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# **MGS ECHO**



#### NULLI SECUNDA - SECOND TO NONE

#### **MESSAGE FROM THE CAMPUS PRINCIPAL**

#### IMPORTANT NOTICES

Emails have been sent out this week by the Campus Principal to staff, students and parents regarding the following procedures in place in MGS:

Temperature of all staff, students, parents, visitors and service providers is checked upon entry to school on a daily basis.

Advisory was given out to avoid travelling to high risk areas like Mainland China, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, Iran, Italy & Denmark. If any staff or students do visit these places, they have been asked to self quarantine for 14 days before coming back to school.

Online assistance and support is given to students on quarantine leave marked as 'medical leave' in school. School trips for this term have been postponed or converted to in-house activities.



MPS Class of 2019 SPM Top Achievers (from left): Aiman Hakimi (8As), Muhammad Haidel (9As), Lim Tung En (11As), Chin Kee Jane (9As), Muhammad Iskandar (9As), Aimi Nur Zafirah (8As), Siti Nur Aida Zulaikha (8As), Hea Sin Wei (8As) and Syahir Anas (8As).

The SPM results of 2019 have just been released and we would like to take this opportunity to congratulate our biggest cohort of students (56 of them) who have put in their best effort to achieve the good results. There is a clean sweep of 100% pass rate in Physics, Chemistry, Biology, General Science, Additional Maths, Art, Islamic Studies and Moral. English, in particular, had half the cohort scoring A.

Special mention must go to our top performers who truly exemplify our vision of well-rounded students who can contribute to our community. Congratulations to Lim Tung En who scored 11 As, Muhammad Iskandar bin Mohd Azul 9As, Muhammad Haidel bin Mohd Hazer 9As and Chin Kee Jane with 9As too. 5 others have scored 8As.

These top scorers have achieved their excellence whilst actively engaged in sports and extra-mural activities. Haidel and Iskandar were both in the school team for volley ball and football while Tung En and Kee Jane were active members of the St John Ambulance and represented MGS in table tennis. Haidel had soldiered on during the SPM examination even though his father passed away suddenly on the first day of his SPM examination. His sheer determination was featured in <a href="The Star newspaper">The Star newspaper</a>. For these qualities of grit, will power and the contribution of time and effort to bring honour to the school - we salute all of them. May their all-round excellence be shining examples to all our students.

Not to be forgotten in this celebration of our students' success, is the support and contribution that our teachers and parents have so selflessly given. Thank you teachers and parents for motivating and encouraging our students to give of their best in all fields. With your strong support, we will strive on to achieve a success that is "nulli secunda".











#### Kejayaan MPS di SPM 2019

Keputusan SPM 2019 baru sahaja diumumkan dan kami ingin mengambil kesempatan ini untuk mengucapkan tahniah kepada kohort terbesar kami (seramai 56 calon) atas usaha gigih mereka untuk mendapatkan keputusan yang cemerlang. Mereka telah berjaya mencapai lulus 100 peratus dalam subjek Fizik, Biologi, Kimia, Sains, Matematik Tambahan, Pendidikan Seni, Pendidikan Islam dan Pendidikan Moral. Malah, 50% daripada mereka mendapat keputusan A dalam subjek Bahasa Inggeris.

Penghargaan perlu diberikan kepada pelajar-pelajar cemerlang kami yang merupakan contoh pelajar serba boleh dan penyumbang kepada masyarakat sepertimana yang kami impikan. Sekalung tahniah buat Lim Tung En yang berjaya mencapai keputusan 11A, serta Muhammad Iskandar bin Mohd Azul, Muhammad Haidel bin Mohd Hazer dan Chin Kee Jane yang berjaya mencapai 9A. Turut serta, 5 lagi pelajar yang telah berjaya mendapat 8A.

Kesemua pelajar cemerlang ini telah mencapai keputusan yang membanggakan di samping terlibat secara aktif dalam bidang sukan dan kokurikulum. Haidel dan Iskandar merupakan pemain bola tampar dan bola sepak sekolah, manakala Tung En dan Kee Jane merupakan ahli St John Ambulans yang aktif dan turut mewakili MGS dalam sukan ping pong. Haidel telah menunjukkan tahap kecekalan yang tinggi sepanjang peperiksaan SPM dijalankan meskipun menghadapi dugaan besar dimana ayahnya telah meninggal dunia pada hari pertama peperiksaan. Kami amat berbangga dengan kegigihan, keazaman, pengorbanan masa dan tenaga yang dicurahkan pelajar-pelajar ini bagi meningkatkan pencapaian sekolah. Semoga kecemerlangan mereka menjadi sumber inspirasi kepada muridmurid yang lain.

Dalam meraikan kejayaan pelajar-pelajar ini, sokongan dan sumbangan yang tidak berbelah bahagi daripada guru-guru dan ibu bapa turut tidak dilupakan. Terima kasih kepada para guru dan ibubapa diatas motivasi dan kata-kata semangat yang dicurahkan bagi memastikan pelajar-pelajar memberi yang terbaik dalam apa jua bidang yang mereka ceburi. Dengan sokongan padu ini, kami akan terus berusaha lebih giat untuk mencapai kejayaan "nulli secunda".

#### 2019 SPM放榜 学生表现杰出

2019年的SPM放榜,在此要祝贺这批历届最多人数的(56名)取得优异的成绩。本校的物理、化学、生物、科学、高数、美术、伊斯兰研究和道德学科都取得100%的合格率。值得一提的是,一半以上的考生更是在英语科取得A的佳绩。

这些杰出的学生们也应证了我们的愿景,即培育出全面发展的国家栋梁之才 。谨此祝贺考获全科A的优异学生,他们是林彤恩(11A)、Muhammad Haidel(9A)、Muhammad Iskandar(9A)及陈启阡(9A)。此外,另有5人考获8A的佳绩。

这些考获杰出成绩的学生品学兼优,不仅在学术上有出色的表现,在课外活动方面也取得卓越的成就。Muhammad Haidel和Muhammad Iskandar是本校排球和足球校队一员;林彤恩和陈启阡则是圣约翰救伤队的会员,不仅如此,她们还代表金群利环球院校参加乒乓比赛。Muhammad Haidel学生在SPM考试的第一天就接获父亲逝世的噩耗,坚毅的他忍住伤悲完成SPM考试。他所付出的努力以及其坚定勇敢的精神,不仅为本校带来耀眼的荣誉,更为全体学生树立了良好的榜样,令人钦佩。

学生此次的成就亦归功于教师与家长们,感谢他们默默的支持与无私的奉献。在师长们的激励与协助下,学生在学习生涯中得以全面发展他们的才能,师长们不辞劳苦的付出,让学生迈向"首屈一指(nulli secunda)"的康庄大道。

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## From our Inspiring Young Ladies in celebration of WOMEN'S DAY

One inspirational female who I aspire to be is Malala Yousafzai. She is an activist for female education and the youngest Nobel Prize laureate. Her work is inspirational because she greatly strived for females around the world to

receive an education. This is important because if only boys could receive an education then girls would very likely not have the knowledge or skills to allow them to achieve their dreams and aspirations. Malala's efforts have inspired me because she fought on behalf of others, even when she faced opposition, and her resilience challenges me to stand up for others in need.

- Nishika Nair, Year 6

As a young woman, we must be strong, resilient, and work side by side with other girls so we can move forward together. We have to be fierce and strive to be the best that we can be; no matter what language we speak, how we choose to dress or the person we aspire to be.

What matters is we have a choice, and the freedom to carve out a life for ourselves. Our salvation will only come if we stand together. Happy Women's Day!

- Lishani Thirukumern, Form 5

The great achievements and actions of men deserve to be honoured, yet people often forget about the women who have put in just as much effort and started just as many changes, but get none of the acclaim and recognition.

Rosa Parks, for example, is known as the "Mother of the Civil Rights Movement", a woman who stood strong in her beliefs of abolishing racial segregation. Beginning with a simple, yet pivotal act of refusing to give up her seat in the bus for a white man, her act of defiance snowballed into

something much more, ending with the racial segregation laws being ruled out. So, if you ever feel like you're barely making a dent in the things you want to change, keep your head up and keep going, because even a flap of a butterfly's wings can stir up typhoons.

And when we're talking about genius historical figures, how can we not talk about Marie Curie? Rejected in her pursuit of university education because of her gender, Marie Curie did not falter and learned in secret instead. She has long stood in the pantheon of scientists for her research on radioactivity and her huge contribution to the fight against cancer. With all of these achievements, it's no surprise she's also the first woman to win the Nobel Prize – twice – for Chemistry and Physics.

And let's not forget that Amelia Earhart, even with all the odds stacked up against her, completely altered the playing field for women, shattering the stereotypes of what was considered to be 'male jobs.' Her zeal for flying then spiralled into a passion for helping women realise their own limitless potential and chase their dreams. She encourages girls to soar as she did and realise that the sky is not, in fact, the limit.

These women are only a few among the number of incredible, spectacular and powerful women throughout history who've taken the misconception that 'girls should be seen and not heard' and smashed it to smithereens. They may try to silence their voices, smudge their faces out of photographs, and erase them from the narrative, but these women's efforts speak volumes more than a page in a history book ever will. Pass down their stories like folk tales, fight for what they fought for, and keep their legacy alive, because so long as people still say their names, they are never truly dead or forgotten. And, for any girl out there who thinks big and dreams even bigger, I hope one day this will ring true for you too.

- Alisya Amran, Year 10

# MISEY celebration of the International Women's Day

Ms Loga and Ms Denise successfully coordinated the MIS Early Years celebration of International Women's Day by showing their appreciation of the women teachers and staff in MGS. The little ones surprised everyone when they walked around campus giving out purple cotton candies.

This celebration was to open the eyes of our young students about equality and fairness and encourage them to be whoever they would want to be in future. Leading up to the day, the children made cards that were then mailed to their mothers and grandmothers. They also listened to stories about powerful women who have changed the world.



#### Year 3 IPC Entry Point on their topic called 'On Tap'

Year 3 had an amazing learning session to start off a new IPC topic, On Tap. They designed a 'waterwork' device to transport water from one point to another. Once they were confident with their knowledge, they applied their skills by devising strategies to compete for the best waterworks with their classmates!



I really enjoyed the activity. We get to compete and play with water outside. We worked in teams and tried to move as much water as possible and my team WON!

- Jewel Ishani Sanker (left photo, in blue) I loved the Entry Point because I got to test out the pump for myself and learn how it is used to pump out water. It was easy as I had a great team.

- Victory Na Seungri (right photo, in red)



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#### FORM 2 STEAM-ing Lesson on **Digestive System**



Creativity was unleashed in Ms Angie's class when Form 2 combined art into their science lesson to learn about the structure and function of the human digestive system. The students proved to be very independent and resourceful in their project by building interactive models of the human digestive system with recycled materials, an idea adopted from Pinterest. Bravo!





#### **KEY STAGE 4's Polish PenPals**

Last term, English as a Second language classes under Mr Richard and Ms Barbara's tutelage started a letter exchange activity with the Service High School No. XVI in Tarnow, Poland. This initiative provides the students with an exceptional opportunity to put their writing skills in practice, but also to discover the lifestyles of their peers from 'the other end of the world'. Who knows, maybe this will lead to developing a long term friendship?









THIVA: "My Pen Pals are two girls, Iwona and Aleksandra, who are 15 years old and they told me about the holidays for Christmas, which was 1 week, not 1 month. They wanted to know what I celebrate as an Indian."

LAW: "It was interesting to read about my Pen Pal's traditional food and culture."

ENSON: "I wrote a letter to a Polish student, Grzegorz, who is in a police class. He told me that he will come to Malaysia and meet me in person.'

#### 寓学习于娱乐

国际部六年级中文一语及外语班的同学一起动手包饺子, 体验 实践式学习的乐趣。从准备馅料至擀饺子皮,再到烹煮的过 程,同学都全程参与。教师边与同学复习课堂所学知识,边学 习动手制作饺子馅料及包饺子。一番劳动后,同学们终得以品 尝自己的劳作成果,同时巩固了课堂上学习到的知识。







#### **Dari Pena Pelajar**

Setiap pagi, jururawat sekolah akan mengambil bacaan suhu badan saya. Saya dibenarkan masuk ke kelas hanya jika suhu badan saya di bawah 37.0°C. Mereka juga memastikan saya menggunakan pembersih tangan antiseptik.

Pada 19 Februari yang lepas, pihak sekolah telah mengadakan ceramah kesihatan tentang wabak penyakit COVID-19. Antara simptom COVID-19 adalah demam, sakit tekak dan batuk yang berterusan. Pelajar-pelajar yang telah melawat ke negara-negara terjejas juga dikenakan kuarantin selama 14 hari. Saya sangat menghargai

penjagaan kebersihan diri.Setiap hari, saya memakai topeng muka dan kerap mencuci tangan dengan sabun. Dengan mengambil langkah berjaga-jaga ini, saya harap saya dapat menghindari penyakit COVID-19.

Eunice Chia Ler Tian Darjah 6



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### MGS SWIMMERS IN STATE LEVEL SWIMMING COMPETITION

Well done to MGS Swim Team for their effort and sportsmanship shown at the MSSNS Aquatic Championship held between 27 - 29 February 2020. Year 7 student, Parvin Nityananthan (*diving from Lane 2*) did us proud by winning 5 medals (4 Bronze and 1 Silver). Congratulations!



#### SMASHING GOOD TIME!

MGS students and staff had a smashing time being coached by international experts during the recent "BWF Shuttle Time" organised by the Negeri Sembilan Badminton Association. The 2-day session was conducted using the specialised curriculum set by the Badminton World Federation for teaching of the sport in schools.



#### MATRIX GLOBAL SCHOOLS PRIMARY PE STARS OF THE WEEK



Aaraathanhaa Duray Year 1



Teoh Yi Xin Year 5



Cheok Jin Tao Standard 4



Mariya Plavska Standard 5

Every week, MIS PE Department will award deserving students a star based on their behaviour, effort, performance and improvement in the class. MIS Secondary winners are posted on @mgs\_sports Instagram while Primary winners will be shared in the newsletter for young students to view.

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