Dear Parents and Guardians

A blessed New Year to one and all – and, to our Sec 1 parents: welcome to the IJ Family!

Last year was a busy year, with the school commemorating 160 years of IJ love and service. As the mother school, we remembered our heritage of being Town Convent. In November, as an IJ family, we participated in the IJ Link – IJ girls, alumni and staff holding hands and encircling CHIJMES, our original site – and made it into the Singapore Book of Records. We also held a gala dinner at CHIJMES, where generations of IJ girls celebrated the CHIJ education and experience with our IJ Sisters. We are grateful for our very supportive alumni, who helped organize the events, and who also started the IJ Spirit Fund to support needy students in our school.

We begin 2015 with exuberance, anticipation and hope. This year is one with lots to look forward to: the Singapore Youth Festival (SYF) Arts Presentation, sports competitions, SG50 celebrations, IJ FLAIR, IJ Spirit Day and IJ Fiesta. We commemorate 30 years of the Art Elective Programme (AEP) at CHIJ Secondary with an exhibition in Term 4 featuring works of students through the programme’s 30-year history. We will also present the various SYF performances and the artwork of our students at our very first ArtsFest@IJ.

Our special brand of IJ Education and Experience provides our girls with the full array of academic rigour, aesthetic pursuit, sports development and values education. We encourage our girls to immerse themselves fully in IJ life, so as to nurture in each of them a Woman of Distinction – an IJ Girl who is a Thinker, Leader, Communicator, confident with humility, principled with compassion, and cultured with grace. We give thanks for a dedicated family of IJ teachers, parents and alumni, without whom we would not be able to achieve what we achieve.

It gives me great joy to share with everyone the fantastic results of our 2014 cohort at the N and O Level examinations. Our girls outdid themselves, breaking our own record for distinctions in English Language and Geography at the O Levels, and outstanding performances in the various subjects at both examinations. We give thanks to God for watching over our girls, and thank the teachers for their dedication and hard work in supporting them.

We bid adieu to members of staff who have left to pursue other endeavours, and thank them for their contributions to CHIJ: Mrs Ang Pei Yee, Mr Cavin Jhee, Mrs Janny Lee, Ms Lim Xiuxun, Mr Robin O’Keeffe, Ms Ong Shue Li, Ms Charlotte Tan, and our school counsellor Mrs Joan Yeo. We also congratulate Mrs Stella Kwan, who has left us to assume vice principalship in a primary school.

We welcome to the IJ family Ms Joanne Tan and our new Administration Manager, Ms Angeline Ng. We are also pleased to welcome our very own Ms Candice Seet as our new vice principal.

As we start this new year, let us work together to nurture our IJ Girl. Together, in partnership, we can support our girls through the year, and the milestones that they will undoubtedly reach. I look forward to meeting you at the Parent-Teacher Meetings on 12 March.

Should you have any feedback, please email us at chijtpss@moe.edu.sg. Alternatively, you may email me at karentay@chijsec.edu.sg.

I wish you the very best in this new year. May God bless you and your families and keep you in his love.

Warmest regards
Mrs Karen Tay
A Walk With Jesus
Our Sec 1 and 2 Catholic students enjoyed this faith formation camp.

Overseas Trips
Throughout November 2014, several groups of students embarked on learning journeys and mission trips to countries in the region.

Graduation Ceremony

IJ Link & IJ Buzz-Aar
IJ students and staff past and present gathered at CHIJMES, our original Victoria Street site, for a record-breaking attempt organized by our Alumni.

Graduation Night
Our Sec 4s and 5s of the Class of 2014 were dressed to the nines on their big night.

Gala Dinner
Many gathered in CHIJMES Hall, formerly our school chapel, to celebrate 160 years of love and service with the IJ Sisters.
LOOKING FORWARD TO
TERM 1

PSG WELCOME DINNER FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

SELF-AWARENESS CAMPS
This key programme for our graduating classes will take place on the following dates:
23–24 Jan: 4/1, 4/4, 4/11
30–31 Jan: 4/3, 4/7
6–7 Feb: 4/6, 4/9, 4/10
13–14 Feb: 4/2, 4/5
26–27 Feb: Sec 5s

BREAKFAST MEETING
for parents of Sec 1 students: 1/1–1/3 on 30 Jan, 1/4–1/7 on 6 Feb.

S1 LEADERSHIP HIKE
This leadership development activity will be carried out as a class on one of the three days.

S4 VALUES IN ACTION
Each S4 class will spend an afternoon interacting with senior citizens at one of the Care Corner senior activity centres in Toa Payoh.

PSG VALENTINE’S DAY PROGRAMME

COMMEMORATION OF TOTAL DEFENCE DAY

CHINESE NEW YEAR MASS

CHINESE NEW YEAR CELEBRATION
At 6.50am the Mass for Ash Wednesday will be celebrated in the Chapel. School will be dismissed at 10.00am after the Chinese New Year celebration.

CHINESE NEW YEAR STAFF LUNCH
Please note that students will be dismissed at 1.30pm.

S5 VALUES IN ACTION
Each S5 class will spend an afternoon interacting with people with special needs at the Emmanuel Activity Centre near our school.

PENITENTIAL SERVICE
Priests will celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation with our Catholic girls.

HONOURS DAY
We celebrate the achievements of our students and staff.

CLASS COMMITTEE INVESTITURE

PARENT-TEACHER MEETINGS
Please keep this day free for meeting your daughter’s form teacher and attending special briefings for the respective levels. A letter with more information will be given to you nearer the date to facilitate the booking of appointments.
LOOKING FORWARD TO
TERM 1
CHIJ SECONDARY

IJ SPIRIT DAY & IJ FIESTA
This highlight of our calendar is a day of food, fun and fellowship for the entire IJ family.

KEY LEADERS CAMP

S3 STUDENT LEADERS CAMP

EXAMINATIONS

SECONDARY 1
Please note that our S1 students will not have a mid-year examination. This is part of the school’s endeavour to help our girls make the transition from primary to secondary school. Continual Assessments will take place in Semester 1. The end-of-year examination still applies. Further information will be given at the Breakfast Meeting.

SECONDARY 4E & 5
Our O Level classes will not have the usual mid-year examination but will instead have two preliminary examinations. The first will take place at the end of Term 2 and the beginning of Term 3; the second will be at the end of Term 3 and the beginning of Term 4. Please refer to the school calendar for more details. The examination schedules will be issued nearer the dates.

TRAFFIC: FOR THE SAFETY AND SECURITY OF OUR STUDENTS

SCHOOL ZONES
Please note that the Traffic Police will be issuing additional demerit points for all traffic offences committed within school zones islandwide. This is to ensure that school zones are kept safe. We urge all parents and guardians to exercise care when approaching school zones, in consideration of the safety of all our students.

CAR DECAL
If you wish to drive into the school compound to pick your daughter up after school, please buy a car decal for $3 from the General Office. This decal will allow you to drive into the main car park from 3.30pm onwards on school days to wait for your daughter, and to drive into the school compound during the school holidays.
### KEY PERSONNEL

#### SCHOOL LEADERS
- **Principal**: Mrs Karen Tay
- **Vice Principal (Academic)**: Ms Candice Seet
- **Vice Principal (Academic)**: Mrs Dorothy Tan
- **Vice Principal (Admin)**: Mr Mark Hong
- **Dean**: Mrs Mathews Shu Quo

#### HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS
- **Aesthetics**: Ms Josephine Teo
- **Char & Citizenship Edn**: Mrs Helen Tan (acting)
- **English**: Ms Puja Dada
- **Humanities**: Ms Jasmine Ong (acting)
- **Knowledge Mgt**: Mr Francis Yap
- **Life Skills**: Mrs Eugenia Wee-Tan
- **Mother Tongue**: Mrs Shirley Yeung
- **PE & CCA**: Mr Balbinder Singh
- **Science**: Mr Alvin Tang (acting)

#### YEAR HEADS & ASSISTANT YEAR HEADS
- **Lower Secondary**: Mr Francis Yap
- **Upper Secondary**: Mrs Jennifer Chu
- **S1**: Mr Balbinder Singh, Mrs Michelle Yeo
- **S2**: Mrs Helen Tan, Mrs Wong Lai Mun
- **S3**: Ms Josephine Teo, Mr Chan Yew Choong
- **S4 & S5**: Ms Puja Dada, Mr Geraint Wong

#### LEAD & SENIOR TEACHERS
- **LT (Humanities)**: Mrs Valentine Fam
- **ST (Art)**: Mr Joseph Ng
- **ST (Art)**: Ms Teh Ting Ting
- **ST (English Language)**: Mr Ragulan Pakirisamy
- **ST (History)**: Mr Tristan Fernandez
- **ST (Mathematics)**: Ms May Chong
- **ST (Food & Nutrition)**: Mdm Laura Goh

#### OTHERS
- **Chaplain**: Rev Fr Michael Sitaram
- **Administration Manager**: Ms Angeline Ng
- **Operations Manager**: Mr Tan Eng Whay
- **School Counsellors**: Ms Andrea Wang, Ms Geraldine Szeto

#### PARENT SUPPORT GROUP EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
- **Chair**: Mrs Geraldine Koh
- **Vice Chair**: Mrs Adrienne Lim
- **Vice Chair**: Mrs Juliana Tan
- **Treasurer**: Mrs Carolina Tan
- **Treasurer**: Mrs Isabel Seow
- **Secretary**: Mrs Dawn Wee
- **Member**: Mrs Joanne Tia
- **Member**: Mrs Chuah Mee Wee
- **Member**: Mdm Shirley Lee
- **Member**: Mrs Rachel Ong
GCE N LEVEL RESULTS 2014

ELIGIBLE FOR THE POLYTECHNIC FOUNDATION PROGRAMME

63.9%

GCE O LEVEL RESULTS 2014

NUMBER OF STUDENTS WHO SCORED DISTINCTIONS OVER THE PAST 3 YEARS

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For more details, please refer to our school website.

Congratulations

to all our N and O Level students of 2014!

A big thank you

to all their parents and guardians

for your love, prayers and support!

Let us all support our graduating class of 2015 with our love, care and prayers!