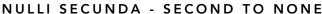


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# **MGS ECHO**





# FROM THE MGS MANAGEMENT TEAM

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Coming together is a beginning.

Keeping together is progress.

Working together is success.

- Henry Ford, founder of the Ford Motor Company -

It has been nearly a year since we came to the school to work with the staff and students of Matrix Global Schools to develop the campus and to attain success in all areas of education. Although the year has been a hectic one, it was also very rewarding for us. Changes have been made, systems adjusted and new policies introduced. We are proud that our efforts in Continuous Professional Staff Development has received accreditation and we are now one of the few recognised Cambridge Professional Development Qualification centres.

We have extended the MGS Prefectorial Board to include the primary school students in our efforts to develop their leadership skills and to provide opportunities for them to gain confidence and communicate with others from a younger age. This is in addition to expanding the Student Council to include students from both MIS and MPS to give students a voice in helping MGS to be a better learning institution. It is indeed pleasing to note that both bodies have performed their functions well and have at times exceeded expectations.

We thought it was an ideal time over the course of the last couple of months to showcase the school and, therefore, have been busy creating and delivering promotional activities to spread the news about MGS.

In the past few weeks, we have had students participate in the making of a virtual reality video of the campus. Students performed as actors and narrators, while learning about the latest technology in videography. We also had student ambassadors work alongside our staff during the Private & International Education Fair held in Mid Valley Exhibition Centre on 2 - 3 November. Our students assisted with great flair and confidence, as they helped to promote Matrix

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Private & International Education Fair held in Kuala Lumpur





Globals Schools to all who showed interest on the day. Furthermore, we were proud to host the recent post UPSR English camp which reached out to Standard 6 students from nearby schools in an attempt to expose them to our school. They enjoyed activities in Science, Physical Education, Visual Art and Music that enhanced their learning of English. This event saw our students assist, alongside teachers, in coordinating all these learning activities for the student visitors over the course of three days. Not only did our students developed their leadership and group management skills, but were exemplary hosts to our guests.

We have a firm believe that every activity the students undertake must have an educational objective and add on to the student's knowledge, skill or understanding. That is why all these tasks mentioned above have been designed to allow our students a more hands-on approach to tasks in the field of creative producing, event coordination, teaching, school administration and many more. They were golden opportunities for students to work together with people from diverse backgrounds and to develop their leadership skills.

For that reason, we would like to express our sincerest gratitude to all students for their participation and parents for their support. Thanks to the staff too for their guidance in all the various activities that we undertook to showcase our wonderful school. May we continue to work together towards the success of Matrix Global Schools.

Loh Ghee Juan MGS Campus Principal MGS Echo - Issue 40 2

### MIS Primary Assembly 'World Kindness Day'

On 13 November, MIS Primary students attended an assembly on Bullying and World Kindness Day. The purpose of the assembly was to highlight the following:

What is bullying?

Different Kinds of Bullying?

What is World Kindness Day?

Ways that can be

We used this session to remind the students that bullying is when we hurt others on purpose and that the acts are repeated. We also gave strategies to the students on what to do if they experience bullying or see someone else being bullied.

This interactive session was led by Mrs Jacinta with students giving their thoughts and ideas on the impact of bullying and how we can be kinder to each other. In addition to this, acts of kindness posters have been displayed around the school for children to think of ideas on ways they can be kind to others.

# MIS Primary Exit Point 'It's Shocking!'

Electricity can work lights, computers, mobile phones, cars and lots of other things that we use every day - it can even make our hair stand on end! But what is ELECTRICITY? In this unit, Year 1 learned about the uses of static electricity, batteries, to make their own electrical circuits and how electricity looks like at home and in the classroom.

During this unit, Year 1 children have also learned about the dangers of electricity. They enjoyed designing and making a torch. Children were amazed to know about the history of electricity and the sources of where it comes from. Our young learners worked very hard on this unit. Well done to Year 1 class!



# MPS Primary Science 'Pulley'

The students of Standard 3 had a blast making workable pulley machines as their Science project for the last topic of the syllabus. Primary Science teacher, Ms Chong Mee Lin further tested the students STEM skills by insisting that the end 'creation' should not only be workable but should be made using recycled materials. The class remarkably stepped up to the challenge and managed to complete the machine independently within 1 hour 30 minutes. Looking forward to see what other creations the students will come up with when they go into Upper Primary next year!



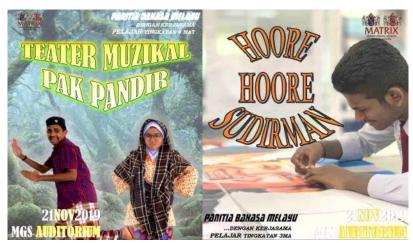
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#### **MPS Mini - Musical Production in Malay Language**

After the huge success of last year's 'P.Ramlee dalam kenangan', the highly anticipated end-of-year mini production from the MPS Bahasa Melayu Department is back!

The musical will be divided into two parts with Form 3 students performing 'Horey...horey Sudirman', while Form 4 students will perform 'Pak Pandir Muzikal'.

Parents of Form 3 and Form 4 students are cordially invited to watch the performance which will be held on Thursday, 21 November from 8.30am to 10.30am in MGS Auditorium. Parts of the performance will be streamed live from the school's Facebook Page (@MatrixSchools) and posted in MGS Performing Arts Instagram account (@mgs\_performingarts).





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## **MGS Primary PE STARS OF THE WEEK**

Every week, MIS PE Department will award deserving students a star based on their behaviour, effort, performance and improvement in the class. MIS Secondary winners are posted on @mgs\_sports Instagram while Primary winners will be shared in the newsletter for young students to view.









Nur Syawahida, Standard 1



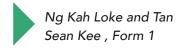
Standard 6

# MGS participated in the Yonex-NSBA & President Cup 2019

On the evening of 8 - 9 November, 5 MGS students participated in the Yonex-NSBA & President Cup 2019. Even without our star players since they were sitting for their final year exam, the MGS representatives did not falter and continued to give their best.



We have gained a lot of experience in this badminton tournament and made many new friends! We have also learned more about the rules of playing the game in a tournament setting. Thank you for giving us the opportunity to participate in this tournament.



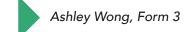
I am very happy to be selected to represent the school for badminton tournament under Boys Category. What I need to do now is to improve my skills so I can be selected again next year.



I was really happy when I was chosen to represent MGS. I joined the mixed double category with my partner, Ashley. Even though we lost, we have gained a lot of knowledge and experience. I will train harder and hope I can represent MGS again.



The tournament was a great experience since I got to play against other schools. I learned how to cooperate with my partner and to maintain my discipline when playing with others. The other players are strong and playing against them motivated me to be stronger. I realised that I need to build up my mental and physical abilities to be more competitive.



### **Reminder of MGS Swimming Gala**

MGS will be holding our first Swimming Gala on 18 November. Primary and secondary students who have registered to take part are expected to bring along a bottle of water, towel and a change of clothes. The gala was part of the school's effort to prepare students for competitive swimming as an exposure to how a swimming tournament is conducted.

This is an internal event with dedicated staff and teachers already assigned their respective duties to ensure students' safety alongside lifeguards from d'Tempat Country Club where the event will take place.

#### MGS EYE HEALTH **SCREENING REPORT**



The vision test for all students in the school has been completed by our Nurses.

53 Secondary students from both MIS and MPS have been have been identified as needing vision care and referral letters were sent out advising parents to seek further evaluation by an optometrist or ophthalmologist as soon as possible.

The MGS Nurses will be running colour blindness tests when the the test kits arrive to ensure the eyesight issues of our students can be identified for appropriate action to be taken.

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