



Weekly Newsletter Academic Year 24/25 Term 1 20th September 2024

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Message from the Principal

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We have reached the end of a very busy week and our 5th full week of this term. During each week I conduct learning walks, visiting different year groups as I drop into each classroom. The teaching and learning I have seen was dynamic, content rich and paced, reinforcing my belief that our students are being given all they need to reach their full academic potential.

This week we received notification from the Traffic Schemes Design Development department of the LTA who wish to carry out a joint site observation on the morning of Friday the 27th of September from 07:45. Can I ask that parents dropping off their children by car either pull into the front of school layby or park in the parking spaces opposite the school building at the other side of the road. Please do not stop in the road immediately outside the school to drop off your children. The reason I ask for this is that I do not wish our own traffic to be deemed to be contributing to the concerns we have about the safety of the road immediately outside the school. The aim of this visit is to highlight the speed of traffic approaching the school and the need for road markings and signs to calm traffic.

What's Ahead

- Please encourage your child to express an interest in the student leadership opportunities that will be advertised in the coming weeks.
- Please also look out for the Invictus BT Carnival event scheduled for the 4th October.
- World Teacher Day celebration on the 7th October.
- World Mental Health Day on the 10th October.
- Term 1 end 11th October.

Wishing you all a well derived and restful weekend with you families and a happy International Day of Peace on Saturday.



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Ms Poh Year 3B Form Teacher



Ms Neo Year 5B Form Teacher



Ms Stewart Year 8A Form & English Teacher



Ms Liu Year 2A Form Teacher



Year 4A Form & Chinese Teacher



Mr Karunakaran Year 6A Form & Math Teacher



Mrs Lee Year 9A Form Teacher



Ms Khyati Year 2B Form Teacher



Mrs Zhang Year 4B Form & Music Teacher



Mrs Ferraz Year 6B Form Teacher



Ms Wang Chinese Teacher Ms Joachim Year 3A Form Teacher



Ms Aastha Year 5A Form Teacher



Mr Tiui Year 7A Form & Arts 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 Devi

Core Values

Invictus Values

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Resilience Persevere through challenges and setbacks **Responsibility** Take ownership of your commitments and duties Empathy Understand and care for others E

Excellence Strive for your best

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

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



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Step-by-step instructions on how to book a Parent Teacher Conference appointment were sent out on Tuesday, 10th of September via Tuesday's Parent Communication. Please refer to the instructions for assistance on booking an appointment.

Booking slots were open on Friday, 13th of September at 5pm. If you haven't booked with your child's teacher(s), please do so. Do remember that appointment bookings will close on Friday, 27th of September at 5pm. If you experience any difficulties, please contact: <u>studentadmissions.bt@invictus.edu.sg</u>

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: <u>Parent-Shared</u>

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: <u>Parent-Shared</u> T1 Curriculum Letters.





Well done for each and every house point that you added in week 5!



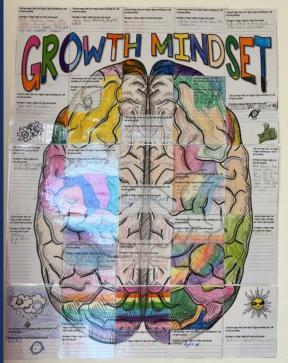
In Week 4, Year 6B presented on what constitutes 'Excellence' and how to achieve it, such as 'keep practising', 'don't give up', 'ask for help', 'put your mind to it', and 'stay focussed'. Students were split into year groups and each person/pair were given a jigsaw piece that they had to decorate, and identify a strategy that they think works for 'resilience'. This week, the jigsaw puzzle pieces were assembled together into a collage (displayed in the MPH), showcasing the students' proposed strategies to help their peers.

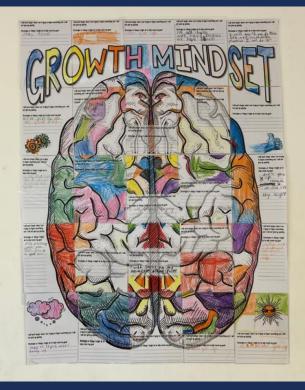


Key Stage News









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In this week's KS2 Assembly, Year 5B presented on "Empathy"; one of the school's values. Students unpacked what "Empathy" constitutes, the importance of it, shared 5 different ways to show it, and performed a short skit featuring examples of how empathy can be demonstrated.

Following after, we also had the Year 6 students performing a song which they have enjoyed learning in Music class. They definitely sang with such vim and vigour!

Key Stage News



This week, it's been fantastic to see the Year 6-9 students arriving early to work with Ms. Swigin on writing and polishing their speeches. If your child is still thinking of pursuing a leadership role at school, there's still time! They can drop in next Tuesday and Thursday (24th and 26th of September). This is a great opportunity for them to step up, build confidence, and develop leadership and communication skills that will positively impact their school experience. Encouraging your child to nurture their leadership abilities is so important, and we can't wait to see our next group of aspiring leaders!

Recording of speeches will be held on the 26th and 27th of September in room 3.3 between 1:40pm 2:20pm.



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.







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**. 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*

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

School Protocol and Information

Nut Free Policy Letter



Road to Healthier Teeth!

We are pleased to inform you that Pure NZ Dental will be conducting a complimentary (free) dental screening for students at our school. This screening is designed to help identify any potential dental issues early and promote good oral health habits.

Details of the Dental Screening: Date: **8th October 2024, Tuesday** Time: **9am onwards**

Kindly fill up this <u>consent form</u> to indicate that you have consented your child / ward to attend the dental screening and submit your consent form by the 11th of September 2024, Monday. More information about the dental screening can also be found on this form.

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



Thank you for helping us grow! **REFER A STUDEN** GET REWAR





SGD 500 for every student

as of January 2024



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

Key Contacts

Safeguarding: <u>safeguarding.bt@invictus.edu.sg</u> (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: admissions.bt@invictus.edu.sg General Queries: receptionist.bt@invictus.edu.sg School nurse: schoolnurse.bt@invictus.edu.sg Student Services: studentservices.bt@invictus.edu.sg

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