

SJIS Weekly Update

5th December 2025



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"Enter to Learn, Leave to Serve"

This Week's Highlight at SJIS

Christmas Fair

Important Dates:

6 Dec 25 - HS PTC Year 7-9

(online)

10 Dec 25 - Last day of Term 1

6 Jan 26 - First day of term 2

Upcoming Events:

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Catholic and Christian updates

On Monday, 8 December, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, honouring Mary, whose life was prepared from the very beginning to glorify God.

On this feast day, we offer our petitions and pray for the grace to follow God's will. From 12:00 to 1:00 p.m., we will observe the Hour of Grace, a special time of prayer when God may grant favours according to His will.

Let us come together, and also spend moments in quiet reflection, to pray, to honour Our Lady, and to give glory to God.

We will begin with the ***Holy Rosary*** at **11:40 a.m.**, leading into the Hour of Grace.



★ You are invited ★

Monday, December 8

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

11:40am School Chapel 6/F

Prayer of the Holy Rosary, followed by the Hour of Grace 12:00 to 1:00pm

(For non-muslims only)




End of Term 1 CCA, EAL ASP, ASCC & Weekend CCA



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This week marks the final week of Term 1 for CCA, ASCC, and EAL ASP.

Students will need to be picked up at their usual pick-up time starting next week, except for those attending replacement CCA classes.

Payment Deadline for Paid CCAs: **Wednesday 10th December 2025**. (**Please avoid waiting until this deadline where possible**)

If you decide that you would like to remove your child from an allocated CCA, please email cca@sjj-international.edu.my and we can manage this. This will avoid us expecting payments for your allocated CCA's.

Q. How to make payment for your child's CCA?
Please refer to the CCA website --> [Payment Process](#)

Thank you.
CCA Team

Whole School Christmas Concert

On Thursday 4th December, our school joyfully revived a long-awaited tradition with two well-attended Whole School Christmas Concerts at 2:00pm and 5:30pm. Students from KS1 through to KS5, along with staff performers, came together to present a vibrant and heartwarming programme that showcased the breadth of musical and artistic talent across our community.

Highlights included the **HS Vocal Group and Staff** opening with *Carol of the Bells*, charming performances by the **KS1 Choir**, and a reflective moment from the **Staff Band** with *The Holly and the Ivy*. The **Orchestra** delivered a series of beautifully crafted pieces, including *Somewhere in My Memory* from *Home Alone*, *Silent Night*, and *Merry Christmas, Mr. Lawrence*, as well as a special collaboration with the **ES Choir** on *We Are Lasallian*.

The concert continued with lively items such as the **ES Tap Dance CCA's** performance of *Rocking Around the Christmas Tree*, the **KS2 Choir (Vocal Vibes)** singing their Christmas Medley, and festive favourites from the **HS Concert Band** and **Jazz Band**. The evening concluded on a high with the **HS Rock Band's** energetic rendition of *Underneath the Tree*.

This uplifting event brought together performers from across the school and marked a wonderful start to the festive season. We look forward to carrying this renewed tradition forward in years to come.

Lost and Found

Students and parents are reminded to ensure that items from the lost and found are collected. Over the Christmas break, we will be doing some more work to the campus so any items not claimed will be disposed of.



6I Assembly

6I's class assembly this week focused on the virtue of love, where we explored what love looks like in our daily lives. 6I also shared about the Y6 residential trip to Port Dickson last week, reflecting on their favourite moments and the teamwork that made the experience so meaningful.



Year 3 Exit Point

Year 3 went back to the Stone Age to share our amazing learning from our latest IPC unit. Parents were treated to seeing Stone Age home dioramas, pinch pots, artwork and stories from our class book, Ug. We had a great time sharing our learning!

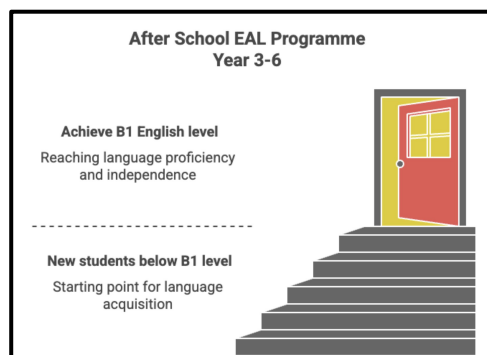
Year 1 Trip

All of our Year 1 students had a wonderful time at KidZania this week and represented our school brilliantly. They showed great joyfulness, enthusiasm, thankfulness and unity as they explored new roles, worked together, and supported one another throughout the day. The staff were incredibly proud of the children's positive attitudes and excellent behaviour. It was a memorable experience that will support their learning next term.



Virtues Project Training

Delivering the Virtues Project training to our new staff has been a true pleasure. Our teachers embraced the Five Strategies with enthusiasm, making meaningful connections to how virtues shape classroom culture and positive language. As an accredited Virtues School, St Joseph's is committed to high-quality training, and our teachers' dedication across three twilight sessions demonstrates their shared commitment to this work. We are deeply grateful for their openness, energy, and willingness to stay well into the evening. They truly embody the virtues we strive to model for our students.



After School EAL Programme

The students concluded the After School EAL Programme (ASP) and took the Oxford Young Learners Placement Test. The learners have shown progress. Congratulations to all those who have achieved the B1 CEFR level.

Reminder

Please note that the final day of term is Wednesday 10th December 2025. School will resume after the Christmas break on Tuesday 6th January 2026.

Reminder!

LYM Christmas Day Out



Last Sunday, 30th November, the LYM organised a Christmas Day Out on 30 November, inviting children from RKKI, RPX, and Shelter Home to our school for a day of festive activities. We started with simple icebreakers like Duck Duck Goose and Red Light Green Light to help everyone relax and get to know each other. Afterwards, the groups rotated between football, basketball, cookie decorating, Christmas crafts, and colouring. We wrapped up with a short Christmas film and a chaotic, laughter-filled round of charades.

More than just a fun day, it gave both the LYM members and the children a chance to connect, practise empathy, and enjoy a sense of community. Before they headed home, we gave each child a small gift as a warm start to the festive season.



Chinese Debate Club — Term 1 Showcase

On the last day of CCA, Chinese Debate Club proudly hosted its Term 1 Showcase, where all participating students engaged in a full debate competition.

Throughout the term, students have been developing their critical thinking, reasoning, collaboration, and public speaking skills. This showcase was a wonderful opportunity for them to demonstrate their growth.

We were delighted to welcome parents to the event as our students presented their arguments with confidence and clarity. Their commitment, preparation, and team spirit were truly commendable, and we are proud of the progress they have made since the start of the year.

Thank you to all parents who attended and supported our debaters. We look forward to seeing even more outstanding performances in the coming term.



☀️ Historic First! Chinese Debate Team Shines on the International Stage ☀️

We are thrilled to announce that our newly established School Competitive Chinese Debate Team has achieved an outstanding result in its very first international tournament!

At the 2025 Zongheng International Mandarin Debate Tournament, our Under-14 team earned an impressive 🏆 2nd Runner-Up (Seasonal Ranking – C Group Five Districts).

A special congratulations goes to Ma Aimi (Year 9S), who was awarded:

☀️ Best Debater of the entire group (全程最佳辩手) — a remarkable achievement among all participating schools.

This is a significant milestone for our Chinese debate programme. Founded only this year, the team has demonstrated extraordinary dedication, courage, and growth in a short period of time. Their performance is a proud moment for our whole school community.

We look forward to seeing our debaters continue to develop their critical thinking, confidence, and voice on even bigger stages ahead.



☀️ Celebrating an Outstanding Achievement at the Chinese Debate World Cup 2025 ☀️

We are pleased to share that Year 8 Guo Zhangcheng (Johnson) achieved an exceptional result at the 2025 Chinese Debate World Cup – Primary & Junior Division, reaching the Top 16 in the Primary category. His strong critical thinking, confident delivery, and clear expression helped him stand out among competitors from multiple countries and regions.

Johnson's achievement is a testament to his dedication and curiosity as a young debater. We are incredibly proud of his growth and success on the international stage.

Please join us in congratulating him on this remarkable accomplishment!



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