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Campus Principal's Message

We are back in school for about a month since the term started and it is pleasing to note that learning is back in full swing in all our schools. With the increased enrolment of students in our schools, our classrooms have become more lively and exciting.

The new students have now settled in an orderly and quiet manner both inside and outside the classrooms. It is particularly important for students to settle in quickly so that they can proceed to make progress in their learning.

Teachers are teaching new material every day and students need to be consistent in their learning. A good strategy for effective learning in all the students is to read the material given to them before attending lessons and make notes to highlight areas of concern. During the lesson, they have to listen carefully and seek clarification in their areas of concern. They should then revise the new material during preparatory time later in the evening. A good method to assess their learning is to attempt to answer past year questions on the material taught they have learned.

By consistently revising their work on a daily basis, students will be able to progress smoothly in their learning. They should not wait until the term examination

We always make resolutions at the beginning of the year and hope a new year will turn our life around for the better. If we want our new year resolutions to come true, we need to put effort into them. Here are the steps to make your New Year's resolutions come true.

1. Define your wish - normally, after we make our wishes, we seldom remember them. We have to ask ourselves before we make our wishes - "What do I really want?" We need to make our wishes significant and in accordance with our needs and dreams. I believe a lot of people don't know what they want and just simply make a wish without thinking. Psychology professor Dr. Gail Matthews mentioned, "If you write down goals, you're 42% more likely to achieve them."

2. Visualise the result -THE SECRET quoted "To achieve anything, first imagine and then be grateful for receiving." Visualise the result that you aim for. Imagine the feeling if the wish comes true.



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before revising. It is very difficult to revise at the end of the term when work is not re-visited regularly. The Malay word for revision is 'ulang kaji' is most apt. It means to repeat the study. Repeating our studying is only possible if the material has been studied or learnt. For students who have not studied, there is nothing to repeat. It will then be new studying instead of revision.

To reiterate, all the students are advised to:

- Read through your materials to prepare for learning,
- Focus full attention in class when learning takes place.
- Revise what is taught on a regular basis, and
- Remember that revision is reinforcement of learning and not learning what has not been learnt.

Message from Head of MPS Ms. Tea Ming Ming

3. Think of the obstacles that we may face. For any wish we make, we will definitely go through obstacles before it comes true. Thinking about the obstacles will stop us from realising the wish. The fear of change will cause you to hold back the decision to move forward.

4. Develop a plan - identify all the obstacles and list down the ways to overcome them. Make the wish into smaller goals and list down all the steps to achieve each goal. Then, go for action to make the wishes come true with specific strategies.

That is why among all the New Year blessings, I like the most is "May all your wishes come true." I wish you all the same.



Campus Principal's Message Translated

新学年已经开学一个月了，看到所有学生都逐渐进入学习状态，真是振奋人心。随着新生入学人数的增加，我们的教室和走廊都充满了欢乐的氛围。

接待新生不论是在教室内或外的安排都井然有序。因为他们而言，用最快的时间去适应环境最为重要，只有这样他们才能在学习中取得进步。

教师每天都在教授新的学习内容，学生需要持续不断的在学习。要达到有效学习的一个好策略是在学生上课前阅读未学过的内容。

老师提供给他们的教材内容，对于重点做笔记并加以特别标注。上课时，他们必须认真听讲，同时在他们之前关注的重点向老师求证。然后他们回家后，利用晚上时间进行复习。评估学生学习成效的一个好方法是依据他们所学的内容看他们能否有能力应答历届考题。

通过每天不断地复习功课，相信学生们能够在学习中持续进步。他们不应该等到学期考试时候才复习功课。若平时没有定期的复习功课，在学期末才复习就会感到非常吃力及困难。复习马来语是 ulang kaji 是非常贴切的用词，就是重复学习的意思。只有在学习内容已被研读的情况下才有可能复习。若学生平时完全没有复习，则任何学习内容都是新的，完全不是复习。

在此重申，建议所有学生：

- 上课前，务必预习教学内容。
- 上课时，专心听讲教学内容。
- 上课后，定时复习教学内容。
- 切记，复习是强化已学过的学习内容，而不是

Kita telah kembali bersekolah selama kira-kira sebulan sejak penggal ini bermula dan gembira apabila melihat pembelajaran kembali rancak di semua sekolah. Dengan peningkatan kemasukan pelajar baharu di sekolah kita, bilik darjah menjadi lebih meriah dan mengujakan.

Pelajar-pelajar baharu kini telah mula menyesuaikan diri mereka dengan baik sama ada di dalam mahupun di luar bilik darjah. Ia amat penting bagi pelajar untuk menyesuaikan diri dengan cepat supaya mereka boleh meneruskan kemajuan dalam pembelajaran mereka.

Guru mengajar bahan baharu setiap hari dan pelajar perlu konsisten dalam pembelajaran mereka. Strategi yang baik untuk pembelajaran yang berkesan untuk semua pelajar ialah membaca bahan yang diberikan kepada mereka sebelum menghadiri pelajaran, membuat nota dan memberi perhatian kepada maklumat yang utama. Semasa pembelajaran, mereka perlu mendengar dengan teliti dan mendapatkan penjelasan tentang maklumat yang menarik perhatian mereka. Mereka kemudiannya hendaklah menyemak semula bahan baharu yang diterima sewaktu mengulang kaji pada waktu malam. Kaedah yang baik untuk menilai pembelajaran mereka adalah dengan cuba menjawab soalan tahun - tahun lepas.

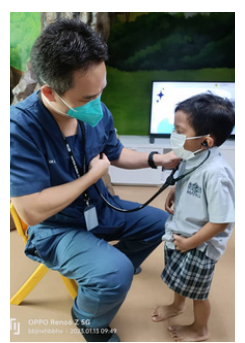
Dengan menyemak kerja mereka secara konsisten setiap hari, pelajar akan maju dan lancar dalam pembelajaran mereka. Mereka tidak sepatutnya menunggu sehingga peperiksaan penggal untuk membuat semakan. Amat sukar untuk menyemak semula pada penghujung penggal apabila bahan-bahan tidak diulang kaji secara kerap. Perkataan ulang kaji dalam Melayu adalah amat tepat iaitu mengulang kajian. Mengulangi pembelajaran hanya mungkin dilakukan untuk pembelajaran yang telah dipelajari atau dikaji. Bagi pelajar yang belum belajar, tiada apa yang perlu diulang. Ia sebenarnya menjadi kajian yang baharu dan bukannya ulang kaji.

Untuk mengulang kaji, semua pelajar dinasihatkan untuk:

- Baca bahan sebagai persediaan awal sebelum pembelajaran,
- Tumpukan perhatian sepenuhnya di dalam kelas apabila pembelajaran berlaku.
- Semak semula apa yang diajar secara berkala, dan
- Ingat bahawa ulang kaji adalah pengukuhan pembelajaran dan bukan mempelajari apa yang belum dipelajari.

MIEY - Little Doctors in Training

In January, reception classes had an entry point for the IPC theme, 'How Are You?'. A doctor from NSCMH hospital came to brief the children about the importance of hygiene, healthy eating, exercise and how to prevent germs and illness from spreading. The children gained valuable experience listening to the heartbeat with a stethoscope. They also gave each child a little doctor-in-training tag. All the children were enthusiastic during this session.



MGS - Grand Chinese New Year Celebration

In MGS, it is a tradition to celebrate all main festivals in Malaysia in a grand way. This year is the first year after the pandemic that we can continue with our traditional grand celebration for the Chinese New Year.

All schools came together today and everyone enjoyed the dancing, singing, and lion dances that mesmerised all of us with their amazing acrobatic moves.



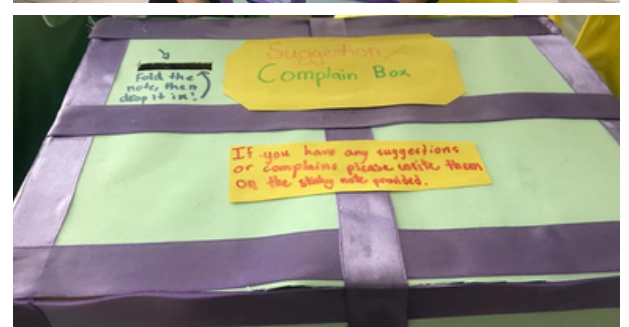
MIS Primary Prefect - Your Voice is Heard!

We see our MISP prefectorial board members as future leaders, thus we place emphasis on developing their personality characteristics, relational influence and cognitive and/or emotional abilities.

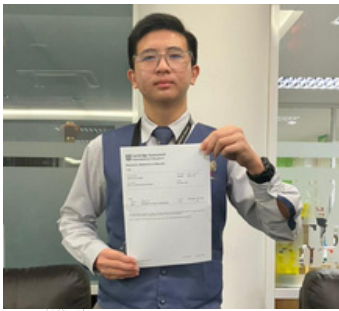
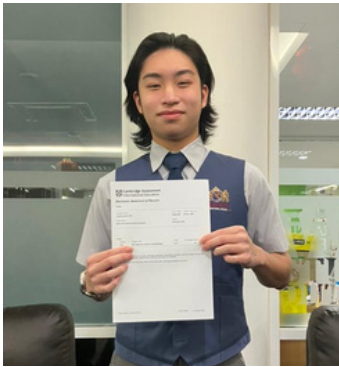
Every week, MIS primary prefects have their meeting in which our prefects highlight the problems they have encountered or reported to them by the other students in the school. They suggest solutions as a group or individually to solve the problems together with the head teacher. They come up with great ideas/solutions and speak as a voice for the other primary students in our school.

Recently, our MISP prefects realised that some students are very shy or afraid to share their problems with teachers or with them. As a result, our MISP prefects prepared a feedback/suggestion box that could be accessible to all MIS students where students can write their feedback/suggestions and drop them in the box.

They believe that this approach will help our primary students to voice out their problems/concerns directly to the student prefectorial board and to the school.



MIS Secondary - Excellent IGCSE Results (November Series)



All the teachers and staff at Matrix International School are exceptionally proud of Javier Lim Ky-Jien, Low Yu Le and Jason Teh Jia Sheng in Year 11 who not only sat their mathematics IGCSE early in October 2022, but all achieved A*s. Their impressive results are simple evidence of the hard work they have put in to achieve such grades.

These results couldn't have come at a better time, coinciding with the Chinese New Year and setting the scene for a most auspicious and prosperous year for all Year 11 students at Matrix International school.

2023 is the year of the Water Rabbit, which represents longevity, peace, and prosperity in Chinese culture. 2023 is predicted to be a year of hope. However, for our Year 11 students, Javier Lim Ky-Jien, Low Yu Le and Jason Teh Jia Sheng have led the way in 2023 being the year where hard work and commitment means excellent IGCSE results!

MPS Form 5 - Guide to Studying Smarter

With the pressure of facing the most important examination, students may face difficulties to choose which study habit works best. There are various ways which may be effective.

We help our Form 5 students by giving them the simple effective guides on how to study smarter as per below:

- Understanding the concept instead of blindly memorising.
- Review their understanding using questions from past year papers.
- Study with a friend or in small groups.

