

SJIIM Weekly Update

8th March 2024

Important Dates:

Fri 22nd March - End of Term 2
CCAs

Thur 28th March - Nuzul
Al-Quran

Upcoming Events:

WS

Fri 15th March - Benilde Day

ES

Mon 25th & Weds 27th March -

Parent & Class Teacher Conferences

Wed 27th & Fri 29th March - Parent &
Language Teacher Conferences

HS

Wed 20th March - HS Coffee Morning
- Cyber Sip & Learn

Wed 27th March - Exam Success

Toolkit: A Parent's Guide to Navigating
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"Enter to Learn, Leave to Serve"

This week's highlights

Welcome to Brother Butch and Brother Mico



On Wednesday 6th March, we were delighted to welcome Brother Butch and Brother Mico to the school. The Brothers, both originating from the Philippines, had a tour of the school, attended Mass and met with both students and parents. Whilst their visit was short, we are sure that we will see them again very soon.

Both Brother Butch and Brother Mico spoke very highly of their experience at SJIIM and are very excited about further opportunities to work with our community in the future.

Catholic and Christian Life

Elementary Lenten Service

It was lovely to be able to come together during the Lenten season as a community united in our faith. In today's service our children and families learned about the importance of the Lenten season. We created a prayer space to explain what Lent is, and made crafts to remind ourselves to fast, pray and give to others during the Lent.



Whole school Mass

This week we celebrated Mass with Fr. Lawrence and another priest from India as well as being joined by two Lasallian brothers. During the Mass Fr Lawrence gave a special blessing to students preparing for examinations.



SPV update

The SPV organised its first coffee morning on Wednesday, 6 March. More than 40 parents joined us in learning from the Korean mums how to make *tteukguk*. It was a great opportunity for parents from different year groups to meet each other over some traditional food. Everyone had a good time.

A special thanks to Janet for helping us coordinate the cooking demonstration and to Heri, Young A, Mira, Yu Jeong and Kyung for helping and conducting the demonstration.

The SPV hopes to have more coffee mornings in the future.



Kangaroo Maths Competition 2024

The school is excited to be entering the Kangaroo Maths competition again this year and we are opening it up to all students in years 3-13. The competition will be held in the school on Wednesday, May 8, 2024. Payment and entries need to be submitted before Monday, March 25, 2024.

Please read this [letter](#) for more details.

If you have any questions, please contact our Heads of Maths:
ES - Dean Kirt deankirt@sj-international.edu.my or
HS - Ziad Abou-Rafah ziadabourafeh@sj-international.edu.my





Y3 trip to FRIM

Year 3 enjoyed a fantastic trip to the beautiful Malaysian rainforest! The children visited FRIM (Forest Research Institute Malaysia) and learnt all about the wonders of nature. This supported our IPC topic, 'Vanishing Rainforests' in which we learnt about the importance of rainforests in our ecosystem. We all had a great time and were very tired at the end of the day. Thank you to all parent volunteers who supported us on the trip.



Y4 trip to Janda Baik

This week, Year 4 went on their very first residential trip! It was 2 days and 1 night of pure fun-filled adventure as we challenged ourselves in a river trek and learned basic survival skills such as fire and shelter making as well as fishing. We had a great time bonding with marshmallows and team performances over a campfire and getting closer to nature. It was a wonderful experience overall and a restful weekend is much needed! We can't wait for our next residential in Year 5!



Y5 trip to Melaka

The Year 5s have enjoyed a 3 day 2 night residential trip to Melaka. On Day 1 we conquered our fears at Skytrex, developed our collaborative powers in initiative games and learnt the tricky skill of orienteering. On day 2, we explored the history of Melaka, seeing sites of; A Famosa, St Paul's Hill and the amazing river cruise. On the final morning, we had the opportunity to play local Malay games, try ketupat weaving and batik painting. We are so proud of our Year 5s, their virtues of perseverance, unity and compassion were abundant. A big thank you to the staff and Wilderness Malaysia for making this amazing trip possible.



Benilde Day

Next Friday 15th will be Benilde Day. The High School and Year 6 House Captains have been busy planning and preparing the event which promises to be a lot of fun, all in a good cause for the MAPPAC charity. Please see your weekly message from your child's year group for further details. Benilde students are invited to come to school in their Benilde House PE shirts and all others are asked to wear a blue accessory on the day. The carnival events will be open to students from Y1 - Y13.

Elementary Parent Teacher Conferences (PTCs)

A reminder of this opportunity to meet face to face with your child's class, Bahasa, Mandarin or EAL teacher to discuss your child's pastoral and academic development. A separate letter has already been sent last week to your school family gmail with details and how to make a booking on Meet the Teacher. If you need assistance do contact the SJIIM Helpdesk: helpdesk@sjii-international.edu.my

ES Class Teachers - in school

Monday 25th March 3:00 - 7:30pm

Wednesday 27th March 3:00 - 5:30pm

ES Languages - in school

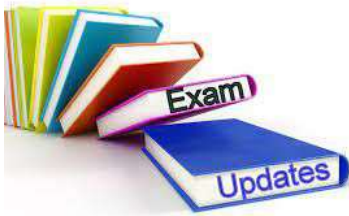
Wednesday 27th March - 3:00-5:30pm

Friday 29th March - 8:00-2:30pm

Bookings window:

Monday 11th March 8am-Thurs 21st March 4pm.





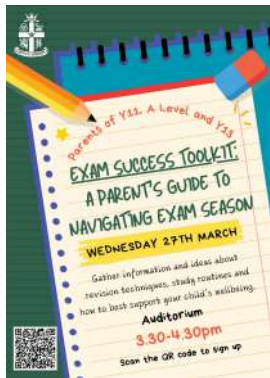
Exam Updates

Next week will see the start of the exams season with the IBDP and IGCSE students taking their speaking exams for the languages which are scheduled below:

- IB Spanish SL and ab initio- 12th to 14th March
- IGCSE Foreign Language Malay - 11th March.
- IGCSE Foreign Language Mandarin Chinese - 18th March
- IGCSE Mandarin Second Language - 18th March
- IGCSE Foreign Language Spanish - 21st March
- IGCSE English Second Language - 17th&18th April

The official dates for other exams are:

- IBDP - 25th Apr to 16th May
- AS Level - 25th Apr to 11th June
- IGCSE - 26th Apr to 13th June



Exam Success Toolkit: A Parent's Guide to Navigating Exam Season

For parents of Y11, A Level and Y13 students

Date : Wednesday 27th March

Time : 3.30-4.30pm

Venue : Auditorium

Please come along to gather information and ideas about revision techniques, study routines and how to best support your child's wellbeing. Sign up using the QR code.



Cyber Sip & Learn: A HS coffee morning exploring AI at SJIIM

For any HS parents

Date : Wednesday 20th March

Time : 8.30-9.30am

Venue : Brothers Quarters'

Learn about AI and how it is playing a role in school life. Hear about SJIIM's journey so far and planned next steps. Ask questions and get involved in future parent focus groups on this topic. Sign up using the QR code.



Career Workshops

We are so excited that our students have been involved in different workshops catered to their interests over the past two weeks. These workshops are designed to empower students with skills and insights on the profession they want to pursue in the future; recognizing qualities that will make them stand out, and fostering the passion they have for the profession they aspire to. Please read more info [here](#).



UWE Bristol - University Creative Arts Workshop

Today we welcomed UWE Bristol to run a Creative Arts workshop focussed on building a university portfolio as well as courses and careers in the creative field, these included; fine art, textiles and fashion, graphics, architecture, product and interior design, animation, game design, illustration and many more. The KS4 and KS5 students were well engaged, asked and answered questions thoughtfully, provided insightful discussion of topics presented, and went away with some valuable knowledge for their future pathways.



Y8 theatre trip

On Tuesday, Year 8 students went on a trip to Alice Smith Secondary School to watch a performance of Macbeth by UK based production company, The HandleBards. Students had the opportunity to partake in experiential learning by participating in this lively and interactive show. The performance was extremely creative, with the two actors playing a variety of roles. Year 8 will be studying Shakespeare's Macbeth in Term 3, and this outing was an extremely useful introduction to the play. The students conducted themselves with maturity and represented St. Joseph's in true Lasallian spirit. Special thank you to Ms. Heather for organising a great day out.



Model United Conference

This past weekend, 24 of our SJI students participated in a Model United Conference at Nexus International School. This was an opportunity for them to engage in lively debates and diplomacy about pressing global issues. Although many of our students were first time delegates, we are proud to share that our delegation secured a total of 5 awards and 4 honourable mentions, a testament to their resilience and ability. We congratulate them and look forward to their continued success at future conferences. Please see more photos [here](#).



Ledu Service Projects Update

There are currently 3 service projects running through our Lasallian Education lessons, each designed to instil a sense of social responsibility and compassion in our students. Aligned with our Lasallian Core Values, these projects encompass both direct and indirect engagement with communities in need. Through these endeavours, I aim to empower our students to become active agents of positive change. More info and photos found [here](#).



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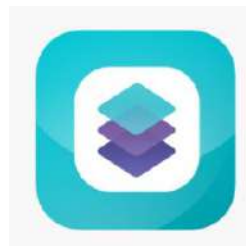
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