

PRIMARY MATTERS

Founder's Day Celebration

The 131st Founder's Day was celebrated on Wednesday 1 March in TSK Hall. The celebration started with a marchpast by Boys Brigade who marched to the front of the hall and brought the flags on to the stage. Then Primary Choir and combined primary and secondary dance crew put up their magnificent performances. After that we sang some songs for singpiration, led by Ms Dani and Rev. Denny followed by the videos with greetings from PSG, ACS family and ACS Jakarta alumni respectively. The devotion given by our Executive Principal, Mr Ng Eng Chin, reminded all of us to reflect on "Our roots, Our beginning" because it is knowing the past that we can create the present and the future. It has been a journey of faith for ACS and it will be a journey of grace onwards. Happy birthday, ACS! The Best is Yet to be!



ANPS Choir Competition

Our Primary Choir participated in the ANPS Choir Competition on 18 February 2017. We won 4th place with Gold Diploma Level 1 award. We would like to congratulate our choir students and our choir TICs, Mr Alex and Ms Alicia for their hard work. We would like to thank our Choir parents, represented by Ibu Dian Mighty, Ibu Mieke Adi Sukarman and Ibu Betty Susilawati for their continuous support. Here are a few photographs taken at the competition.



Parent-Teacher Conference

The second primary Parent-Teacher Conference (PTC) will be held on Thursday, 16 March. This PTC is prioritized for the parents of students who are required to meet their teachers in order to discuss the issues related to their academic progress. The email and letters to these parents were sent last Wednesday. Parents who are invited will have to register online in Engage and choose their preferred time online.

Professional Development

Our commitment for the professional development of our teachers continues. On Saturday 4 March, a number of Primary teachers, namely Ms Annes, Ms Fitranisa, Mr Jan Paul, Ms Lavina, Mr Bayu, Ms Poppy, Ms Ribka and Ms Rocel will attend the ANPS Teachers' Conference in Beacon Academy, Jakarta. We hope that they will gain new insights and will apply the new knowledge with colleagues and in their work with students.

Checkpoint Test and US/MBD

Due to the second round of the Jakarta gubernatorial election which is scheduled for 19 April 2017, the dates of the Cambridge Primary Checkpoint Test will be moved to 25, 26 and 27 April.

Checkpoint Tests

Tue, 25 April	Wed, 26 April	Thu, 27 April
English Paper 1 08.00 – 09.00	Mathematics Paper 1 08.00 – 08.45	Science Paper 1 08.00 – 08.45
Break 09.00 – 09.45	Break 08.45 – 09.30	Break 08.45 – 09.30
English Paper 2 09.45 – 10.45	Mathematics Paper 2 09.30 – 10.15	Science Paper 2 09.30 – 10.15

The Ujian Sekolah/Madrasah Bertaraf Daerah or US/MBD for Indonesian students will be held on 15, 16 and 17 May.

Ujian Sekolah/Madrasah Bertaraf Daerah (US/MBD)

Day/Date	Time	Subject
Monday, 15 May	08.00 – 10.00	Bahasa Indonesia
Tuesday, 16 May	08.00 – 10.00	Matematika
Wednesday, 17 May	08.00 – 10.00	IPA

Note: Students will go home immediately after each examination.

Please note that non-Indonesian students will stay at home during US/MBD. Thursday, 18 May is a normal school day for all.

Accompanying the US/MBD, a round of try-out is scheduled from 5 to 7 April 2017. The try out is given to help students be familiar to the format of the US/MBD.

US/MBD Try-Out

Day/Date	Time	Subject
Wednesday, 5 April	08.00 – 10.00	Bahasa Indonesia
Thursday, 6 April	08.00 – 10.00	Matematika
Friday, 7 April	08.00 – 10.00	IPA

Note: We will resume normal timetable after each paper.
Non-Indonesian students will come at normal time.

Have a nice weekend.

Ms. Ratih Damajanti

Kepala Sekolah Lower Primary
EC - Grade 3

Ms. Dian Rumanti

Kepala Sekolah Upper Primary
Grade 4 - Grade 6



SECONDARY MATTERS

Grade 8 Melbourne Camp, 4-11 March

On Saturday, 4 March, ten selected Grade 8 students will set off from Soekarno-Hatta airport for the annual cultural exchange trip between ACS Jakarta and Huntingtower School in Mount Waverley, Melbourne. Some students from ACS will be hosted by students from Huntingtower in their houses while others will stay in the school dormitory. They will experience the Australian way of life while sharing their knowledge of Indonesian language and culture with their hosts. They will spend three days participating in classes at Huntingtower School. There will also be excursions to places of interest such as Sovereign Hills, Melbourne Zoo, Eureka Tower, Skydeck 88, and Victoria Market. After 8 days of memorable experiences in Melbourne, they will return to Jakarta on Saturday, 11 March. The teachers in charge are Ms. Gina Yoviana and Ms. Yuyu Yuliani.

Important Dates for Higher Education Information

The USA Mini Education Expo will be held on Monday, 6 March during snack time (9.35–10.10 am) outside the school cafeteria. There

will be many US Universities, such as Eastern Kentucky University, Fontbonne University, Illinois State University, University of Toledo, University of Central Missouri, Grand Valley State University, Drury University, Adelphi University, Concordia University Wisconsin, California State University, Chico, California State University, San Marcos, Carthage College, Full Sail University and Missouri Southern State University.

In addition, King's College London (KCL) - Rank 36th according to Times Higher Education (THE) 2017 will open their booth on Monday, 6 March during lunch time (12.30–1.05 pm) outside the school cafeteria. Please see Mr. Jason Cooke if you need more information about KCL.

Olimpiade Sains Nasional, 14 March

We are sending 5 students to participate in *Olimpiade Sains Nasional (OSN)*. They are Maximilian Shien-Chung Oey (grade 10C), Haganta Ramyakin Ginting (grade 11H), Matthew Aurelius Widodo (grade 11H), Franklin

Setiawan Halim (grade 11H), Dhammiko Arya Gandamana (grade 11R). They will have their 1st round of competition on Tuesday, 14 March. Good luck!

Reports

Grade 10 and 12 students will receive their final report on Wednesday, 8 March.

Q3 Reports for grade 7,8,9 and 11 will be distributed on Wednesday, 15 March.

Swimming Carnival

The Inter-House Swimming Carnival will be held on Monday, 13 March. It is a chance for students to showcase both their swimming and water-polo skills after spending the entire quarter training for it during PE lessons. This is also a good opportunity to score points for their respective houses. We wish all swimmers the very best, and may the best house win!

Teachers' Day, 16 March

On Thursday, 16 March we will celebrate Teachers' Day. The PSG is busy organizing an event for ACS teachers. In addition, the SRC will also prepare a special program for all students

and teachers. This program is highly anticipated by students as it provides them with an opportunity to show their deepest appreciation to their teachers who have tirelessly cared for and taught them during their academic journey here in ACS. The SRC is extremely honoured to be able to plan this for all teachers and we are looking forward excitedly to this wonderful day!

Q3 holiday 20–31 March

There will be no school on Friday, 17 March due to Teachers' Day. Monday, 20 March to Sunday, 2 April will be the quarter 3 break. School resumes on Monday, 3 April.

Dr. Capri Anjaya
Kepala SMP and SMA



Interschool Debate and Spelling Bee Competition in Sekolah Bogor Raya

This year's Interschool Debate and Spelling Bee Competitions took place in Sekolah Bogor Raya on Saturday 11 February and 18 February 2017 respectively.

Our impassioned debaters of the debate competition comprised Arimbi Sri Wahyuputri Wahono and Celine Olivia Nugraha of 11 Humility as well as Patrick Theodore Tjandra of 11 Respect.

Our Spelling Bee participants comprised Park Min Je of 7 Humility, John Herry Leiman of 8 Humility and Maris Clea Juwono of 9 Respect.

Celine Olivia Nugraha of 11 Humility, an ACS Model Congress Club Member was a semifinalist at the Sekolah Bogor Raya Debate

Competition. She was quoted as saying:

As a new member of the Model Congress Club, it was a challenge for me to join this competition. Coming in with little experience in speaking in front of a large audience and no experience on the Asian Parliamentary System, I was intimidated. On the day itself, I felt very underprepared.

Considering that I was the first speaker and I had to talk for 7 minutes, I stumbled a few times.

However, we prevailed as a group and encouraged each other throughout the grueling 12-hour journey. We got the hang of it after a while, and speaking became easier after each round. We learned from our mistakes

and gladly accepted input from our adjudicators. We were willing to accept the pain of judgment and critic comments because we were determined to make it to the finish line.

I am proud to say that we successfully made it to the semifinals, and we continue to look forward to more competitions similar to these, because the best is yet to be!

Park Min Je of 7 Humility, one of our Spelling Bee participants, was quoted as saying:

When we reached the venue for the competition with our teacher-in-charge, Dr Chua, we were overwhelmed by the huge turnout of participants, officials and their

parents and guardians. Indeed, every second of waiting for our Spelling Bee Competition reminded us of how competitive this competition was going to be. So we decided that we must strive for the best outcome. Lo and behold, one of us qualified for the final round. Congratulations to John Herry Leiman of 8 Humility for firing the first salvo! We were delighted that ACS Jakarta has made an indelible mark in this spelling competition. We certainly look forward to next year's Interschool Spelling Bee Competition.

Dr. Chua Kok Seng
Secondary English and TOK Teacher



Our debaters listening earnestly to their opponents' views.



Patrick of 11Respect acquitted himself credibly despite his inexperience in competitive debating.



John Herry Leiman of 8 Humility competing in the final round of the Spelling Bee Competition.

ACS Upper Primary Invitational Basketball Tournament 2017

Several young basketballers from six different schools came to ACS Jakarta on 19 February 2017 for the ACS Upper Primary Invitational Basketball Tournament. Three teams from ACS, Sekolah Global Mandiri (SGM) and SDN Cipayung went up against each other in the Girls Division while six teams from ACS, SGM, Ichtus, North Jakarta Intercultural School (NJIS), Binus Simprug and SDN Cipayung played in the Boys Division.

The Girls Division consisted of two 8-minute halves with a running clock and a stop clock in the last two minutes. ACS was declared Champion for winning both games,

SGM was 1st Runners-up, and SDN Cipayung was 2nd Runners-up.

The Boys Division was divided into two pool games, which also consisted of two 8-minute halves. ACS, SGM and Ichtus played in Pool A while NJIS, Binus and SDN Cipayung were in Pool B. The semi-final and final games consisted of two 10-minute halves with a running clock. The matches were crossover games between teams in the pool games.

During the semi-final match between NJIS and Ichtus, NJIS was leading towards the end of the game with only a 1-point lead

when Ichtus made a buzzer-beater score making them the winner. The game ended with a 10-11 score in favour of Ichtus. Meanwhile, ACS also won against Binus with a 14-12 finish.

ACS and Ichtus faced each other in the Championship. It was an intense match with both teams taking turns in scoring and getting violations. With 20 seconds in the clock, ACS having a 2-point lead and Ichtus has the ball, the results were still indefinite. The clock stopped without any changes in the scores making ACS the Champion with an 18-16 finish. Ichtus was 1st

Runners-up and Binus was 2nd Runners-up. Diego Alonzo of 5T from ACS was also recognised as the Most Valuable Player.

A short trophy and awards presentation took place immediately after the tournament. The winning teams received a trophy and all players received a certificate.

Ms. Vera Parrocha
TIC, U12 Boys Basketball



What's new in the library?

Go and find out more about our activities @acsjkt_library instagram.

1. We are displaying the best wanted posters and book reviews from the previous literacy week (made by students from Grade 1 to Grade 6)
2. We have a new board in the cafeteria.



What's new in the library? (continued)

3. We have Michael Morpurgo Week for Grade 2 English Class

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He is an English book author, poet, playwright, and librettist who is known best for children's novels. He became the 3rd British Children's Laureate, from 2003 to 2005.

Let's come and read his books in @acsjkt_library!

So, who is your favorite author? 😊

School Shop

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IMPORTANT DATES

8 March 2017

Issue of Final School Reports (Gr. 10 & Gr. 12)

10 March 2017

Issue of Quarter 3 School Reports (EC & Primary)

15 March 2017

Issue of Quarter School Reports (Gr. 7-9 & Gr. 11)

16 March 2017

Parent-Teacher Conference (EC& Primary)

Third Quarter Ends