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## SCHOOL ORIENTATION

With open arms and smiling faces, we joyfully welcome both new and existing students to another exciting academic year at our school. The school orientation day was a lively mix of emotions, combining the excitement that comes with new beginnings and the reassuring return of familiar faces.

Inside the classrooms, the scene was nothing short of heartwarming. Our preschoolers, taking their first steps into formal education. It was delightful to witness them trying to mingle with our teachers and their newfound friends.

To our parents, your presence made all the difference.

Seeing you actively participating in this event was truly special.

Many of you spent time in the classrooms, offering comfort to your little ones and sharing in the joy of their first experiences. Your involvement adds an extra layer of warmth to the school community, creating a supportive environment for both students and teachers.

It was also important to welcome back our current students. They came into the new school year feeling familiar and connected. The happy faces were eager to see their friends again and dive back into their studies.





## Preparation for Christmas Performance

The holiday season at primary schools ignites a special kind of magic. Amidst the twinkling lights and festive decorations, one of the most anticipated events is the Christmas performance — a delightful showcase of young talents spreading cheer through music. Among the enchanting performances, the collaborative showcase of a choir, ukulele ensemble, and live band brings a multifaceted musical celebration.

Under the guidance of music teachers, the choir practices vocal harmonies, mastering melodies and lyrics. Simultaneously, the ukulele ensemble diligently learns chord progressions and strumming techniques, while the live band fine-tunes intricate instrumental arrangements, all honing their skills in their respective domains.

The whole performance was a great success. Beyond showcasing musical prowess, it embodies unity, cooperation, and the joy of artistic collaboration, leaving a resounding echo of holiday cheer and musical brilliance in the hearts of all who experience it.

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**The three Wise Men,** Sachin Revynash (Y10M), Chong Jin Xin (Y10A) & Lee Er Nes (Y10M) arguing about why they got lost again.



**The Three Wise Women,** Jayna Lim Y10M, Lin Yu Xin Y10M & Nshika Lin Nair Y10M, are sick of the Three Wise Men's silliness

## The Three Wise Men of Drama



Christmas, as they say, is the most wonderful time of the year. With that in mind, the three Y10 IGCSE Drama students, Lee Er Nes, Sachin Revynash & Chong Jin Xin, along with three Y10 students who are not taking drama, Nishika Lin Nair, Jayna Lim & Lin Yu Xin, devised a pantomime based on the story of the Three Wise Men, called "The Three Wise Men Who Get Lost".

Devised Theatre is an essential part of IGCSE Drama, as students are tasked with creating a show based on a stimulus given. Mr. Bob gave them the stimuli of the story of the Three Wise Men, and they used this to create a humorous story of three men who get lost, and need saving by three women, called the Three Wise Women.

The skit was performed during the Christmas Assembly for MIS, and was met with roaring laughter from the audience. The primary audience particularly, enjoyed themselves immensely, replying every question asked by actors, while also clapping and shouting whenever they enjoyed a moment from the skit.

What surprised the audience, particularly the teachers in attendance, was the fact that all 6 students came up with the show by themselves. "I've seen these students grow up, from when they were just tiny, till now. I can't help but be proud of how much they've grown, and how brave, creative and talented they've become", said Ms. Liana. "Even though not everyone got the joke, I particularly enjoyed CJ (Chong Jin Xin) making fun of Twitter and Elon Musk".

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## A bright start a year ahead 2024

School is back in session, bringing with it new opportunities, fresh outfits and accessories, and a chance to set new goals. The energy and enthusiasm in the hallways are palpable, and we are thrilled to see our students diving into their learning experiences with such excitement.

As part of preparation to begin the school year, MPS staff organised a wonderful INSET training programme including outdoor team building activities in December.



Our first class teachers meeting with parents was heartwarming and a great way to start building our community. It was a pleasure to see familiar faces and welcome new members to our MPS family. These gatherings are invaluable in fostering a strong partnership between our school and parents, and we look forward to many more in the coming months.



## Mathematics Cup 2023



The year of 2023 was indeed a successful year for our school. Our students have proven their Mathematics skills in a lot of competitions held throughout the year. One of them is Lyu Haoxuan from Std 5M. Haoxuan has been awarded gold (Negeri Sembilan and Melaka) in the EMC and 1st runner up in the MMIC (National level) held in May and September. He was then invited to the Malaysia Mathematics Conference on the 16th December to participate in the Mathematics Cup. Lyu Haoxuan was awarded 1st runner up (State level) and received Platinum Award in the Mathematics Cup. Haoxuan has proved that self-believe and hard work will always bring success. Hope his achievement will motivate other students to overcome their fear in Maths and participate in all Mathematics competitions planned for this year.



## Homes & Houses

The children explored into making their own building materials starting with mud bricks. They mixed soil, dried grass, a bit of cement with some water and put the mixture in moulds to harden. They had fun in the experience and gained knowledge of how bricks are made. Before, they started the making process, The children watched the story of The Three Little Javelinas, by Susan Lovell. This story is similar to the story of the 3 little pigs where each Javelinas built a house using different materials such as straw, wood and bricks. In the end the house of bricks was the strongest and kept all the Javelina's safe from the wolf.



## This is Me

Our models from Young Doodlers showcased their favourite clothes through a catwalk for the IPC unit. "This is Me" Entry Point. Our vibrant models could describe their outfits' colours, shapes, patterns and favourite characters

