Weekly MGS Echo





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Campus Principal's Message

Last weekend, we held our successful MGS Road Race on Saturday 11th March from 8.30 a.m. until 11.00 a.m.

It was extremely pleasing to witness the students' enthusiastic participation, as well as the strong support by our parents who turned out in full force and stayed until the end despite the hot weather. We were also glad to create more categories to cater even for Year 1/Standard 1 students to make the race more inclusive.

Congratulations to the winners and all the students who participated for their effort and determination. While we were very pleased with how the event turned out, we will continue to look at how we can improve these events to ensure learning opportunities are maximised.

This week, we implemented the new traffic flow system for the campus. Initially, over the few days, some parents used the wrong route, possibility due to old habits formed over the years. However, towards the later part of the week, the traffic flow was better, as expected. The separation of the drop-off and pick-up points for parents / guardians from

Marcus Aurelius Antoninus was the Roman emperor from 161 AD to 180 AD. He was the last of the rulers known as the Five Good Emperors and the last emperor of the Pax Romana, an age of peace, calmness and stability for the Roman Empire lasting from 27 BC to 180 AD. His greatest accomplishment as Emperor was his ability to hold the Empire together through the Roman Empire's first true pandemic, the Parthian War, and the Germanic Wars.

Marcus Aurelius, however, is not best remembered for the wars he waged, but for his contemplative nature and his rule driven by reason. He was a stoic philosopher, which advocated stepping back from emotional and physical chaos to reach a state of calm, clear-headed thinking. Though massive power corrupted many leaders throughout history, Marcus Aurelius is widely documented as being a noble leader with strong moral character.

Over the course of 15 years working as a school leader, I have heard and seen much misinformation and misguided attempts to develop young people as leaders and learners. Growth mindset, '21st century learning', Learning to Learn, the list goes on and none of it lasts with any credible meaning beyond a few years.

Marcus Aurelius is one of the best leaders in human history. He has been dead for over 1,800 years and his





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Congratulations To All 2022 SPM Graduates!

MIS and MPS has greatly reduced the congestion at the main entrance to the campus. We will monitor the situation for the rest of the term to make finer adjustments, if necessary.

Your patience and cooperation in the implementation of the new traffic system is very much appreciated and we thank you for your understanding in our effort to provide a safer and more orderly environment in the campus.

> Message from Head of MIS -Mr. Richard Lord



leadership lessons still resonate today. This is because human behaviour hasn't changed much. People want to follow someone who perseveres, doesn't let the small stuff get to them and stays humble. These lessons were relevant 1,800 years ago, they are relevant today and they will be relevant as long as human beings live and breathe.

Instead of trying to prepare students for 'jobs that don't yet exist' (which in my estimation is called seeing into the future), schools worldwide should seek for students to look at lessons from the past to help them develop as leaders of the future.

"You have power over your mind - not outside events." Realize this, and you will find strength." - Marcus Aurelius

Campus Principal's Message Translated

我校成功在上周六3月11日上午8点30分至11点, 成功举办了全校性公路赛。即使在炎热的天气下,同学 们依然踊跃参与,还有家长们的鼎力支持,大家全力以 赴坚持到最后,真是令人欣喜若狂。今年,我们很高兴 增加了给予一年级学生的项目,使的比赛更具多元性。

在此恭喜所有获奖者和全体参与学生的努力和决心。虽 然我们对活动的结果感到非常满意,但我们将继续反思 如何改进活动,以增加更多透过体验的学习机会。本 周,我们实施了新的交通系统。最初几天,可能是多年 养成的老习

Hujung minggu lalu, sekolah telah berjaya menganjurkan Perlumbaan Jalan Raya MGS pada hari Sabtu 11 Mac dari 8.30 pagi hingga 11.00 pagi. Kita sangat gembira apabila menyaksikan penyertaan para pelajar yang bersemangat, serta sokongan padu daripada ibu bapa yang hadir dan kekal sehingga tamat walaupun cuaca panas. Kita juga telah merancang untuk mengadakan lebih banyak kategori untuk memenuhi keperluan murid Tahun 1 pada masa akan

Tahniah kepada para pemenang dan semua pelajar yang mengambil bahagian atas usaha dan kesungguhan mereka. Walaupun kita sangat gembira dengan bagaimana acara itu berlangsung, kita akan terus melihat bagaimana kita boleh menambah baik acara ini untuk memastikan peluang pembelajaran turut dimaksimumkan.

datang supaya menjadikan perlumbaan lebih inklusif.

Minggu ini, sekolah melaksanakan sistem aliran trafik

导致有些家长走错了路线。 然而,经过一周之后,

通流畅度如预期般好转。MIS 和 MPS早上及下午接送孩子 的地点是不同的,这大大减少了校园正门的交通拥堵情 况。我们将继续观察至期末后再进行调整以应付未预期出 现的特殊情况。

借此机会,非常感谢大家对于我们努力提供更安全、更有 秩序的校园环境所实施新交通系统所给予耐心、理解与充 分的合作。

baharu di dalam kampus. Pada hari permulaaan, terdapat beberapa ibu bapa menggunakan laluan yang salah, kemungkinan disebabkan oleh kebiasaan lama yang dilalui selama ini. Walau bagaimanapun, bila berakhirnya minggu percubaan itu, aliran trafik berjalan dengan lebih baik. Pengasingan tempat menghantar dan mengambil untuk ibu bapa / penjaga dari MIS dan MPS telah mengurangkan kesesakan di pintu masuk utama kampus dengan ketara. Kami akan memantau keadaan sepanjang penggal ini untuk membuat pelarasan yang lebih baik, jika perlu.

Kesabaran kerjasama dan tuan/puan dalam pelaksanakan sistem trafik baharu amat kami hargai dan kami berterima kasih kepada tuan/puan kerana memahami usaha kami untuk menyediakan persekitaran yang lebih selamat dan teratur di dalam kampus.

MIEY - Celebrating Women's Day

8th March, our Early Years celebrated International Women's Day with a few exciting activities. Among the main activities were painting their hands and transferring the paint to a piece of paper to form flowers and adding leaves to them. Another activity was painting an image of a woman on a paper and then pasting it on a bag. When the paper was removed, a nice image of a women stayed on the canvas bag. Other than that, they made simple wishing cards. All of the crafts were presented as gifts for the special woman in their life.













Road Race Highlights

The Road Race is an annual sports event in MGS and this year we organised for more categories. The younger children, competed with each other on the school track while the older ones went out of the school for longer distances. This race brings our students together to support and cheer their sports houses and the winners. The presence of parents/guardians definitely elevated the competitive atmosphere of the event and the students were highly motivated to perform at their best. Congratulations to all the winners. Here are the top achievers:

Under 18 Girls

- Yun Chaewon, Y9M **Under 18 Boys**
- Sampson Chong, F5M Under 13 Girls
- Yun Seowon, Y7M

Under 13 Boys

- Jayden Louis, Y8A Under 12 Girls
- Ellenna Yau, S5M **Under 12 Boys**
- Ong Kah Wei, S5M









I had the honour to be the student photographer for the Road Race. It was both exciting and daunting to try capturing the big smiles of the winners and the participants' moment of glory as well as agony. I enjoyed the memorable experience that was an "eye opener" for me and look forward for more assignments to capture the wonderful moments share with our school community.

-Harith Rafig bin Hail Amir, Form 4









MPS - 1st Runner Up in Fencing Competition

Chloe Chiah Hor Yee, Standard 6, and her brother, Hanson Chiah Zuin Yi, Standard 5, competed in the fencing competition organised by Federal Territory Amateur Fencing Association (FTAFA) at Bangunan Bakti Siti Hasmah on 11th March 2023.

We would like to congratulate Chloe for winning the 1st runner-up in the under-12 category, competing against the national club members. Both Chloe and Hanson will be competing at the international level in Taiwan this coming 27th May. We wish them the best in the competition! Nulli Secunda!



Chloe, 2nd from the left, standing proudly after receiving her medal, for a group photograph.

MIS Geography - What Affects the Earth?

A famous American author and geographer, Mark Helprinl, once said, "A good river is nature's life work in song." In MIS geography this term, students in Year 8 have been understanding the true power of nature and human activities that affect the earth. They have studied how geological features along the course of a river, such as V-shaped valleys, waterfalls, and oxbow lakes formations occur over hundreds of years, and how the erosion and deposition of these formations have led to the creation of new features such as river cliffs and river beaches.

Flooding is a natural disaster that is increasing in frequency due to climate change. Malaysia has not been spared. The students have been analysing factors that make flooding worse, how it can be managed and even completing a decision-making exercise on how to help towns overcome their flooding problem. The base knowledge from this topic will be revisited in greater detail when the students reach IGCSE as they then start to investigate fieldwork techniques completed on rivers such as river velocity and river carrying capacity.



The students created detailed pop-up drainage basins with the key terms relating to rivers. This unit allows the students to appreciate their surroundings and recognise their role as global citizens.

MPS Secondary - 'Asas Sains Komputer'

"Asas Sains Komputer" is a continuation of the Information and Communication Technology (ICT) subject that has been introduced to students in primary schools.

Students learnt about Python programming, a language used to create applications, computer commands, and perform data analysis. As a general-purpose language, Python can be used to support software development to solve various problems. Students also learnt HTML coding. HTML is the main markup language for web development. HTML provides a means of producing structured documents by marking the semantics of text structures such as headings, paragraphs, lists, links, quotations, etc. HTML allows embedding of images and objects, and can be used to create interactive forms.





Students used Python programming to create applications, computer commands, and perform data analysis.

Boarding House News

On 11 February 2023, the boarding house had a memorable experience visiting Port Dickson. The boarders arrived early at the Cape Rachado Lighthouse. They managed to climb to the top to enjoy the breathtaking scenery and later strolled and enjoyed the beautiful sandy beach. While enjoying the beautiful day, they put their classroom learning into practice by cleaning the beach as their contribution towards protecting the environment.

Their visit to the Pusat Ikan Hiasan was an eye opener and they learned more about the different species of fishes. They saw hawksbill sea turtles of various sizes, puffer fishes and witnessed the clown fishes swimming harmlessly between the dangerous tentacles of the sea anemone in a perfect example of a symbiotic relationship in nature. They even saw a zebra moray eel which has very powerful jaws that can cause nasty bites when agitated.











Congratulations to all 2022 SPM Graduates!

It's the day we've all been waiting for - the Form 5 2022 cohort graduation ceremony! Having gone through two years of online learning, and then readapting to the new norms, they have now officially achieved yet another of their key milestones and doors to their next unlocked the Congratulations to all 2022 Form 5 students on successfully completing your high school journey and a special shout out to Vincent Pak, who swept up most of the prestigious academic and leadership awards MPS has to offer! We hope all graduates continue to soar to greater heights and become the true embodiment of 'Nulli Secunda'!



Vincent Pak receiving his awards from Mr. Loh



'I'll Always Remember You' by Skyler and Rebecca





The graduates put up a performance dancing to a K-Pop song





Our own Hong Kong group, 'Beyond', entertaining the participants and guests

