

MGS ECHO

Matrix Global Schools Weekly Newsletter

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"Failure is the opportunity to begin again more intelligently."



- Henry Ford
(Industrialist and founder of the Ford Motor Company)

School opened again this week for the examination classes in MPS and MIS as well as the Early Years on Monday, 25th January 2021. It is a joy to see the students coming back to school and working so hard in their studies. I can understand that some parents are still apprehensive and have not allowed their children to re-join school yet. Please be assured that we are taking the measures necessary for the safety of the MGS community.

To continue to stay safe during this critical period of the COVID-19 pandemic, we are requesting that staff and students work within the 'bubbles' of their own class/school/department and reduce meeting friends and colleagues from another class/school/department during school/office hours.

As far as possible, everyone interacts with each other through the electronic medium. This will reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19 from asymptomatic friends/colleagues. Coming back to school and staying within our own 'bubble' maybe a demanding task for all of us. But do remember that we rather err on the side of caution and it is always better to be safe than sorry. So, strive always to observe all Standard Operating Procedures to stay safe and healthy.

ON-SITE LEARNING BUZZ

It has been a true joy to hear the school buzzing again with students' voices. After such a long period away from school for many students, we are immensely proud of the way they have adjusted to some new routines and different school layouts. Of course, our school family is not quite complete as the rest of the students have yet to come back to school. For our new students, the reopening of the school will be such a wonderful experience that they are looking forward to.



Getting temperature checked



Take shoes off before entering class



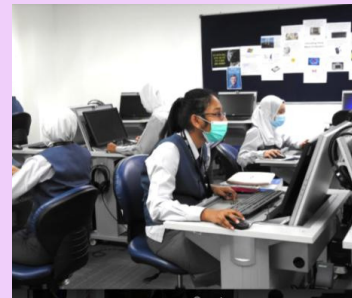
Music and dance



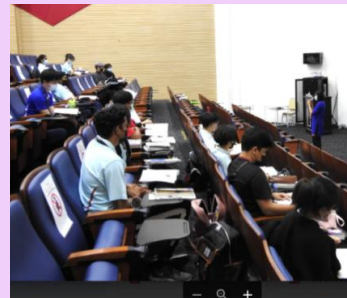
Activity at own desk



Getting hands sanitised



Activity in the computer laboratory



Briefing at the auditorium

CAMPUS PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE TRANSLATED

金群利国际学校和私立学校的应考生于本周一（1月25日）开始返校上课。见到久违的学子们重返校园用功学习，很是欣喜。我们也理解部分的家长仍不放心让孩子在这时期回学校上课。然而，本校确实已采取多项举措，为复课做好疫情防控工作。

为确保学生安全复课，本校已为全校的教职员安排好属于个人的班级或部门范围的“圈子”里工作，同时要求教职员避免与在校的同事接触或会面。

此外，校内的每个人都尽可能只通过电子媒体进行联系和互动，如此一来，就能大幅降低新冠肺炎无症状感染者传播的风险。

毋庸置疑，返校后把自己锁定在固定的“圈子”范围里工作是项艰巨的任务。然而，有备无患，宁未雨绸缪，毋事后懊悔。有鉴于此，我们要由始至终都遵守一切防疫标准程序及操作，确保人人皆安全健康。

Pada hari Isnin, 25 Januari 2021, sekolah telah dibuka kepada kelas-kelas peperiksaan MPS dan MIS, serta pelajar-pelajar prasekolah. Melihat para pelajar kembali dan bekerja keras dalam pembelajaran mereka adalah sangat menggembirakan. Kami memahami bahawa sebilangan ibu bapa masih khuatir dan belum membenarkan anak-anak mereka kembali ke sekolah. Yakinlah bahawa kami telah mengambil langkah berjaga-jaga yang perlu bagi menjamin keselamatan komuniti MGS.

Untuk terus kekal selamat dalam tempoh kritikal wabak COVID-19 ini, kami telah meminta semua kakitangan dan para pelajar untuk kekal di dalam lingkungan kelas / sekolah / jabatan masing-masing dan mengurangkan interaksi fizikal di luar lingkungan sendiri semasa waktu operasi MGS.

Setiap warga sekolah digalakkan berinteraksi menggunakan media elektronik semaksimum mungkin. Ini akan mengurangkan risiko terdedah kepada COVID-19 daripada rakan-rakan yang dijangkiti tetapi tidak bergejala.

Kembali ke sekolah dan kekal di dalam lingkungan sendiri adalah tanggungjawab yang sukar untuk dilaksanakan. Namun, lebih baik tersilap kerana terlalu berhati-hati daripada menyesal di kemudian hari. Maka, teruslah berusaha untuk mematuhi segala Prosedur Operasi Standard (SOP) yang ditetapkan untuk kekal sihat dan selamat.



Ongoing sanitising in the school building

ONGOING SANITISING IN SCHOOL

We are constantly fighting the spread of coronavirus by sanitising our premises, classrooms, floors and washrooms even during the MCO period. Following the guidelines and recommendations by the state government, we have begun our own internal sanitisation conducted by a team of school cleaners and members of our staff.

KANGAROO MATHEMATICS COMPETITION 2020

We are proud to receive the results of the Kangaroo Mathematics Competition recently, which was held in August last year where 6 of our students gained medals. The Kangaroo Mathematics Competition is an annual international mathematics competition for primary and secondary school students. It is the largest annual mathematics competition in the world with more than 6 million participants from 82 countries.

The contest originated from France and is administered globally by the Association Kangourou sans Frontieres (AKSF). The Kangaroo Mathematics has been organised locally in Malaysia since 2013, by Kangaroo Mathematics Malaysia. In Kangaroo 2020, there were more than 50,000 participants representing over 1,800 schools from all over Malaysia.

The students were tested on their mathematical knowledge and problem solving skills to gain gold, silver and bronze awards. The winners of the competition were awarded medals and certificates.

Winners of The Kangaroo Mathematics Competition

Congratulations to the following students for their outstanding achievement in the competition :



Teh Yu Qin (Form 4)
Wong Lap Heng (Form 2)



Darren Voo (Form 5)
Hong Jia Shen (Standard 3)



Vincent Pak Mun Sang (Form 3)
Wong Yie Heng (Form 2)

EDUKIDS MATHEMATICS CONTEST (EMC) 2020

EDUKIDS MATHEMATICS CONTEST 2020

DISTINCTION

FAITH VOO YEE EN (STD 5M)
KANG XIN ROU (STD 3M)
DARREN CHIA YOONG YAU (STD 2M)
CHIAH ZUIN YI (STD 2A)
P. DHEVASWATHI (STD 1M)
YAASHINIE (STD 1A)

EDUKIDS MATHEMATICS CONTEST 2020

SILVER

WILLIAM PAK MUN LAP (STD 4M)
HONG JIA SHEN (STD 3M)
TRISHANTH A/L SUJENDRAN (STD 2M)
LYU HAOXUAN (STD 1A)
HONG JIA LER (STD 1M)

EDUKIDS MATHEMATICS CONTEST 2020

BRONZE

SHREE VARUNA MITHRAAN (STD 2A)
PAVAN YAKZA (STD 2A)
MUHAMMAD HARITH FAYYADH (STD 1A)

We are really proud of another great achievement by our MPS primary students. They took part in the Edukids Mathematics Contest, a yearly event organised by the Edukids Mathematics Educational group which is affiliated to the Ministry of Education. We are very proud to announce that our students have done very well in the contest: 6 have won distinctions, 5 silver and 3 bronze.

This contest, based on the national mathematics syllabus, provides a platform to motivate students in the learning of mathematics and to challenge and surpass themselves in the subject. This competition is open to all primary school students in Malaysia. The competition was held last year December on a virtual mode and the results were announced in January. The students were tested on the ability to solve mathematical problems. Every student who participates in this competition will be issued a performance appraisal certificate. The winners of the competition were awarded medals and certificates.

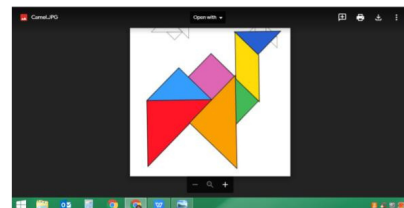
MAKER EDUCATION LESSON IN STANDARD 1

The Standard 1 students started their first online Maker Education lesson with a Tangram puzzle challenge. Previously known as Robotics, the subject was renamed as Maker Education to portray the core of what the class is covering - making things and solving problems.

Apart from practising their spatial rotation and ability to make connections, this virtual assignment was also meant to be the ice breaker for the young students who are just starting to learn the basics of Google Classroom functions; such as how to submit their work as an attachment and how to screenshot an image for submission.



"My camel image."
- Hanna Marissa, Standard 1



"I managed to solve the puzzle!"
- Wyatt Leyton, Standard 1



"I know how to submit it."
- Jayashree Pillai, Standard 1

Calculating with Spreadsheets

JARRED NETAWAT Turned in

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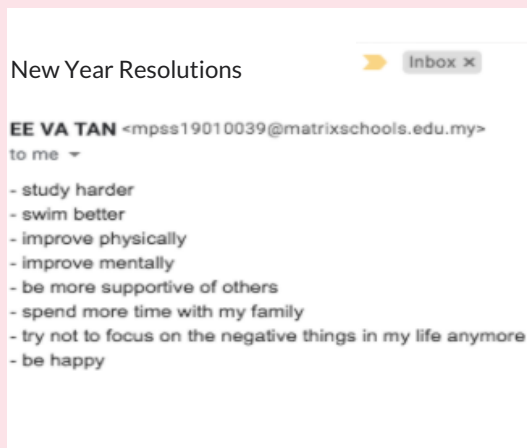
"Calculating using spreadsheet is not that hard."
- Jarred Netawat, Year 5

CALCULATING WITH A SPREADSHEET

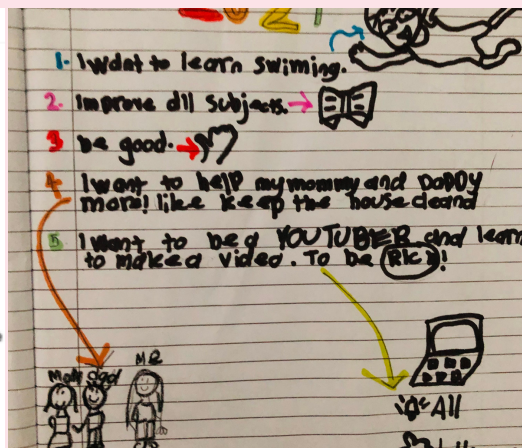
The Year 5 learned how to use a spreadsheet formula to calculate results. The task required them to create a spreadsheet to calculate the diameter of the sun by creating a formula to calculate the size of planets using the scales given.

NEW YEAR RESOLUTION

Having a new year resolution is important as it gives a person something to look forward to and keep working at. Even if it is not followed through completely, a resolution shows that you have the belief and hope to change habits and become a better you. Here are some of the new year resolutions that our students shared as they completed the assignment given by our Moral Studies Department in MPS.



Tan Ee Va, Form 3



Nur Cahaya, Standard 2



Aiden Chan, Standard 2