

SJIS Weekly Update

21st November 2025



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This Week's Highlight at SJIS

Important Dates:

6 Dec - HS PTC Year 7-9 (online)

Living Christmas in our hearts.



Upcoming Events:

- 1 Dec - ES Advent service
- 2 Dec - Christmas Mass
- 2 Dec - Y9-11 Info Options Evening
- 5 Dec - Christmas Fair



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Catholic and Christian updates

Save the date: December 1st

We warmly invite our Catholic and Christian students and their families to a special, child-centered Advent service on December 1st led by Mrs. Willoughby. The service will begin at 8:30 AM in the Drama Room, Level 1, and is intended for our ES students (Years 3–6).

Please use the sign up sheet [HERE](#)



Christmas Mass December 2nd, 12:30

As we approach the Christmas season, we are delighted to share that we will have a special Christmas Mass in school on December 2nd at 12:30 PM in our school chapel, followed by a shared fellowship for parents and staff afterwards in our Brothers' Quarters on Level 5.

Please use the sign up sheet [HERE](#)



Christmas Fair Hot Dog Pre-Order is Now Open!

Pre-order your hot dogs for the Christmas Fare on 5 Dec 2025 and support a good cause — all proceeds will be donated to the school's selected charity.

Event Date: Friday, 5th December 2025

Collection Time: 12:00pm – 2:00pm at the MPH, or After 2:00pm at the SPV Foyer Stall

Pre-Order Form: <https://bit.ly/spvhotdogs>

Pre-Order Deadline: Monday, 1st December 2025

We encourage everyone to place their orders early to avoid disappointment, as limited walk-in quantities may be available on the day.

Whole School Christmas Concert

We are excited to share that tickets for our Whole School Christmas Concert which will be released to the general school community on **Wednesday, 26 November**. Parents of performers will receive **early access to tickets** ahead of this date to ensure they are able to secure seats. Both the **matinee** and **evening** performances will feature the same programme, with the only difference being the inclusion of **Key Stage 1** students in the matinee show.



Year 2 Writing

Year 2 have been using their science knowledge about sustainability in English to help them write a persuasive letter to our teachers, asking for our school to become the most environmentally friendly school in Malaysia. We have worked hard to learn how to use persuasive language, give clear reasons, and explain how our ideas can help protect the planet. The children were so excited to share their letters with Mr White, Mr Ruxton and Ms Fried, telling them all about the changes we think would make a big difference.

Unity Week

Unity Week, themed "Power for Good," was a powerful demonstration of unity in our community. Every child across the ES participated in Odd Socks Day and a Power Word Hunt around the school, searching for hidden power words like *courage* and *respect* to champion inclusion and respect for all. The week was capped by our Changemakers leading unity games that brought everyone together.



Creative Play Spaces Project

Creative Play Spaces Project – Parent Volunteers Needed

St Joseph's is excited to begin enhancing our Early Years and Elementary play spaces to create more meaningful, engaging, and developmentally supportive environments for our students. We are now forming a parent volunteer group to help bring the next phase of the project to life, which will include both professionally built elements and simple DIY components. We're looking for parents who can contribute in any of the following ways:

- ☐ Skills: carpentry, painting, rafting, design, organising
- ☐ Time: even a few hours of support can make a big difference
- ☐ Gently used wooden open-ended toys.
- ☐ Montessori-style items that can be repurposed in the new spaces

Interested in joining?

Simply scan the QR code to connect directly to the parent volunteer chat and get involved!





Year 2 Trip to Kampung House

Year 2 had a wonderful school trip to the Malaysia Heritage Trust to look around a real Kampung House! The children explored how Kampung houses are built and discovered the different materials used to construct these traditional homes. They learned how people lived in the past, including how families cooked, slept, and worked together in a Kampung setting. The visit gave the children a brilliant insight into Malaysian heritage and helped bring our learning to life through meaningful, hands-on experiences that deepened their understanding.



This week's Assemblies

3I's class assembly focused on their 'The Stone Age' topic in IPC. They traveled back in time, noticing how lucky they are today and being grateful for the small things in life. They performed with great enthusiasm, well done, 3I!



6Y shared key moments from their English text, 'The Explorer.' They beautifully connected their Amazon adventure to the virtue of the week: Thankfulness. The assembly reminded us to be grateful for resourcefulness and companionship during challenges.

Music Updates- Festive preparations are in full swing!

Our children, teachers, and parents are already busy sprinkling Christmas cheer around the school as we prepare for a joyful line-up of events. It's going to be a wonderfully busy (and very merry!) few weeks — **so do save the dates!** More details will be heading your way soon, and we can't wait to celebrate together!

- **4th December** – Whole School Christmas Concert
- **5th December** – Christmas Fair (organised by Catholic and Christian Community of SJIS)
- **8th December** – Key Stage 1 Christmas Show: *Children of the World*
- **10th December** – EY Nativity Christmas Show: *Ready, Steady, Elf!* Along with a festive Christmas Sing-Off for Key Stage 1 & 2



We're looking forward to all the sparkle, singing, and seasonal fun ahead!



Term 1 reports

HS parents will receive Term 1 reports on **Thursday 4th December**. This will be followed by PTCs for Years 7-9 on Saturday 6th December (please see information below). Further information has been sent out earlier this week via email. Please check for further details.



Year 7-9 Parent Teacher Conferences

SAVE THE DATE: Saturday 6th December

These Parent Teacher Conferences will be held **online** for Key Stage 3 classes on **Saturday 6th December**. Further information about how to make bookings and log on will follow **next week**.

As previously communicated, additional appointments for Years 10-13 are by **TEACHER request only** due to the recent opportunity to attend twilight appointments with teachers. Further PTCS for KS4/5 will take place after the mock exams in February.



Year 9, 10 & 11 Information & Options Evening

Tuesday 2nd December

4.30-6pm*

***(4.30pm Y9 presentation / 5.15pm Y10&11 presentation - auditorium)**

Parents and students will be able to attend a short but informative presentation about the exciting and important changes in place for IGCSE and A Level options in 2026/27. This information session will be complimented with a 'marketplace' style exhibition of all IGCSE & A Level subjects in the MPH.

Please register your interest in attending via this [Google Form](#).

SIXTH FORM LEADERSHIP CAMP AT BAMBOO SCHOOL THAILAND

Students from Years 12 & 13, including the recipients of our Lasallian Scholar Awards are currently hard at work at the Bamboo School in Thailand. We can't wait to hear more from our students about their service learning trip when they get back to school. The students left for Thailand on Sunday and are due to return to Malaysia on Friday.





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