

Friendly U-12 CRICKET Match with KTJ

On 13 June, MGS hosted an Under 12 friendly cricket match with KTJ International School. Due to overwhelming response from the students, we had to hold two matches that day in order to give a chance for all to play.

The first match was between MGS Team A and KTJ Team A. MGS Team A won the toss and had elected to field first. KTJ Team A scored 40 runs in their innings of 8 overs. MGS had a flying start when they came to bat. The opening pair of Tommy and Jayden had contributed 19 and 13 runs respectively. It was an easy win for MGS Team A as they did well in all three aspects of the game (bowling, fielding and batting).

The second match was between MGS Team B and KTJ Team B. KTJ won the toss and decided to field first. MGS Team B gave a target of 29 runs, which was an easy chase for KTJ Team B.

Students enjoyed their matches and are looking forward for more cricket matches in future.



MGS students returned a friendly visit by going over to the Epsom College in Malaysia campus in Bandar Baru Enstek for Girls' Football and Boys' Basketball fixtures on 18 June.

It was a close game for the boys finishing at 41 - 40. While the girls played two very close matches with Zhi Yin Wong, Year 10, and Ashley Im, Year 9, voted as players of the match by accompanying teacher, Ms. Rose Brown.



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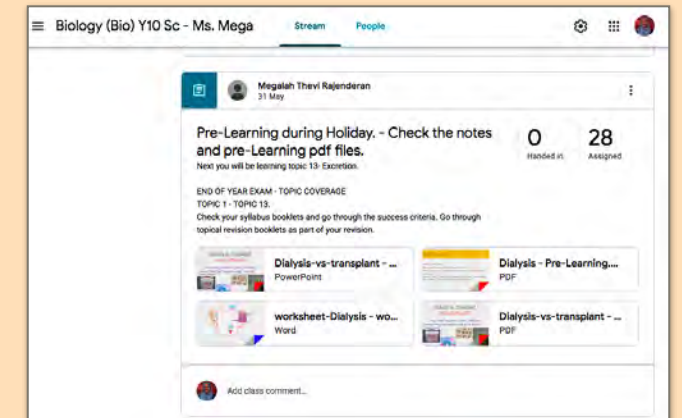
FROM THE MGS TRANSFORMATION TEAM

In our newsletter Issue 18 dated 17 May, we emphasised the importance of reading and how reading encourages independent learning. In this age of technology, reading methods and medium have now evolved from printed books to electronic, digital, web and social medium platforms which are extensively used by students to read, write and communicate.

In line with this change, classroom teaching and learning must also change to make learning more relevant and meaningful. Capitalising on students' love of technology, in Matrix Global Schools, we are moving to Google classrooms as a means of encouraging students to learn beyond the classroom. We are reducing the reliance on fixed textbooks and workbooks as we want to encourage both teachers and students to use all kinds of resources to make teaching and learning in Matrix Global Schools more effective and exciting.

Google Classroom is a free, blended learning platform that offers a variety of benefits for both students and teachers. Some teachers in school have utilised Google Classrooms for homework or for pre-learning assignments. Using an application (app), the teacher sends out an assignment to his or her students as reinforcement work after lessons or pre-learning before lessons. With this app, the following benefits can be derived:

- ▶ More notes or PowerPoint can be shared with students for them to read up or refer to after or before a lesson.
- ▶ Progress of students in the assignment given can be tracked by the teacher and students can ask questions while doing the assignment.



A screenshot of sample lessons and school work assigned to Year 10 Biology class in Google Classroom platform.

- ▶ Differentiated assignments can be sent individually to students without having to embarrass them by singling them out in class.
- ▶ Teachers and parents can view the entire year's work of the student on screen (parents must use students' code to access the Google classroom site)

Using a medium of learning that is student friendly and accessible to them at their convenience, is certainly the way forward to making them read more, learn more and become more informed to make better choices in life. The school is planning to encourage more teachers and students to use this mode of learning beyond the classroom to ensure that we keep pace with our students' learning in this ever-changing technological world.

MIS awarded SKIPS 4-STAR rating

We are delighted to announce that Matrix International School has been presented with a four-star Quality Standards for Private Educational Institutions Award by the Malaysian Ministry of Education. The review conducted in October 2018 was based on the evaluation of 15 areas set by the Ministry of Education Private Education Sector.



This is the first time that MIS has been reviewed for this award and we are happy that the school has achieved a four-star standard. We congratulate the students and teachers for their good effort. However, the school will definitely work harder to achieve the five-star excellence award in the next review.



MGS Staff ANNUAL DINNER at d'Tempat

The staff of MGS let down their hair at the recent company dinner on 14 June. Organised by the MGS HR Department, the dinner included various fun games with the theme Hawaiian Night. The event was attended by top management from both Matrix Concepts and Bonanza Venture, including Dato' Lee Tian Hock and Dato' Lim Si Boon. This annual event has helped to strengthen the bond among the staff and has motivated them to strive harder in making MGS 'nulli secunda'.



MIS Early Years FATHER'S DAY Celebration

A father's love is unconditional in nurturing the child and there could not be a more universal celebration than the one that celebrates the accomplishments of a Father.

This precious bond was celebrated by our Early Years students on 14 June. The MIS1 hall was thronged with dads and moms excitedly watching their children perform. The fun-filled ambience ended with a witty sketch by our 6-year-olds acting out 'Dads Famous Sayings'. Thank you parents for participating and making the event memorable.



GUEST SPEAKER for MIS Primary

Year 4 was honoured by the visit from Dr. Subithra Balasingum on 14 June. During the session, the students learned about the functions of the heart and the circulatory system in human body. It was a very informative session to enhance the learning on the IPC unit, 'How Humans Work'.

I have learned that our veins are like pipes to pump blood all over of our body. And they are actually red! Light reflection has caused it to look blue. How fascinating!

- Rylie Ong

Two rules to remember. One, arteries = away and veins = towards. Two, the doctor's left is the patient's right.

- Eva Grousson

A heart is a small organ, but it does a very big job! The sound of our heartbeat is actually our hearts pumping blood to go through its doors that are opening and closing

- Vandanaa Nair



Announcement of CORRECTED KMC RESULT



We have received an official announcement from the secretariat of Kangaroo Math Malaysia, retracting the results they had published on 3 June 2019.

The organiser expressed their sincerest apologies as this mistake has affected over 42,000 participants nationwide due to the technical error of their automated grading system.

We are pleased with the effort shown by MGS students for volunteering to enter this internationally-recognised math competition. Error or not, we are still proud of their achievements.

Below are the MGS students who are listed to receive their rightful awards for being the top 10% from each category in KMC 2109 based on the results published on 14 June 2019.

Benjamin category, Bronze Medalist
Chloe Aristella Lee, Year 5

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

Cadet category, Bronze Medalist
Tan Ee Va, Form 1
Wong Lap Heng, Form 1

Junior category, Bronze Medalist
Shuy Zhi Heng, Year 9
Darren Voo, Form 4
Harin a/l Ravandaran, Form 4
Toh You Nuo, Form 4

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



Our Committee Festival awaits you in MGS with a fun-filled day of food and exciting games and activities from 9am to 2pm.

Sports/Games

Futsal or 3x3 Basketball, Cricket, Teqball, Drone Flying, Remote Control Car Racing etc.

Exhibitions/Competitions/Performances

Storytelling Contest, Art Exhibition, Dance and Singing Performances, Book Fair by MPH Bookstores

Food Stalls

Exhibition and explanation on school curriculum by Heads of School on Ground Floor

Coupons are available for sale at the Canteen and Sports Complex.

MPS Crimson Cadence

Music classes in MPS are structured to nurture talents to perform individually or in a group. The MPS musical band, Crimson Cadence, consisting of Form 4 students was formed from such classes.

- ▶ Vocalist, Puteri Nurliyana Syamimi
- ▶ Pianist, Peggy Lee
- ▶ Guitarists, Darren Voo and Christopher Lee
- ▶ Bassist, Ryu Shen Ng
- ▶ Drummer, Chung Kai Hong (Band Leader)

The band started performing together in 2016 for MPS Speech Day. The school continues to encourage their talent by securing a public gig at d'Tempat Country Club in November 2018.

This year, Crimson Cadence is going a step further by entering the Hong Kong International Music Festival. The audition for the competition was held virtually from Malaysia with the finalists travelling to Hong Kong for the Grand Final.

MGS would like to wish them all the best in their musical journey.



Second cohort of MPS students away for Malaysia Future Leader Camp

Another 10 bright MPS students were selected to attend the 10-day leadership camp at Kelab Ulu Sepri organised by the Malaysian Ministry of Youth and Sports (KBS) in the government's effort to train future leaders of Malaysia. Mainly open to public schools, MPS is among the 10 private schools running the Malaysian national curriculum to be selected to take part in the camp.