



Weekly Newsletter Academic Year 24/25 Term 1 23th August 2024 The first edition of the year

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## Welcome from the Principal

Dear Parents/Guardians

Welcome to the new academic year and, to our new students and families, welcome to Invictus International School, Bukit Timah. I hope that we have all had a well-deserved break from the rigors of the last academic year and are now feeling relaxed and ready for a fabulous year of learning ahead. This year, like every year, will be filled with wonderful possibilities for us all, students, families, and staff. As in every other year, we will work together to meet whatever challenges come our way to ensure our students flourish.

While students have been preparing for the start of the school year, so too have the Bukit Timah staff team. Before the start of the term, we engaged in several days of planning, including a day of reflection and collaboration with our Centrium Square and Dempsey Hill campuses as well as the wider Sing-Ed Leadership Team. These teams spent time discussing and exploring the possibilities that are before us and how this year we can further enhance and enrich the experiences of our students throughout their educational journey.

We also commenced the induction of our new staff through which staff teams of every kind have been provided time for collaborative planning and preparation so that from the first day we were ready to make our students feel welcome and engage them in their learning. I have enjoyed meeting all our students throughout these first days of the academic year, and I feel enormously proud of how our entire community actively supports one another in our shared goals. This year promises to be one full of opportunities and new experiences for our students and I look forward to working with you all to build on the firm foundations already established.



## Qoqolo

#### Invictus International App (iOS and Android):

For new users (who have not installed the app in device):

• Search for "Invictus International" and download the app.



Note: The Invictus International app is only available in the following countries: Singapore, Thailand, Hong Kong, Cambodia, Australia, UK, US

#### Login to Invictus International App:

Login to the app with child's Login ID (<u>First 5 characters of child's name</u> in NRIC/BC and <u>Last 5 characters of NRIC/BC Number</u>) and password. E.g. If child's name in ID is "<u>CHIU Sin Wing</u>" and ID Number is "S561234B", Login ID will be "chius1234b".

If this is your first time using the Invictus International App, the default password is your child's NRIC/ BC Number.

- Please note that the password is case sensitive
- Password includes symbols if applicable (e.g. brackets)
- Please change your password upon your first-time login (Your new password must be at least 8 characters)

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Invictus	International School - Singapore
Login ID	
Password	
	LOG IN

## Click this link for Parents' Qoqolo Guide (pdf)

Click this link for Qoqolo Parents' Guide to Fees (pdf)

Our transition to Qoqolo will become increasing more important as it will becomes our main platform for communications including the newsletter, student reports, calendar updates and general notices.

## Invictus International School Bukit Timah



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Ms Stewart Year 8A Form & English Teacher



Ms Liu Year 2A Form Teacher



Ms Jing Year 4A Form & Chinese Teacher



Mr Selvaraj 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 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

## **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

## <u>Academic and Pastoral</u>

#### Dates for your Diary



Parents are invited to Parent Drop In sessions during the week beginning Monday 9th September. Further details to follow.

Parent Teacher Conferences are set for the dates of 1st-11th October as per the school calendar. Further details to follow.

Homework will be set from next week. We set this through Google Classroom and each student will know their individual login and password and will be able to access their homework this way. Ask them to show you how to do this. Any problems accessing Google Classroom, please contact form tutors who will be able to assist you. Homework policy and schedule will be sent out on Tuesday and this will also include instructions for Google Classroom use.

By now all parents should have heard from their child's form tutor. Form tutors are your first contact if you have any questions or concerns about your child and will be happy to help you.

#### Invictus Bukit Timah AY23/24 Yearbook

Good News! Our yearbook for AY23/24 digital version is ready for download <u>HERE</u>. The physical copies will be available soon so do look out for it!

## 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.





Students are already accumulating house points and they will start to be tallied next week. Watch this space!

# **<u>Trinity Performance Arts</u>**

We have various Performance Arts classes for Invictus pupils, including Young Performer Certificate, Communication Skills, Acting, Performance Arts and Acting for Screen. Classes are conducted during school time and we rotate lesson times, so pupils will not missed same subject consecutively. To register, please scan the QR code. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me <u>shanty.chandra@invictus.edu.sq</u> or please scan the Whatsapp QR code to talk directly to Jayanthi, our Performing Arts teacher.

> Our 30 - 45 minute lessons will be rotated weekly and carefully scheduled during class time rotate lesson times so the same classroom lessons are not missed consecutively.

> > **30min lesson Fee ranges from**

\$50 for Initial. Grade 1 & 2 \$55 for Grade 3 and 4 \$60 for Grades 5 & 6

Each student will earn a level appropriate Trinity College London Grade Certificate, a badge of their achievement with our tried and tested programme!

Our 2022/23 cohort achieved a 100% Distinction rate.

BRAVO! **RESERVE A SPOTLIGHT!** 

> Acting Dance Gymnastics Singing Puppetry And more.

Every child possesses unique talents and we help them discover theirs. We help transform every child into confident and expressive performers as they shine. Our 2023/24 Soloists Cohort - astounding 100% distinction!



Qualification Programme

# <u>A Musical Instruments</u>

Did you know your child can learn a musical instrument at Invictus, Bukit Timah?

Our pupils can learn to play a musical instrument right here on campus from some of the finest musicians & educators in the region! Our partners at McKee Music Pte Ltd, offer weekly lessons on **piano**, **guitar/ukulele**, **violin**, **singing**, **drums**, **cello**, **saxophone & flute.** Classes are conducted during school time and we rotate lesson times, so pupils will not missed same subject consecutively.

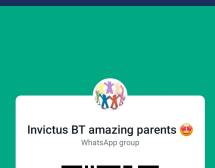
One-to-one instrumental music lessons are 30 minutes per week and are \$55 per 30 minutes, billed termly. If you would like to find out more, register your interest at <a href="https://www.mckeemusic.com.sg/registration">https://www.mckeemusic.com.sg/registration</a>

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me <u>shanty.chandra@invictus.edu.sg</u> or you can also email our IMP coordinator, Duncan McKee, directly at <u>duncan@mckeemusic.com.sg</u> and he will be happy to help answer any of your questions.



## **1st week photos**







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\*!



\*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: <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 keystage 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>studentservices.bt@invictus.edu.sg</u>

## **Social Media**





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