

Date: 28th January 2014

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK:-

Dear Parent / Guardian,

SJIS has now entered into its 4th year of operation. I am very happy to say that we have now reached our maximum capacity for the January 2014. I take this opportunity to welcome all our new students especially those in Year 7 & A Level to SJIS. I hope you will make SJIS a memorable place for your studies and that all of you will participate actively in all our co-curricular activities & to excel in your academics.

As of 2014, all my messages shall be posted on SJIS website.

Please take notice of a few important dates & announcements below to ensure a successful start for this 2014 school session/semester:

- **Cambridge International Examinations 2013 Oct/Nov Results Release:**
 - Year 9 - **Checkpoint Oct 2013 Exams Results:**
English Average Score - 3.7/6
Maths Average Score - 5.2/6
Science Average Score - 5.3/6
 - Year 11 - **IGCSE Oct/Nov 2013 Exam Results:**
Accounting, Biology, Business Studies Chemistry, Economics & Physics all secured **100% passes**. Whilst Additional Maths secured 76%, 1st Language English 93% & Maths 86% respectively.
 - **A Level Oct/Nov 2013 Exam Results:**
Accounting, Literature in English & Physics secured 100%, Biology 82%, Business Studies AND Chemistry 75%, Economics 80% & Maths 84% respectively.
- **Chinese New Year Holidays:**
 - Firstly, I would like to wish all parents, students, teachers & staff a prosperous and joyful **Chinese New Year 2014 - Gong Xi Fa Cai!**
 - Accordingly, the school shall be closed from Thursday, 30th January 2014 till Monday 03rd February 2014. **Classes shall commence on Tuesday, 04th February 2014.**
- **Sports & Clubs:**
 - To cater for the increased number of students & to keep each sport & club activities within a manageable number we have taken steps to increase the number of sports & club activities for 2014. Hence we would be introducing swimming, squash, Criminalising War and Interact Club respectively.
 - For the above sports & club activities, kindly ensure your child/children wear their Sport's House "T" shirts. Extra pair of "T" shirt & track bottom can be purchased from us too. No other attire shall be allowed for the above activities. As mentioned before, if in

any circumstances students are not able to wear their sportswear, students are only allowed to wear a white 'T' shirt as a temporary measure.

• **Increase in Teachers:**

- In tandem with the increase in the number of students at SJIS, we have recruited more experienced & qualified teachers. This is to ensure the quality of our delivery of the curriculum at SJIS. I hope all quarters, including these teachers would give their best to maintain the quality of our teaching & also the achievement of our students in their respective exams.

• **Student Discipline:**

- I have already reminded all students at SJIS to be courteous & polite, especially so when there are invitees & visitors at SJIS. Their good & well-mannered conduct will be perceived positively by all those coming into our school. I hope you would also emphasize to them the importance of good communication & usage of good & respectable language in their daily conversation. I view this with concern to ensure that we do not condone any form of vulgarity and/or disrespectful behavior amongst our students. As per the student handbook, the merit point will be in usage & any disciplinary behavior shall be reported to you immediately. The disciplinary committee along with the assistance of the prefects shall ensure the discipline of SJIS students.

• **Renovations:**

- I am happy to announce that the roofing in our Byron Garden Café is now complete & currently has more sitting area coming under the shade of the mentioned roofing.
- Renovation & maintenance have also been carried out to all our toilets & walkways. A new coat of paint has been added to the floor, exterior walls & walls of classrooms.
- The groundfloor classrooms have now been installed with removable partitions so that these rooms can be utilized for our exams when these partitions are removed.

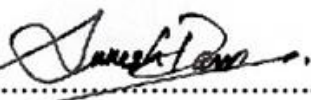
• **SJIS Award Ceremony 2013:**

- Please note that the above ceremony to recognize the excellent achievers in our examinations conducted in 2013 shall be held on **Sat, 15th February 2014**. This year we will involve the presence of all students for this ceremony which will be an encouragement for the other students to strive to better themselves in these examinations.
- The venue & time of the above event shall be informed to all of you in due course once our arrangement have been finalized for this event.

Lastly, I wish to thank all of you who had supported us and hope you would continue this good effort for 2014. Before I pen off here, on behalf of the school & management I wish all of you "GONG XI FA CAI" - may good health & prosperity be always in your path. Have a memorable celebration with your family & friends.

"HAPPY HOLIDAYS"

Yours sincerely,


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Suresh Dass
Principal