



IJ QUARTERLY

A NEWSLETTER OF CHIJ SECONDARY

TERM 4
2017



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Guardians

ONCE again, in the blink of an eye, we reach the final term of the year, and we ready ourselves to bid farewell to yet another cohort of our dear IJ girls.

Term 3 was eventful. We give thanks to God for seeing our graduating girls through their national oral examinations for both English Language and the Mother Tongue Languages. We also thank him for protecting our Secondary 2 and 3 girls during their respective camps.

We also give thanks for wonderful celebrations to mark Youth Day, Racial Harmony Day and National Day, and for the smooth running of our annual Cross-Country Championships. We would like to express our deepest gratitude to our Parent Support Group for supporting us through all these celebrations and for cooking dinner daily for our graduating girls during the two periods of Night Study. Our parents have truly been amazing.

We also celebrated Teachers' Day at the end of the term, and we thank our girls, PSG and Alumni for making it a memorable occasion for all our staff. It is never easy being an educator, but as IJ Teachers we are especially blessed to have the support and partnership of parents and old girls of the school.

As we celebrate being together as IJ, we also embrace various milestones as an IJ family. This final term sees

all our girls taking their end-of-year examinations. It also marks a milestone for our graduating cohort as they take on their N and O Level examinations. We ask everyone to pray for our girls, for them to have tenacity, grit, wisdom and clarity to tackle their papers. We pray for God's protection, love and peace to be on each of them. Through it all, we pray that our girls will continue to forge strong friendships in the IJ sisterhood and be deeply rooted in the IJ values.

It is not easy being a student today, but with the support of their parents, friends, teachers and the entire IJ family, our IJ girls will have the edge to overcome any obstacle or challenge that may come their way. We hope to instil in our IJ girls the GRIT to pursue their PASSION and PURPOSE with TENACITY.

At CHIJ Secondary, we hope to nurture every IJ girl to be a Woman of Distinction who will be able to put her best foot forward in whatever she undertakes. We BELIEVE that our IJ girl CAN achieve whatever she puts her mind to. With God's grace within her and the IJ family behind her, our IJ Girl is ready to soar!

As usual, if you have any feedback, please email me at chijtpss@moe.edu.sg or karentay@chijsec.edu.sg. Let us all continue to grow together as one IJ family, Simple in Virtue, Steadfast in Duty.

Warmest regards

Mrs Karen Tay

I have loved you with an everlasting love;
therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you.

Jeremiah 31:3



LOOKING BACK ON TERM 3



FRI
30
JUN

YOUTH DAY

To celebrate Youth Day this year, our teachers not only led the singing at Mass, but also gamely staged a hilarious spoof of the SYF Showcase that had the entire school in stitches.

TUE
4
JUL

SEC 3 OUTWARD BOUND SINGAPORE

Under the Ministry of Education's new multischool Outward Bound programme, our Sec 3 students attended the five-day camp in two batches, together with Pei Hwa Secondary School.

FRI
14
JUL

WED
19
JUL

RACIAL HARMONY DAY

As always, all our students and staff enjoyed being decked out in ethnic wear, watching traditional performances, and sampling the delicious cuisines prepared by our Parent Support Group.

TUE
25
JUL

SEC 1 HIKE

Our Sec 1 students hiked through the Central Catchment Nature Reserve to hone their leadership skills and build up their class spirit.

THU
27
JUL

WED
26
JUL

SEC 2 OUTDOOR ADVENTURE CAMP

Our Sec 2 students had their Outdoor Adventure Camp at Sarimbun Scout Campsite, where they learned leadership skills and built class camaraderie.

FRI
28
JUL

FRI
4
AUG

CROSS-COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

Our annual Cross-Country Championships were held once again at Bishan-Ang Mo Kio Park. This year's event saw record participation in the Parent-Daughter Race.

TUE
8
AUG

NATIONAL DAY

This year's National Day celebration involved, for the first time, our teachers, who entered the Hall one department at a time to depict an aspect of the nation's birthday celebrations. Of course, the event included the staples of a mini-parade, Mass and the belting out of National Day songs.

FRI
11
AUG

INVESTITURE OF STUDENT LEADERS

At this annual event, our newly elected and appointed CCA leaders, House Committees and Student Councillors were installed, and our outgoing Student Council exco and House Captains were commended for their service to the school over the past year.

WED
30
AUG

TEACHERS' DAY

One highlight of this year's Teachers' Day celebration was our students portraying various teachers in the school. Even with the names changed, so convincing was the dressing and acting that it was quite easy to tell which teachers were being mimicked.

SUN
10
SEP

CATHOLIC EDUCATION SUNDAY

Our school joined CHIJ Primary to mark the first Catholic Education Sunday at the 11.30am Mass at the Church of the Risen Christ.

For photos of these events, please visit www.chijsec.edu.sg/news-n-events/school-activities/2017 or scan the QR code at right. Please note that photos of the Sec 3 Outward Bound Singapore experience are not available as our teachers were not present with the girls at the camps.



Follow us on our official Instagram account
@chijsecondary for updates, photos and videos!

LOOKING FORWARD TO TERM 4



MON
18
SEP

S4N INTENSIVE REVISION

Last day for S4N classes: Fri 22 Sep.

FRI
22
SEP

TUE
19
SEP

S4E LEVEL RETREAT

THU
21
SEP

FAREWELL & EXAM MASS S4, S5 GRADUATION CEREMONY

MON
25
SEP

S4E, S5 INTENSIVE REVISION

Last day for S4E & S5 classes: Fri 6 Oct.

FRI
6
OCT

THU
19
OCT

S1–S3 POST-EXAM ACTIVITIES

This includes checking of exam scripts on Fri 20 Oct and Mon 23 Oct.

Last day for S1 & S2 classes: Fri 27 Oct.

FRI
27
OCT

WED
25
OCT

S2 LEVEL RETREAT

MON
30
NOV

S3 EXTENDED CURRICULUM

Last day for S3 classes: Fri 3 Nov.

FRI
3
NOV

FRI
3
NOV

S2 STREAMING RESULTS

SAT
4
NOV

OPEN HOUSE

MON
6
NOV

S3 WORK ATTACHMENT

FRI
10
NOV

MON
20
NOV

S4, S5 GRADUATION DINNER

EXAMINATIONS IN TERM 4

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|-----------------|--|
| 11–15 Sep | S4E & S5 SA2 (<i>part 2</i>) |
| 11–18 Sep* | GCE N(A) Level (<i>part 1</i>) |
| 27 Sep–13 Oct** | S1, S2 & S3 End-of-Year |
| 2–13 Oct | GCE N(A) Level (<i>part 2</i>) |
| 11–12 Oct | GCE O Level (<i>part 1</i>) <i>Art, Science practical</i> |
| 23 Oct–17 Nov* | GCE O Level (<i>part 2</i>) <i>The rest of the subjects</i> |

Please refer to the respective schedules for details.

Please be reminded that if a student is absent from a test or examination, she must produce a medical certificate to account for her absence.

*PRAYER SESSIONS

The PSG invites all parents to the school chapel to pray for our girls:

- » Mon 11 Sep, 1400–1500: GCE N(A) Level
- » Mon 23 Oct, 1400–1500: GCE O Level

**MARKING & RESULT PROCESSING DAYS

Students do not need to report to school on

- » Mon 16 Oct
- » Tue 17 Oct

PARENT OPINION SURVEY

Our parent opinion survey will be sent out to you in October. Please look out for it.