different situations.

**5. Resilience and adaptability:** Drama often involves facing challenges such as memorizing lines, dealing with unexpected situations and responding to unexpected elements whilst on stage. Performers also experience rejection, criticism and are constantly told the opinions of others on their craft.



## Catholic and Christian Life



## Gratitude

On June 15th we celebrated our last Mass of the school term. As a school community, we are hugely thankful to Fr. Lawrence for his spiritual guidance over the course of the academic year. A big Thank You to all our parents and staff who have contributed to the development of the Catholic and Christian life in our school. We are truly grateful for all the opportunities and blessings received.

**St. John Baptist de La Salle, Pray for us.**

**Live Jesus in our hearts, forever!**

## Christian & Catholic Community HS Outing

Today, a group of the Christian and Catholic Committee students visited a Samaritan Hope Home where they helped to serve food for the homeless brothers and sisters, as well as cleaned their shelter. The motto of the service was "Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me" (Matt. 25:40), hence we believe it was our privilege to serve those in need. We then were invited by His Excellency Wojciech Zaluski, Pope's delegate for Malaysia, for a private audience where students had a chance to discuss matters regarding faith and listen to Nuncio's highly entertaining and enriching life experiences. The trip aimed to rekindle our youth's spirit of service and awareness of brothers and sisters in need, whom we are called to serve by Christ





## End of WS CCA Programme and ASCC

This week is the last week of CCAs and after school care (ASCC). Students should now be picked up at the end of the timetabled school day.

Please note that HS students are not allowed to remain behind at the end of the school day to play basketball as supervision is not provided.

We now look forward to the new academic year of Term 1. If you have any suggestions or know of any CCA providers that you think would add to the variety and quality of our programme, please send contact details to [ryanlong@sj-i-international.edu.my](mailto:ryanlong@sj-i-international.edu.my)



## Beauty and the Beast - tickets still available

### Elementary School needs your support!

Students from Year 3-6 have been rehearsing tirelessly over the past two terms for their end of year production and it would be great to see some older students in the audience. It's a great family show with lots of well known songs to sing along to like 'Gaston', 'Be our Guest' and 'Beauty and the Beast'. There's still a chance to see the last performance on Saturday at 2pm! Tickets are still available [online](#), please scan the QR to purchase.

## Booklist 2023/2024 & TEK Online Store

HS and ES textbooks 23/24 are available for purchase on 1st July. Please see [Online guide](#) for SJIM and find here the [HS Booklist](#) and [ES Booklist](#). You are also entitled to a 10% discount when you use this [app](#) to make purchase.

All books can ONLY be purchased via ONLINE. Parents are also encouraged to purchase uniform via online although they are still being sold in the school's bookstore. Please refer to the [Bookstore Operating hours](#) if you wish to come to the school to make purchase.





## Beauty and the Beast



Here are some of the magical moments on stage during our premiere performance of Beauty and the Beast yesterday. A massive congratulations to the cast and crew for producing an amazing show!



## Parent Reps in Assembly

We were delighted to welcome our year 1-6 class parent reps to the assemblies today. Our students showed their virtue of gratitude for all the things the parent reps have supported this year; class parties, sunflower growing, school trips and festival celebrations were just a few of things the children expressed their thanks for. We are blessed to have such lovely people in our community who contribute tremendously to the learning and joy at school. We look forward to welcoming more parent reps into the team next year. Thank you!



## End of Year Reports out next Fri

Your child's End of Year report will be available through the ISAMS Parent Portal on Friday 23rd June, by midday. A letter explaining the report in more detail will be sent on Thursday 22nd. The address for the SJIIM Parent Portal is:

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

Should 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 the SJIIM Helpdesk at:

helpdesk@sji-international.edu.my



## Lost & Found

While parents are on site for Beauty and the Beast Production, it would be a great opportunity for you to look through our 'Lost and Found' area which is located by the canteen. We seem to have accumulated a rather large amount of swimwear bags and water bottles. Thank you for helping us with this.



## Year 5 trip to District 21

On Wednesday, Year 5 pupils went to District 21 to celebrate the end of the year. They had so much fun rock climbing, trampolining and exploring all the other activities there. Thank you to our parent volunteers for your time - the whole team really appreciate it.



## EY and ES Sports Day

On Friday 23rd June, all of our EY and ES students will be engaging in a short sports day in the MPH. They will enjoy some friendly competition in their houses across 4 different activities. Students are required to wear their House PE kit for the whole day.



## World Scholar's Cup, KL Regional Round



Last weekend saw SJIIM students steal the show once again at the World Scholar's Cup, KL Regional Round, with both 1st place overall qualifier trophies going to our students. The theatre echoed with the repeated call of St Joseph's scholars to the awards stage, and teachers, parents & fellow scholars applauded loudly and proudly as they collected their many medals and trophies.

Our students excelled in all areas of the World Scholar's Cup challenges: Team Debate, Collaborative Writing, Scholar's Challenge and Scholar's Bowl. Collectively, 16 trophies, 146 gold medals and 90+ silver medals were won. You can view all of the winners [here](#).

It was a proud moment to also cheer on Joe Ng when he was selected to debate in the Debate Showcase, as well as cheering on Albert Zhang as he performed in the Talent Show.

We are extremely proud of all of our students and the dedication they have shown to the study of this year's WSC curriculum. Next stop: Bangkok Global Round in September, before world domination in the ToC in Yale in November.





## HS Parent Teacher Conferences

EOY exam reports will be sent out on Monday 19th June. Meet the Teacher platform will be opened on that day and closed on 23rd June for Parent Teacher Conferences, scheduled on 27th June.



## Parent Partnership Representatives 2023/24

Each month, we meet with High School parents to discuss school matters and gather feedback on a wide range of issues. The feedback that we receive in these meetings are vital in providing us with different perspectives and helping us to improve the experiences of members of our school community.

To volunteer to represent your child's year group, please complete the Google Form [here](#).



## Sixth Form Taster Day

On Tuesday, 13th June our Year 10 students had the opportunity to experience our Sixth Form in a jam-packed day full of information and fun. They began the day speaking with SJIIM alumni who chose either the IBDP or A Levels as their Sixth Form curriculum. They asked important questions about how these students made choices post-IGCSE, and how they knew which curriculum was right for them.



Students were also able to meet with four different fantastic universities, including King's College, the University of Exeter, the University of Sheffield, and the University of Melbourne. They also met with our alumni who are currently studying in the UK, Canada, and Australia during our Progression Marketplace. More info and pictures found [here](#).



## The Transformative Impact of Teamwork and Character Development

In our latest Character and Wellbeing session of the academic year, our students rocked it! They were super engaged and sparked some awesome debates. They were all about stressing how important teamwork is and how it helps us solve problems. They were like, "Hey, let's share our skills and work together to crush those goals!" They even mentioned that being able to collaborate in different situations helps us be curious, think critically, and never give up. More info and pictures found [here](#).







## Year 9 Project

It has become SJIIM tradition that Year 9 embark on a research project towards the end of the year in order to further develop research and academic project skills ahead of their transition onto IGCSE courses in August. This year is no exception, and the focus of this year's research project will be on service and sustainability: two topics close to any Lasallian's heart. For more info and pictures please refer [here](#).



## Lasallian Education Service Learning Update

It has been a busy term in LEdu with the service learning projects that Years 7 to 11 and the LYM have been involved in. Amazed as always at the commitment and devotion from so many of our students, not only to make a difference in our own but the extended communities we care about. It makes me very proud of the achievements of the SJIIM community and especially grateful for the support we receive from our parents. So a very big thank you from me and very much looking forward to next year. Please see updates [here](#) for all the Y7 to Y11 service projects.



## Y11 Graduation

Our Y11 graduation was a wonderful affair and saw this fantastic group of students rightly honoured. Amongst many students to be awarded, Amira Marcellus took home the LaSallian Service award and Palijia Shrestha the Character award, with both students showing outstanding to the community throughout their time at SJIIM. The student choice speech was delivered with confidence and good humour by Lara Gan, and we also enjoyed musical performances from Matthew Alden Kurniawan and the Year 11 rock band, fronted by Shiloh Nouvel Caloupe. Congratulations to all of the graduating Year 11s and we are so happy to welcome many of you back next year as our founding A Level students. More photos will be shared with parents soon.





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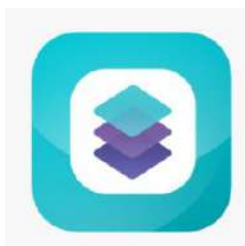
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