

# MGS ECHO

Matrix Global Schools Weekly Newsletter



## CAMPUS PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



Words cannot express the great joy I experience when I walk around our beautiful campus and see all the faces of our happy students who are so grateful to be back at school. As home learning slowly comes to an end, another opportunity presents itself to our students to study hard and make the most of the time they have in school with their teachers in order to fulfil their potential. Last week's MIS Transition Day, where the students were introduced to a higher grade, also left me contemplating new chapters, new beginnings and the phases of life that we all go through. The MCO was a chapter in all our lives that has been challenging, but the enjoyment of our students getting ready for school next year reminds me that we should never forget about the exciting new adventures that lie ahead of us. Life goes on, and we should be encouraged by the milestones that we are still able to celebrate, even if they are slightly different from before. I am hoping that the final return of all our MGS students will only result in a positive outcome and that we will work together to continue being safe, healthy and happy here at MGS.

## THIS WEEK'S TOPICS

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## MIS TRANSITION & ORIENTATION DAY



On Friday 17th July, our MISP students eagerly participated in a Transition Day. The purpose of this event is to better prepare our students for the change of year group in September and to give them a taster of what learning is like in their new year group.

Overall, we want our students to be excited about this new change rather than being nervous. With the return of some of our Primary students to school last Wednesday, we held sessions in school for our Reception, Year 5 and Year 6 learners and online for the Year 1, 2, 3 and 4 students. Although it was different from how we normally would carry it out, our MISP learners still had great fun during the time they had with another class/subject teacher.

Mr Andrew Hamilton, Acting Head of MISP



Today, I had a great time with Ms. Eleanor as she explained about our Year 4 learning. It will be challenging and fun learning in Year 4. Ms. Eleanor taught us about the use of verbs and how they can be powerful. We also played a quiz at the end to test our knowledge. I am feeling very excited and a little bit nervous to move up to Year 4.



Jewel Ishani Sanker, Year 4



## CAMPUS PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE TRANSLATED

走在美丽的校园中，看到孩子们快乐的笑脸，我们感到非常庆幸与感恩同学能重新回到校园和老师们一同学习。随着远距离学习告一段落，同学们都能回归校园，和老师们一起在课堂里面对面交流与学习，这肯定更能启发同学们的天分与潜力。

上周的 MIS的开学适应期，同学们都开始了新的学习经验。行动管制令期间的种种挑战，也使我们察觉到我们要随时为我们将来的学习计划做好准备，未雨绸缪。我们希望，MIS所有的同学们经过这次的考验后会变的更积极和努力。校方也会努力打造更加完美与安全的学习环境让大家可以快乐的学习。

Kegembiraan yang saya rasakan amat sukar untuk diluahkan ketika saya berjalan di sekitar kampus kami yang indah dan melihat wajah-wajah semua pelajar yang penuh dengan kegembiraan dan kesyukuran setelah dapat kembali ke sekolah.

Oleh kerana pembelajaran di rumah akan mula berakhir, keadaan ini telah memberi peluang kepada pelajar kita untuk belajar bersungguh-sungguh dan memanfaatkan masa mereka sepanjang berada di sekolah dengan guru untuk memenuhi potensi mereka.

Pada Hari Peralihan murid MIS minggu lalu, para pelajar diperkenalkan ke kelas yang lebih tinggi, juga membuat saya memikirkan bab baharu dan permulaan baharu fasa kehidupan yang kita lalui. Perintah Kawalan Pergerakan adalah bab dalam semua kehidupan kita yang amat mencabar, tetapi kegembiraan para pelajar kita bersiap-siap untuk sekolah tahun depan mengingatkan saya bahawa kita tidak boleh melupakan pengembaraan baharu yang menarik yang ada di hadapan kita.

Kehidupan terus berjalan, dan kita harus didorong oleh peristiwa penting yang masih dapat kita raikan, walaupun sedikit berbeza daripada sebelumnya. Saya berharap kepulauan semua pelajar MGS kami hanya akan memberikan hasil yang positif dan kami akan bekerjasama untuk terus selamat, sihat dan bahagia di MGS.

## PARENTS' TESTIMONIALS

"I'm happy that the school is starting again. The coming back to school and briefing by the school was extensive where most points were thought of. It is clear that students will be placed at low risk where they will be socially distant as much as possible. Everything is under control and I leave my child here with no concern that he is at risk."

Mr. Paul Leendert Van Dam, parent of Sean Daniel, Form 2A



**As parents, we are very proud of the school for its strict implementation of the SOP during this Pandemic.**

**It has indeed given us the peace of mind - knowing that the school is doing its best in safe-guarding our children from Covid-19 and most likely from other viruses as well.**

**We have witnessed how well the SOP is followed from the guard house till the entrance as well as the individual baskets given in the classroom for the children's personal belongings.**

**With this, we hope our son is well-protected and we are also glad that he can continue his learning in MISP.**

Mr. & Mrs. Kandy, parents of Jeremiah Jeevan, Kindergarten



## BOYS CAN BAKE!

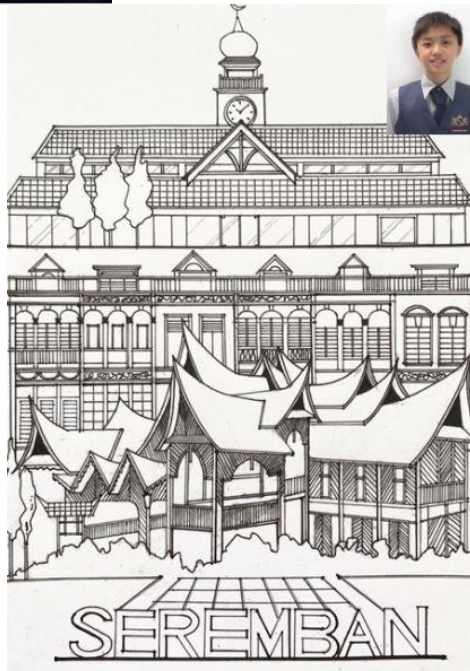
Yes, boys can bake! With the right guidance, our boarders filled the weekend by learning to bake. It was a fun activity as they learned new skills and later indulge in the sweet and delicious savouries. Those cakes surely look delicious!



1st place: Iva Chuan Wei En,  
Year 9M



2nd place: Tan Ee Va,  
Form 2M



3rd place: You De Shum,  
Year 9A

## MGS ART PRIZE

The MGS Art competition is organised by our MGS Art Department every year to unleash the artistic potential in our students and at the same time, enhance the creativity in their minds.

With this year's competition titled 'Me and My Seremban', students expressed what the city meant to them using a variety of media like collection of photographs, drawings or paintings, digital art, mixed media or videos.

With so many good artistic talents, it was an extremely difficult decision to choose the winning pieces based on the criteria of creativity, skill level and originality.

According to Ms. Syarifah Nur Atiyah, the head of the Organising Committee, "With a total of 62 participants from MIS & MPS, I can honestly say that we have indeed quite a number of talented and upcoming artists in MGS."



## LEARNING ENGLISH CAN BE FUN

Students often find reading novels for examination purposes rather taxing. Besides carrying out examination related activities, a fun activity to gauge their understanding of the novel was carried out before the MCO in MPS. This activity was done after they had finished discussing all the chapters in class. The activity, 'DMK Jenga', was a twist on the classic game of 'Jenga'. The students played Jenga as normal but when they pulled a block from the tower that had a number on it, linked to a set of comprehension questions about the novel, they had to answer it in their exercise books.

Ms Josephine Leela a/p V. Damodaram, Head of MPS English Department



Playing the DMK Jenga game



Datin Norlela, Head of MPS, visiting Ms. Nurain who is recovering at her house in Port Dickson

## MGS CARES

On 13th July, flash floods occurred in the surrounding area of Sendayan due to heavy rain. The incident has affected our community when two of our MGS teachers were caught in car accidents on their way to school. In separate incidents, Ms. Nurain's car spun on the slippery road and hit the road divider, which made her lose consciousness for more than 10 hours while Ms. Maheswary's car slid into a crack in the road which caused her to hit her head upon the steering wheel.

We value the dedication of our teachers and our thoughts are with them as they recover from the trauma and pain of the accidents. A reminder to all! Please do be careful on the road during this rainy weather.