

*Date: 20<sup>th</sup> April 2018*  
*From the Principal's Desk;-*

Dear Parents/Guardians,

**Awards Day – Sat, 24 February, 2018**

Thanks to all parents, students and teachers for the successful SJIS Awards Ceremony. A total of 30 students sat for the Cambridge Assessment International Exams for 2017 and received commendation awards and certificates. Congratulations again to all the award recipients and I hope you will be examples to our students to achieve greater heights this year. Besides the outstanding students' achievements, many who were present were awed by our young talents from the music and drama clubs.

**Report Card Day – Sat, 31st March, 2018**

Report Card Day was met with much excitement for many, and anxiety for some. (As such the Easter break was much welcomed). Parents' turn-out was much better this time around. As always be reminded that these assessments allow us to see which study areas need more improvement as well as to assist students in areas that they are weak in and to affirm them in areas that they are confident in.

**Wear Your Colours With Pride - SJIS's 6th Annual Sports Day – Sun, 22nd April, 2018**

All our students and teachers are gearing up for SJIS's 6th Annual Sports Day on 22nd April at the Arena Sukan Universiti Malaya from 8am – 2pm. The competitive spirit is in the air as our sports houses, Cambridge, Glasgow and Oxford compete for the School Sports Championship Trophy. Last year for the first time since the establishing of the school, Cambridge, the Green House, finally broke the spell and took the Championship Trophy, knocking off Oxford's Yellows who won the trophy for the last three years. Will they retake it away from Cambridge this year? What strategy does Cambridge have to retain the trophy? Glasgow's Reds too are keen to make a comeback after winning the top spot for the first two years. We invite all our parents to be a part of our Annual Sports and find out. To participate in the Annual Sports students and teachers were recently getting into shape for the sports trials. We could feel the competitive spirit as students went for their field and track trials and rehearsals at Kompleks MSN Setiawangsa, Kuala Lumpur on 10th and 17th April, 2018.

Sports is an area that we place emphasis on at SJIS and we encourage all students and parents to take a keen interest in being part of it. I do hope that parents and guardians take a serious interest in their children's participation for Sports Day as the turnout for the trials needs to be encouraged. With your cooperation I am certain we can see a greater participation from the student body.

Parents, please be reminded that every student in SJIS is graded for their participation in all

school events including sports activities and this is essential to what we call a holistic education. We need your support, please encourage your children to take a keen interest in our sports and extra-curricular activities.

**PARENTS NOTE THAT YOU SHOULD SEND YOUR CHILDREN BY 7.30AM and FETCH THEM AT 2PM on 22nd APRIL, 2018.** Parking for parents is available beside the Stadium Arena next to the tennis courts. Signage for directions and our staff will assist you in regards to parking for the day.

### **Connecting with all of you via Parents Night – 6th April, 2018**

Parents and guardians, as reminded in my opening address, during the Success Planner Parents Night (SP) you all are the primary educators of your children and that role does not end when your children attend school because learning takes place at home as well.

SP is aimed at turning out independent students who do not depend solely on all of you nor their teachers all the time.

Thank you for your attendance at SP Parents Night and I hope to have more healthy and fruitful discussions with more of you in our future sessions.

### **School Safety**

School safety – we can never emphasise this enough for both parents and students. We should always be vigilant and alert at all times. Since my last message I notice many of you are adhering to the traffic instructions. New yellow boxes have been put up after discussions with DBKL and I do hope that all of you continue to adhere to the rules of no stopping in the yellow box zone. I thank you for your cooperation thus far on this matter and let's all keep Jalan Bukit Nanas jamm free.

### **Chong Xian Hao – SJIS' very own XXI Goldcoast Commonwealth Sports Icon**

What a fantastic show by our very own Year 11 sportsman, triathlete, 17 year-old Chong Xian Hao, who flew the Malaysian Flag at the XXI Gold Coast Commonwealth Games 2018 in Australia recently. While he did not win a medal it was an exemplary participation at this level that is to be commended. This plucky and determined student has been training very hard for this event that includes swimming, cycling and running.

We want to thank Xian Hao who addressed students during our school assembly recently, describing the experience and the opportunity to be part of an international sporting competition. Congratulations Xian Hao, you exemplify the School's motto of Faith and Fortitude.

**School Closure on Wed, 9th May**

With Wednesday, May 9th being declared as our polling date and it being a public holiday as well, please note that SJIS will be closed for the day. School reopens on Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2018. Do note however there is no change in the timetable for the IGSCCE examinations and these examinations will commence as usual. Students registered for the examinations will be expected to sit for their papers as scheduled.

Have a pleasant weekend ahead and looking forward to seeing all of you early on Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2018 for our 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Sports Day.

Yours sincerely,



Suresh Dass  
Principal