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Weekly Newsletter
Academic Year 23/24
Term 3
17th May 2024

Bukit Timah

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Welcome from the Principal

As the half term draws to a close , I would like to take the opportunity to thank staff, parents and of course students for the opportunities for great learning and enriched experiences that they have provided in recent weeks. With our guests from Australia visiting this week to highlight the great dance partnership project to a global perspectives day which included a live chef demonstration and most importantly student leadership, I am so proud of what our school continues to achieve.

Have a restful holidays, ready for return on the 27th May.
Term 3B looks equally action packed!



Nicholas Belcher

Invictus International School Bukit Timah



Mrs Burke
Assistant Head - Pastoral Care



Mr Belcher
Principal



Mr Morse
Deputy Head - Academic



Ms Shaw
Key Stage 1 Lead



Ms Lu
Key Stage 2 Lead



Dr King
Key Stage 3 Lead & Head of Science



Head of PE & Sport
Mr Zulhilmi



Head of Arts
Mr Elisara



Head of Music
Ms Ngooi

Invictus International School Bukit Timah



Ms Shaw
Year 1.1 Teacher



Ms Liu
Year 1.2 Teacher



Ms Metcalfe
Year 2.1 Teacher



Ms Joachim
Year 2.2 Teacher



Ms Lu
Year 3.1 Form
& Maths Lead



Ms Mishra
Year 3.2 Form
& English Teacher



Ms Jing
Year 4.1 Form
& Chinese teacher



Ms Yu
Year 4.2 Form
& Chinese Teacher



Ms Ferraz
Year 5.1 Form &
Maths/Humanities Teacher



Ms Jollyn Lin
Chinese Teacher



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& Head of Art



Mrs Lee
Year 6.1 Form
& Humanities/GP Teacher



Ms Ngooi
Year 6.2 Form
& Head of Music



Ms Stewart
Year 7.1 Form
& English Teacher



Mr Burke
Year 8 Form
& Maths Lead



Ms Wang
Chinese Teacher

Invictus International School Bukit Timah

Teaching Assistant and Learning Support team



Ms Yusop



Ms Sulaiman



Ms Kalaihselvan



Ms Kamarudin



Ms Makose



Ms Cai (Temp)



Ms Devi

Vision and Mission

Core Values



Respect

Respect for all



Resilience

Persevering and striving for progress



Care

Caring for others in a safe, sustainable environment



Collaboration

Developing the lifelong skills of working with others



Excellence

Challenging ourselves to do our best



Joyous Lifelong Learning

Taking pleasure in learning and growth

Uniform reminders

Uniform - All students should be wearing their Invictus uniform

Black shoes (Not Vans/Trainers etc)

Grey Invictus Skort/shorts

Blue Invictus Polo

White socks

PE days- House colour t-shirt, Invictus PE shorts and trainers are allowed.

Every day- Invictus cap or bucket style hat for outdoor play.

Please note that as per school tradition, students are invited to wear their house shirts on a Friday regardless of curriculum activity as we are encouraging Fridays as a day for house competitions in the near future.

School Uniform



PE Uniform



We are aware that some students prefer a cotton based shirt.
Please note that Lim's are in agreeance to accomodating this by
manufacturing a cotton version in the same style .

They require a minimum order of 5 but can make for example
3 in one size and 2 in a larger size.

Please process directly with Lim's;

Lim's Uniform

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Opening Hours: Mon – Sat 10.30am to 7.15pm

Sun 10.30am to 6.15pm

Academic: Important Notices



On the 28th May, we will be holding a Key stage Three Curriculum evening for Year 6,7,8 and prospective 9 families.

This evening will be delivered by subject leads, Mr Morse and Dr King and cover curriculum, resources and preparation for exam years.

Please use the below link to register your interest in attending.

[Expression of Interest form](#)

New Curriculum Letters will be available in the first newsletter of next half-term.

Keeping In Touch with Your Child's Learning

The school strives to keep parents informed about their child's learning whilst balancing our teacher's priorities. A reminder that tutors and subject-teachers are always available, and aim to respond to parent emails within 48-hours, however the following are two ways you can immediately keep up-to-date with your child's learning.

Weekly Subject content

Reminding children of learning, and pre-teaching key terms or ideas, is shown to be beneficial, so we've put together a summary of upcoming content for each class here: [Parent-Shared](#)

Term 2B Curriculum Letter

Permanently collated here: [Parent-Shared](#). T2B Curriculum Letters.

Pastoral News



Mrs Burke
Assistant Head - Pastoral Care

In the Human Body ECA this week pupils have been learning first aid such as how to do CPR (using pillows instead of bodies). Learning first aid is such an important life skill for our pupils which I hope they will now share with their friends and families. Other first aid sessions planned for Term 3b include putting on bandages and what to do during a head injury.

We are also very lucky as a school to have Dr Tammy (a parent doctor) who assists with delivering these important life lessons to our pupils. She is able to answer their exciting and curious questions about medicine. After half term we will also be welcoming Dr Allison (a parent dentist) who will be sharing her tips for oral hygiene with our pupils.



Pastoral News

This week is the last week to sign up to Grace our Play Therapists session on how to manage meltdowns.
There are 5 places left.



GRACE LIM

Play Therapist
PGDiPT, PGCertPTS, Cert Autism, Dip-ECCE

Mobile: 97877896
Email: playtherapyenquiry@gmail.com

“Play therapy has helped Damien to use other techniques to control his temper.”
Ms L. Lee, mum of Damien, 13 y.o.

EVENT DETAILS

DATE:
29 May 2024
Wednesday

TIME:
9:00am - 11:00am

VENUE:
Invictus School
Bukit Timah Campus
Multipurpose Hall

FEE:
S\$10 per pax

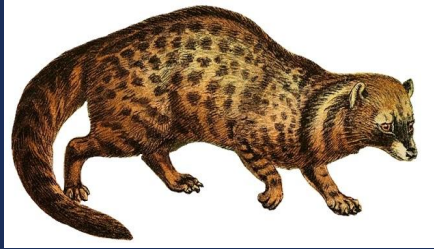
REGISTRATION

Limited seats available.
Sign up now!



Mrs Burke
Assistant Head - Pastoral Care

House Updates



Civets

199



Pangolins

230



Hornbills

203



Otters

203

Pangolins are this weeks winners, welldone! Lots of house points were earned during GP day this week for pupils demonstrating the school values. Interestingly, Hornbills and Otters gained exactly the same number of points this week, taking joint second place!

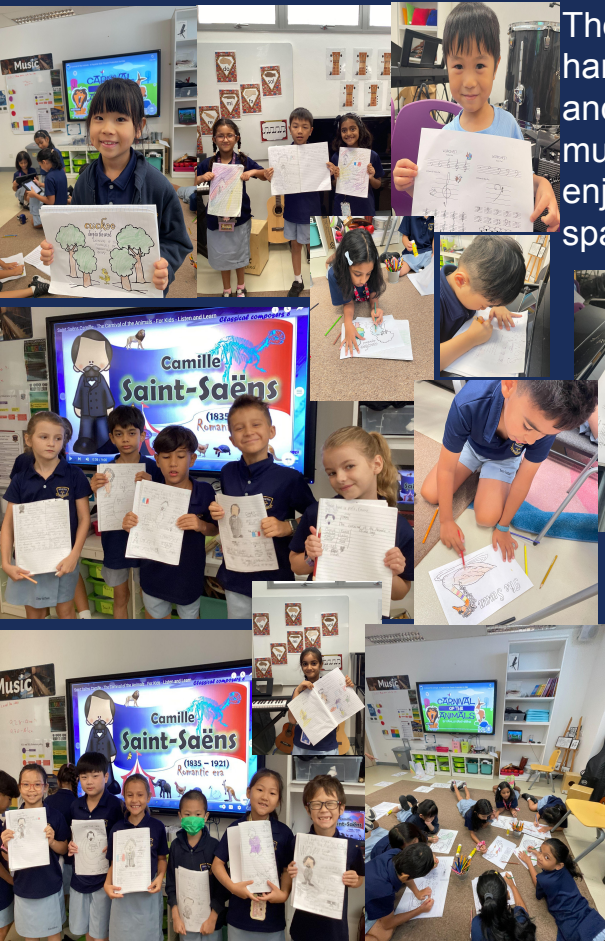
Inspired by Jackson Pollock, our Year 2s have been using different tools to create their abstract piece of artwork.

Children collected twigs during their afternoon playtime at the park as they were so excited to use these in their art. In our first lesson, we created a background using oil pastels and then they used twigs to do 'drip technique' on their paper, using different coloured paint.

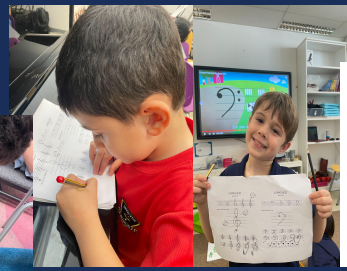
The second lesson involved using different objects and spreading the paint across their paper. We discussed the effect of this technique.



The year 7s created structures together to explore how to work together and collaborate ideas to build the tallest structure possible using recycled cardboard and limited resources. This activity is a precursor to the final sculpture required from each pupil in our next lesson. Initially pupils discussed possible design structures to construct given basic jigsaw cuts to wedge pieces together. Pupils then needed to test their designs and quickly make changes as their designs unfolded. Fundamental structural principles were discovered; have a strong base and using counterbalancing to build up. The engagement was high amongst all pupils and basic design processes such as initial design making, drawing upon structural principles and problem solving on the fly were on display. The pupils are now ready to complete their final Cubist sculptures with these design strategies in mind!



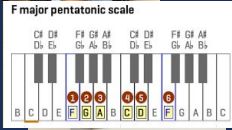
The Year 1 students worked hard in perfecting their treble and bass clef drawing on a music staff. They also enjoyed exploring line and space notes.



The Year 3 students enjoyed listening to French Composer Camille Saint-Saëns's famous composition 'The Carnival of the Animals'. They studied and explored a few movements from his composition. Please scan the QR Code to enjoy the full musical suite of 14 movements with your child at home.



The Year 6 and 7 students continue to refine their instrumental, vocal and performance skills through critical peer evaluation to refine their music presentation. The students also revised on their music composition skills utilizing the Pentatonic Scale.



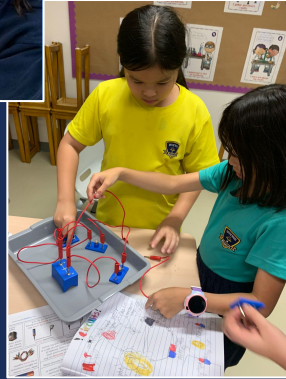
This week at invigorating instrumentals, we enjoyed lovely music by Abby from Year 7 playing music by Westlife and Conor, Jack, Abdullah and Tama from Year 6 rocking the atrium with We Will Rock You! Well done students!



Primary

Science

Secondary



This week in our primary years we have been investigating the 1969 moon landing, thinking about the use of electricity in our everyday lives and learning about the atmosphere around us and how human behaviour can impact on that atmosphere and change our planet! This ties in beautifully with the Global Perspectives Morning and our year 5 students were seen sharing their new knowledge and applying it in that context. Photos are year 4 getting hands on with their electricity topic!

Year 8 applied their knowledge of pressure in liquids and gasses to a circus of demonstrations this week. Their task was to explain the observations they made. We saw how pressure can change with depth of water, how removing air particles from a contain can change that container, we even attempted to pull an egg into a conical flask and learned just how to use pressure to get it back out! The favourite demo was the collapsing can, which can be dramatic! Photos taken by the class!

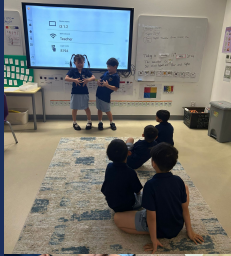


Chinese Language in Primary

This week Y1 learn song leaders are happy to lead the class in singing 《吃饭歌》 to extend the learning. Students enjoy playing “shotgun” to remember key phrases. Y2 learners get familiar with measure words for dictionaries. Pick up phrase 书包里有...(There are...in my school bag). Students from FCL explore the names of food through games.

Y3 learners indicating favourite subjects, for example “ My favourite subjects is ... 我最喜欢的科目是.....”. Learners explore the measure words for various clothing things in mandarin, and identify using 穿 and 戴 for various clothes. Y4 students creating dialogue to explain suitability of clothes. Labelling and describing with verb such as put on buttons, wear and remove shoes. FCL learners get familiar with various places like 商店 (shop) and 医院 (hospital), making sentences through games.

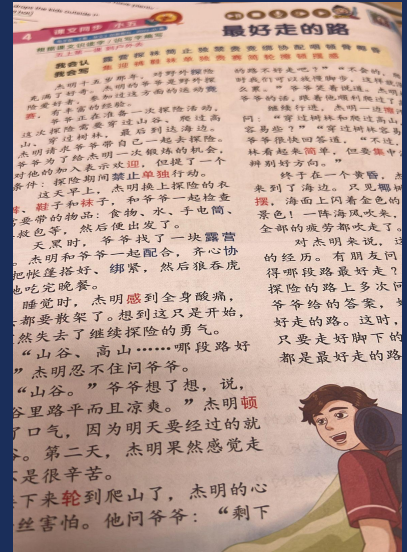
Y5 pupils learn body parts, answer and reply using the standard sentence structures. Students practice the characters to express how many various functional places in my home. Y6 students identify and write vocabulary of family members in Chinese, review the hobbies through guessing games, and introduce the hobbies of their family members.



Chinese Language in Secondary

This week Y7 FCL get familiarised with words about weather and discuss whether to go out for activities or not. After reading a text based on topic from huanle huoban《到户外去》, Y7SCL tested their teammates understanding by creating enquiries and questions. Their teammates are supposed to analyse those questions, identify main points and extracting the piece of information from the text.

Y8FCL familiarised themselves with the usage of ”得“in short phrases and sentences, by making their own spin wheel and practicing as a group. Y8SCL students tried getting the students to write their own story through coming up with their own characters and script.



Physical Education in Primary

Our Year 3 students are gearing up for some thrilling cricket action on the field as they dive into learning the fundamentals of Kwik Cricket! From mastering the perfect bat swing to honing their bowling skills, our young athletes are ready to embrace the thrill of this dynamic sport.

Under the bright sun and blue skies, they'll be fielding, batting, and running between the wickets, all while soaking in the camaraderie and joy of playing together.



Physical Education in Secondary

Get ready for some intense badminton showdowns as our Year 7 and Year 8 students gear up for an epic Badminton League during PE lessons! From powerful smashes to precise drop shots, our talented players are ready to showcase their skills on the court.

With fierce competition and friendly rivalry, every match promises to be a thrilling spectacle of agility, strategy, and sportsmanship.



Physical Education

PE -Basketball Schedule for Year 1 to 4 Term 3 2024				PE -Badminton Courts Schedule for Year 5 to 8 Term 3 2024			
Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Year 7	Year 8
16/4/2024	17/4/2024				30/5/2024	19/4/2024	16/4/2024
23/4/2024	24/4/2024				6/6/2024	26/4/2024	23/04/2024
30/4/2024					13/6/2024	3/5/2024	30/4/2024
7/5/2024	8/5/2024				20/6/2024	10/5/2024	7/5/2024
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4/6/2024	5/6/2024			PE -Basketball Courts Schedule for Year 5 to 8 Term 3 2024			
11/6/2024	12/6/2024			Year 5	Year 6	Year 7	Year 8
18/6/2024	19/6/2024					31/5/2024	28/5/2024
25/6/2024	26/6/2024					7/6/2024	4/6/2024
2/7/2024	3/7/2024					14/6/2024	11/6/2024
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		22/4/2024	25/4/2024	PE -Field Schedule for Year 5 to 8 Term 3 2024			
		29/4/2024	2/5/2024	Year 5	Year 6	Year 7	Year 8
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		1/7/2024		10/6/2024			
				24/6/2024			
				1/7/2024			

Key Stage 1 – Years One and Two

Year One Sleepover

As the school day drew to a close, the corridors suddenly buzzed with excitement from our Year One Students. Equipped with their sleeping bags, pajamas, and favorite stuffed animals, the Year Ones could hardly contain their enthusiasm. For many, this was their first night away from home without family, marking a significant step in their journey towards independence.

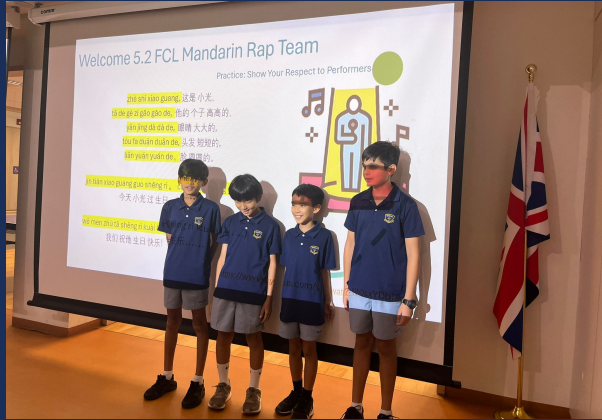
The evening kicked off with a range of engaging team building activities followed by a pizza party. Students then learned some campfire songs and some arts and crafts, before finishing the evening with supper and a movie before lights out and bed.

The morning was greeted with more fun- sprinkle topped waffles and bubble blowing in the basement! Our weary but happy year ones waved goodbye to one another, after being picked up by their families.

A huge thank you for all those involved in the running of the Sleepover. Events like these are pivotal in fostering a sense of community and belonging among our students, helping them to develop important social and emotional skills.



Key Stage 2 – Years Three, Four, Five and Six



During assembly this week, the Year 4 and 5 students discussed the importance of respect. They brainstormed reasons why respect is essential and talked about what should be respected, including people, places, things, and also respecting themselves.



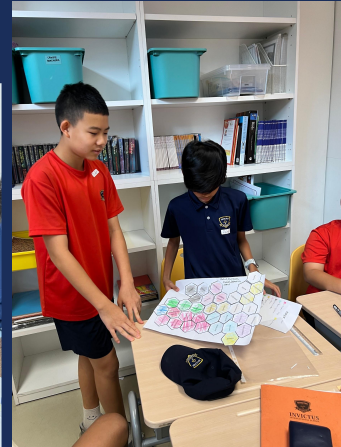
Afterwards, the students watched a video showcasing some students (from other schools) demonstrating respect whilst engaging in a [Mandarin Rap battle](#). Some Year 4 and 5 students then had a go practising respect while battling out in Mandarin. The students demonstrated courage to come on stage to participate in the battle, exercised their listening skills, and had the opportunity to showcase their Mandarin-speaking skills. Well done to the students who challenged themselves and had a go in the battle!



In Humanities, the Year 3 students have been learning about international cultural foods. They researched all about their favourite food, unpacking the key question of: What makes a food recognizable, loved, and cultural? They created recipes and shared their love of their and others' cultures. The plates were truly from around the world! (3.2 will be having their international food party in Term 3b)

Key Stage 3 – Years Seven and Eight

It was wonderful to see our key stage 3 students taking on leadership roles today, running our Global Perspectives morning! This whole school event, learning about sustainability and waste, was presented to the lower years by our young leaders and they ran different sessions for each house across Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2. Thanks must go to Mrs Lee for the unending support she has provided the students, allowing them to flourish in their roles and take on such demanding responsibilities. Well done Key Stage 3 for delivering a brilliant morning of learning!



International Day workshops with The Friends of Invictus Bukit Timah



Exploring the USA with Jen

On Tuesday, our little explorers had a blast learning about the USA with Jen! They enjoyed making flags, colorings, listening to songs, and watching a fun presentation.

Parents, if some you still want to set up a stall and represent your country on International Day (15th of June) or enforce the team of your nationality, it is not too late to join. Just email us on friendsofibt@invictus.edu.sg and we will guide you through with the organisation.

Community News



Every Tuesday our parent walk leaves school at 8:30pm for an hour stroll round the local area. It is a brilliant way to meet other parents, and build our school community.

Any parent is welcome to join the walk, and if you have a younger child please do bring them along too, there are lots of pram friendly walks and occasionally a coffee or ice cream at the end is found!

Just turn up and join before they leave!

Discount card for our families

We are very excited to offer an Invictus Bukit Timah discount card for our community of families with a variety of local businesses and restaurants in and around the Bukit Timah area.

Please show your support by showing this newsletter page to these restaurants to receive your discount. We will be creating unique QR codes to use soon! Please click on the logos below to find out more information about our partners.



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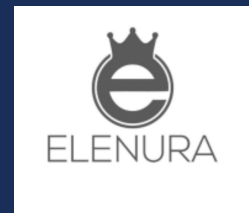
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For subject teacher and curriculum matters, please email the form tutor directly, the keystage lead or subject teacher.

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