





MESSAGE FROM THE CAMPUS PRINCIPAL

We are excited to welcome students back to the campus! Watch the video posted on the Matrix Global Schools Facebook page for post-MCO procedures

Within one and a half years under the new management of Matrix Educare Sdn Bhd, Matrix Global Schools is now ready to add another educational programme under its belt by offering the Cambridge A Levels. After thoughtful consideration and assessing the needs of our graduating students as well as the surrounding community, the MGS A Levels is scheduled to open its doors to its first cohort in September 2020; with the second intake to be offered in January 2021.

Why do so many students from around the world choose to study the A Levels?

- **1.** They are the gold standard and preferred qualification for entry to top universities. With A Levels, students do not have to take foundation courses they can go straight to a degree course.
- 2. A Levels help prepare students for university, as it is a great introduction to the study habits required by universities because they have been designed as university entrance examinations.
- A Levels are widely recognised internationally by prestigious institutions around the world, not just the United Kingdom. It is a great choice if students want to choose from the widest range of options later on. Many other qualifications have to be topped up, but A Levels generally let students skip that stage and smooth the admissions process.

MGS is offering an opportunity to experience snippets of the programme for FREE! All you have to do is join the A Levels Starter Programme by enrolling on the course.

The advantage of studying A Levels in a school like MGS, especially for those students who finished their Year 11 and Form 5 in the school, is the familiarity with the staff and their surroundings plus the additional benefit of serving as leaders of the school among peers that they know. With the acknowledgement and opportunity to take on leading roles in the school, the students will have the opportunity to develop their leadership skills as well as to study in a conducive environment closer to home. They will be 'big fish in a small pond' rather than 'small fish in a big pond' if one had to compare the experience to studying A Levels at a bigger college. The psychological impact and their mental development will be nurtured more in an environment where they are leaders, and work alongside people they know.

The Starter Programme ends on 21 July so hurry and join in. Furthermore, if you sign up before 31 July 2020, you will be eligible for launch waivers up to 44% of the tuition fee.

A Levels taster sessions have really been very helpful for students like me who are undecided about whether to do A Levels or a Foundation course. The A Levels teachers have been very informative

about the subjects offered and what we need to focus on. I am very grateful to Matrix Global Schools for providing the Year 11 with this opportunity to understand what A Levels is all about before we make our decisions.

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Taarhann Ravi, Year 11

I have learned a lot from the A Levels taster sessions. I opted to try the Physics, Further Mathematics and Mathematics lessons. The teachers have introduced us to the topics that we will learn in A Levels. With this general outline I have now a better idea of what to expect in all my subjects. I can then make a better choice to take the subjects I like in preparation for my entry to university. I realise that the learning journey will be difficult but with this help from MGS I am able to prepare myself psychologically for life beyond the secondary school.

Li Mingsi, Year 11 student from China

For more information on the programme, kindly get in touch with our Admissions officers at <u>admissions@matrixschools.edu.my</u>. We look forward to receiving you in MGS A Levels.

校长寄语

金群利学校将开办剑桥国际高中课程(A Level)。此课程将于今年九月开课,次年一月将会有另一轮的收生。

为何全球各地有这么多人选择剑桥国际高中课程?

- 其含金量高且顶尖大学皆以此为入学标准。通过了剑桥高中课程,孩子能直接进入大学本科课程,不需再修大 学基础班。
- 此课程能为孩子入大学作出充裕的准备。全球各地有许多学生因此而选择此课程。毕竟此课程乃为入大学所设 计的,故它有助于培养各种大学本科所需的学习技能与习惯。
- 此课程受全球高等教育机构承认,它不仅限于英国,选择此课程者同时也为自己的未来开拓更多的可能。其他 课程或文凭或需因应不同大学的入学门槛而被要求在入本科前补修其他的课,但此课程的毕业生一般可以顺利 入大学,不需面对如此的窘境。

MGS目前正开放免费试读此课程。只需报名就可参加此试读班。

在MGS就读此课程尚有一优势,尤其是对十一年级生与中五生而言,全校的学生皆把它们视为学长与引领者。这将有利于他们在离家不远的地方发展领袖潜质。在此,他们可以成为小塘里的大鱼,而非像在大型院校学习的大塘小鱼。从心理学的角度出发,大鱼小塘效应能为孩子的学习与心理发展带来诸多利益。

试读班将于6月21日结束,请大家踊跃报名。此外,在2020年7月31日前报名者将有机会享有高达44%的学费折扣。欲知详情,请联系 admissions@matrixschools.edu.my。

PESANAN PENGETUA KAMPUS

Kini, Matrix Global Schools turut menawarkan program A Level Cambridge. Sesi pengambilan pertama akan dibuka pada bulan September 2020, manakala pengambilan kedua dibuka untuk sesi Januari 2021.

Mengapa pelajar-pelajar di seluruh dunia memilih program A Level?

- 1. Program ini terkenal sebagai *gold standard* dalam kursus pra-universiti, dan diterima secara meluas oleh universitiuniversiti di seluruh dunia. Kursus ini melayakkan pelajar mengambil kursus di peringkat ijazah muda tanpa mengambil kursus Asasi.
- 2. Program A Levels dapat memupuk gaya belajar yang akan membiasakan para pelajar dengan proses pembelajaran di univerisiti kerana format kursusnya digubal sebagaimana peperiksaan kemasukan universiti dijalankan.
- 3. Program ini diiktiraf oleh universiti-universiti berprestij tinggi di seluruh dunia, bukan sahaja di United Kingdom. Dengan kepelbagaian kursus yang ditawarkan, pelajar-pelajar boleh membuat pilihan subjek berdasarkan minat dan landasan pendidikan yang diingini. Berbanding program pra-universiti lain yang kebanyakannya memerlukan kursus tambahan, kelayakan program A Level rata-ratanya sudah lengkup untuk memudahkan proses kemasukan para pelajar ke universti.

MGS ingin menawarkan peluang untuk mencuba sebahagian daripada kelas program A Level secara PERCUMA! Pelajar hanya perlu mendaftar bagi Program Awalan A Level untuk mengambil peluang ini.

Selain daripada persekitaran yang tidak asing lagi bagi mereka, pelajar-pelajar MGS lepasan Year 11 dan Tingkatan 5 mempunyai kelebihan untuk digilap sebagai pemimpin sekolah. Para pelajar berpeluang untuk memainkan peranan yang lebih aktif dalam membangunkan komuniti sekolah di samping berada dalam suasana yang kondusif untuk menyambung pembelajaran mereka tanpa perlu berjauhan dari rumah. Program ini dijangkakan akan memberi impak yang mendalam kepada pembangunan minda dan jatidiri pelajar.

Para pelajar dialu-alukan untuk mendaftar bagi Program Awalan A Level sebelum 21 Julai. Rebutlah peluang untuk mendapatkan pelepasan yuran sebanyak 44% bagi pendaftaran sebelum 31 Julai 2020. Hubungi pegawai pendaftaran kami di admissions@matrixschools.edu.my bagi maklumat lanjut.

Preparation for boarders' return to MGS Boarding House: Uplift on Wall Decorations

The MGS BH team is excited to welcome back the Form 5 and Year 10 students to their 'home away from home'. Apart from maintaining the cleanliness and setting up the SOP awaiting the boarders' return, the Boarding House team have also been busy giving a face lift to the BH decor to ensure the premise remains cheerful and special for the boarders. Boarders can look forward to coming back to these wonderful wall decors set up on the 5th floor.



After the fabulous chalk mural of MGS buildings drawn on the walls in the Ground floor last year, we are very much honoured and grateful to have Ms.Tan Juo Fang, a Shanghai University student, back again to volunteer her time and artistic skills to draw this Instagram-worthy mural which is both motivational and depicting our love for Malaysia.



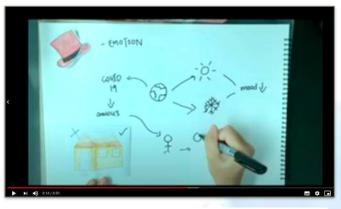
The Boarding House team put on their creative hats to repurpose this old football net as the backdrop for the MGS Boarding House 'Wall of Memories'. Other items were also added to the decor such as plastic bottles coloured with leftover paint from former boarders and most importantly, photos of the good times the BH 'family' had spent together.

MIS SECONDARY Critically Thinking Current Events

As Year 10 also prepare for their return to school for face-to-face learning, we are pleased with what they have achieved in maintaining their lessons virtually. Recently, Dr Hamsawahini and Ms Mogana assigned Year 10 Chemistry students to critically brainstorm and explore the link between the COVID-19 pandemic and climate change using Edward De Bono's Thinking Hats approach. The task was related to the recent topic they covered regarding Carbon Dioxide and Methane (greenhouse gasses). In groups, students were expected to collaboratively relate their subject knowledge with the current global issue. They were asked to deliver their ideas and opinions on how greenhouse gases have impacted the environment in the form of videos. Below are samples of the students' best work.



<u>Video produced by Harini Arumugam, Nicole Yong Zhi</u> <u>Chen, Kaydenn Keeshan Pragasam, Nareesyah Paranjothy</u> <u>and Sophapanwarakul Pornpawee.</u>



<u>Video produced by Low Yu Thong, Rachel Liew Si Wei, and</u> <u>Ryan Song Rui Heng.</u>

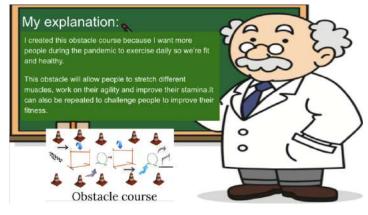
MIS PRIMARY Exercise Routine Challenge

Last week, the students in MIS Primary were challenged to create an exercise routine or to share important information with others on exercise. The fun learning activity is an optional weekly challenge to our students as a further opportunity to show their creativity and imagination in different ways. Here are some examples of the great work they have produced.





by Cheok Zi Feng, Year 2



by Terence Chen, Year 6

Preparation for students' return to MPS: Form 5 Parents Briefing

Led by the Head of Matrix Private School, Datin Norlela Meon, the MPS Form 5 teachers held a virtual briefing session with parents addressing the SOP and concerns regarding the students' return to the campus on 24 June 2020. Apart from sharing the procedures that would be taken to ensure the students' safety against COVID-19 in school, the parents were also updated on the plans that have been put in place to assist students in their preparation to sit for the Sijil Pelajaran Malaysia examination early next year detailing tentative dates for trial examinations and how parents can work together with the school in making sure the campus remains a safe zone for all.



View the briefing presentation <u>HERE</u>.

MPS PRIMARY Post-MCO Bucket List Challenge

Students excitedly shared their plans of what they wish to do once they are allowed to go out again in this week's challenge! The entries were shared with the whole school during their weekly 'Meet & Share' virtual assembly on Monday.



Ethan Lim Loong Ken Standard 1

Ting Jun Ven Standard 3 <u>Muhammad Harith Fayyadh</u> Standard 1

Join us for a LIVE SESSION on 'Learning in MIS PRIMARY'



For parents/guardians of Reception and Kindergarten children, it is a time where you will be carefully considering where your child will learn next year. We hope that you have seen the benefits of your child studying in Matrix International School - Early Years and that their learning journey will continue with us for many more years to come.

Mr Andrew Hamilton, the Head of Matrix International School - Primary, will be holding a short virtual presentation on **Monday, 22 June** from **5:30pm** to **6:15pm** to provide information on the benefits of your child learning in MIS Primary and to answer any questions you may have. Waivers are available if you decide to move your child from Early Years to Year 1.

An invite has been emailed out to all Reception and Kindergarten parents. If you have not received it, please let us know.





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