



INVICTUS
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Weekly Newsletter
Academic Year 23/24
Term 3
19th April 2024

Bukit Timah

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ESTABLISHED IN 1988

Welcome from the Principal

A joy of International School education is the multifaceted and diverse communities and celebrations which we are immersed within and it has been a joy to return to school following the break listening to how students celebrated Spring, Ramadan, Easter , Eid , Hari Raya and various festivals.

This week I have been bowled over by the amount of parental engagement and commitment to our school through voluntarily being involved in our Assemblies, providing Movie nights and of course attending Parent Teacher Conferences. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of those involved. The time is very much appreciated in ensuring not only opportunities for our students but also highlights the essence of what makes our school great; **community**.

Thank you for the continued support.



Nicholas Belcher

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

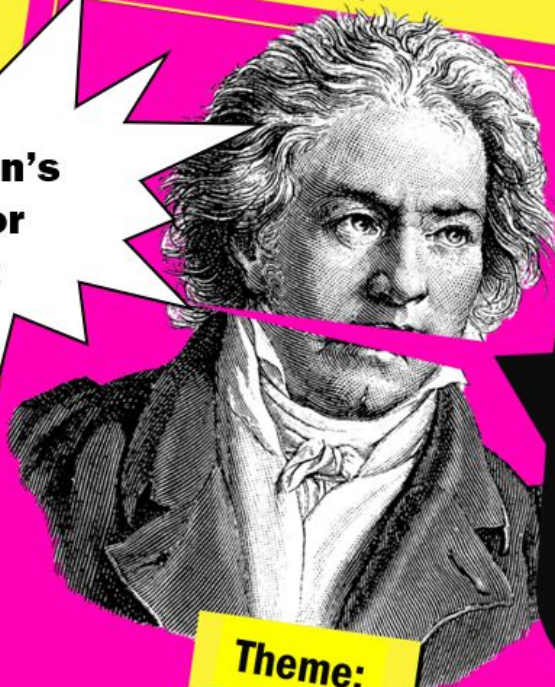
Challenging ourselves to do our best



Joyous Lifelong Learning

Taking pleasure in learning and growth

**Children's
author
visit**



Theme:

'Read Your Way'

**Reading
Marathon**

World Book Day

**23rd April
2024**

**Extreme
Reading
Photo
Competition**

**Dress up
'your
way'**

World Book Day

A polite reminder that we will be celebrating Book Day next Tuesday 23rd April. We encourage pupils to 'dress your way' leaving book & character themed costumes as optional.

We are still awaiting further entries for the '**Extreme Reading Photo**' competition where pupils may take a photo of themselves reading in an unusual place or in an unusual way! Photos should be emailed to class teachers or uploaded to the Google Drive using this [LINK](#) by Friday 19th April.

Pupils in Years 3-8 will be bringing home an order form for Readers House. If you would like to purchase books by our guest speaker Vivian Teo, please complete the form and return to class teachers by Monday 29th April.

We are much looking forward to creating a fun and memorable day for pupils!

EXTREME READING PHOTO COMPETITION

In an unusual space



OR

In an unusual way



Guest Speaker

Vivian Teo is the author of middle-grade book series, *My BFF Is an Alien*. Published by Epigram Books, the first book of the five-book series debuted in March 2020.

The first book of *My BFF Is an Alien* has been used as a teaching material in English and English Literature lessons in secondary schools.


Vivian has given book talks and held creative writing sessions at primary and secondary schools, and events.

She also enjoys blogging on her parenting and lifestyle website and is an alumnus of University of Melbourne in Australia and Methodist Girls' School in Singapore.

www.VivianTeo.com




Readers House Order Forms- physical order forms will be sent home this week.



**Submit Your Book Order
By: 29th April- Monday**

MY BFF IS AN ALIEN BOOK ORDER FORM



Vivian Teo is the author of middle-grade series 'My BFF Is an Alien', as well as a freelance writer who enjoys writing on parenting, education, finance and women-centric issues. 'My BFF is an Alien', which won a 2020 Readers' Choice Awards, is a series of Science Fiction mystery and adventure books that touch on friendship, trust and loyalty. Price: \$18.00 Each

Kindly submit this order form together with your payment details to your child's class teacher. Please allow 7-10 working days from the closing date for your order to be processed and delivered to the school. Book(s) ordered through this promotion will be autographed by Author Vivian Teo.

Remarks: Orders will not be able to be processed if the physical order form is not submitted accordingly.

For any enquiries, you may Whatsapp our Readers' House personnel, Veronica, at 98388723. Website: www.readershouse.com.sg

Total No. Of Book(s):

Total Amount Due :

Payment Mode: (please tick)

Bank Transfer: UOB 139-306-143-5 (READERS' HOUSE)

Bank Transfer Reference: _____

Date Of Transfer: _____

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UEN: 53019875D (READERS' HOUSE)


Date & Time Of Transaction: _____

Student's Name: _____

School Name: INVICTUS INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

Class: _____

Parent's Contact No.: _____



#1 My BFF Is An Alien

#2 Sabotage

#3 Turbulence

#4 Invasion

#5 Deception

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



Art Lead
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



Mr Elisara
Year 5.2 Form
& Art Lead



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

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

Address: 211 Holland Avenue, Holland Rd, #02-18 Shopping Centre, 278967

Opening Hours: Mon – Sat 10.30am to 7.15pm

Sun 10.30am to 6.15pm

Academic: Important Notices



- Congratulations to our Year 6s who've now completed their Checkpoint examinations. An important step towards being fully prepared for future examinations, and we look forward to celebrating their feedback when Cambridge Assessments gets back to us later this term.
- Enrichment classes will continue from next week, the majority of which will continue to run on Thursdays after school. If you are expecting your child to be invited, or it was raised in your PTCs, please login to School Cloud and accept the invitation so our session leaders can plan accordingly.
- PTCs are ongoing. I've enjoyed the opportunity to highlight key development areas to my pupils' parents as well as receive updates and questions from parents. I'm very interested in fine-tuning our PTC format for its purpose and the preferences of those involved, but appreciate that we can't please everyone all the time. If you have feedback on the PTC format, I invite you to send it through our feedback form here: [PTC Parent Feedback](#)

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.

House Updates



Civets



Pangolins



Hornbills



Otters

Each house is back to 0 points for the start of term and there will be a new winner for this term, with a party to celebrate in June.

As it is the first week back there are no house points collected, but we look forward to next week to see which house starts off in the lead.

Pastoral News

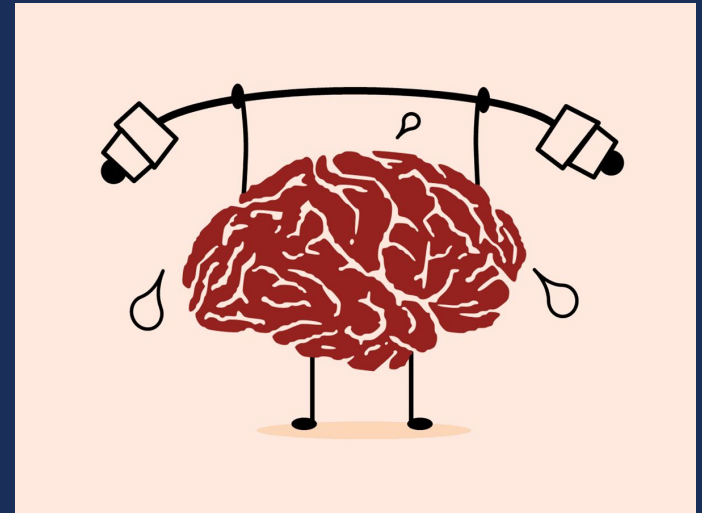


Mrs Burke
Assistant Head - Pastoral Care

What a fantastic, positive first week back to school we have had. After a good rest our pupils have returned with high energy and motivation.

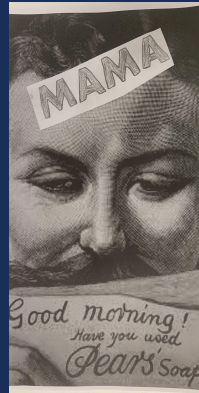
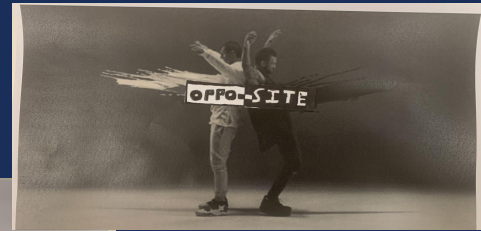
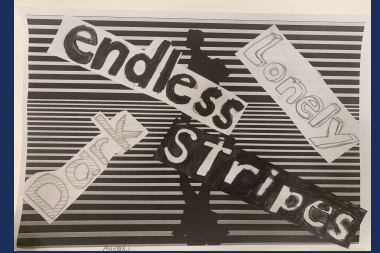
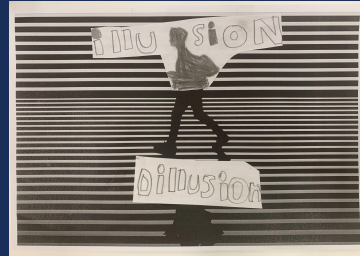
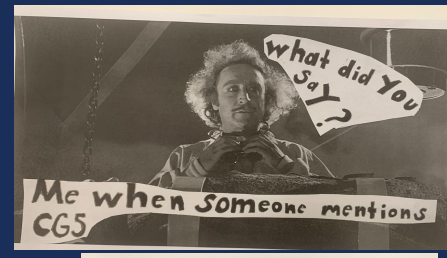
This term in PSHE pupils are going to be focusing on supporting their mental health. This includes looking at routines and habits for maintaining good physical and mental health and why sleep and rest are important. Pupils will also be looking at when and how to ask for help, and how to help others, with their feelings.

Ways you can help to support your child with their physical and mental wellbeing is to recognise your child's feelings and talk these through with your child.



Art & Design

The year 8 class are exploring the work of Barbara Kruger, an artist whose art considers how our identities are formed within culture through language and image. The pupils utilized black and white images of their choice and overlaid these with carefully designed text. These were composed strategically to elicit an aesthetic response in the viewer, in the style of Barbara Kruger.

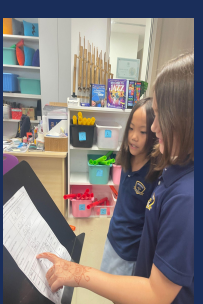
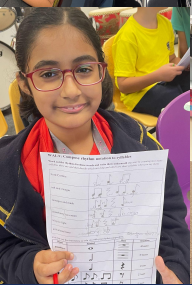
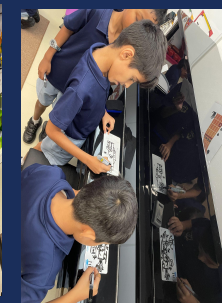
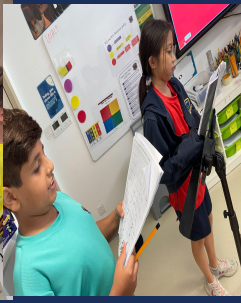
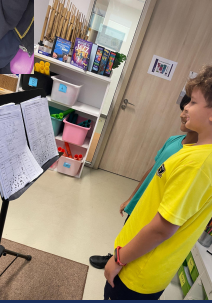
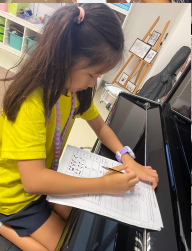
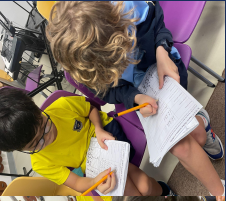


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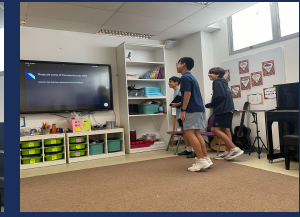
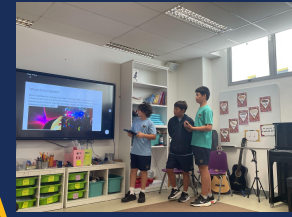
Music

Secondary

This week the students revised on rhythm notation and took part in various rhythm activities from the lower primary students making their own music notes maze to the upper primary students composing their own rap lines putting rhythm to the syllables of given lyrics.



This week in Music, the Year 8 students revised on music genres through researching on the characteristics, instrumentation, famous composers and artists of various genres presenting and discussing them to the class.



Primary

Term 3 started with a bang in our primary years this week with new Earth Science topics for years 3 and 5. Each year group looking at different aspects of our planet or beyond. Year 3 thought about how materials are sourced from our planet and did some cookie mining! Year 5 spent some time learning about and making models of satellites using 3D shapes and our maker box.



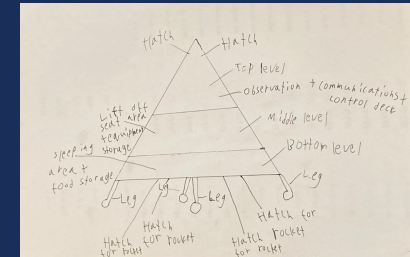
A huge congratulations to our year 6 students who sat their external Cambridge Checkpoint assessments this week! It's a rite of passage for our students and we are so proud of their attitude towards the process!

Science

Secondary



Our secondary students returned to school having completed their Easter projects over the break, ending their topic on Space. Year 8 handed in their findings about the exploration of space and the Artemis program. Then students were asked to design their own lunar lander to be used as part of the Artemis programme. Students were given a strict design brief to fulfill and it has been interesting to see how they managed their ideas to meet the brief.



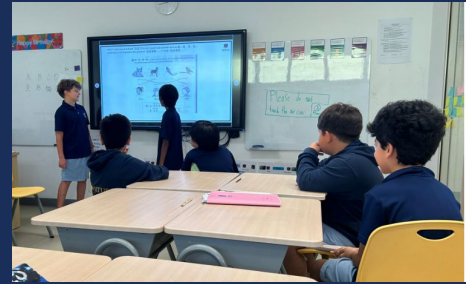
Chinese Language in Primary

This week, Y3 students learning to choose a small animal and write about, as well as sing about, what is near its home.

Y4 understand and use “这是”(This is) to point out animals such as 猫、狗、鸟、鱼, understand and respond to the question “这是谁的……?” with “这是我的……” (This is my).

Y5 understand adjective with AA 的 grammatical pattern to describe the feature of an object. Standard Chinese learners planting green beans and learning to say the process of planting green beans.

Y6 works on the Cambridge Primary Checkpoint Mock Exam.



Chinese Language in Secondary

Our Year 7 SCL students are engaged in inquiry-based learning, exploring facts about whales. They are reviewing phrases such as carnivore, omnivore, herbivore, habitats, as well as new scientific terms including mammals, non-mammals, lifespan, adult, parasites, vertebrates, and invertebrates..


Year 8 SCL students are introduced to new topic-the power of language as they delve into the art of debating. They learn how to master language during debate sessions with their peers and practice their debating skills. Additionally, they increase their awareness of selecting appropriate words during conversations.

WALT: Understand key phrases or scientific terms such as:

哺乳? 非哺乳 (mammal/non-mammal)

引导性问题

成年鲸的长度是多少 (How long is the whale's body?)



寿命有多长? (How long does it live?)

看图提出问题, 然后制作画报介绍以上的动物和相关的知识。

保护野生动物

鲸鱼、海洋、哺乳动物、鼻孔、浮、呼吸、水柱、脂肪、保温、保热、找海、朝上、朝下、公斤

品种? (Breed)

成年鲸的重量 (Weight of the adult whale)

鲸鱼身上会寄生什么生物? (What parasite does the whale have?)

引导性问题

如何给动物做归类?

例如:

1. 按食性可分为四种: 肉食性动物、植食性动物、食腐性动物、杂食性动物。...

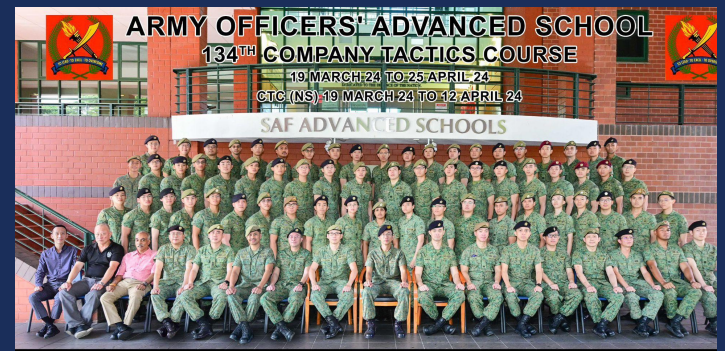
肉食动物	植食动物	腐食动物	杂食动物	人类
				



Physical Education

In the final weeks of Term 2 and during the Easter Break, Mr. Zul fulfilled his military service in the rigorous 4-week Company Tactic Course at the SAF Advanced School. He successfully completed the course and was recognised as the NS Top Honour Graduate.

We extend our heartfelt congratulations to him for this remarkable achievement and encourage him to maintain his exemplary role both in the SAF and within the Invictus community.



Why PE is very important in Military?

Physical Education in the Military is integral to leadership development and the acquisition of transferable skills. Through structured **physical training**, military personnel cultivate **leadership qualities, resilience, teamwork, discipline**, and **accountability**, all of which are essential for effective military leadership and have broad applicability in diverse contexts.



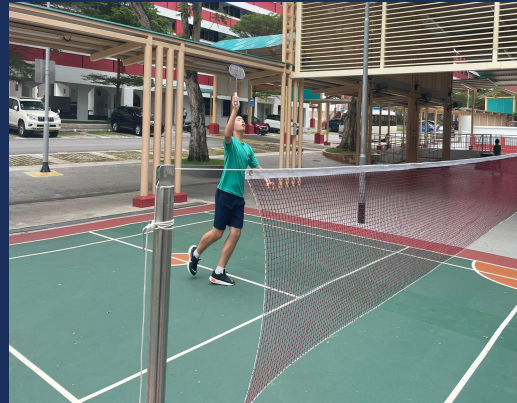
Physical Education in Primary

Another fantastic week of learning and fun with our Year 1 at the Basketball Court! This time, we delved into Target Games, honing our skills in the art of the Overhead Throw. The key? Creating those big, beautiful rainbow arcs to ensure precision hitting of our targets! Such progress and enthusiasm in mastering these essential techniques!



Physical Education in Secondary

Kicking off the Badminton season with a SMASH for our Year 8 at the Badminton Court! This week's focus? Net/Wall Games, where they took on the challenge of rallying together to test their endurance and teamwork. It's inspiring to see their determination and progress as they dive into this new sport!



Physical Education

PE - Basketball Schedule for Year 1 to Year 4 term 3 2024

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
16/4/2024	17/4/2024		
23/4/2024	24/4/2024		
30/4/2024			
07/05/2024	08/05/2024		
14/5/2024	15/5/2024		

PE - Field Schedule for Year 1 to Year 4 term 3 2024

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
28/05/2024	29/05/2024	15/4/2024	18/4/2024
4/6/2024	5/6/2024	22/4/2024	25/4/2024
11/6/2024	12/6/2024	29/4/2024	02/05/2024
18/6/2024	19/6/2024	6/5/2024	9/5/2024
25/6/2024	26/6/2024	13/5/2024	16/5/2024
2/7/2024	3/7/2024	27/5/2024	30/5/2024
		3/6/2024	6/6/2024
		10/6/2024	13/6/2024
			20/6/2024
		24/6/2024	27/6/2024
		1/7/2024	

PE - Badminton Courts Schedule for Year 5 to Year 8 term 3 2024

Year 5	Year 6	Year 7	Year 8
27/5/2024	30/5/2024	19/04/2024	16/04/2024
3/6/2024	6/6/2024	26/04/2024	23/04/2024
10/6/2024	13/6/2024	03/05/2024	30/4/2024
	20/6/2024	10/5/2024	7/5/2024
24/6/2024	27/6/2024	17/5/2024	14/5/2024
1/7/2024			

PE - Basketball Courts Schedule for Year 5 to Year 8 term 3 2024

Year 5	Year 6	Year 7	Year 8
			28/5/2024
			4/6/2024
			11/6/2024
			18/6/2024
			25/6/2024
			2/7/2024

PE - Field Schedule for Year 5 to Year 8 term 3 2024

Year 5	Year 6	Year 7	Year 8
15/4/2024	18/4/2024	31/5/2024	
22/4/2024	25/4/2024	7/6/2024	
29/4/2024	2/5/2024	14/6/2024	
6/5/2024	9/5/2024	21/6/2024	
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Key Stage 1 – Years One and Two

We wish to welcome you back to our final term of the academic year!

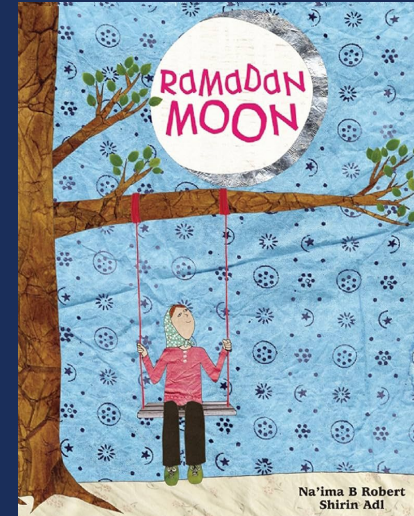
We had a very special assembly to start the term to celebrating Hari Raya, which occurred during the school holiday.

We enjoyed sharing and learning knowledge of what Hari Raya is, and the importance of it, highlighted in the beautiful story 'Ramadan Moon'.

Children enjoyed learning about special activities, foods and symbols that are important to the celebration, such as decorating lanterns, that represent values such as unity, compassion, and hope.

A huge thank you to the families and teachers involved in making this such a memorable morning.

Selamat Hari Raya, Eid Mubarak.



Na'ima B Robert
Shirin Adl

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

Hari Raya, Eid and Ramadan Celebration and Activities kept us very engaged this week. Students interacted with themes from the month long Ramadan celebration by coloring lanterns, trying new snacks including the customary date, and creating bookmarks with their names in Arabic.

A huge thank you to the parent volunteers: Mashael Alshammari, Sumbal Waqas, Mehwish Lakdawala, and Iman Tawfik who hand wrote all of our student bodies names, donated fresh baked goods and dates, as well as provided a popcorn machine for a festive and exciting celebration.



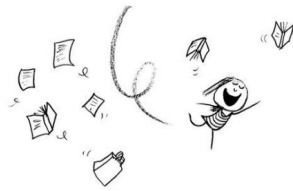
Key Stage 2 – Year Six Checkpoint Exams



Congratulations to our outstanding Year 6 students who have successfully completed their Cambridge Checkpoint examinations. It has been quite a journey for them, transitioning from the holiday break straight into examination mode over the past few days. Mr. Belcher kicked off Monday by encouraging the students, emphasizing that they simply need to strive for their personal best. He reminded them that their results are significant only to themselves; the exams serve as a gauge of their current knowledge to guide their future learning and to prepare them for upcoming challenges. Prior to the exams, Mrs. Burke facilitated a stress management session focusing on 'the importance of giving their best effort'. During the session, stories were shared, the students received inspiring words, and they exchanged positive affirmations in a supportive circle. Following this, they engaged in well-being activities to relax before the exams. On Wednesday, after completing their exams, the students celebrated with a pizza party filled with laughter and joy.



HAPPINESS IS



...the end of exams.



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

How were the Cambridge Checkpoint examinations?

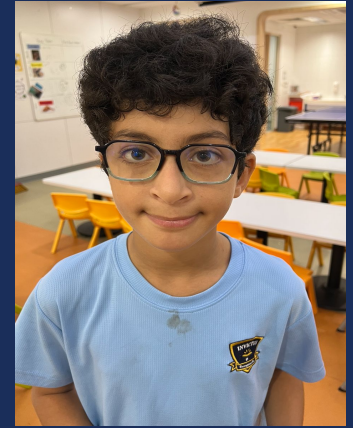


We thought the examinations were really fun, although some of the papers were a little tricky. There were times we felt pressured and stressed especially since the examinations were straight after the break. So glad there was a pizza party afterwards though!
- Vida, Zara and Suzune



Maths was difficult, English was okay, Science was easy! I felt proud after the examinations - Daphne

Overall, I felt I could have done better in some subjects, but nevertheless, I am proud of myself for trying my best - Maira



It was pretty exhausting but at least I made it through. I don't think I made any mistakes and I am proud of myself - Abdullah

Key Stage 3 – Years Seven and Eight



Welcome back to term 3! This week students enjoyed a very special assembly lead by Maira from year 6 and supported by Ms Robin. The assembly was an opportunity for our students to learn more about Hari Raya, which occurred during the school holiday.

Our students enjoyed learning about special activities, foods and symbols that are important to the celebration, such as lanterns, that represent values such as unity, compassion, and hope. It was very special to hear about them from one of their peers and to share some traditional snacks.



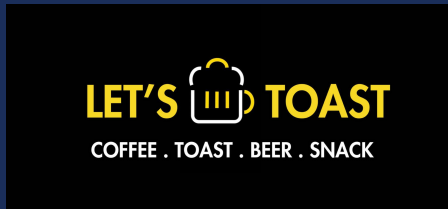
A huge thank you to all the families and teachers involved in making this such a celebration within our school community. Events like these remind us that our students are global citizens and that our celebrations may differ but the wonderful values underpinning them are the same across the world.

Selamat Hari Raya, Eid Mubarak.

Discount card for our families

We are very excited to announce 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.

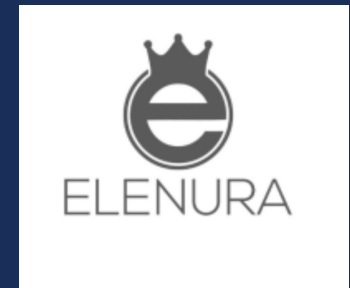
We will be issuing families with parent ID cards within the next few weeks. Once these cards are issued you will be able to use these by taking them into our sponsors shops/restaurants. Watch this space for more partners and chances to win prizes! Watch this space for more information!



10% off!



10% off!



*30% off your 1st facial!
15% off your 1st lash or nail treatment!
10% thereafter!*

Key Contacts

Safeguarding: safeguarding.bt@invictus.edu.sg (Please call 999 for any urgent safeguard matter)

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

Please contact admin2theprincipal@invictus.edu.sg for any urgent appointments required or call the school at Tel: 6971 8210.

Please use the following contacts for any of these areas:

Admissions: admissions.bt@invictus.edu.sg

General Queries: questions.bt@invictus.edu.sg

School nurse: schoolnurse.bt@invictus.edu.sg

Student Services: studentservices.bt@invictus.edu.sg

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