

FROM THE MGS MANAGEMENT TEAM

ROLE OF CCA IN DEVELOPING THE WHOLE CHILD

The fundamental objective of education is the all-round development of a child. This development involves the cognitive, affective and psychomotor domains. There is a major need for a balance between programme, curriculum, books and also co-curricular activities (CCA). A co-curricular activity essentially takes place outside the typical classroom experience. It gives the students a chance to develop particular skills and hone their non-academic abilities. Participation of students in co-curricular and extra-curricular activities will assist them in more than one way in their development.

To fulfil these objectives at Matrix Global Schools, this year we have revised our CCA programme with a more structured and organised CCA programme. The drive for this is to have a seamless CCA programme to fulfil the same vision and mission of our school and to challenge our students to be intellectually curious, responsive and persistent, committed and expressive of their thoughts and ideas. Our goal is to ensure we achieve our aim of sending our students 'out of class' through the CCA programme. We are taking MGS to the next level of a vibrant co-curricular and extra-curricular programme, forming a broad and lively educational experience for our students. True and real-world experiences will be gained by our students in their participation in co-curricular activities such as uniformed units, societies or clubs and sports.

Moreover, the theoretical knowledge in curriculum is enhanced when a co-curricular activity is related to the content taught in school. Co-curricular activities in MGS are dynamic because even though they are not a part of the core curriculum, they play a very vital role in giving the young boys and girls the ability to shape their lives to become well rounded people.

The introduction of new CCA such as Chess Club with a professional external coach as well as coaches for the Scouts, Badminton, Football CCA have brought an impact on the students' learning this year. With a well-structured CCA programme, all students will gain some skills development from every CCA. Besides this revised CCA programme, we are also looking to further improvements in the school team training programme which have started well with basketball, badminton, volleyball, netball and athletics.

Football training for CCA starting in October will be conducted by the South Korean KDH Football Academy. For students who are talented and wish to further excel in this sport, they can join the semi-pro football training conducted by KDH Football Academy at a special discounted rate given only to MGS students. For further information, please email to ufcagent.kr@gmail.com



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IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Change of Entity Letter

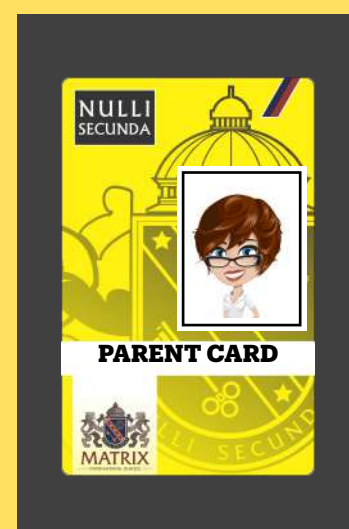
In July 2019, we issued a letter to all parents regarding the change of entity from Matrix Global Education Sdn. Bhd. to Matrix Educare Sdn. Bhd. Though the deadline was 13 September, many have not returned the signed copies of the letter to school.

We will be sending another copy of the letter through your child on Monday, 30 September for you to sign and return to the school by 1 October 2019. We seek your support and assistance in ensuring that our records on the administrative change is up to date. Thank you for your kind assistance.

Access Tags

As part of our drive to ensure the safety of the staff and students in our schools, we have now changed the parents' tag to include photographs of guardians/parents. This tag ensures that only authorised personnel are allowed to be in school.

We would like to remind all parents and guardians to collect this new tag and return the old one to the school. By 10 October, all old tags will be disabled. We seek your cooperation in making our school a safer place for our children.



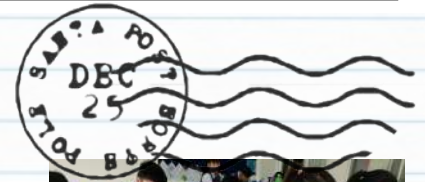
MIS Secondary Connecting with the World: PEN PAL INITIATIVE FOR ESL STUDENTS

MIS Key Stage 4 students have reached out to their international peers from a distant country in central Europe, Poland. Mr Richard's Year 11 and Miss Barbara's Year 10 ESL classes have forged a cooperation with teenagers from Service High School no XVI in Tarnow, southern Poland. Students at that school follow rigorous training in their preferred service force: police, military and firefighting.

The popularity of Pen Pal practice reached its pinnacle in pre-Internet era when penning letters was one of the easiest available methods for exchanging messages. Those of us who reminisce this tantalising feeling of waiting for the letter, and the excitement of finally receiving it, would like to provide the same opportunity to younger generation, who might have never had a chance to experience that. Not to mention the most apparent benefit – combining FUN with LEARNING English!

We are pleased to announce that we have received a sponsorship for the postage to allow our students to enjoy the benefits of this Pen Pal letter exchange.

So, the envelope has started its lengthy air travel, and we are looking forward to receiving the replies!



MPS Primary EARLY MORNING GREETINGS

MPS Primary introduced a fun way to greet each other. The "Choose & Greet" action involves students choosing a particular greeting gesture to greet their teachers or their friends. There are four different ways for students to choose from; Handshake, Fist Bump, High Five or Bow. Students enjoy greeting their teachers and friends through this and we believe it is a great way to boost positivity in students' mindset and to cultivate the habit of greeting others despite age, culture or even gender. So kids, come on over to choose your own way to greet us every morning or anytime of the day at the MPS Primary Entrance.



MIS Early Years WORLD PEACE DAY CELEBRATION

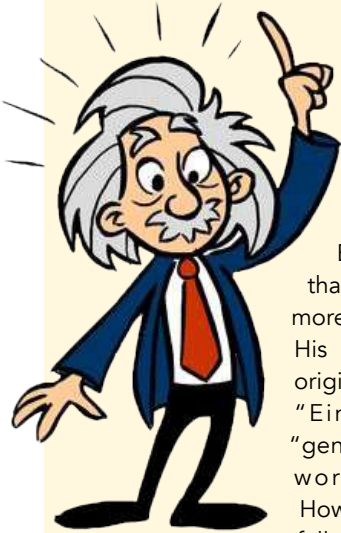
This year's Peace Day theme draws attention to the importance of combating climate change as a way to protect and promote peace throughout the world. This year's theme is very apt especially with what is happening to our weather here in Malaysia. The haze has affected many of our children's health and prevented them from going out and playing freely. In order to have our little ones continue to live in a healthy environment, the children took a pledge to save mother earth, observed a minute of silence and made the peace sign formation while holding a white balloon. They also released two doves as a sign of freedom and peace. The scenic view of the birds being released by the children and the happiness on the children's faces were truly captivating to see.



INTRODUCING MGS HOUSES

Based on the traditional feature of schools in England, each student enrolled in MGS was assigned to one of the four houses named after great men in history. The MGS House system provides a basis for intra-school competitions and activities. In conjunction with the schools' 5th year anniversary, let's get to know each of the Houses better!

EINSTEIN



A ground-breaking physicist and a prominent Nobel Prize winner, Einstein is best known for his world's most famous equation of mass-energy formula, $E=mc^2$. Throughout his lifetime, Einstein had published more than 300 scientific papers and more than 150 non-scientific works. His intellectual achievements and originality have made the word "Einstein" synonymous with "genius" and had changed the world in far-reaching ways. However, his theories are yet to be fully understood by scientists.

What is more admirable was Einstein did not want to be successful - he wanted to be a man of value. While having a strong will, Einstein was very humble and attributed his talent to his passionate curiosity and imagination, which he felt were more important than knowledge.

Albert Einstein is an enduring symbol of intelligence and ingenuity and that is why we have proudly named our house after him.

**"The important thing is not to stop questioning. Curiosity has its own reason for existing."
- Albert Einstein**

HOUSE FACTS

House Colour: Yellow
House Heads: Mr Raja Syahrill
Mr Moo Zhen Tong
House Captains: Oscar Loh Yi Wei, Year 11
Addam Haffiz, Form 4

Einstein House Cheer:
Yellow like the sun,
That's why we are fun,
Dare us to a run,
We'll beat everyone,
'Cause we are number one!

DA VINCI



Widely considered as one of the most diversely talented individuals ever to have lived, Da Vinci's influence has crossed so many disciplines from painting to architecture, engineering to astronomy, and anatomy to botany. He remains best known for his art in the world's most famous and admired paintings, Mona Lisa and The Last Supper. Gifted with a curious mind and a brilliant intellect, da Vinci studied the laws of science and nature, which greatly informed his work that were considered to be centuries ahead of his time. Da Vinci's designs later helped us to invent things like the tank, parachute and the helicopter among many other things.

Da Vinci's limitless curiosity and hunger for knowledge in a myriad of subjects has ultimately propelled him to be a genius artist, as he sees science and art as complementary rather than distinct disciplines. Despite all his intellectual studies, Da Vinci was also noted to have kept a "fun, joyous" side as an inventor and thinker.

Until today, Da Vinci's work still continues to inspire artists and inventors worldwide and it has also inspired us to name one of our Houses after the remarkably talented Leonardo da Vinci.

"... people of accomplishment rarely sat back and let things happen to them. They went out and happened to things.."

- Leonardo da Vinci

HOUSE FACTS

House Colour: Blue
House Heads: Ms Ay Kar Pei
Ms Parameswary Raman
House Captains: Kuan Teng Sam, Year 11
Ameerul Shuzani Mahadi, Form 5

Da Vinci House Cheer:
Extra, Extra, Read all about it
Da Vinci's gonna WIN! No doubt about it.
Shout it to the East,
Shout it to the West,
Da Vinci's gonna win, cause we are the best!

GANDHI

Ghandi was a great leader who employed nonviolent resistance to lead the successful campaign for India's independence. His successful application of passive resistance protests to help oppressed people had proved to be highly impactful and inspired movements for civil rights and freedom across the world. In his honour, Gandhi's birthday on 2 October is commemorated as the International Day of Nonviolence.



Gandhi was a man of high moral values and principles. He believed strongly that moral formation should precede political action and that nonviolence protests would bring peace to the world. Leading by example, Gandhi lived modestly throughout his life and is one of the few human beings who truly reached the self-actualisation stage, the top stage of Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs.

He was a source of inspiration for many world leaders and for us, so we have named a House after the wise Mahatma Gandhi.

"Strength does not come from physical capacity. It comes from an indomitable will."

- Mahatma Gandhi

HOUSE FACTS

- House Colour: Green
- House Heads: Mr Richard Edmunds
Mr Teh Chap Sang
- House Captains: Keith Yen Lim, Year 11
Aiman Hakimi Hamdan, Form 5
- Vice Captains: Aisyah Jasmine Ramzi, Year 10
Lee Peggy, Form 4

Gandhi House Cheer:
We are best at football
We are best at track
And when it comes to Basketball
You better watch your back
GANDHIIIIIIIIIII ATTACK
(stomp,clap,stomp,stomp clap...
stomp clap,stomp stomp clap)

NEWTON

Newton is widely recognised as one of the most influential scientists of all time and a key figure in the scientific revolution of the 17th century. His contribution in science includes the discovery of the composition of colours as integrated in white light, the three Laws of Motion and the formulation of the law of universal gravitation. Plus, he was also an accomplished mathematician, astronomer, theologian and author.



One will not achieve great knowledge without intellectual interest and self-discipline. And despite all his achievements, Newton remained humble by acknowledging the works and knowledge of others before him that contributed to his success.

It was because of these values that we have named a House after the great Sir Isaac Newton.

"If I have seen further it is by standing on the shoulders of giants."

- Isaac Newton

HOUSE FACTS

- House Colour: Red
- House Heads: Ms Mogana Krishnan
Mr Dave Chuah
- House Captains: Teh Yew Hong, Year 11
Christopher Lee, Form 4
- Vice Captains: Nareesyah Paranjothy, Year 10
Ng Ryu Shen, Form 4

Newton House Cheer:
Newton is red hot! Our house is red hot!
Our house is R-E-D! Red! H-O-T! Hot!
Once we start, we just won't stop.
'Cuz we are Red Hot!
Go Newton!

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