

SJIS Weekly Update

25th April 2025



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"Enter to Learn, Leave to Serve"

Important Dates:

21st Apr - 11th June IGCSE exam

23rd Apr - 11th June AS/A Level exam

28th Apr - 21st May IBDP exam

Upcoming Events:

1st May - Labour Day - no school

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This Week's Highlight at SJIS

World Book Week

World Book Week has been action packed with lots of opportunities to share and encourage our love for reading through the entire school. The elementary students started the week with guest readers from High School sharing their favourite picture books from when they were younger. Friday was a spectacular end to the week with all of our students dressing up to celebrate their favourite characters. One of the highlights was a wonderful performance from a magician, where even some lucky children had the chance to join in on stage! Both the teachers and students were amazed by the incredible magic tricks and didn't want the show to end. The whole school has been buzzing with a positive and vibrant energy around the school. It has inspiring to see the importance of reading and literacy so enthusiastically celebrated across the school. Thank you everyone!



High School

World Book Week in HS has been a lively celebration of all things storytelling. The week started with an energetic performance of *The Tempest* for Years 7-10, delivered by KL Shakespeare Players, and concluded with a wonderfully varied book-themed dress up. In assembly, we explored the role that reading plays in all of our lives, including how it influences our culture and contributes to our wellbeing. A range of activities across the week - including daily word-related starters and tutor time competitions - provided students with the opportunity to engage with Literature in novel ways, while the Year 8 students' visit to read with elementary pupils helped foster a sense of community and reminded us all of the joy of reading.

Catholic and Christian Community -CCC

As the season of Easter comes to a close, it was special to come together for a whole school Mass with our students in Year 3 and above. We kept Pope Francis in our prayers. There was a real sense of togetherness as we reflected on the hope of the Resurrection. It was a quiet, thoughtful moment for our school community to end the season in faith.



Moms in Prayer

In our *Moms in Prayer* gathering today, our parent community came together to pray for the staff and families of SJIS. It was a comforting and supportive session, as we drew strength from one another through prayer and connection.



SPV Update



Hari Raya Celebration

This Hari Raya, the SPV had put up all the Hari Raya decorations in the school foyer featuring a traditional Malay house, panels of batik cloth and some festive bunga mangga.

During the Hari Raya celebration in school, the SPV had organised a dance troupe called Inang Sari to perform two traditional dances during a special assembly for KS1 and KS2 students. The Inang Sari consists of multiracial seniors in their 50s and 60s under the Active Ageing programme of Taylor's University and are students of the Malay traditional dance class conducted by Madam Koo Soo Ming. They performed the Inang Tari Selendang and the Joget Selayang Pandang. These graceful and upbeat dances are traditional dances performed at cultural events, weddings and celebrations. The students really enjoyed the performances and had an opportunity to go on stage to learn some of the dance steps as well.

The SPV also prepared a spread of traditional Hari Raya delicacies for both High School and Elementary school students to sample during their lunch break. The students enjoyed sampling roti jala, lemang, serunding and a variety of cookies."



Pickleball Parents

"The SPV is organising weekly pickleball sessions for SJIS parents. Register via the QR code on the poster and come join us every Thursday!"



MSSD

We would like to take this opportunity to recognize and congratulate some of our students who participated in the recent MSSD. Their dedication and sportsmanship were truly commendable:

Tu Jie Ming - Cross Country

Nurul Demellia binti James- Artistic Gymnastics

Kymber Lee - Artistic Gymnastics

Joell Chen - Chess

Maximus Tee - Chess

Congratulations to Maximus Tee for getting 2nd place and being selected to compete in MSSS. All the best!

MSSS Swimming 2025

We are incredibly proud of our swimmers who represented our school at the MSSS Swimming Championships during the first week of Term 3. They delivered strong performances across the board, achieving impressive new personal best times.

A special shoutout to our senior swimmers, who showed remarkable commitment by competing while also preparing for their upcoming exams—true dedication! Our inspired junior swimmers also gave it their all, racing their hardest and showing great spirit in every event. It's exciting to see such potential and enthusiasm from our younger athletes. We'd also like to give a special mention to Joohwan, who took on the 800m Freestyle for the first time. It was a big challenge, and he rose to the occasion, finishing the race with a well-earned sense of accomplishment. Well done! More info found [here](#).



Early Years Trip to Village Grocer

This week, our Early Years children embarked on a delightful local adventure as part of their learning about healthy eating and community. With much excitement, they set off to explore the local area and purchase ingredients for some healthy and tasty snacks.

It was a joy to see our youngest learners showing such independence, excellent listening skills, and fantastic teamwork throughout the morning. Once back at school, the children helped prepare their snacks and, in the afternoon, brought everything together for a joyful Teddy Bears' Picnic.

The day was filled with laughter, learning, and shared moments – a wonderful experience that brought their learning to life in such a meaningful and memorable way!



World Book Week

What an amazing week we've had with SRC running a lunch time 'character plate' activity, and the KS1 book swap. We ended the week with a bang in our 3rd annual Costume Catwalk followed by the mesmerising Mauri the Magician. A fantastic effort from all our students and teachers, thank you for bringing the magic of reading alive.

Term 3 CCA, EAL ASP & ASCC

Term 3 CCAs, including EAL and After School Care Club begin Monday, 28 April and end Friday, 14 June. Please check SchoolsBuddy for your child's schedule and ensure they attend in PE kit for sports-related CCAs. Equipment is optional unless specified (e.g. golf, skateboarding). Arrange transport for on-site/off-site CCAs (Golf: 5:00 PM, Tennis: 4:20 PM). For the new weekend sports programme (starting 26–27 April), parents must remain in designated areas and are not permitted in changing rooms or poolside. For full details, visit the CCA Term 3 website or contact cca@sji-international.edu.my with queries.



Labour Day 1st May

Please note that there will be **no school on Thursday, 1st May** in observance of **Labour Day**.



FOBISIA Virtual Concerto Competition Finalists

Congratulations to Aileen Eng and Ming Lang (Eric), who were presented with certificates in High School assembly on Monday after previously being selected as finalists to represent the school in the FOBISIA Virtual Concerto Competition. While they did not place in the final round, both students received valuable written feedback from two expert adjudicators. We hope their success will inspire other students to enter next year's competition, which involves preparing one movement from a concerto.



12 Hour Run Fundraiser Update

We're excited to share the success of our recent 12 Hour run. Thanks to the incredible efforts of participants, supporters, and generous donors, we raised a total of **RM16,668.30**.

The funds have been equally divided between two charitable organisations — Allergic Rescuers KL, which provides urgent help for animals in need, and Shelter Home for Children, which supports underprivileged children.

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who helped make this event meaningful and impactful. Your support has truly made a difference in our community.



More highlights from World Book Week - dress up day!



Mastering Leadership For Youth Programme



APPLICATION IS NOW OPEN!

The Mastering Leadership For Youth Programme

Held at Lady Margaret Hall, Oxford

15 - 20 December 2025

APPLY NOW

info@youthfuel.my

For students aged 13 - 16. Monday 28th April at 9:30am. For parents interested in finding out more, please see the Zoom link below.

“Find out more about this Winter programme to be held at Lady Margaret Hall, Oxford University. The main purpose of the programme is to provide an extraordinary opportunity for our youths to go into the heart of one of the world’s most celebrated universities and provide them with the opportunity to live, learn, eat and play on the campus of Lady Margaret Hall, Oxford University. The programme aims to create role models among youths of this country to become ethical, fearless and effective leaders of tomorrow.”

“Working together with Oxford University professors and students, the programme is designed and takes into consideration three core components with emphasis on leadership, critical thinking and learning English through drama, public speaking and literature workshop.”

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85288766681?pwd=bNHv4AvrwRdRcT6E5ZxVScnxsd7axo.1>

Meeting ID: 852 8876 6681

Passcode: 989388

	DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3	DAY 4	DAY 5	DAY 6
8AM - 9AM	Breakfast					
9AM - 12PM	Check in at Lady Margaret Hall	English Drama & Theatre Workshop	Critical Reasoning & Informal Logics	Oxfam Supply Centre	Team Building Activity	University Application & Admissions
12PM - 2PM	Lunch					
2PM - 5PM	Oxford Walking Tour	English Drama & Theatre Workshop	Distinctions of Leadership	Global Solutions: The Lost Food Project	Public Speaking & Presentation Skills	Oxford Castle & Prison Tour
5PM - 7PM	Dinner					Programme Ends
7PM - 10PM	Ice Breaking Activity	Oxford Theatre	Ice Skating	Talent Night	Awards Ceremony	



Staff Lasallian of the week:
Ms Aoife Battle

Celebrating the achievements of our Lasallians of the Week in assembly.





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