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ORIENTATION 2017: AC INFINITY

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On Monday, 17 July 2017, students both old and new arrived at school to ring in the new academic year with the annual Orientation. Planned by the Student Representative Council, this three-day event is an action-packed welcome to help students settle in comfortably into the school year. The SRC took inspiration from the upcoming, highly anticipated *Avengers Infinity War*, dubbing the orientation AC Infinity. Based on the infinity stones from the Marvel universe, the students of the secondary school were split into four clans: Xandar, Chronos, Galaxia and Vision, each with the



Photos taken by: Secondary MRC



powers of strength, time, space and mind respectively. Over the course of three days, the four clans battled each other in the dry and wet games, cheering off with their clan cheers when it came to a tie. The games ended with the four clans facing off against each other in the Great War. After an intense, adrenaline-powered mass rally that

brought the teachers down to judge, Chronos emerged triumphant, with Xandar, Vision and Galaxia following closely behind. After the victory, many people celebrated by jumping into the pool, with countless pictures being taken along the way. At the end of it all, the whole school had formed new

bonds and strengthened old ones. Of course, none of it could have happened without the dedication of the SRC, who oversaw the planning, the runners, who ran the games schedule, and the MRC, who documented the whole experience. Orientation 2017 was a definite success!

Singapore International Mathematics Challenge (SIMOC 2017)

Mathematics Department



Photo taken by: Merry De Fretes

Last 15 July 2017, some of our students participated in the Singapore International Mathematics Challenge (SIMOC 2017) held in Singapore. According to our students it was a tough and challenging one. However, we are very happy and glad that our students have brought home medals and honours for our school. Sophie Elizabeth Jane Kurniawan got a



Photo taken by: Evie "Kenneth Mom"

Honourable Mention for Grade 2 Division. Nathan Jacobes and Dominic Edward James Kurniawan won the Silver and Gold Awards respectively for Grade 3 Division. Lastly, Stacey Janice Cathleena Lukman attained Bronze Award and Kenneth Dominic Makarios won Gold Award for Grade 4 Division. It was indeed a very meaningful and fruitful competition for our students. A big congratulation for everyone who participated and won the said competition. Also many thanks to the teachers and especially their parents who have shown support to all the students. Last but not the least, we thank God for the knowledge and wisdom given to each and everyone of us.

Important Dates

17 August 2017
Indonesia Independence Day (Public Holiday)

18 August 2017
Independence Day Celebrations
Meet-the-Faculty (Secondary)

23 August 2017
Parents Information Session on IGCSE (Gr. 8)

30 August 2017
Parents Information Session on IBPD (Gr. 10)

1 September 2017
Idul Adha (Public Holiday)

5 September 2017
Academic Awards Presentation (Secondary)

6 September 2017
Inter-house Athletics (Secondary)

19 September 2017
Children's Day celebrations
Issue of Quarter 1 Reports (EC - Gr. 12)

20 September 2017
First Quarter Ends
Primary Parent-Teacher Conference

21 September 2017
Islamic New Year (Public Holiday)

22 September - 1 October 2017
Q1 Break

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Primary Matters

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Kepala Sekolah Gr. 4-6

Please help students to be independent
We would like to thank all parents for

helping the students get to school on time. We are currently in the 4th week of school and by now all students should have been settling in well into the school routines. Therefore, we can say with confidence, that your child is doing fine without his/her mum or nanny in the cafeteria or around the school.

Please help your child to be independent.

Independence Day Celebration
The Independence Day flag-raising ceremony and celebration will be held on Friday, 18 August 2017. All students will come to school in red and white

outfits for the event. Grade 5 students will be in charge for the flag-raising ceremony this time. All primary students will have house games after the ceremony.

Secondary Matters

Carolus Sadsoeitoeboen
Acting Kepala Sekolah Secondary

Health Check, 2-4 August
The annual health check for secondary school students, organized by the PSG, was a success. We thank the PSG for their support in this event.

New Secondary Teacher
We extend a warm welcome to Marlow Simorangkir, who has recently joined our secondary school teaching staff. He will be teaching Travel and Tourism and Business Studies to Grades 9 and 10.

Higher Education, 2 and 9 August
Our first alumni talk took place on 2

August on the theme of how to get offers from reputable universities, how to get scholarships and how to do well in IB. Attending the talk were all Grade 11 and 12 students, parents, and recent graduates Iwan (UK), Sherina (USA), Keyla (US&UK), Stephanie (Japan, Korea & Taiwan) and Clifford (Japan).



Photo taken by: Siti Aulia

The second alumni talk was held

on 9 August on the theme of getting the most out of university. During the talk, our graduates Emily and Nayaka (UK), and Tiffany, Samantha and Claudia (US), shared their experiences with all Grade 11 and 12 students.

University of British Columbia Visit, 7 August
Representatives from the University of British Columbia visited the school on 7 August offering information on their courses and campus to interested students and parents.

Workshop on Personal Statement & Essay (1), 16 August
The first workshop will focus on the university personal statement and entrance essay

and it will be conducted by Nate Schmidt. Nate will provide an overview of the writing process and advise students on the best approach. This workshop is compulsory for all Grade 12 students applying for UK & US universities.

Workshop on Personal statement & Essay (2), 26 August
The second workshop will be held on Saturday, 26 August and it will be conducted by Jack Penha, former English teacher at ACS Jakarta. Jack will provide consultation and feedback on students writing. Grade 12 students must register and make payment in the school shop to join this workshop.

School Matters

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Professional Development, 3-5 August
In accordance with our commitment to professional development, some of our senior management team and staff attended the Eagle leadership conference in Singapore.

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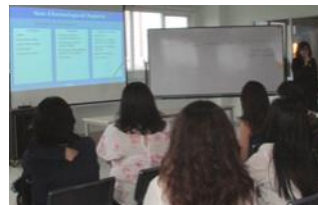
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Parent Workshop by English Department

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The Primary English Department hosted afternoon workshops for parents on the 2nd and 9th of August. The aim of the lower primary workshop was to help parents discover ways to help their child develop the love for reading at a very young age. Some pre-reading, during reading and post-reading strategies were shared and facilitated by Mike, Eunice, Ravina, Debbie, Tri, Ribka and Asstried. It was definitely wonderful to see parents get involved as they practised different some of these reading strategies with each other. Connecting reading to writing was the primary focus of the upper primary workshop where parents were taken through a crash-course on various fiction and non-fiction texts by Radha and Rabita. They were then invited to scrutinise the text and language features of each genre so



Photos taken by: Asstried and Tri Listi

as to better understand the purpose of texts and to notice how ideas, plot, characterisation and literary devices from mentor texts can be replicated in writing. We are truly heartened by the wonderful turnout, and we sincerely hope that parents will look into the reading diet of their children and immerse them in the English Language. Now that parents are armed with

some reading and writing strategies, we hope that they would feel more confident in using these with their children at home. As the old adage goes, "It takes a village to raise a child". Let's continue to develop a nurturing home-school community for our children!