Message FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we bid adieu to Term 1 and welcome Term 2, I would like to register appreciation to all who made time to join us for the Parent-Teacher Meeting on 12 March. I hope it was a fruitful session. I encourage you to maintain communication with our teachers, to enable us to work together in providing our girls with the best possible education and experience. On a personal note, it was also a great pleasure and encouragement to meet our Sec 2 and graduating-class parents during the respective briefing sessions. I hope that the sessions were helpful in providing insight on how we can support your daughters/wards better.

Thank you all for your enormous support in Term 1 – for supporting your daughters during their competitions, by either being physically present or giving them encouragement and affirmation; for supporting IJ Fiesta so fervently, helping us celebrate the IJ Spirit and camaraderie, and for being a part of our IJ family.

Our deepest appreciation goes to our Parent Support Group for their tremendous support for our Fiesta. Kudos, too, to our student leaders who took the lead in running IJ Spirit Day and Fiesta. Truly, much of what has been accomplished would not have been possible without our IJ Family – our teaching and non-teaching staff, our girls, our parents and our alumni.

We give thanks to God for his many blessings in Term 1. Our B and C Division netball teams emerged champions in the South Zone competitions, as did our B Division basketball team. Our C Division badminton team came in 4th in the zone, and our B Division tennis team was placed 2nd nationally.

We thank our IJ family for your prayers and support for our girls, and ask for your continual prayers as our girls move into the national rounds of competition. We pray for wisdom, courage, tenacity, determination and protection as our girls persevere in doing their best in what they have put their hearts and minds to.

This term, we look forward to our annual IJ FLAIR, now in its second edition, which celebrates language and the arts at CHIJ. We are also excited to launch our IJ Walk of Inspiration, inspired by our 160-year history of providing the IJ education to girls. The walk celebrates 18 IJ Girls who have excelled in their respective fields, breaking new ground and standing up courageously for what they believe in. It exemplifies the school vision of every IJ Girl as a Woman of Distinction, one who gives of her best in everything she does. It also shows how these women are agents of change. The walk has been constructed to inspire our current and future IJ Girls to follow in the footsteps of these exceptional women, to take their place, as it were, on the Walk of Inspiration. On 1 April, we launch IJ’s Bring Your Own Container (BYOC) campaign, to emphasize the importance of environmental awareness and conservation.

This being an examination term (for all but our Sec 1 girls), we encourage our girls to be consistent in their revision, even as they go about their responsibilities. Our teachers are on hand to provide support whenever and wherever our girls require it. Please keep all our girls and staff in prayer during this period.

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 term. May God bless you and your families and keep you in his love.

Warmest regards

Mrs Karen Tay
**LOOKING BACK ON**

**TERM 1**

**12 MON JAN**

**RELEASE OF O LEVEL RESULTS**
We thank God for the excellent results of our class of 2014.

**10 TUE FEB**

**ROTI PRATA TREAT**
To celebrate our good O Level results, the school leaders treated the entire school to delicious roti prata.

**06 FRI FEB**

**S1 HIKE**
For their leadership development, Sec 1 students hiked through the Central Catchment Nature Reserve.

**11 FEB**

**TOTAL DEFENCE DAY**
This year we had an in-place protection exercise, a simple parade by our uniformed groups, and a PSG-run omelette 'black market'.

**09 MON FEB**

**S4 & S5 VALUES IN ACTION**
Our graduating classes each spent an afternoon serving senior citizens or people with special needs.
CHIJ SECONDARY

LOOKING BACK ON

TERM 1

CHINESE NEW YEAR
The four Houses presented various Chinese New Year traditions through lively performances.

18 WED FEB

13 FRI MAR

IJ SPIRIT DAY & IJ FIESTA
This was the day everyone had been looking forward to all term.

07 SAT MAR

HONOURS DAY
The school conferred awards on our students, long-serving staff and partners in education.

CONVENT OF THE HOLY INFANT JESUS SECONDARY
TOWN CONVENT
Established 1854
LOOKING FORWARD TO
TERM 2

23 MON MAR TO 27 FRI MAR

IJ FLAIR
The week-long Festival of Language and the Arts in Rhythm is now in its second year.

23 MON MAR TO 24 FRI APR

S4 & S5 INTENSIVE REVISION

06 MON APR

EASTER EGG HUNT
To Christians, Easter eggs symbolize the resurrection of Jesus. Students hunt for plastic eggs hidden around the school campus and exchange them for PSG-sponsored chocolates.

09 THU APR 10 FRI APR

S2, S4 & S5 PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

10 FRI APR

S2-S5 CCA STAND-DOWN

18 MON MAY

MARKING DAY
All students do not report to school.

26 TUE MAY TO 29 FRI MAY

S4E & S5 MOTHER TONGUE INTENSIVE REVISION

29 MAY 0745-0845

FOUNDER’S DAY MASS

02 TUE JUN TO 05 FRI JUN

EXTENDED CURRICULUM
S3 & S4N: 2–5 Jun
S4E & S5: 3–5 Jun

EXAMINATIONS

31 Mar–2 Apr  S4 & S5 English Oral Prelim 1
7–8 Apr  S4E Chemistry SPA 1
14–15 Apr  S4E Biology SPA 2
20 Apr  S4 & S5 Chinese B Mid-Year
21 Apr  S4E Physics SPA 2
27–29 Apr  S4E & S5 MTL Oral Prelim
30 Apr–15 May  S2, S3 & S4N Mid-Year
8 May  S4E & S5 MTL Prelim
13–15 May  S4E SPA Skill 3
20–25 May  S4E & S5 Prelim 1
2 Jun  GCE O Level MTL
3 Jun  GCE O Level MTL B
3 Jun  GCE N Level F&N Practical
4–5 Jun  GCE O Level F&N Practical

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 explain her absence.

PARENT-DAUGHTER RACE
Our annual Cross-Country Championships will be held in the morning of Friday 24 July. This year’s programme features a new Parent-Daughter race, which involves parents running with their daughters, to encourage families to keep fit together. More details will be provided soon.