

SWIMMING LESSONS for MIS Primary



For the first half of Term 3, MIS Primary students had their swimming lessons.

Students were generally divided according to their ability into groups of Beginners, Intermediate and Advanced. Based on these groupings they were given differentiated lessons and tasks on the Breaststroke style of swimming.

For all the lessons we had an extra teacher (female) with us to keep an eye on the students during the lesson along with Primary PE teacher, Mr. Ashish, to ensure the students' safety and to help the female students in the changing room. Overall students had enjoyed this unit and had learned

many skills other than swimming as for example to be well prepared and organised on their own for the lesson, to keep safety at all times in their mind, observing their classmates on their techniques and then sharing their feedback on what went well and what could be done better.

The students are looking forward to the second half of this term where they will be learning various skills of Badminton.



U-12 Chess MSSD tournament

9 primary students from MIS and MPS participated in the MSSD competition for Under 12 Chess held at SK Wawasan on 12 and 13 June.

We are over the moon with the achievement of Vissnupriya, Year 5, for securing the 1st place in the Girl's Individual category. Having been awarded with the state's *Anugerah Insan Terbilang* last year, Vissnupriya continues to make us proud in the sport of Chess and we wish her all the best in her competition next week in Uzbekistan.

Budding MGS Chess star, Rohan Sankar Standard 4, secured 10th place in the Boy's Individual category. Having just recently started playing the game, he is looking forward to great progress in the coming years.

The school is seriously looking into polishing Chess talents by securing coaches to train the students. We hope to have a well trained team representing the school in upcoming matches.



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FROM THE MGS TRANSFORMATION TEAM

Most of what I really need
To know about how to live
And what to do and how to be
I learned in kindergarten.
Wisdom was not at the top
Of the graduate school mountain,
But there in the sand pile at Sunday school.

These are the things I learned:

Share everything.
Play fair.
Don't hit people.
Put things back where you found them.
Clean up your own mess.
Don't take things that aren't yours.
Say you're sorry when you hurt somebody.
Wash your hands before you eat.
Flush.
Warm cookies and cold milk are good for you.
Live a balanced life -
Learn some and think some
And draw and paint and sing and dance
And play and work everyday some.
Take a nap every afternoon.
When you go out into the world,
Watch out for traffic,
Hold hands and stick together.
Be aware of wonder.

- Robert Fulghum

How very true about the role of the school in our lives, and most important as Fulghum says, we learnt that when we go out in the world we stick together.

Here in Matrix Global Schools, we are giving our students a balanced life, learning arts and sciences, enjoying a song and dance, playing games and doing sports, all the while minding their p's and q's. We give students the opportunity to build up their character with strong basic principles of punctuality, diligence, commitment and care for others, the community and the environment.

We believe in instilling pride in our students. For the upcoming Community Festival planned on Saturday, 22 June, our students will be given an opportunity to share what they have learned with the wider community. Learning will be fun, interactive and collaborative, as we invite friends and neighbours to join in; learning will certainly be meaningful and fulfilling. This fun Saturday is a collaborative affair of parents, staff, students and friends coming together to share what Matrix Global Schools has to offer in terms of impactful learning for all.

We look forward to the community joining us on Saturday, 22 June for good food, great fun and happy adventures for all. Give us a chance to show you what Matrix Global Schools can offer you!

Congratulations to the MGS Chinese Debate Team!

Guided by our dedicated Mandarin teachers, the MGS Chinese Debate team's ground-breaking performance at the 21st National Level Chinese Debate Championship attracted public attention for being the only international school representing the state. The students had made their mark in an arena previously dominated by National Schools (SMK/SMJK) and Chinese Independent Schools when they won the state level match to earn their place in the distinguished championship.

Hats off to Shuy Zhi Heng, Year 9, for receiving the Best Debater award in the first round of the event. Debate trainings will be planned to continuously support the team's performance.



MPS Primary STORYTELLING Audition

MPS Primary students had their audition to qualify for our first inter-school storytelling competition. Many excited champions participated and did their level best to be selected. There are two categories for the competition: lower and upper primary categories. The selected finalists will compete with other participants from various schools during the MGS Community Festival which will be held on 22 June. The winners of the competition will be rewarded with attractive cash prizes and goodies. Who will be the champion?

We shall wait and see!



MIS Primary IPC EXIT POINT Shopping

On 31 May, MIS Reception celebrated their IPC Exit point on the theme of Shopping.

Their mums and dads listened to the children sing 'Lets go Shopping' and talk about the shops they had made: the shape supermarket, the pharmacy with dangerous medicines and first aid kit, the fruit and vegetable store and the bakery.

We have to thank Priscilla's parents for coming into the class and helping the students make and decorate cupcakes, and every parent for participating in 'playing' shop and helping to calculate the change! Year 2 also came to shop and bought a cupcake for RM1 play money - What a bargain!



Year 6 TRANSITION TO SECONDARY Programme



By the last term of each academic year, graduating students from each school will be given "a taste" of what they will be facing in the next phase of their schooling years in MGS.

On 10 June 2019, MIS Secondary Pastoral team conducted a Transition programme for Year 6 with the objective of initiating students to secondary school culture, expectation as well on the school rules.

Mr. Azzmeer briefed them on the following topic:

- different lifestyles, student responsibilities and challenges of being secondary school students.
- privileges and responsibilities of being a prefect, student council member or a sports leader
- sanctions and reward system in the disciplinary procedure.

They were then introduced to the secondary school subject teachers, the members of the Senior Leadership Team as well as the Head of School.

Finally, students were taken on a tour of the new classes in the MPS building as MIS will be moving there in August. The programme ended with information on a joint Year 6 - Year 7 overnight trip to Tadam Hill on the 19 and 20 June as a finale to the transition programme.

All in all, this was a very successful initiative that the students enjoyed based on all the questions asked by the students during the briefing session. They are now looking forward to joining Year 7 in August.



Matrix Art Prize 2019 Competition Review

We have had an amazing response to our first school-wide visual arts competition with almost 50 entries for this year's Matrix Art Prize. The contest will soon become one of the highlights of the 2019/20 MGS calendar year.

Art works using a diverse variety of media were shown in an exhibition in May, with well over 300 students voting for the People's Choice Award.

With such high quality work on display, the MGS Visual Arts department was given the extremely difficult task of finding winners of each category.

The winners are as follows:



Under 14 Winner (RM500)
Iva Chuan Wei En, Year 8
- Pencil -



Over 14 Winner (RM500)
Alice Too Mei Hui, Year 10
- Mixed Media -



Under 14 RunnerUp (RM200)
Lee Xin Tian, Year 8
- Watercolour & Collage -



Over 14 RunnerUp (RM200)
Wong Le Tian, Form 3
- Painting -



Peoples Choice Award (RM100 cash prize)
Eunice Chia Ler Tian, Standard 5
- Watercolour -



In our second year of participation in the Kangaroo Math Competition (KMC), MGS students have proved that our academic performance is at world standard.

With more than 42,000 participants nationwide entering the competition this year, we are proud to announce that MGS students have been recognised as the top 10% from each category and have been awarded KMC 2109 medals.

Carson Hong Jia Shen, Standard 2
Pre Ecolier category, Bronze Medal

Vincent Pak Mun Sang, Form 2
Cadet category, Silver Medal

Tan Ee Va, Form 1
Cadet category, Bronze Medal

Mulhim bin Nabil, Form 3
Junior category, Bronze Medal

The next 10% of participants from each category are awarded Honorable Mentions (HM) and MGS students were among those honoured .

KMC 2019 Honorable Mentions (Ecolier)
(Year 3) Rizq Fareed (Year 4) Eva Grousson, Jaydyn Mishaye Balasingam, Lin Yu Ting, Sheynika Lin Nair, Vandanaa Nair, Yu Sunga, Zoe Lim Shu Yu (Standard 4) Faith Voo Yee En, Muhammad Ammar Luqman, Shahmindrra

KMC 2019 Honorable Mentions (Benjamin)
(Year 5) Chloe Aristella Lee, Isaac Lim Zen Hung, Megat Rashidi, Niles Shan Nair, Sindhuja Kumares, Ten Rui Yu (Year 6) Tee Yiu Tin (Standard 5) Hummyra, Ilyas Zafran

KMC 2019 Honorable Mentions (Cadet)
(Form1) Kwee Jing Heng, Sia Wan Ting, Tan Co Ee, Toh Kher Yee, Wong Lap Heng (Form2) Shazana Alina Sorfina

KMC 2019 Honorable Mentions (Junior)
(Year 9) Shuy Zhi Heng (Form 3) Teh Yu Qin (Form 4) Cho Yoon Sang, Darren Voo, Harin a/I Ravandaran, Keshavnath a/I Prakass, Toh You Nuo, Wan Alya Fariyah,

KMC 2019 Honorable Mentions (Student)
(Form 5) Lim Tung En, Syahir Anas bin Mohd Sharif

Certificates for all participants along with the medals will be sent to the school by August. We will be presenting them to the students during school assembly.