

NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents & Guardians

GREETINGS of peace and joy! All too soon, we begin another new term! Term 1 was a fulfilling ten weeks for our girls as they engaged in varied learning experiences. We started the year with the ‘IJCE (IJ Character Education) Breaker’ week, when our students reignited old friendships and made new ones, and broke the ‘ice’ through orientation, self-awareness camps and other activities. We ended the term on a high with a ‘Terminal’ week, during which our students enjoyed camping, learning journeys, STEM (science, technology, engineering and maths) explorations and activities to spark innovative ideas. Fittingly, the week concluded with our IJ Spirit Day and IJ Fiesta, with the theme ‘An IJ Girl, Inside and Out’ – we were thrilled that these well-loved events could be brought back in full force after the easing of Covid-19 safe management measures.

With the removal of mid-year exams, we look forward to more of such activities in Term 2, as we continue to emphasize holistic development and a well-rounded education. Aside from in-person learning in school, our girls also have home-based learning (HBL), which empowers them to be self-directed and independent learners. In addition, to encourage our students to pursue their passions and explore new areas of interest, we have also set aside dedicated time during HBL for students to embark on student-initiated learning, both within and outside the curriculum. The girls will share their journeys with their teachers and classmates in Term 4 – we are excited to hear about their projects and to be inspired by their learning. Likewise, we encourage you to get your daughter/ward to tell you about her project.

As we continue to enjoy this new term, we would like to share some reminders and updates in the following sections. We urge you to keep updated via [Parents Gateway](#) and our [school website](#). If you have any feedback, please feel free to email me at chijtpss@moe.edu.sg or rachel_ang@moe.edu.sg. Stay well and God bless!

Warmest regards

Mrs Rachel Lee

Principal

STAFF MOVEMENT

We bid farewell to the following members of staff, who left IJ in Term 1. We thank them for their service to the school and wish them God’s blessings on all their future endeavours.

- Ms Adeline Phua (*Vice-Principal*)
- Mr Sunny Ng
- Ms Tan Chin Chin
- Mr Saraln Ng Udomkichdech

PROJECT HERO

This year, our school continues our collaborative project with the National Healthcare Group, called Project HERO, which aims to empower our students with the knowledge and skills to strengthen their socioemotional competencies and increase their mental resilience.

In Term 1, we shared resources with you on how to initiate conversations with your daughter/ward.

This term’s message will focus on the theme of Efficacy: Dealing with Disappointments and includes a resource about how your daughter/ward can improve her working memory. This will be sent to you through Parents Gateway in late March.

We also look forward to our webinar for parents and guardians on Fri 24 Mar with Dr Jared Ng, a psychiatrist, titled ‘Building Mental Resilience’. More details are available on Parents Gateway.

For Graduating Students: EXAMINATIONS & REVISION

National Examination Timetables

The timetables for the GCE **N Level** and **O Level** examinations are available for viewing and download on the SEAB website.

National Examination Coursework

Given below are the deadlines which graduating students need to observe for the coursework components of subjects:

Higher Art	Mon 27 Mar 1700 (visual art task) Mon 18 Sep 1700 (coursework)
Art	Tue 9 May 1700 (N(T) Level) Tue 1 Aug 1700 (N(A) Level) Mon 18 Sep 1700 (O Level)
Drama	Mon 14 Aug 1700
Elements of Business Skills	Tue 16 May 1700
Nutrition & Food Science	Mon 10 Jul 1700 (N(A) Level) Mon 31 Jul 1700 (O Level)

Quality results for these subjects require commitment and consistent effort on the part of students. It is thus essential for the girls to pace themselves well in order to submit quality coursework in time.





Science Practical Lessons & Consultations

To support our graduating students on their journey towards the national examinations, Science practical lessons and consultations for other subjects will be held in the last week of the June holidays (19–23 Jun). O Level Science students will have practical lessons on one, two or three days (depending on the number of Science subjects they are taking). In addition, subject teachers may arrange for consultation sessions for groups of students on selected days during the week. More details will be given in due course.

Structured Intensive Revision (SIR)

The school will be conducting SIR in Term 3 for selected students, to provide them with support that best matches their learning needs. The sessions will take place on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays, from 1500 to 1700. Students who are identified by their subject teachers for SIR will be notified by the last week of the June school holidays, and will be required to attend all the sessions.

KEY EVENTS IN TERM 2

	Applied Learning Module for 4/10 Mon 20 Mar–Wed 22 Mar A bus has been chartered to ferry students to ITE College West and back each day. The class will be dismissed from our school at 1730.
	Scriptural Way of the Cross Wed 22 Mar, Wed 5 Apr 0700 This will be held in the Chapel.
	Friday Morning Masses Every Friday 0655 (unless announced otherwise) Parents are welcome to join us in the Chapel for Mass.
	Webinar: Building Mental Resilience Fri 24 Mar 1700 This webinar is for parents and guardians. An invitation has been sent out on Parents Gateway.
	Maundy Thursday Thu 6 Apr We will have a Maundy Thursday programme for our Catholic staff and students in the morning. Our PSG will also hold their bake sale that day.
	Easter Egg Hunt Mon 10 Apr
	Sec 4 & 5 CCA Stand-down Fri 14 Apr Graduating students in CCAs with ongoing competitions and SYF Arts Presentations will carry on with their CCAs till these events are over.
	Sec 3 Higher Mother Tongue Oral Prelim Exam Sec 4 & 5 Mother Tongue Oral Prelim Exam Mon 17 Apr–Fri 21 Apr 1500–1800
	Election of Student Leaders Fri 21 Apr–Thu 27 Apr
	Sec 1, 2 & 3 Values-in-Action Days Sec 1 ICT Training and Education & Career Guidance Sec 2 & 3 Level Sports Days Wed 26 Apr, Thu 27 Apr Details will be given in due course.
	Sec 4 & 5 Timed Practice Papers Wed 26 Apr, Thu 27 Apr, Tue 2 May, Fri 5 May Details will be given in due course.
	Physical Fitness Tests 2.4km run: Thu 27 Apr Sec 2: Tue 2 May, Wed 3 May Sec 4 & 5: Thu 4 May, Fri 5 May
	Sec 4 & 5 English Oral Prelim Exam Mon 8 May, Tue 9 May, Thu 11 May 1500–1800
	Mass of the Ascension of the Lord Thu 18 May 1240 This will be in the Hall of Faith during the Religious Education lesson.
	Honours Day Fri 19 May 1730
	Founder’s Day Celebration Wed 24 May Our Founder’s Day Mass in the morning will be celebrated concurrently with all the other IJ schools in Singapore. A forum for selected students will be held in the afternoon, the details of which will be given in due course.
	SYF Showcase Thu 25 May 1320
	GCE O Level Mother Tongue Exam Mother Tongue: Mon 29 May Mother Tongue Syllabus B: Tue 30 May
	Faith Aflame! Wed 31 May This will be a day of faith formation, praise and worship, games, and Mass for our Sec 3–5 Catholic students.

Home-Based Learning Days

Wed 29 Mar	Wed 12 Apr	Wed 10 May	Tue 23 May
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Holidays

Fri 7 Apr	Good Friday (<i>public holiday</i>)
Mon 24 Apr	In lieu of Hari Raya Aidilfitri (<i>school holiday</i>)
Mon 1 May	Labour Day (<i>public holiday</i>)
Fri 2 Jun	Vesak Day (<i>public holiday</i>)