



Academic Year 24/25 Term 3 21st March 2025 6:

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### **Message from the Principal**

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Term 3 finished on high with a very busy week of events including the Key Stage 1 Zoo Trip, Key Stage 2 sharing their learning in Music, PSHE and Global Perspectives, Year 3 reminding us of the importance of small gestures and the impact of random acts of kindness through a showcase assembly, Year 4 delivering a powerful presentation on the legendary Beowulf defeat of Grendel and Grendel's mother in Anglo-Saxon times, Year 5 raising awareness of worldwide agricultural activities affecting food waste and the 7M tons of food wasted annually, and finally this morning's HIIT workout which I attended serving as a painful reminder that I'm not as flexible as I used to be!

Please make a note of the following dates for the beginning of Term 4:

#### Dates to note:

- Examinations for Year 6 between the 15th and 17th of April and for Year 9 on the 21st, 23rd and 25th of April
- Opportunity for our Year 4 Year 9 to see the musical 'Wicked' on Saturday, 26th of April.

We all look forward to welcoming your children back to school on Monday, the 7th of April, and to the beginning of Term 4.

I wish you all a very happy, safe, and restful break.

#### Craig



### **Annual Parent Satisfaction Survey**

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are pleased to invite you to participate in our Annual Parent Satisfaction Survey. This survey provides you with an opportunity to share your thoughts on various aspects of our school, including academic programs, teaching quality and overall student experience.

The survey will be open from the 17th of March and closes on the 21st of March.

Please scan the QR code or the link below to complete the survey.



Link: Parent Survey



### 2025/2026 Academic Calendar

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Term 3: 5th January - 27th March

Term 4: 13th April - 19th June



## Academics

#### ECAs and Enrichment/YCT

ECAs will commence in Week 1, while Enrichment/YCT will commence from Week 2 onwards. If your child has an ECA and/or Enrichment/YCT, please make the necessary transport arrangements.

#### Homework

Please take note that as per Homework Policy, homework <u>will not be given out</u> on the first week of school. Homework will be given out from Week 2 onwards, with the exception of Year 6 and 9 students who will be sitting for their actual examinations: Year 6 (15th - 17th of April), Year 9 (21st, 23rd and 25th of April).



## Academics

#### **Term 4 Curriculum Letters**

Curriculum Letters outlining next term's subject content are available here for your perusal.

#### Subject Content

You may access the weekly subject content <u>here</u> to see what your child has learned this week and will be learning next week.

#### 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.



#### Core Values

### **Invictus Values**

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Commitment In taking ownership of our responsibilities and duties



Aspiration In achieving our best **Resilience** In persevering through our

challenges

and setbacks

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**Empathy** In understanding, respecting, and showing concern for others

## Pastoral

Heart pumping, sweat trickling down our foreheads and eyes staring at the countdown on the screen. We completed our morning HIIT workout, without missing a beat!

Thank you to all parents who joined us for our morning exercise and tea this morning. Our youngest participant, Kohei at just 14 months, was cheering us from the back of the room with his laughter and gurgles. A great start to our Friday.



# **KSI Zoo Excursion**

Our exciting trip to the Singapore Zoo was filled with laughter and curious questions! Students explored the rainforest layers, met fascinating animals like a python, tiger, and hornbill, and even touched their skin and feathers. It

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was hands-on experience!







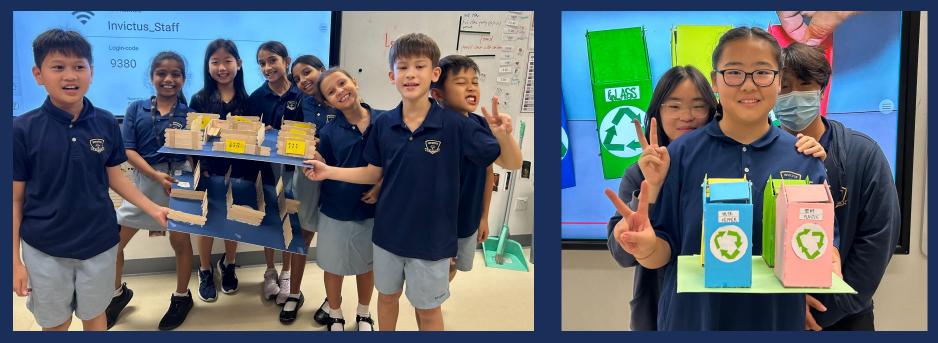
## **KSI Zoo Excursion**

We also discovered what makes zebras unique, how rhinoceroses recognize their mates, and how to identify different giraffes. Of course, we couldn't miss meeting the mighty lion, the King of the Savannah! Our visit was made even more special by the zookeepers, who shared fascinating stories firsthand—and we eagerly kept them on their toes with all our questions!





Thank you so much to all the families who participated in our bake off and poster competitions and had lovely STEAM week conversations at dinner! Our week was jam packed with fun and learning! This week we have done some follow up work on our projects. In Chinese, Year 4 and 8 finished their fantastic projects, and the school and recycling bins are on display in the Chinese classroom!



Y8 also tested their flood proof houses during science lessons. We flooded them in a big tub outside on the school ramp and then 'showered' them with rain in our shower facilities in school! They all withstood the tests very well and our main feedback was about making them workable homes and anchoring them so they didn't float away if they were made in real life!









The KS3 students recently had an excursion to see the world renowned graffiti artist Banksy's art exhibition. It was colourful, humorous and engaging for all of them. The students were able to see the span of Banksy's work from the 1990s till now and completed a quiz to explore his influences, history and perspectives on social commentary.



To prepare for our Banksy visit, the Year 8 students brought their own created graffiti from school! They celebrated their work in Orchard Mall by conducting a pop-up-graffiti exhibition! As you can see, the Year 8 students' art is bright, stylized, unique and inspired by Banksy.



The Year 8 students have created sketches of buildings in the Beauty World area. These were drawn on textured paper and mixed media to create a wall for their final graffiti design to be shown upon. We explored the legalities of graffiti art, their origins and the techniques used to create the artform.







As you can see, the finished effect is amazing! We all took pride in the forms, pseudonyms and techniques we developed to enter the world of graffiti and the range of expression it allowed our pupils to experience! Well done to the whole of Year 8 for their sustained effort of excellence throughout the term!

# **KS2** Assembly

As the term ends, we end our day with music, dance, and drama. Students showcased what they have learned in Music, Topics, PSHE, and Global Perspectives. Year 3 spread kindness by reminding others to do small things.



# **KS2** Assembly

Year 4 showed how the legendary Beowulf, in Anglo-Saxon times, defeated Grendel and Grendel's mother.







# **KS2 Assembly**

In this term, Year 5 explored various agricultural activities worldwide and examined the pressing issue of food waste, while honing their core skills in General Paper (GP). They actively raised awareness about reducing food waste, highlighting the staggering fact that 7 million tons of food are wasted annually.



#### **Student-Parent Handbook**

Dear Parents,

The Student-Parent Handbook is an invaluable resource, providing essential details on school policies, core values, student expectations, communication procedures, and much more.

By staying informed, we can all work together to create the best possible learning environment for your child! Download the handbook today using the link below and be prepared for a great academic year ahead!

Download the Student-Parent Handbook HERE

### **Invictus Uniform Sale**

Invictus International School has discounted its remaining uniform stock by **50%**. The Friends of Invictus Bukit Timah have agreed to distribute pre-ordered uniform between 15:30 and 16:30, Monday to Friday at our Bukit Timah campus. If you wish to purchase items, please reach out to Ms Hidaya on Tel: 69718210.

Discounted uniform prices are as follows:

Polo Shirt: Usual price: \$24, Now: \$12 Shorts/Skorts: Usual price: \$23, Now: \$11.50 PE Top: Usual price: \$23, Now: \$11.50 PE Shorts: Usual price: \$23, Now: \$11.50 Hoodie: Usual price: \$50, Now: \$25

Please note: Purchases can only be made in cash.

### **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 & Fridays - 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**



Please note a slight change to our uniform rules: **Full** PE uniform can now be worn on Fridays and not just the House top with school uniform as in the past.

Link: Parent Survey

We are aware that some students prefer a cotton based shirt.

Please note that Lim's are in agreeance to accommodating 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

### **Weekly House Updates**



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Hornbills 285

Otters 281

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# **Physical Education**

#### Swimming Lessons (Year 1,2,3,7,8 & 9)

Swimming lessons will commence on the 3rd of February, following the Chinese New Year break, and will run until the 21st of March, spanning 7 weeks. Currently, the students are participating in offsite PE lessons for approximately 3 to 3.5 weeks while we wait for swimming lessons to commence.

#### Offsite PE Lessons (Year 4,5 & 6)

Students in Years 4, 5, and 6 will not be participating in swimming lessons this term. Instead, they will continue to with their PE lessons offsite at the field.

#### **Additional Notes**

With the weather heating up, keeping our students hydrated during PE lessons is a top priority. Water bottles would be mandatory for all PE lessons. For those with regular field activities, a thermal water bottle is highly recommended to ensure they stay cool and refreshed throughout their sessions.

# **Physical Education**

PE -Basketball	PE -Basketball Court Schedule for Year 1 to 3 Term 3 2024/2025							
Year 1	Year 2	Year 3						
Mondays [11.20-12.40pm]	Wednesdays [1.40-2.40pm]	Thursdays [10.20-11.20am]						
06/01/25	08/01/25	09/01/25						
13/01/25	15/01/25	16/01/25						
20/01/25	22/01/25	23/01/25						
27/01/25								
PE -Swimming Schedule for Year 1 to 3 Term 3 2024/2024								
Year 1 (20s Bus)	Year 2 (40s Bus)	Year 3 (40s Bus)						
Mondays [11.20-12.40pm]	Wednesdays [1.40-2.40pm]	Thursdays [10.20-11.20am]						
Bus Arrival Time: 11.20am	Bus Arrival Time: 1.40pm	Bus Arrival Time: 10.20am						
Fetching Time: 12.20pm	Fetching Time: 2.20pm	Fetching Time: 11.05am						
03/02/25	05/02/25	06/02/25						
10/02/25	12/02/25	13/02/25						
17/02/25	19/02/25	20/02/25						
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17/03/25	19/03/25	20/03/25						

PE -Field Schedule for Year 7 to 9 Term 3 2024	4/2025					
Year 7,8,9 (40s Bus)						
Fridays [1.40-3pm]						
	10/01/25					
	17/01/25					
	24/01/25					
PE -Swimming Schedule for Year 7 to 9 Term 3 2024/2025						
Year 7,8,9 (40s Bus)						
Fridays [1.40-3pm]						
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	14/02/25					
	21/02/25					
	28/02/25					
	07/03/25					
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	21/03/25					

# **Physical Education**

PE -Field Schedule for Year 4 to 6 Term 3 2024/2025								
Year 6	Year 4	Year 5						
Tuesday [12.00-1.20pm]	Thursday [1.40-3.00pm]	Friday [9.00-10.20am]						
7/1/2025	9/1/2025	10/1/2025						
14/1/2025	16/1/2025	17/1/2025						
21/1/2025	23/1/2025	24/1/2025						
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#### Instrumental Music Programme (IMP)

Did you know that our students can learn a musical instrument right here on campus on our in-house Instrumental Music Programme (IMP for short!). Our partnering music education company, McKee Music Pte Ltd, offers weekly lessons on piano, singing, guitar/ukulele, violin, drums, and more. Their teaching team are some of the finest musicians & educators in Singapore, so we encourage you to take advantage of this fantastic opportunity to learn from the best!

One-to-one instrumental music lessons are 30 minutes per week and fees are \$55 per lesson, billed termly. If you have any questions you can also email our IMP coordinator, Duncan McKee, directly at duncan@mckeemusic.com.sg and he will be happy to help answer any of your questions.

If you would like to find out more, register your interest here: <u>https://www.mckeemusic.com.sg/registration</u>



### **Grace.4.Families Therapeutic Services**

Play therapy is a powerful tool that helps children express emotions, build resilience, and navigate life's challenges in a safe, supportive environment. At Grace.4.Families Therapeutic Services, they offer evidence-based interventions to support children facing emotional, social, and developmental difficulties. Learn more about how play therapy can foster self-regulation, confidence, and emotional well-being by clicking the link below:

https://flipbooks.fleepit.com/f-79479-grace\_4\_families\_therapeutic\_services

## **Climate Fresk**

We are excited to announce a new partnership between Invictus International School and Climate Fresk, an organisation dedicated to accelerating global understanding of global climate issues to prompt necessary changes for the preservation of life.

#### **Enhance Climate Literacy:**

Equip students with a clear and thorough understanding of climate change and its global impact.

#### Inspire Action:

Empower students to take meaningful steps towards sustainability within their communities and beyond.



#### Foster Critical Thinking:

Encourage students to analyse and discuss complex environmental issues collaboratively.

#### Science-Based & Engaging

Uses IPCC reports to break down climate science in an interactive, collaborative format.

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### <u> Play Beyond - Empowering Play, Sustaining Tomorrow</u>

We are proud to announce a partnership with Play Beyond, providing a platform for children and families to contribute to a sustainable future with an option to donate or sell toys they have outgrown.

In January, Play Beyond will join us in our school to share more details with the children regarding their purpose in setting up Play Beyond and we will have a toy collection drive in our school.

For now, please visit their website as there is an option to donate used toys to Red Cross or sell them as well. On their website, there is a list of toys for sale, which might catch your child's eyes. What a better way to declutter outgrown toys especially with Christmas round the corner. Website: <u>https://www.playbeyond.co/</u>



Sustainable Play, Circular Savings



Hassle-free Decluttering, Positive Impact



Great Deals, Quality Assured





The school is situated on a quiet one-way road, but it's important that children are aware of our expectations regarding safe departure and arrival. To this end, pupils will receive their annual reminder regarding road safety next week from their tutors. The school has previously contacted the local authority regarding traffic calming options, but has been unsuccessful. We encourage parents to appeal should they wish to see signage or similar installed.

Parents are similarly encouraged to ensure pupils cross safely from the dismissal ramp, and walk only along the pavements. Younger children seeing safe use of roads is important for building their independence.





#### Dear Parents/Guardians,

We hope you and your child have been enjoying your time at Invictus Bukit Timah! Your feedback is invaluable to us and helps other families make the right choice for their child's education.

If you have had a positive experience with us, we would love to hear about it! Please take a moment to leave a Google review and share what you love about our school. Your kind words can make a big difference!

#### **Click Here to Leave a Google Review**

Thank you for being part of our wonderful community!

## Review us on Google

### **Medical Matters**

#### Health Reminders:

- Ensure your *child's immunizations* are all up to date.
- Advocate **good hygiene habits** to prevent the spread of illness and infections.
- Establish a *bedtime and wake up time* to ensure adequate and consistent sleep.
- Eat breakfast each day at home or at school.
- Assist in making *appropriate clothing choices* daily.
- Develop a *routine for homework* and after school activities.
- Keep an open line of communication with your child to ensure that he / she remains safe at school. If a concern arises, do not hesitate to contact the appropriate school officials immediately.
- If your child has a *health concern*, make it known to the school and school nurse.

Do not hesitate to contact the school nurse if you have any clarifications and concerns via email, *schoolnurse.bt@invictus.edu.sg* 

Kindly take note of the following school protocols and important medical information via this links:

**School Protocol and Information** 

**Nut Free Policy Letter** 



# Thank you for helping us grow! REFER A STUDENT AND GET REWARDED\*!



\*Terms & Conditions apply

SGD 500 for every student

as of January 2024



https://www.invictus.edu.sg/about-us/invictus-referral-programme

### **Key Contacts**

Safeguarding: <a href="mailto:safeguarding.bt@invictus.edu.sg">safeguarding.bt@invictus.edu.sg</a> (Please call 999 for any urgent safeguard matter)

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

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

Please use the following contacts for any of these areas: Admissions: <u>admissions.bt@invictus.edu.sg</u> General Queries: <u>receptionist.bt@invictus.edu.sg</u> School nurse: <u>schoolnurse.bt@invictus.edu.sg</u> Student Services: <u>studentadmissions.bt@invictus.edu.sg</u>

### **Social Media**





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