

SJIIM Weekly Update

15th October 2021

Important Dates:
Half Term Break
18th - 22nd October

Upcoming Events:

26th Oct : Parent Coffee Session discussing How to Manage Difficult Conversations at Home

28th Oct : Computing Curriculum and Digital Citizenship

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"Enter to Learn, Leave to Serve"

Thank you, parents!

The staff of SJIIM would like to express our deepest gratitude for the support shown by parents over the past week. One of the positive aspects of this difficult situation has been the expression of passion for and commitment to our Lasallian values expressed by so many parents. The community that we hold so dear gives us continued faith when challenging situations arise. We are confident that as a team - parents and teachers together - will continue to do the best for our students.

Introducing Year 7 Students to Lasallian Education

Year 7 have impressed the Lasallian Education teachers with their enthusiastic response to the annual Lasallian Education Island Design Competition. As part of the 'Community' learning strand, Year 7 students have embarked on an exciting adventure to a mystery island that seems to be 'out of this world'. Students have immersed themselves in a tale about shipwrecks, survival and most importantly, community. We asked Year 7 students to create a map of what they imagine the island to look like and their responses have been very impressive; with so many wonderful entries it was very hard to choose three winners.



Jayanesh Sree Nair Vijay, 7M



Joey Zhang 7L



Lily, Seokyoung Yoon 7K

Today, three students received a certificate and prize in recognition of their creativity, enthusiasm and hard work. Well done, Lily, Jaya and Joey! Students were all very excited when a certificate and a bag of treats turned up at their homes today!

I can't believe I won! It is a miracle! I am so excited to receive my prize. - Joey





REFUGEE OUTREACH CAMPAIGN INTERNATIONAL WEEK 2021

BREATH NEW LIFE INTO YOUR PRE-LOVED ITEMS

Saint John Baptiste de La Salle revolutionised education for the poor and needy around the world. This year, SJIIM is collaborating with the St Vincent de Paul Society in Malaysia to donate much-needed pre-loved educational items to B40 and migrant families from Myanmar.

We're looking for

Educational books, reading books, stationery, copybooks, colours, learning aids, as well as preloved functioning ipads, tablets, or laptops (all in good condition)

Drive Dates

11-15 October 2021; and
25-29 October 2021

Drop Off

At the Main Foyer of School or the ES Office

Thank you for your generosity. Your kindness will help bring education opportunities to those in need.





International Week

We have been all over the world this week in the Elementary School; enjoying food, festivals, traditions and artefacts while comparing cultures, customs, beliefs and values. There is so much to learn and we did so through fun interactive activities and projects. We would like to invite parents to join year group assemblies for the week of 25th October to view a collage of videos and photos from International Week. If you are unable to attend we will share the video collage as an announcement on Seesaw. We look forward to share this celebration of learning with you!



Parent Coffee Session: Managing Difficult Conversations at home Tuesday 26th October at 12 pm.

Click for [Zoom link](#).

We invite you to [sign up](#) and join our coffee morning to share your experiences and to connect as parents.

Mrs Fried, our Virtues Leader, will share how we can use the 'Companioning Strategy' to facilitate discussions with our children in a respectful manner and find solutions together.



Computing Curriculum and Digital Citizenship Thursday 28th October at 9 am.

Click for [Zoom link](#).

Our series of parent Information sessions continue after half term. Join Mr Woodhams in helping you understand our new Computing curriculum, including digital citizenship. Hear what teachers are seeing in student's understanding and experience of their digital world and, how parents can support children in becoming positive and responsible digital citizens. Details are also on Seesaw.



Bahasa books - thank you!

The school would like to acknowledge and give thanks for a generous donation from Mr Dominic Teo, one of our kind parents at SJIIIM. His contribution to support the purchase of high quality Malay language texts is much appreciated and is another sign of the wonderful Lasallian community spirit we have. The funds will help expand our collection of high quality Bahasa texts on a rolling programme over the next 3 years.



Maths anxiety

Maths anxiety is real. It isn't uncommon to feel a sense of fear when attempting maths problems or using mental maths skills to quickly solve problems in everyday life. Some students and adults may experience challenges engaging their working memory when working with maths and this can be a result of maths anxiety.

This can result in people believing that they aren't a "maths person" and developing this shield as a coping mechanism when they feel regularly challenged and anxious when working with maths.



As teachers in the Maths department we work hard supporting students with maths anxiety to develop a growth mindset and believe in themselves. We also get a lot of requests from parents wondering how they can help support their students when they themselves feel like they aren't a "maths person".

One of the online programmes we have been working with throughout the past few years, Eedi (home of diagnostic questions), has put together the following free 25 minute course for Maths-anxious Parents, "[Helping with Homework: For Maths-Anxious Parents](#)". They have also put together the following free 30 minute [course](#) for students with maths anxiety.



We hope that these courses can help the maths anxious amongst us and if you have any feedback or requests for more information or support, please don't hesitate to contact Mr Lawrence at jlawrence@sj-international.edu.my.



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