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FROM THE EXECUTIVE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents, Teachers and Staff,

Thank you for the positive start to the school year and your contributions to a busy first term. The many events of the term, which are chronicled through our website and Instagram, show how much has already happened in such a short time. We strive to motivate our students and engage them in learning in challenging and interesting ways, whilst encouraging them to step out of their comfort zone. We are very proud of the wide variety of activities that do just this.

In the last newsletter I talked about good manners and how these are actively taught within the school. It is really pleasing to note the effect of this and the many positive things that our students are doing. There has been a notable positive improvement in terms of courtesy and self-management. The message we gave our High School assembly last week took this one step forward. We spoke about the right that everyone has to be treated with kindness and respect within our school. We also used the phrase, "Be an upstander, not a bystander." This means we expect our students to look after one another. If they see anyone being treated in a disrespectful manner, they can do more than look on as

a bystander. They should instead act as an upstander and provide support. Support can be a kind word, offer of friendship or talking to a teacher or adult. Either way, all our students have the right to feel that their school is a safe and nurturing environment. We are committed to building and maintaining this culture.

Next term our 2020/2021 enrolment process starts. The discounted rates are now publicised and the timelines are available. There are a number of grades that are near capacity and space is limited. Come and see our Marcomm team, they will gladly give you all the information and benefits of re-enrolments.

Sekolah Ciputra has a wonderful group of people that contribute to our school. Thanks to our PSG, parents, teachers, board members and staff for all your effort during Term 1. Enjoy a relaxing break and look forward to seeing you all on the 14th October.

Martin Blackburn
Executive Principal

Important Dates

7-11 Oct
MID SEMESTER BREAK

15-18 Oct
PYP-6 YOGYAKARTA TRIP

16-26 Oct
CIPUTRA CUP

24 Oct
HS CAREER DAY

24-26 Oct
OPEN DAY

30 Oct
PARENT-TEACHER-STUDENT CONFERENCES
(HS)

1 Nov
PYP-4 KIDPRENEUR FAIR

7 Nov
PYP CROSS COUNTRY

9 Nov
PROPHET'S BIRTHDAY

7-8 Dec
OSIS KARATE CUP

A MESSAGE FROM THE PYP

Our first academic term has been a busy and productive one. As we continue to work towards full implementation of the Enhanced PYP, our teachers have been busy sharing in new learning experiences to better prepare them and their students. In September we invited an IB trainer to spend two days with our staff exploring the latest research and strategies for implementing a rich and engaging IB PYP. Since the Enhanced PYP focuses on the interaction among the Learner, Teaching and Learning and the Learning Community, we also invited parents to join us in a session to find ways for them to contribute as equal partners in the Learning Community. We look forward to similar sessions in the future.

Our STUCO team has an active leadership body this year, focused on school spirit and friendly competition. They have expanded the house points system to include participation in all areas of school life. Their leadership on Crazy Hair Day was well received with an extremely high level of student and staff participation. The hairstyles were funny and creative and brought an air of celebration and fun to the PYP.

Our SIGs are up and running, with a wide range of activities for students to choose from. We continue to find

opportunities for students to develop not just academically but socially, emotionally and psychologically as well. This is all in keeping with our mission to graduate students who are well-prepared to function successfully in a changing global community.

We were particularly proud of 3 of our students who did so well in this year's World Scholar's Cup that they were invited to participate with students from around the world in Sydney, Australia. Once again, they did extremely well in Sydney and will now be participating in the finals at Yale University in the United States. Congratulations to Max, Shiloh and Arthur for being such awesome ambassadors for our school.

While the recent traffic problems have had a significant impact on the number of students who arrive late at school, we would like to express our appreciation for the efforts that parents are making to ensure that students arrive on time and well-prepared for learning each day.

Once again thank you for your ongoing support and partnership. Have a safe and restful break with your families and friends. See you in Term 2.

High School News

Dear Parents, Teachers & Students,

I'm sure you will all agree it has been a busy and successful first term for the High School! Apart from getting students settled into their daily routine and immersed in their academic work, we have achieved quite a lot over the past few months. Highlights of Term 1 include IB Diploma (DP) students working on their Group 4 Project, our annual grade level parent meetings, ongoing work by staff on the school's IB self-study and WASC accreditation preparation, several overseas university/college visits, Spirit Week, Independence Day celebrations, MAP assessment (Grade 7), World Scholars Cup (WSC) event in Sydney, our Boys and Girls Basketball and cheerleading teams participating in a local competition, our annual Athletics Afternoon event, the Ciputra Cup, multiple emergency evacuation drills, first-aid training for staff, our first two Coffee Mornings (for High School parents), several educational field trips, Camp Week Programme, etc. All the events mentioned were very successful and most importantly, enhanced our students' and teachers' overall educational experience.

Bullying in schools is a significant problem worldwide and is one of the most antisocial behaviours among adolescents and children. There is an abundance of research available which suggests the best ways to create a bully-free environment in schools. While the methods are all slightly different, there seems to be a common factor in each: education. Teaching all members of our school community to define, identify, and deal with bullying is an excellent way to stamp out bullying. When members of our school community are able to identify unacceptable behaviour, they can better address it. It takes a community of support

to put an end to bullying. Bullying is not confined to one location in our school, nor is it contained by the walls of our buildings. It happens everywhere people gather. Therefore, it is important for ALL members of the Sekolah Ciputra community to support the prevention of bullying. Term 2 will see a primary focus on creating a bullying-free environment in the High School.

As I write this, our students (and staff!) are attending the Camp Week Programme. Please join me in wishing them all the very best with their respective camps. I also want to take this opportunity to express my sincere gratitude to all of our High School staff. For anyone who has participated in this type of activity before, they will tell you it is far from easy. Being responsible for the safety and well-being of a (large) group of students 24 hours a day over 5 consecutive days is tiring and stressful. More than that, I believe it illustrates the commitment our staff have - to the Camp Programme itself and to your child. I would also like to extend a special note of thanks to our High School Grade Level Managers. Without the many hours (many of which have been in their personal time) that has been spent in the organisation of our respective camps, we wouldn't be able to provide this wonderful opportunity to our students.

As always, the High School staff and I feel honoured to be a part of your child's development. We thank you for your trust and are looking forward to working with you in Term 2 and beyond.

Best wishes.

Terry Swain
High School Coordinating Principal

THE JOURNEY OF THE WORLD SCHOLAR'S CUP



The World Scholar's Cup (WSC), an event that brings students and scholars together worldwide to achieve and become something more than a community, a family, a home

for all those who are lost in the days, hours and minutes of studying and forget the fundamental rule of being a student, freedom.

The World Scholar's Cup regional round for me was a very good training exercise for the global round in Sydney. During the regional rounds, the excitement was amazing, everyone believed and fought for the same goal, to qualify and make it to the global round. My team and I fought hard, reaching victory and defeat throughout the day. Nonetheless we were rewarded and achieved, as a team, and qualified for the global round in Sydney.

The weeks of anxiety and agonizing waiting drew to an end the moment we stepped foot into the grand exhibition center of ICC, Sydney. It was almost impossible to think that about 4000 students and scholars across the world had come to gather for an event that is going to be a story to tell to our next generations. As my team and I struggled to fight off the nerves of a competition of this scale, we were greeted by the amazing staff members who treated and talked to us as if we were family to them. In fact, by the end of the second day I felt immersed into their heartwarming family. Everyone was so enthusiastic to learn and study. During the debates, we were matched up against people of all types of cultures all fighting with pride for their country. Bahamas, Singaporeans, New Zealanders, Chinese and so on, you name it, they all put aside their differences and cherished their time learning and experiencing this dream like competition.

Even coming back with medals around my neck and alpacas in my arms, what I truly pride is all the friends, dare I say family, I have found along the way and the renewed spirit for knowledge I received. Now that is the real trophy of the World Scholars Cup.

Jap Kevin Susanto – IIDP



JEREMY JAMES



On the 21st of August, we (the Indonesian team) arrived in Belgrade, Serbia for the International Conference of Young Social Scientists. Upon our arrival, we immediately went to the hotel intending to get some rest. As expected, some of us did the exact opposite, including myself. Instead we worked on our presentation skills and thesis, where we thought they could be improved. Thanks to our mentor (Ms Leila), we were able to fix our flaws in our ppt and extended abstract (thesis).

Over the next few days we spent some of our time doing city tours and visiting museums. The most memorable part for me is visiting the old Serbian fortress (King Alexander's holdout), which I found really fascinating. During these tours, I met and befriended a lot of amazing people from multiple nations such as Serbia, Turkey and Slovenia.

Finally, on Saturday 24th, it was competition day. I remember being very nervous, in fact I wasn't the only one, we were all nervous. We all entered our own class for our presentation (mine was the history class) and I was called to present first. Fortunately I was able to present well and I was happy and relieved when I had finished. After the competition, we had a cultural evening event, or in other words we (the Indonesian team) had to dance. During this event, I learned a lot of valuable and interesting information regarding Balkan and Turkish culture. I also found it really fun to dance with my Turkish and Balkan friends.

It was during this event that the results were announced and we received our medals and certificates. Even though I didn't get gold, to me it was more than enough to get bronze. I felt very happy and proud of myself.

Unfortunately, our adventure had come to an end. The final day we were all saying our goodbyes, and many of us were crying, it was awful. The Turkish team was the first to leave, then the Slovenian team and finally, us.

Jeremy's research paper was entitled, "Harmonization of Sunda-Jawa, Potential for The Loss of the Dinoyo Street and Gunung Sari History in Surabaya." Well done Jeremy, an absolutely awesome achievement

CAS ACTIVITY

As a part of OSIS 2019-2020 leaders, we went to UPT Rehabilitasi Sosial Bina Grahita, in Tuban on Saturday, 31st August.

Usually we only go to the orphanage, but this time we wanted to visit a social institution that takes care of people with down syndrome. They range from kids to adults.

Once we finished our annual OSIS meeting, we went along to share and help the local community. As well as spending time with the group, playing games and entertaining them, we also shared lunch. It was a special day for our group.

Calista Sein Adi Seputro
Grade II DP



Run to Give is an annual charity running event that is conducted simultaneously around Asia Pacific by the Marriott International as one of Take Care programmes.

Money donated from this charity will be given to "Indonesia for Refugees" foundation under United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)

19 of our students and I joined this activity on Sunday, 22nd September. It was a 5k run in and around the Pakuwon Golf Course area. Since there is also an annual 5k cross country event held at Sekolah Ciputra, our students were keen to join this run and enjoyed it very much. All of us finished the run in approximately an hour. We had a lot of fun, and it's even better when you are running for a good cause!

Gramelia
CAS Coordinator



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