



Weekly Newsletter Academic Year 24/25 Term 2 25th October 2024

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## Message from the Principal

Dear Parents/Guardians,

This week we held the first virtual open house of the academic year, in which there was a great deal of interest and a subsequently several physical tours booked for the coming weeks. On Tuesday of this week, I visited a number of classrooms to during our SLT learning walks, during which I asked some of our students about their learning. I'm happy toi report that all the children I chatted with were able to explain to me the task in hand and the purpose of the exercise they were engaged with. It was wonderful to observe a combination of individual and group work activities being used to stretch and challenge their learning.

I am delighted to announce that we have appointed two Assistant Heads from our current staff body. Ms. Angela Lu will assume the role of Assistant Head Academic and Ms. Claudia Joachim will assume the role of Assistant Head Pastoral from November. The roles will provide additional support to both the academic and pastoral programmes, allowing us to further develop and improve all aspects of the school as we continue to grow. Congratulations Angela and Claudia.

On Thursday and Friday of this week I attended the annual Leadership Meeting, which was held at our sister school Invictus Horizon Hills in Malaysia. Representatives from all nine of our campuses attended the retreat to discuss and develop initiatives planned and scheduled for both this academic year and the next. These initiatives will allow us to further develop our pedagogical approaches and the ever-increasing range of opportunities we offer our community.

Note: If your child is in Year 9, please add the forthcoming Options Evening, on the 26th of November, to your calendars.

Wishing you all a well-deserved and restful weekend with your families.



## Lost & Found



The items above were lost during the first term of this academic year and can be reclaimed from reception.

Please note that these items will be disposed of in not claimed on Friday 8th November.



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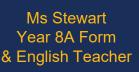


Year 3B Form Teacher



Ms Neo Year 5B Form Teacher







Ms Liu Year 2A Form Teacher



Ms Jing 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

PEdays & Fridays - House colour t-shirt, Invictus PEshorts 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**







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 Un iform

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**

### <u>Homework</u>

Homework will be issued on the second week of Term 2, unless your child's homework day falls on the 31st of October or the 1st of November (which is a public holiday and school holiday).

### **Curriculum Letters - Term 2**

Curriculum Letters are now available for your peruse TERM 2 CURRICULUM LETTER



### 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 2 Curriculum Letter

Curriculum letters outline the topics that will be covered by each year group in each subject during Term 2. These are available here: <u>Parent-Shared</u> T2 Curriculum Letters.

# House Updates



What a great start to Term 2, with Civets leading at 610 house points. Special mention to Tara from 7A who contributed a whopping 63 house points to her house this week, followed by Aiden from 9A who contributed 60 house points, and Leo from 6B who contributed 45 house points. Keep it up!





This week, the Year One students are learning about Ming vases from China. We watched a production of how Ming vases are made, discussed the materials used and appreciated the art symbols used to decorate the vases and their symbolic meanings. The students made their own Ming vase designs and painted cherry blossoms using different art resources and techniques. The results were stunning and each painting was a masterpiece. Student were able to talk about their art making process, what they enjoyed and what they found challenging and how they could improve. Great work, Year Ones!





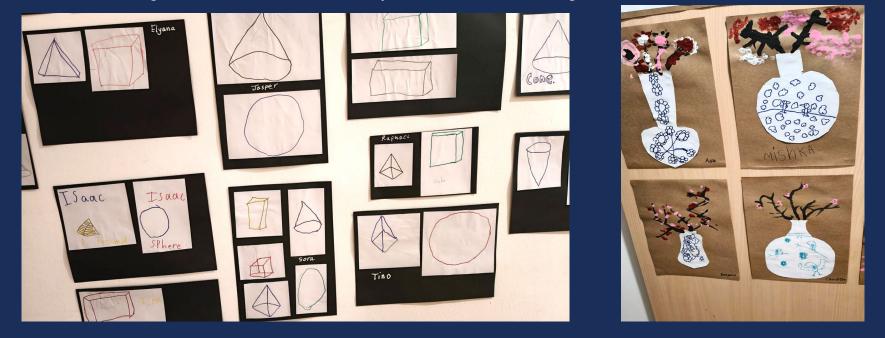


In Year Two, the students began their learning journey on depth by examining and drawing solid shapes. They talked about the differences and similarities between 2D and 3D shapes and using their prior knowledge, they were challenged to represent 3D shapes using lines in their drawings. In the coming weeks, students will create depth using different Art techniques, enriching and enhancing their knowledge and skills as artists.





Our students are very proud of their art work and appreciate it displayed along the corridors of the school. They often stop to admire one another's hard work and talent. They are also very excited to bring their work home and share it with members of their family. Do consider showcasing your child's work at home to foster and encourage their confidence, creativity and love of art making.





This term has been bustling with activity as students engaged in debates and conducted extensive research across different projects. From creating informative posters on climate change to stepping into leadership roles, they actively shared their insights and learning experiences with one another. It's been an incredible term of growth and understanding.



## KS2 Assembly - Deepavali

This week, we celebrated Deepavali during our Assembly, where students showcased their creativity through puppet shows and interactive games. Everyone had a fantastic time while learning about the rich cultural and religious significance of the festival. It was a joyful and educational experience that brought our school community together in celebration.





To celebrate the festival of lights, we would like to invite our pupils to come in dressed in their traditional Indian costumes or in clothes that represent the colours of a rainbow on Wednesday, 30th October. Wearing their PE kit is also an option.



## **Penn Junior Academy**

#### Hi everyone!

We hope this message finds you well! We wanted to share a recap of the incredible **Spooktacular Adventures** camp that we held with **VIVO Kids** this October break at Dempsey.

Over the past three days, our campers from **all three Invictus campuses - Bukit Timah**, **Centrium, and Dempsey** had a blast exploring spooky themes, engaging in thrilling activities, and **making new friends across different schools**. On the final day, our campers dressed up in their spookiest costumes and had a thrilling time exploring the Haunted Hall to find the 8 hidden clues. They also cooled off with refreshing water play in the afternoon.

We are so grateful for the enthusiastic participation and positive energy from all the campers. It was truly a spooky and unforgettable experience.

Thank you to our amazing camp staff and the team at VIVO Kids for their dedication and hard work in making this camp a success!

We hope to see you all again for future adventures!

Best, The Penn Junior Academy Team





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** 



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





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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: <u>schoolnurse.bt@invictus.edu.sg</u>

Student Services: <u>studentservices.bt@invictus.edu.sg</u>

## Social Media



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