# SJIIM Weekly Update 9th June 2023

Important Dates: 27th June - HS PTM 21st Aug - Start of Term 1 for Academic Year 2023-2024

Upcoming Events: 10th - 12th June - WSC Regional Round 14th June - Y11 Graduation Day 15th June - End of Year Mass 19th - 23rd June - HS camps 23rd June - EY & ES Sports Day



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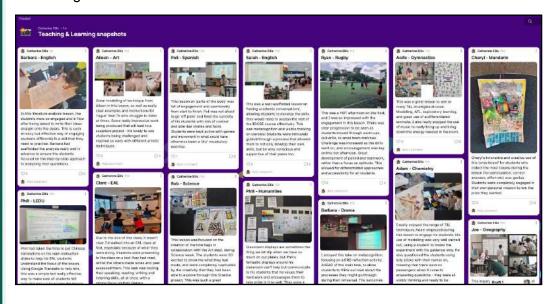
#### ST JOSEPH'S INSTITUTION INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL MALAYSIA (TROPICANA PJ CAMPUS)

"Enter to Learn, Leave to Serve"

#### **HS: Teaching and Learning Snapshots**

As part of SJIIM's commitment to high quality teaching and learning, members of the middle and senior leadership teams drop in on a range of lessons every week to see what our teachers are teaching and what pedagogical approaches they are using. Quite often leaders are looking for specific approaches to teaching that are being driven through the school development plan. This year's foci have included differentiation and metacognition specifically.

As well as providing staff with feedback after each drop in, the middle and senior leaders take photographs of key moments of good teaching practice to share with other teachers via a 'Teaching & Learning Snapshots' padlet that is shown in staff briefing every week, and made public for the rest of the staff to gain ideas from and comment on.



#### Here are some stand out moments observed this term:



Ms Cole delivered a well-scaffolded English lesson on 'having academic conversations', allowing students to develop the skills they would need to access the rest of the IGCSE course effectively. This allowed students to display their own metacognition and visible thinking. Students were intricately guided through a process that allowed them to not only develop their own skills, but be very conscious and supportive of their peers too.

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This inquiry-based Humanities lesson, delivered by Mr Taylor, was so well thought out and engaging. Students were completely engrossed in their learning from start to finish. Mr Taylor's role was minimal in the lesson, as all of the thought as a teacher had gone into considering how the students needed to find out this learning for themselves and planning an excellent set of resources. A joy to watch, and skillfully executed!

Ms Drennan's EAL English class was very impressive to watch. Students were presenting to the class on a text they had read, whilst the others made notes and peer assessed them. This task was testing their speaking, reading, writing and listening skills, all at once, with a strong focus on their literary knowledge. The stretch and challenge of this task was very impressive, considering the issues students face with language acquisition. it was lovely to see how Ms Drennan boosted their confidence at every opportunity.





Ms Mah's innovative and creative use of this 'prize board' for students who collect the most tokens during the lesson (for participation, correct answers, effort etc) was a great teaching and learning tool. Students were completely engaged during this Mandarin lesson, in their own personal mission to win the prize they wanted, working as hard as they could to achieve it.



This was a great PE (gymnastics) lesson to see so many T&L strategies at once. Ms Battle was modelling, assessing students constantly, encouraging exploratory learning, and making great use of a differentiated laminate resource. She also used music skillfully to really bring up and bring down the energy needed in the room.

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#### **Catholic and Christian Life**



**End of year Mass** 

Date: June 15th, Thursday

**Time:** 12:30pm

Venue: School chapel

Student sign up **HERE** 

Year 3 and above.

Parents are warmly invited to join us,

#### **Catholic CCA**

In our Catholic CCA this week the children enjoyed learning about the Holy Spirit. We focussed on who the Holy Spirit is and how the Holy Spirit can help guide us in our daily lives. The children also learned about the fruits of the Holy Spirit. We agreed that each of these fruits are equally important in living a life that is pleasing to the Lord.







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#### Staff Appreciation Lunch by PSG

Last Friday (2nd June), PSG hosted a remarkable staff appreciation event that left a lasting impact on all who attended. It was an incredible opportunity to express gratitude and recognize the hard work and dedication of SJIIM staff members.

We wanted to take a moment to extend a heartfelt thank you to the entire school community. Your dedication, hard work, and unwavering commitment are truly appreciated.

**PSG Team** 



#### Meet our Deli School Team

A reminder that there will be a presentation at **3:30pm on Monday, 12th June** by our new canteen operators, Deli School. The session will take place in the auditorium.

If you happen to be in school for this, please do check the <u>Lost and Found corner</u>, as it will be cleared out at the end of the school year.



#### 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 there 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 know songs to sing along to like 'Gaston', 'Be our Guest' and 'Beauty and the Beast'. Tickets are available online, please scan the QR to purchase.

## Elementary School Update



#### **Students in the Spotlight - Max Ma!**

Max Ma in 5J recently competed in a Southeast Asia wide Street Dance competition held in KL last weekend. He won the first runner up prize and his dance was amazing! We have shown in the to student in class and they were suitably impressed. We hope to see lots more from Max, adding to the dance scene at SJI!



#### Year 3 trip to Kidzania

Year 3 were full of excitement as we got ready to leave for our final trip of the year; to Kidzania! We got to do many different jobs and activities. There was a petstore, Foodpanda supermarket where you could be a delivery person and even an escape room! We made Tealive drinks that we got to drink after, the options were Mango, Original and Matcha flavour. My favourite activity was being an Air Asia pilot, I even crashed the plane! - by Isla Aman and Tia Tate, 3J



#### **Music Assembly**

Our music assembly was a showcase of talent, passion, and the power of music. We saw performances from our Big Sing Choir as well as a diverse range of solos from a selection of students in our instrumental programme. The assembly was a testament to the dedication and hard work of our students, highlighting their creativity and commitment. We were also treated to a sneak preview from our upcoming Beauty and the Beast production! Don't forget to get your tickets for what promises to be an awesome show; premiering next Thursday!

## High School Weekly Update



## Congratulations to Mrs Fay Parker on the birth of her baby girl!



#### Exams are over!

Today marks the end of the exam season. The IBDP exam ended on 19th May and yesterday, the IGCSE students sat for their final exam paper. The End of Year exams for all HS students also ended today. The students have all worked so extremely hard towards these exams, and we are sure that their efforts will be reflected in their final grades!

It has been a pleasure to support the IB and IGCSE students as their behaviour in every examination has been exemplary. They have all been a credit to the school and their families and we look forward to celebrating their success. We wish them the best in their future endeavor.



#### Year 6's High School Day

On Thursday, our Year 6 cohort had the opportunity to experience a day in the High School setting. They engaged in various learning activities, including English writing techniques, mathematical problem solving and scavenger hunts, hands-on scientific experiments, and playing a selection of musical instruments in the music class. They thoroughly enjoyed the chance to meet some of their prospective teachers and gain insight into the learning opportunities that await them in the coming year. A wonderful day for all students as they prepare to transition to Year 7 in August.

## Useful Links



ES Student Absence Form HS Student Absence Form



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



Music Website



Sports Fixtures
Website



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



Catholic Corner 22/23



Schoolsbuddy WS CCA



WS Teaching Staff Email 22/23



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Tapestry (For ES)
Parent portal (For ES)



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