

SJIIM Weekly Update

1st September 2023



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

"Enter to Learn, Leave to Serve"

Whole School Update Feature

Selamat Hari Merdeka!

I hope that you enjoyed Malaysian Independence Day with your families yesterday.

Last week, you may have noticed that we shared an update from me via the school's website and social media platforms. As we move forward, I will continue to do this regularly and this will serve as a replacement for the main feature page of the whole school update so, from next week, the Whole School Update will be more focused on things that have happened in school and upcoming events that we wish to remind you of.



Yesterday, and this morning, we said farewell to our students participating in the World Scholar's Cup in Bangkok. In total, 39 of our students set off to the Global Round to take part so please do watch out for updates about how our students are doing. Unfortunately, this year, I was not able to accompany the students (as I needed to get a new passport) but we are all there with them in spirit and I am grateful to Mr Lawrence, Mrs Merrett, Ms Selvakumar and Mr Ford for giving up their time to accompany the students.

If you attended Mr Long's session last Friday, you will see that our calendar is full of great opportunities for students to participate in should they wish - we have everything from gymnastics to golf to rock climbing to codebreaking and a Battle of the Bands.

As you may know, we talked a lot about experiential learning last year and ensuring that our students had the opportunities, post pandemic, to learn beyond the classroom. I am a huge believer in this. Not only does it provide more opportunities for students to explore their passions and interests, the relationships that you build through these experiences stay with you for life. As new teachers to the school, I cannot think of a better way for Mrs Merrett and Ms Selvakumar to get a sense of who we are at St. Joseph's than spending that time with our students.

Ora et Labora.
Mr Cairns

Upcoming Events:

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Catholic and Christian Community

We are very much looking forward to developing the Catholic and Christian life of our school this year through our termly CCA program, monthly Masses and special events as well as through ongoing service projects and trips. As always, we have a wonderful team of dedicated parents who fully support by organising various prayer groups, supporting with key events such as the Christmas Bazaar and fellowship to name but a few. If you are a new parent and would like to know more, please email at Cac@sjj-international.edu.my

Catholic CCA

Catholic CCA in the Elementary School starts on Friday 8th September for students in year 1-year 6. We are very excited to welcome back our existing students and to greet new members.

The timings for this CCA are 2:50-3:45 pm. Just to note that all students are collected from the main foyer at 3:45pm. These sessions are child centered and age appropriate. As such, students are grouped according to their age group (years 1 and 2 together and Year 3-6) .

Please use the sign up sheet [HERE](#) if you wish for your child to join.

EPurse: balance on cards for snacks and lunch

We wish to remind parents that transactions in the cafeteria is cashless. This is to ensure a smoother flow during break and lunch times. We ask for parents' co-operation to ensure that the students' EPurse cards have sufficient funds for snacks and lunches.

You can top-up the EPurse card using the following:-

1. On line using FPX by logging into the portal <https://eservice.sjj-international.edu.my/> using your sjj parent log in ID.
2. Cash or Credit Card at the Finance office

CCA Reminder

CCAs begin next Monday 4th September.

If a student is enrolled in a CCA that requires payment, payment must be made by Friday 8th September at the latest. After this deadline, students will not be allowed to attend the activity until payment is made.

Details for how to make payment can be found on our [Whole School CCA Website](#)



The poster is for a Mid Autumn Festival event at Tropicana Gardens Mall. It features a large yellow moon, colorful lanterns (red, blue, yellow), and the Chinese text '中秋节快乐' (Happy Mid-Autumn Festival). The event is a 'Lantern Making Competition' with two categories: Category A (Open for all) and Category B (Under 12 years old). Category A submissions go to the Information Counter on the CC Floor, with a submission date of September 10-23, 2023. Category B submissions are on September 16, 2023, from 2PM to 5PM in the Centre Court, 2nd Floor. Prizes worth more than RM5000 are offered. A QR code is provided for registration, and a green circular logo indicates that only recycled materials should be used. The background is a mix of purple and orange with falling lanterns and white rabbits.

TROPICANA GARDENS MALL

MID AUTUMN Festival

中秋节快乐

Lantern Making Competition

Category A: Open for all
Submit to Information Counter, CC Floor
Submission date: 10 - 23 Sept 2023

Category B: Under 12 years old
16 September 2023 | 2PM - 5PM
Centre Court, 2nd Floor

prizes worth more than **RM5000**

Use only recycled material

Scan here to register.

*Terms and conditions apply.

Mid Autumn Booth Participating Brands



signature market

Palace 3



Milky Way



and more...

facebook.com/TropGardensMall

instagram.com/tropicanagardensmall/

www.tropicanagardensmall.com.my



Birthdays in School

When it is your child's birthday, you may send in **one small individual cupcake or snack** for each child in **your child's class**, if you wish to celebrate. Treats are not meant to be sent to the whole year group, as this can put financial pressure on some families, as well as meaning that the children may end up with treats very regularly. If you wish, you may also donate a book to the school library and it will be inscribed with your child's name when it is added to the collection. If families wish to have more elaborate celebrations, these should take place outside of school.

Parent Information Sessions

Next week there will be two parent information sessions running. We welcome any interested parents along.

Languages (Bahasa & Mandarin)

Monday 4th September,
1:00pm - 2:00pm (virtual, on Zoom).

Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86199549985>

Meeting ID: 861 9954 9985

English as an Additional Language (EAL)

Monday 4th September,
3:30pm - 4:00 pm

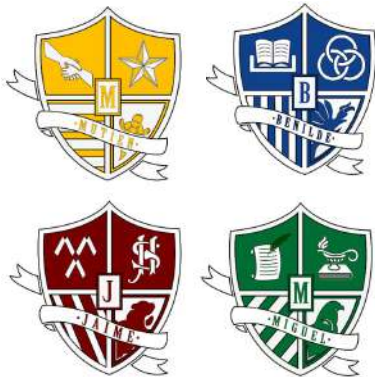
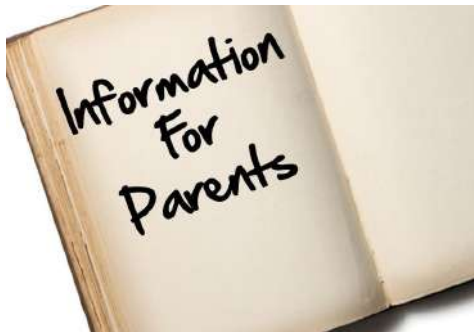
Venue: EAL Room, Level 1 above the Early Years classrooms

House Captain elections!

Next Friday, some of our year 6 students will show their virtue of courage in our assemblies by sharing their speeches in a bid to become one of our Y6 House Captains this year. Students will then get a chance to vote for their choice for who they would like to lead their House this year. We wish all applicants the best of luck and thank you for the courage and enthusiasm you have shown.

Merdeka Assembly

Today we marked the celebration of Malaysia's 66th birthday with a special assembly. The children learned about the meaning of Malaysia's independence day and sang the Malaysian national anthem 'Negaraku' in honour. We thank our Music teachers Mr Hariz and Ms Kimberly for helping the students understand and practise this important song; performing it with dignity and respect.



We are very pleased to announce the use of **PARENT GOOGLE CLASSROOMS** this year. In case you missed it at the recent welcome events, the links are below.

[Year 7 Google Classroom invite link](#)

[Year 8 Google Classroom invite link](#)

[Year 9 Google Classroom invite link](#)

[Year 10 Google Classroom invite link](#)

[Year 11 Google Classroom invite link](#)

[Year 12 Google Classroom invite link](#)

[Year 13 Google Classroom invite link](#)

You can set Google Classroom up on your laptop or phone, and access all documents and important information, relevant to the academic and pastoral care of your child, in one easy-to-find place. Please note that this communication platform is still developing, and we will be building on the information here as it becomes relevant during the course of the year. Do make sure you manage the settings to enable notifications if you want them.

Reminder: in order to access the Google Classroom or any SJIIM documents, you must be logged onto your device with your **SJIIM Gmail account**.



World Scholar's Cup

This week many of our students departed for Bangkok to take part in the global round for World scholars Cup. On Thursday, 27 students departed for the Junior Category and an additional 12 students joined them on Friday to take part in the Senior Category. We wish them the best of luck and a safe trip and we look forward to hearing how they got on and how much fun they had!



Parent Helpers for HS Production

We are excited to announce the High School will be producing Into The Woods this term with performances on 7-9 December. We are looking for parent volunteers to lead teams for Set, Props and Costume/Makeup. If you are interested in leading a team please contact Heather Smith indicating which area and your experience: heathersmith@sjj-international.edu.my



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[Term 1 23/24](#)



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[HS Parent Overview Assessment 23/24](#)
[HS Parent Calendar 23/24](#)



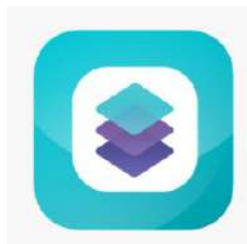
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