



**INVICTUS**  
INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

*Singapore*



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**Weekly Newsletter**  
**Academic Year 24/25**  
**Term 1**  
**30th August 2024**

**Bukit Timah**

# Message from the Principal

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The first two school weeks of the academic year have passed incredibly quickly, with excellent levels of student attendance, allowing us to move firmly into the rhythm of a new term. It has been incredibly impressive to watch how our students have approached the challenges and demands of a new year group. This impression has been affirmed by the determination I have witnessed, and teachers have reported from the classrooms, as our students look to achieve their full potential.

Of course, all of this is made easier because of the firm foundations laid in the past academic years and the tangible support we receive from a united parent body. This feeling of community and shared goals will take us further than we can imagine and aligns with the African proverb – ‘If you want to go fast go alone. If you want to go far go together.’

Our spirits were lifted today by the gifts all the teaching staff received this morning for Teachers Day from the Friends of Invictus Bukit Timah. We greatly appreciate this touching gesture, which made us all feel even more valued and appreciated as your children’s teachers. Thank you FOIBT.

In case you missed it please click [HERE](#) to access a PDF of our 2023/2024 Yearbook. Please note that a limited number of hard copies are available from our reception. Can we ask that we collect only one copy per family.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to wish Mr Andrew Morse our Deputy Principal, and his family every success and happiness as he prepares to return to the UK. As communicated earlier, Andrew will be working with us remotely for several months as we transition to appointing two new Assistant Heads.

Wishing you a restful weekend and some quality time with your family before the next school week.



Craig Cooper

# Happy Teachers' Day!



# Invictus International School Bukit Timah



Mr Cooper  
Principal



Mr Morse  
Deputy Principal



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  
Mrs Zhang



# Invictus International School Bukit Timah



Ms Shaw  
Year 1A Form Teacher



Ms Liu  
Year 2A Form Teacher



Ms Khyati  
Year 2B Form Teacher



Ms Joachim  
Year 3A Form Teacher



Ms Poh  
Year 3B Form Teacher



Ms Jing  
Year 4A Form  
& Chinese Teacher



Mrs Zhang  
Year 4B Form & Music Teacher



Ms Aastha  
Year 5A Form Teacher



Ms Neo  
Year 5B Form Teacher



Mr Karunakaran  
Year 6A Form & Math Teacher



Mrs Ferraz  
Year 6B Form Teacher



Mr Tiui  
Year 7A Form & Arts Teacher



Ms Stewart  
Year 8A Form  
& English Teacher



Mrs Lee  
Year 9A Form  
Teacher



Ms Wang  
Chinese Teacher



Mr Spencer  
Science Teacher

# Invictus International School Bukit Timah

## Teaching Assistant and Learning Support team



Ms Florence



Ms Sulaiman



Ms Kalaihselvan



Ms Kamarudin



Ms Makose



Ms Cai



Ms Devi

# Core Values

## Invictus Values

# R

### **Resilience**

Persevere through challenges and setbacks

# R

### **Responsibility**

Take ownership of your commitments and duties

# E

### **Empathy**

Understand and care for others

# E

### **Excellence**

Strive for your best

# 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.

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

# Academic and Pastoral



## 1. Dates for your Diary

**Parental Drop-Ins:** Parents, or up-to 2 adults are invited to the pupils' classrooms during the week of the 9th September from 8.25-9:00, and 14:30-15:00 for Year 1 and 2. Mrs Shaw has adapted the timetable for KS1 to better support the children's transition home. Pupils feeling their parents are able to take part in, and interested in their learning leads to **improved outcomes and wellbeing**. Please try to take the opportunity to visit your child's classroom and share their enthusiasm for their learning. There were plenty of classes where **100%** of parents attended last year, and some of our teachers are incredibly competitive.

Monday (8.25-9.00): **Year 6**

Tuesday am (8.25-9.00): **Year 8 and 5**

Wednesday am (8.25-9.00): **Year 7 and 4**

Thursday am (8.25-9.00): **Year 9 and 3**

Thursday (**14:20-15:00**): Year 1 and Year 2

# 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, has been shown to be beneficial, so we've put together a summary of upcoming content for each class here: [Parent-Shared](#)

## Term 1 Curriculum Letter

Curriculum letters outline the topics that will be covered by each year group in each subject during term 1. These will be available on this link from Tuesday afternoon: [Parent-Shared.T1 Curriculum Letters](#).

# House Updates



Civets  
639



Pangolins  
669



Hornbills  
530



Otters  
533

Wow! What an excellent start to term for our brilliant students! So many points to tally! Well done for each and every house point that you added!

# Key Stage News



Our wonderful Year 5A students delivered a presentation on the school value of 'responsibility' today. They explained its meaning, discussed how we can be responsible in various settings, and even demonstrated it through a classroom roleplay. It was heartwarming to watch their performance, and it's clear that they have put in a lot of effort to practise. A key takeaway for the children from this session was, "If I do this, how will it affect me or others?" Something truly important for them to consider. After all, being responsible not only involves taking ownership of their commitments but also remembering the need to consider how their actions impacts those around them.

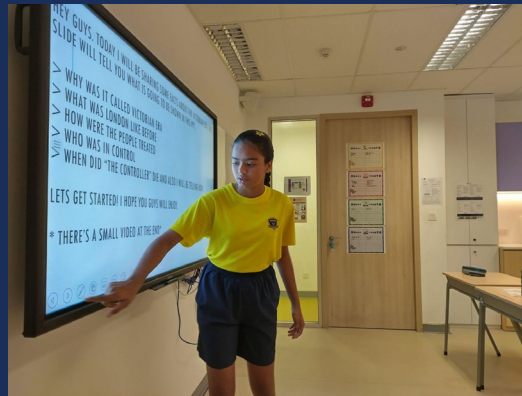
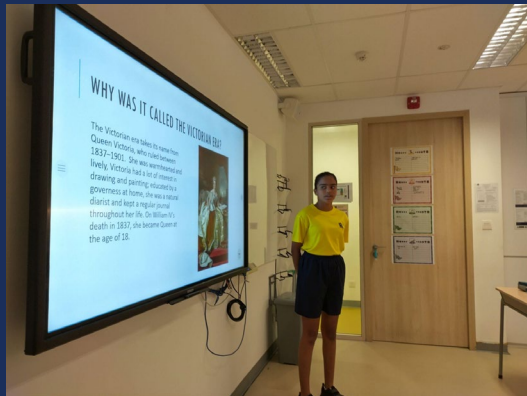


# Key Stage 3 – Year 8 Form Time Takeover

Every Tuesday Year 8A will be taking over Form Time and adopting the role of teachers.

This week, Jasleen met great expectations with an interesting and informative presentation on life in the Victorian era which enriched pupils' learning and linked to our studies surrounding 19th Century Literature.

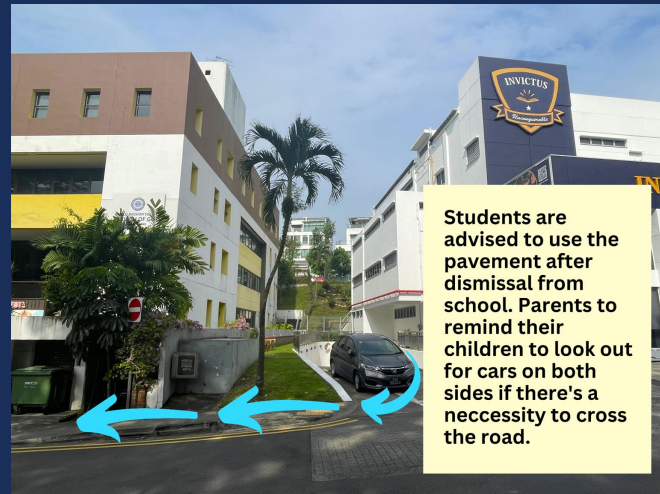
Whether it be a new activity, game or sharing a particular interest, we are all looking forward to what's in store in weeks to come and the pupils will be given the chance to take ownership of their learning as well as practicing presentation skills.



# Road Safety

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.



# ECAs

At IBT, we believe that ECAs are more than just a way to pass time - they are integral to the holistic development of our students. From coding to sports, our ECAs offer a diverse range of opportunities that cater to every interest, helping students discover and nurture their passions outside the traditional classroom. These activities foster teamwork, creativity, and resilience, skills that are invaluable both in and out of school.

This coming term, our ECAs will run for 11 weeks, starting from 2nd September and continue until 29th November. Whether it's mastering a new programming language or excelling in the debate room, our ECAs provide the perfect environment for students to explore, grow and thrive.

Please follow the instructions you'll find on Penn Junior's website to book ECAs, including notifying our bus company regarding updated arrangements.





Invictus BT amazing parents 🥰  
WhatsApp group



Scan this QR code using the WhatsApp  
camera to join this group

Dear Students, Parents and Guardians,

We are thrilled to welcome you to another exciting school year! Whether you are joining us for the first time or returning, we look forward to partnering with you in creating a vibrant and supportive environment for our children.

**\*Become a Part of the Friends of Invictus BT Parents Community!\***

We welcome all parents to join the Friends of Invictus BT. Whether you're available for occasional support or would like to become a permanent member of the PTA, your involvement is valued and flexible to suit your schedule. To express your interest, simply email us at [friendsofibt@invictus.edu.sg](mailto:friendsofibt@invictus.edu.sg). A member of our team will reach out to you shortly to discuss any further details. We look forward to having you with us!

**Please use the QR code to join our fantastic community!**

Together, we can achieve great things and make this year memorable.

Warm regards,  
The FOIBT Team



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](mailto: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: [safeguarding.bt@invictus.edu.sg](mailto: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 key stage lead or subject teacher.

Please contact [admin2theprincipal@invictus.edu.sg](mailto: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](mailto:admissions.bt@invictus.edu.sg)

General Queries: [receptionist.bt@invictus.edu.sg](mailto:receptionist.bt@invictus.edu.sg)

School nurse: [schoolnurse.bt@invictus.edu.sg](mailto:schoolnurse.bt@invictus.edu.sg)

Student Services: [studentservices.bt@invictus.edu.sg](mailto:studentservices.bt@invictus.edu.sg)

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