

SJIS Weekly Update

30th May 2025



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This Week's Highlight at SJIS

Year 1 & Nursery: IPC Showcase

Year 1 completed their IPC Green Fingers Exit Point by showcasing their knowledge of plants to children in Nursery and Reception. We loved visiting the younger classes and helping them plant their own seeds. We proudly explained what plants need to grow and were so excited to see how curious and enthusiastic they were! To finish off, we let our creativity shine by decorating some of the insects we've been learning about, which are now brightening up our outdoor areas. What a wonderful way to celebrate our learning!

Important Dates:

21st Apr - 11th June IGCSE exam

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

3rd - 10th June HS End of year Exams

Upcoming Events:

11th June 8am - ES Parent Workshop Phonics Programme, Read Write Inc.

30th June - HS PTC

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Catholic and Christian Community (CCC)

Connecting Through Play at the Kitch'n Club

We had a wonderful morning playing pickleball at The Kitch'n Club, surrounded by great company and good cheer. A group of CCC parents joined in the fun, along with Brother Mico and Brother Butch, making it a special gathering. The morning was filled with laughter, friendly competition, and plenty of encouragement from the sidelines. The positive energy and team spirit made the event especially memorable. After the games, we enjoyed a light breakfast together. Over coffee and cake, we reflected on the importance of community, wellness, and shared moments. A big thank you to our hosts, Ben and Clarine, for organising this joyful event to round off the academic year.





Message from KitaKitar

SJIIS raises RM19,670 for the Samaritan Hope Home!

Thank you SJIIS community for your generous response to our Hungry for Change campaign, which aimed to raise funds for the Samaritan Hope Home (SHH) operated by Sr. Fatima of the Little Sisters of the Poor. This soup kitchen feeds the many homeless in the Jalan Pudu area and also has a shelter for men. Special thanks to all our ES students who contributed RM2,670 through their Service Games and the Korean community who contributed RM870 from their Founder's Day food stall. We are also grateful to everyone who has supported the secondhand uniform store this year, which contributed RM11,300 towards SHH. It has been a meaningful Founder's Day as this donation will help SHH serve approximately 3,934 meals to those in need. Please see more pictures [here](#).



Update from SPV

Founder's Day

The SPV participated in the Founder's Day picnic and is pleased to contribute RM 2292 to the Lasallian Youth Movement. A big "thank you" to all our volunteers who helped out that day.



Teachers & Staff appreciation BBQ Party from SPV

Thank you to our awesome SPV parents for the wonderful BBQ party!





TEXTILES DRIVE

Year 6 is exploring the human dimensions of migration in their IPC this term! As they connect with the migrant community in Malaysia, Year 6 is collecting preloved textiles to help empower Afghan refugee women in the NGO Greater Action. These refugee tailors repurpose donated textiles into unique handcrafted items that they can sell to support their families. Acceptable textiles include kain songket, sarong, sarongs, bedsheets, quilt covers, curtains, scarves, cushion covers, tablecloths, and sofa throws. Donations of clean, good-condition items can be made to the textiles dropbin in the school foyer from 30 May - 6 June 2025.

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KitaKitar + Year 6 Textile Drive

[\(link here\)](#)

As part of the Year 6 IPC Unit 'Moving People', students have been exploring the lives of refugees on a global scale, as well as closely observing how action can be taken on a local level. One of these is through working with 'Greater Action', donating textiles which can be upcycled into amazing products. Therefore, next week there will be a beautifully decorated bin **IN THE FOYER**, created by the students, which will be a **TEXTILE TROVE** of donated textiles. This can include bed sheets, linen, clothing, cushions, curtains and scarves.



Golden Surprises Await!

In the spirit of our upcoming ES production, *The Secrets of the Chocolate Factory Show*, the SJIIS Parent Volunteers (SPV) are excited to launch the limited-edition **Golden Chocolate Bar**!

Each bar contains a **mystery prize** - just scratch the Gold Ticket contained in each chocolate bar to reveal your prize!

PRE-ORDER for RM13 before

4th June to enjoy early savings at <https://bit.ly/GoldenChocBar>

Bars and prizes can be collected at the **SPV Concession Stall** during *The Secrets of the Chocolate Factory Show* on **18-19 June**.

(Limited bars will be available for sale during show nights for RM15.)

ES Production

The Secret of the Chocolate Factory

Tickets On Sale Now!

Don't miss this magical performance by our talented elementary students!

How to purchase:

- Visit the Elementary Office
- WhatsApp: 017-466 9689
- Contact Ms. Heather directly

Tickets are limited, **get yours today!**



AIMS Language Competition

We are proud to share that 14 of our ES students represented SJIIS at the AIMS Language Competition held on 24th May at HELP International School. It was a valuable and enriching experience for all participants. Special congratulations to **Aryan Aditya Mathavan**, who earned a **Bronze Medal in MP2 (Year 3 & 4) Bahasa Malaysia – Foreign Language**, and **Carlo Jianuo Yang**, who received a **Bronze Medal in MP2 (Year 3 & 4) Mandarin – First Language**. We commend all students for their effort, confidence, and enthusiasm in showcasing their language skills on a regional stage.



Year 3 Service Learning

Year 3 have fully embraced our service learning unit on Random Acts of Kindness. From making sandwiches for our school community to quietly placing positive notes in classmates' lockers, their small acts have made a big impact. The words, "In a world where you can be anything, be kind," perfectly capture what they've shown — kindness is a small act that can make a big difference.



Class Assemblies this week

3J - 3J produced a lovely assembly sharing their recent experience from the Year 3 residential. The children showed courage and confidence reading their lines and we enjoyed sharing all the wonderful photos and videos from the experience.



5S - 5S impressed the school with a heartfelt assembly celebrating the virtue of loyalty. The students demonstrated their strong bonds and teamwork by sharing a collection of their favourite topics learned throughout Year 5. Each performance was a testament to the class's loyalty and commitment to one another. Their confidence, collaboration, and care for each other shone brightly on stage, leaving the audience inspired and proud. Well done, 5S, for an unforgettable assembly full of learning, friendship, and loyalty.



AIMS Language Competition 2025 – Celebrating Mother Tongues and Global Connections!

On Saturday, 24th May, our High School Languages team proudly brought 14 students to the AIMS Language Competition 2025, the biggest event of its kind across AIMS schools. This year's theme, "Celebrating Mother Tongues and Global Connections," shone a light on the power of language to bridge cultures and foster understanding.

After months of preparation - from writing scripts to rehearsing speeches, our students delivered outstanding performances and came home proudly with three prizes:

- 1st Place – KS4 Mandarin (Foreign Language)
Lee Geonwoo (Brandon) (Year 10)
- 2nd Place – KS3 Spanish (Foreign Language)
Juhuk Moon (Year 9)
- 3rd Place – KS4 Bahasa Malaysia (First Language)
Wan Sumaiea Wan Saifulrizal (Year 10)



Year 7 Class Ensemble Concert

On the 28th of May, the year 7 Cohort performed to their families and friends. Each class had to present 2 unique pieces and perform them on stage to celebrate learning a wind instrument for the past academic year. The evening also saw a special performance of 'We Don't Talk About Bruno' by a group of talented Y8 students (Ameer, Sally, Nicole, Will and Alice Hou) alongside the Concert Band and Jazz Band CCA. The evening ended with all of Year 7 playing 'Hard Rock Blues', a fun piece to end the evening.



Bronze DofE Qualifying Journey – A Weekend of Challenge and Achievement

This past weekend, our Bronze Duke of Edinburgh's Award participants completed their **Qualifying Journey**, marking a major milestone in their DofE experience. Over the course of two days, students put their training into practice as they navigated through unfamiliar terrain, carried all their kit, cooked their own meals, and camped overnight — entirely self-sufficient and as part of a team.

Congratulations to all our Bronze participants — this is a **tremendous accomplishment**, and we look forward to seeing how you continue to grow through the other sections of your DofE Award. Well done!

Please find more info [here](#).





Baby Boom in the High School

Congratulations to the members of our SJIS staff community who have had babies over the past few weeks.

Clockwise from top left, we welcome Hazim, a second son for Ms Syu; Cian, a little boy for Ms Cole; Ms Battle's son, Tadgh; and the only baby girl of the group, Nellie, Mr & Ms Regan's daughter.

Join us as we welcome these little Lasallians into the world!

Alumni Reunion Event: 24th June (4-6pm)

Our second annual alumni reunion BBQ at school will take place on the 24th June with alumni in school on that day to support our Year 10 students on their Sixth Form taster day. In August, we will have another alumni event as we reconnect with our SJIS students all across the world. Last summer's event was an amazing get together and we hope to catch up with our alumni once more.



AIMS Secondary Swim Meet 24/25

Amazing races and fantastic achievements at the AIMS Secondary Swim Meet!

🏆 28 Gold, 28 Silver, and 19 Bronze medals

🏆 U13 Champions

🏆 U15 Champions

🏆 U18 Champions

🏆 AIMS Secondary Swim Champions

This is our final high school swimming team competition for this academic year- what a memorable way to wrap up the season. Well done swimmers, your hard work and perseverance truly shine through! We are proud of all you have achieved and the strong bonds you have built along the way. Thank you to the amazing team of coaches and parents for the unwavering dedication and support.



U15 Girls and Boys Volleyball - AIMS Competition

The U15 girls and boys volleyball teams showed resilience, teamwork, and determination at the AIMS competition, finishing strong with spirited rallies, smart plays, and standout moments despite tough opposition.

Please read more info [here](#).



*Staff Lasallian of the week:
Mr Joel Lawrence*



End-of-Year Exams

As our IGCSE and A Level exams near the end, we start our Year 7-10 end-of-year examinations next week. Our students have been working hard and revising well in preparation for these final assessments. We wish them all the best, and encourage them to strike a healthy balance between revising and relaxing during this period, to maintain positive wellbeing. Reports will be sent home on 26th June, followed by PTCs on Monday 30th June. More information will follow in due course.



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