



ACS (INTERNATIONAL) NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents, Students and Friends

At Chapel last Friday, visiting speaker and medical doctor Dr Cheah Fung Fong spoke on "Gender". She highlighted God's plan for male and female but acknowledged the struggles some people may have with self-identification on the basis of gender. She then broadened the topic to remind everyone that we all struggle with something from time to time, and that these struggles may result from depression, family issues and relationships, physical disabilities, academic issues, procrastination, distractions, and addictions (e.g. computer games and social media).

At some time, we all feel trapped, chained, locked in stone or heavily weighed down. The Accademia Gallery museum in Florence, Italy, houses many famous pieces of art, and on display are four unfinished works by the great Michelangelo, all about 2.7m tall and created between 1520 and 1534. These statues are collectively known as Michelangelo's Slaves. They are the Bearded Slave, the Awakening Slave, the Young Slave and The Atlas. They are deliberately unfinished to show what it might feel like to be forever enslaved and never able to free themselves.

If we recognise that there are chains in our lives, we can do something about it. We don't have to carry the burden alone. Young or old, we can talk to a friend, teacher, or counsellor. "A trouble shared is a trouble halved". We can also pray... 'For I am the Lord your God who takes hold of your right hand and says to you, Do not fear; I will help you (Isaiah 41:13) and 'Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know.' (Jeremiah 33:3). Don't struggle alone!

Today marks the end of Term 3. We especially thank all those who attended Tuesday's Parent Teacher Meeting – a most worthwhile exercise – and we also thank the students, the PSP and wider parent body for their wonderful affirmation of their teachers at today's Teachers' Day celebrations.

We wish everyone safe and enjoyable holidays, and we look forward to meeting again on 17 September.

Best wishes

Rob Burrough
Principal



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**DID YOU
KNOW ?**

Cows do not have upper front teeth

STAFF NEWS

Farewell

Last week, we farewelled Mr Praeman Balasundram who has been appointed as Founding Principal of the new Wesley Methodist School Penang International. A significant promotion for Mr Praeman who has served at ACS (International) since 2006, the second year of operation, as Geography teacher and House Master of Oldham House. We wish both Mr Praeman and the new school the very best as they grow together.

NOTICES

Office Holiday Hours

Please take note that during the holiday period from 3–14 September, the General Office will be open from 9:00am to 4:00pm.

Transcripts and Testimonials

This is the time of the year we begin to receive requests of these two documents. The Academic Secretary, Ms Manwant Kaur, will process these requests upon receipt of the completed transcript and/or testimonial application form, which can be downloaded from the website ([Current Students – Forms](#)). A period of 10 days is required to process any document. We regret that we are unable to respond to any request to produce them immediately.

Year 6 students will automatically receive these two documents at the end of the school year. They only need to apply for these documents if they are applying to university before year end.

Testimonials are only available for Year 6 students, and Year 4 students who are leaving school. School leavers in other year groups can only apply for a school transcript summary of all school reports.

ACS Echo

The August–September 2018 issue of ACS Echo magazine has arrived. Parents and students who would like a copy may pick one up from the General Office reception.

Craft Knives Banned from School

Due to some accidents and mishaps, craft knives are now banned from school. We reserve the right to confiscate any found at school.

ACS (International)

2019 IBDP Internal Scholarships

Applications from Year 4 students for three 2019 scholarships worth \$10,000 each for the year 2019 only are invited.

The successful applicants would have demonstrated:

- Outstanding academic achievement throughout Year 4;
- Strong contribution to co-curricular and/or House activities; and
- The ability to achieve highly in the IBDP and give back to the school.

Each scholarship will be used to offset Year 5 IBDP tuition fees. \$5,000 will be deducted from the fees payable for each of the two semesters.

Applications to the Principal consisting of a letter of application listing achievements and contributions to the school close on **19 September 2018**.

Term 4 Key Dates

KEY DATES FOR TERM 4	
3 October	• Last day for Year 4 before study leave begins
4 October	• First day of extended Library hours for Year 4 / 6 Study Nights
10 October	• Last day for Year 6 before study leave begins
25 October	• Internal end-of-year exams for Years 1 – 3, FIB, Pre-IB and Year 5 begin
5 November	• Final day of Internal end-of-year exams
6 November	• Deepavali (Public Holiday) – no school
7 – 9 November	• Normal school days
12 – 14 November	• Years 1 – 3 Activities Programme • Year 5 Science IAs
15 November	• Speech Day rehearsals and tidy up (starts 9:00am; 1/2 day for most students)
16 November	• Years 1 – 5 Speech Day Prize Giving and Performances • Year 6 Graduation Ceremony • Last school day for students • Student reports issued
19 and 20 November	• Staff Days



Commendation Awards (Term 3)

Principal's List for Effort and Achievement			
No	NAME	YR	ACA
1	Ronak Sanan	Y3	Cheong Koon Seng
2	Chia Fui Rupert	Y3	Goh Hood Keng
3	Gautam Ramasamy	Y5	Goh Hood Keng
4	Tan Cae Lyn	Y2	Shaw Vee Meng
5	Natanya Abigail Mandagi	Y2	Tan Chin Tuan
6	Gweon Sujin	Y3	Tan Chin Tuan
7	Wei Yu	Y3	Tan Kah Kee
8	Ethelyn Huang Meici	Y1	Thoburn
9	Shreya Supriyakumar Sakhalakar	Y2	Thoburn
10	Zheng Jiayi	Y2	Thoburn
11	Cheng Xirui	Y3	Thoburn
12	Chen Xingyu	Y5	Thoburn

Distinction for Effort and Achievement			
No	NAME	YR	ACA
1	Lee May Ann Rachel	Y1	Cheong Koon Seng
2	Kan Nuoya	Y3	Cheong Koon Seng
3	Shu Xinyi	Y2	Lee Seng Gee
4	Pham Thao Chi	Y3	Oldham
5	Yang Jiwon	Y4	Oldham
6	Virawin Hanratanakool	Y5	Oldham
7	Wang Yujia	Y3	Tan Chin Tuan
8	Lee Jinseo	Y2	Tan Kah Kee
9	Chau Nguyen Khanh Giao	Y3	Tan Kah Kee
10	Airi Narita	Y1	Thoburn

Commendation for Effort			
No	NAME	YR	ACA
1	Bill Johnathan	Y2	Cheong Koon Seng
2	Natalie Chew Jiaxian	Y3	Cheong Koon Seng
3	Yasumi Sakaide	Y3	Cheong Koon Seng
4	Bagas Pambudi Tjahjowidodo	Y1	Goh Hood Keng
5	Ashleigh Catherine Long Yee Hearn	Y3	Goh Hood Keng
6	Daring Dyah Savitri Tjahjowidodo	Y3	Goh Hood Keng
7	Huang Ruo Xin Veronica	Y5	Goh Hood Keng
8	Que Linxiao	Y5	Goh Hood Keng
9	Hayleigh Sim Ziqi	Y1	Lee Seng Gee
10	Justin Cheng Ming Hearn	Y3	Lee Seng Gee
11	Anna Kong Min Yi	Y3	Lee Seng Gee
12	Lee Jaeyun	Y3	Lee Seng Gee
13	Fujii Ryoko	Y5	Lee Seng Gee
14	Lam Uyen Van	Y5	Lee Seng Gee
15	Wang Zihao	Y5	Lee Seng Gee
16	Tay Yi Xuan Keira	Y2	Oldham
17	Jiang Jinyi	Y3	Oldham
18	Karan Attal	Y5	Oldham
19	Mckayla Esther Tanoko	Y5	Oldham
20	Larissa Chan Mei Huen	Y1	Shaw Vee Meng
21	Hou Yunzhi	Y2	Shaw Vee Meng
22	Ishita Chetan Jain	Y2	Shaw Vee Meng
23	Yasmin Ai Lynn Karl Daruwalla	Y3	Shaw Vee Meng
24	Wu Yanyu	Y3	Shaw Vee Meng
25	Kim Taehyeon	Y5	Shaw Vee Meng
26	Ng E Lene	Y5	Shaw Vee Meng
27	Chan Clarence	Y1	Tan Chin Tuan
28	Jeong Soo Hwan	Y2	Tan Chin Tuan
29	Victoria Ann Warren Streeton	Y2	Tan Chin Tuan
30	Joung Jaewon	Y5	Tan Chin Tuan
31	Shea Ng	Y5	Tan Chin Tuan
32	Wong Zhi Xiong	Y2	Tan Kah Kee
33	Wan Zhijun	Y3	Tan Kah Kee
34	Elizabeth Skylar Loo Sze-E	Y4	Thoburn
35	Sun Lehan	Y2	Thoburn
36	Tian Wei	Y3	Thoburn
37	Chan Z'Yann	Y5	Thoburn
38	Chen Xinmiao	Y5	Thoburn
39	Sunny Singh	Y5	Thoburn

Commendation for Effort and Achievement			
No	NAME	YR	ACA
1	Teo Jie Shi Alarice	Y1	Cheong Koon Seng
2	Moon Eunyeong	Y2	Cheong Koon Seng
3	Park Byung-Joon	Y2	Cheong Koon Seng
4	Ashley See Yao Jun	Y2	Cheong Koon Seng
5	Chang Tun-Min	Y4	Cheong Koon Seng
6	Camille Alix Damas	Y5	Cheong Koon Seng
7	Krish Mantoo	Y5	Cheong Koon Seng
8	Soh Jia En	Y5	Cheong Koon Seng
9	Avi Tripathi	Y5	Cheong Koon Seng
10	Summer Yew Min	Y1	Goh Hood Keng
11	Sin Hau Nam	Y2	Goh Hood Keng
12	Suramya Sood	Y2	Goh Hood Keng
13	Kim Seoyun	Y3	Goh Hood Keng
14	Fahim Mohammed	Y3	Goh Hood Keng
15	Xu Kejun	Y3	Goh Hood Keng
16	Tian Jiahao	Y4	Goh Hood Keng
17	Sarah Darmawan	Y5	Goh Hood Keng
18	Amelia Govier Lynge	Y5	Goh Hood Keng
19	Janet Tedjasmita	Y5	Goh Hood Keng
20	William Woong Zhi Wei	Y5	Goh Hood Keng
21	Kim Hyelyn	Y1	Lee Seng Gee
22	Kim Chaemin	Y2	Lee Seng Gee
23	Joschka Flynn Kalisch	Y2	Lee Seng Gee
24	Nguyen Hien Minh Trang	Y4	Lee Seng Gee
25	Ajay Karthikeyan	Y1	Oldham
26	Pongyada Sootthipong	Y2	Oldham
27	Rohan Arora	Y3	Oldham
28	Yuka Nakamura	Y4	Oldham
29	Lee Hyojun	Y5	Oldham
30	Prisha Chalak	Y1	Shaw Vee Meng
31	Nanditha Vithanala	Y1	Shaw Vee Meng
32	Kao Zhi Ying Celine	Y2	Shaw Vee Meng
33	Chen Yirong	Y3	Shaw Vee Meng
34	Jin Kawaso	Y3	Shaw Vee Meng
35	Joel Liow Xuan Hao	Y3	Shaw Vee Meng
36	Chang Eunjun	Y5	Shaw Vee Meng
37	Park Ju-Hyun	Y5	Shaw Vee Meng
38	Michael Cheung	Y1	Tan Chin Tuan
39	Goh Wen Xuan Evelyn	Y1	Tan Chin Tuan
40	Faye Marie Chen Setiawan	Y1	Tan Chin Tuan
41	Zhu Hanqi	Y2	Tan Chin Tuan
42	Roy Kawaguchi	Y2	Tan Chin Tuan
43	Vivian Hu Xin Hui	Y3	Tan Chin Tuan
44	Riho Takaki	Y3	Tan Chin Tuan
45	Tan Weng I	Y4	Tan Chin Tuan
46	Wu Ke	Y5	Tan Chin Tuan
47	Cheng Yingfei	Y3	Tan Kah Kee
48	Abigail Kastono Ahadi	Y3	Tan Kah Kee
49	Wong Chia Yun	Y5	Tan Kah Kee
50	Kim Minseo	Y2	Thoburn
51	Sanya Bobby Sanghavi	Y2	Thoburn
52	Zhang Ruiyang	Y5	Thoburn



Food Offerings by YQueue Express

Gracious Gourmet ceased canteen operations at the end of Term 3. YQueue Express is replacing them. Students can look forward to different food choices in the school canteen. Using a mobile app to order, pay for and collect food is what YQueue Express offers, starting in Term 4.

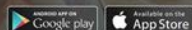
YQueue Express @ ACS (International)

Launching on 17th September at the ACS (International) Canteen

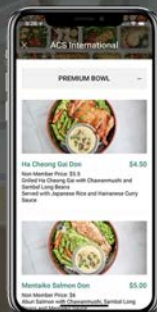


YQueue Campus

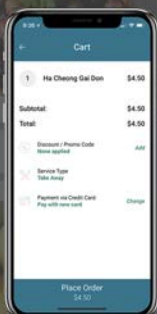
Save time and skip the queue - browse, order, pay and collect food from multiple merchants within one simple app. Providing students with security and flexibility since 2017.



Select The ACS Store



Select Your Meal



Place Your Order



Pay For Your Meal

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Merchant Highlights

Bringing the best of Singapore to you



Dondori

Dondori is a fusion between Japanese takeaway concept and truly authentic Singaporean flavours.



Fattycasso

Offers a variety of local and regional favourites, with their specialty Taiwan Braised Pork Rice (台灣滷肉飯).



Fong Seng Nasi Lemak

Haven for hungry NUS students! Well known for its nasi lemak, with chicken wings & fried fish.

Menu Highlights

Many other items available in-app



Taiwanese Braised Pork Rice

A blend of tender pork belly and minced pork braised patiently for hours each morning in a secret sauce - it's a perfect match with steamed white rice and a braised egg.



Curry Chicken Don

Curry Chicken Drumstick with Crispy Bits & Cereals, Curry Potatoes and Aburi Broccoli. Served with Japanese Rice and Hainanese Curry Sauce.



Chicken Wing Nasi Lemak

Nasi Lemak, Chicken Wing, Peanuts, Ikan Bilis, Egg and Chili.



STUDENT SUCCESSES

10th ASEAN Schools Games 2018

Two Year 3 Students participated in the 10th ASEAN Schools Games 2018.

We applaud Lye Li Tong Madeline and Lien Tian-Yi Charity, both in Year 3, for their participation as Singapore Schools Sports Team athletes in the 10th ASEAN Schools Games 2018 that took place from 19 to 27 July, in Shah Alam, Selangor, Malaysia. They had put in countless hours of practice in the pursuit of sporting excellence in the midst of balancing their academic pursuit.

Both Madeline and Charity have done us proud!



Madeline



Charity



Singapore Mathematical Olympiad 2018

The Singapore Mathematical Olympiad (SMO) is the largest and oldest mathematics competition in Singapore. The top 35% of the participants will receive an award certificate (gold for top 3%, silver for next 12% and bronze for next 20%).

On 30 and 31 May, 25 of our students (Years 1 to 6) took part in SMO 2018. Our list of winners is as follows:

Name	Division	Certificate
SMO (Junior) Results		
Ethelyn Huang Meici	Year 1	Gold
Eunyeong Moon	Year 2	Silver
Justin Matthew Tunaldi	Year 1	Bronze
Goh Jun-En Samuel	Year 3	Honourable mention
SMO (Senior) Results		
Justin Cheng Ming Hearn	Year 3	Honourable mention
SMO (Open) Results		
Li Peize	Year 6	Silver
Zhang Ruiyang	Year 5	Bronze
Justin Cheng Ming Hearn	Year 3	Honourable mention

Inter-House Quiz

The school ran its first Inter-House quiz in Term 3. Each House participated in a qualifying round on 20 August in which they needed to answer 10 picture-based questions, 10 general knowledge questions and 10 observation questions based on a one-minute video. All teams competed well, with the results being very close.

The Houses that qualified for the final round were Oldham, Thoburn, LSG and SVM. It was held on 23 August in front of the entire school, with three students from each House participating. This round followed a similar format of the qualifying round, but the students were required to answer 40 questions while having their response times measured. After the scores were tallied, Oldham was declared winner, followed by SVM in second, LSG in third and Thoburn in fourth places.

The quiz had been a good addition to the House programme and enabled a broader range of students to be involved in participating for the coveted end-of-year House trophy.

Overall Results

- 1st Oldham
- 2nd SVM
- 3rd LSG
- 4th Thoburn
- 5th TCT
- 6th GHK
- 7th TTK
- 8th CKS



The Barrett Music Competition 2018

The Barrett Music Competition has been a long-standing music tradition set up by our first Principal, Rev. Dr John Barrett, to promote an appreciation for music and to raise the standards of music-making.

Since 2017, the Barrett Music Committee, supported by the Electro-Acoustic Ensemble CCA, has introduced new competition categories such as Original Music Composition and Ethnic, as well as space explorations for the competition concert, to expand the horizons for presentations, creativity, budding and experienced musicians.



We are thankful and are blessed by the students' enthusiasm and excellence shown in their delightful performances from all three divisions. The auditions had seen a total of 22 contestants competing in five categories, namely, Instrumental (Piano, Strings, Percussion and Composition) Category and Vocal Category.

This year, the competition was held at the Black Box on level 6 of the Library Block.

11 finalists made it into the finals, with the Best Overall Music Prize awarded to Sara Goh, 5 TCT, while the Individual category winners are Jarell Tan, 3 TCT (Piano Category), Tamaara Shanmugaratnam, 1 Oldham (Vocal Category) and Shane Chen, 1 SVM (Composition Category).

Congratulations to all the winners!



Inter-House Photography Competition

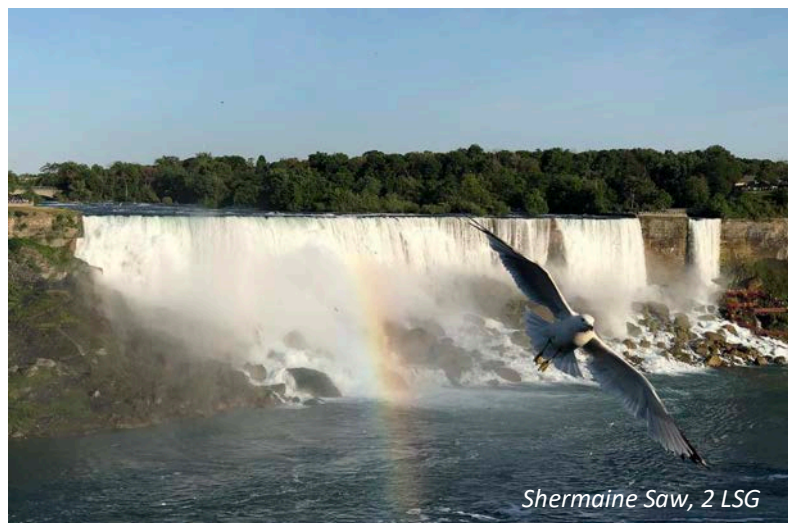
2018 marked the inception of the inaugural Inter House Photography competition. This event had many participants from all Houses and in all divisions. The top entries from each division of each House were then shortlisted to be part of the exhibition.

The theme of the competition “Habitat” saw the submission of many varied and interesting interpretations. This reflects the creativity of the students and skills hitherto unexplored from others.

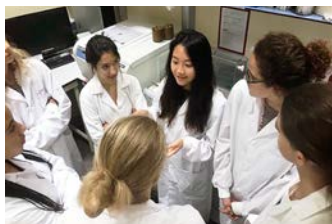
On the judging day (17 August), the winning photograph of the competition was that of Sunny Singh (5 Thoburn). Entitled “Reflections”, Sunny explained: “My reflection through the window of my city is living proof that I belong somewhere. Growing up in a foreign country brings up this dilemma of national identity. But when I looked out of the window, I realised that nationality means nothing – this is my habitat. I belong here.”

A clear message that resonates with us all.

The two runners up were Sean Chua (5 LSG) and Shermaine Saw (2 LSG). Congratulations to Sunny and to Thoburn House for winning the overall House Competition. The standard of 2018 bodes well for the future.



Barcelona International Youth Science Challenge



"We are what we eat." While this is a commonly used phrase, it was only after I participated in the Barcelona International Youth Science Challenge (BIYSC) from the 9 to 20 July, did I start to understand the depth and complexity of this saying.

While I was spoilt for choice with the many research projects offered, from quantum physics to uncovering the hidden diversity of the oceans, I was immediately drawn towards the Nutrition and Health project.



Nutrition and health has always been of great interest to me. Ever since I could walk, I've had anaphylactic allergies, which made me develop a habit of checking ingredient labels on the packaged food I eat. That was when I started to notice they contain numerous chemicals and ingredients I could barely pronounce, spurring the curiosity in me as to what we put in our

bodies. This led me to explore various diets to better understand their impacts on our health and environment, which is one reason why I eat a fully plant-based diet.

During the two-week programme, I delved further into my interest in nutrition and health, together with eight other participants, exploring a wide range of connected topics. We worked with scientists from the August Pi i Sunyer Biomedical Research Institute (IDIBAPS), researching together on cures for diabetes, and continued on with researchers and dietitians from the University of Vic-Central University of Catalonia (UVIC) as well as those from the Alicia Foundation, about the complete food production line and farm-to-table concepts.

One key takeaway for me is the idea of interconnectedness. The programme revolved around the idea of Agroecology, the democratisation of knowledge from peasant agriculture, ancestors and scientific research whereby everyone in the food production line intertwine with one another. With the combination of this knowledge, we learnt that we could reduce commercialisation, creating optimal results by connecting with our food and building a community.

At the end of the programme, not only did I learn about how food impacts our health and our environment, but I have also formed invaluable friendships from all over the world, including France, Spain, Tunisia and Hungary!



Ultimately, nutrition is an essential building block in our lives, but it is an ever-changing topic in science. As we evolve, so do our views and research. This is why we have to keep pursuing answers through research.

Kaylene Choe, 5 CKS

LSG Charity Project

LSG recently conducted our annual charity drive for Dover Park Hospice. We accomplished this through selling food, snacks, and organising a range of games from 23-27 July.

Each of the tutor groups came up with a variety of ideas on what to sell. Our Years 1, 2, 3, and 5 sold chicken rice, homemade cookies and bookmarks, Subway cookies and McDonald's in the school canteen and student centre. Our Year 5s were very obliging when it came to helping the lower years, especially when the Year 3s needed help to collect a delivery. Altogether, we managed to raise a total of \$1,000.15!

This was a great opportunity for everyone in the House to come together and work towards a common goal, raising funds for a very worthy cause. I would like to thank Mr Lim Tse Ren for supervising the whole event and acknowledge the House Prefects, students, and teachers for all their hard work and dedication to the House.

Thanks to those of you who came by with your donations or just to show your support! Despite the minor hiccups we faced, I'm delighted to have been a part in organising our House charity and would gladly do it all over again.

*Chereese Tan, 5 LSG
House Captain*



ALUMNI NEWS

Reflection on an Exchange Journey in France by Ex-Head Boy



In February, I decided to step outside of my comfort zone and went to Esbly, near Paris, France, to live with a family for a French immersion and informal work programme for five months. Mdm Corinne Rousset, my IB French teacher, helped organise the exchange and find a host family

Though a few families showed interest, I decided to accept an offer from Ms Katia Chapoutier and Mr Damien Augeyrolles – two accomplished filmmakers journalists. They have four children, with one being their newborn baby. At the beginning of my stay, I worked with the children for two days a week, teaching them English and taking them to school. This was a fantastic experience as I communicated and shared my knowledge, whilst also learning more French from the children themselves, in the process of translation and through play. During this period, I shadowed Damien at work and saw the filmmaking process.

After visiting Paris regularly for a month or so, the family offered to take me on their family holiday to Italy, and also later hired me in a more involved role. With the money I had saved up, I organised a trip around France. I called on Katia and Mdm Rousset to help me find families around the country with whom I could live for a few days at a time. They very graciously acquiesced. I organised a month-long tour to eight cities by bus: Strasbourg (and Colmar), Lyon, Nice, (Grasse, Antibes, Cannes, Monaco, Èze), Marseille, Toulouse (and Carcassonne), Bordeaux, Nantes (and Angers) as well as La Rochelle (and l'Île de Ré). My trip was spectacular. I met many amazing people, ate lovely local food, and saw the many sides of France's culture and beauty.

I would like to thank the many people who made this trip possible. I also would like to think the trip helped open my mind further to new experiences and led me to improve my communication skills, being in a foreign place with people who began as strangers.

Dhruv Uppal, ex-6 GHK

About the Contributor

Dhruv Uppal spent 6 years in our school from Year 1 to Year 6 and graduated in 2017. In recognition of his fine leadership and organisational abilities, Dhruv was awarded the Anglo Chinese School Old Boys Association Gold Award for Overall Achievement in 2015 and the prestigious Gold Leadership Colours Award by the school for outstanding leadership development and practice in 2017. A talented debater, Dhruv was awarded the Best Speaker and in the SSSDC in 2015 where he and his Debate team mates emerged the Overall Champions and Dhruv was also named the Best Speaker at the National level. He now studies Economics at Dartmouth College, an Ivy League school (US).

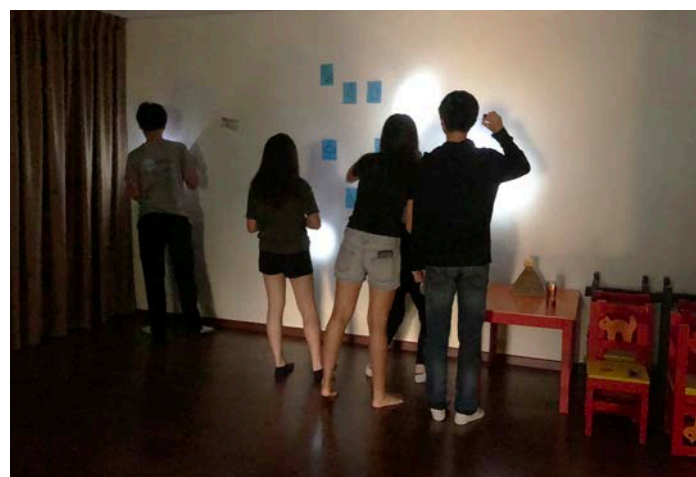


INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS NEWS

Trip to the Escape Room

After the National Day and International Day celebrations on 8 August ended, some international students staying at ACS Independent (Boarding), together with Ms Stacey, went on to an Escape room experience organised by Singapore Youth for Christ.

An Escape Room event is one in which participants need to find clues and solve riddles so as to “escape” an elaborately prepared game “room”. For this particular theme, we were faced with riddles from the mighty Sphinx. Despite the dimly lit room we were in, we successfully overcame obstacles and managed to escape the room in time!



Outing to Bugis Village

After the exciting and brain-demanding activity, Ms Stacey took us to Bugis Village, where we quickly found a place to eat and gobbled up our dinner without hesitation. Accompanied by two staff members from Singapore Youth for Christ, we also had a few rounds of Sushi Card game.



After dinner, we also had lots of fun looking around and shopping in the nearby area. Through these experiences, we have learned more about the different cultures in Singapore. We would definitely go back to the Bugis area for more fun and surprises!

Andrew Hu, 4 Oldham



HIGHER EDUCATION NEWS

ACS (International) Job Shadowing Industry Partners' Appreciation Night

The second Industry Partners' Appreciation Night held on 17 August was a big success. Our Job Shadowing partners from 19 different organisations attended the event. More than 50 guests enjoyed networking with people from similar and other fields, interacting with students and just chilling out in a very casual atmosphere.

The event commenced with a warm welcome from our Year 6 students, Amanda Yasmin Lam and Nathaniel Marthen who had completed their job shadowing stint in June. This was followed by an opening speech from our Principal, Mr Rob Burrough, and a summary of the Job Shadowing Scheme from Mrs Rita Kaur, the Head of Higher Education and Careers.

The Higher Education and Careers team had submitted an excellent report card for this year's Job Shadowing placement. 65 students went for the placement this year, an additional of 33 students as compared with last year – an increase of 103%.

To show appreciation to our industry partners in nurturing and grooming our students, Mr Rob Burrough presented awards to all our industry partners.



"It was great being able to hear the insights of some of the student participants as well as get to know some of the other industry partners through the event. I would like to take the opportunity to thank the ACS (International) team for putting together this successful programme and event!"

Mr Victor Goh
Programme Executive
Habitat for Humanity Singapore

"First and foremost, let me applaud the great efforts by your team in putting up this amazing event. This is made all the more meaningful with the sharing session by the students about their job shadowing experience. I'm really elated that we are making a difference to their lives. Keep up the good work, and we will continue our utmost support."

Mr Keith Leo
General Manager of Sales
Bando (Singapore) Pte Ltd

"Thank you for the invitation. It was a good networking session for us. I'm impressed by your students for being able to share and relate their experiences despite only one week of job shadowing. The students are also lucky to have your support in the programme. Thanks again and I hope this will be a win-win collaboration for more students and companies in the coming years."

Ms Ong Yan Xiang
Senior Principal Engineer (Mechanical & Electrical Division)
CPG Corporation





Our student ambassadors, Krish Mantoo (Year 5), Geraldine Ng (Year 6), Xu Jiadi (Year 6), Trieu My Han (Year 6), Amanda Yasmin Lam, Nathaniel Marthen and Vijay Narayanan (alumnus, graduated in 2017), further warmed the industry partners' heart with their heartfelt sharing. Many partners were touched and impressed by the sharing and they expressed their support to our Job Shadowing Scheme.



Students took this opportunity to further network with our Industry Partners who were more than willing to share career tips and progression of career in the relevant industry. The night ended on a very positive note with many of the partners praising our students' good career knowledge, initiative and motivation for future success.

DO NOT MISS!

September School Holidays

OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL HIGHER EDUCATION EVENTS!

There is something for everyone!

"KEEP CALM AND STUDY LAW"

NEW ZEALAND AND BEYOND

1 September 2018, 10:30am–12:30pm

<http://nzedu.com.sg/contact-us/>

"IVY LEAGUE SCHOOLS"

PUBLIC INFORMATION SESSION

2 September 2018, 2:00pm–4:00pm

<https://admissions.northwestern.edu/visit/northwestern-comes-to-you/asia.html>

"UCLA INFORMATION SESSION, SINGAPORE"

9 September 2018, 5:00pm–6:00pm

<https://connect.admission.ucla.edu/register/?id=c5a711b1-77bf-4efa-a9a9-712ef40d6704>

"UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHAMPTON BUSINESS TESTER LECTURE"

16 September 2018, 14:15pm–15:30pm

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/university-of-southampton-business-taster-lecture-tickets-48649945296>

"UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHAMPTON MEDICINE TESTER LECTURE"

16 September 2018, 15:45pm–17:45pm

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/university-of-southampton-medicine-taster-lecture-tickets-48647970389>

Click on the above link(s) to register!



EVENTS

The Darren Loh Cup VI

On 21 July, 32 teams across three categories competed in this year's DLC VI. Teams comprised current and past ACS students and their friends. Many of the ACS boys who played came from our sister schools, making this tournament more of an ACS family one.

CKS teachers and students worked tirelessly to ensure the day went without any hitches. For many, this was their first experience of such a big event, with almost 500 people coming by to play, watch or help.

It was good to see so many of our ACS (International) alumni at the event. Many took the day as an opportunity to catch up with their old classmates and former teachers, plus to walk around school to take in the many changes that have occurred since their time with us.

DLC has always been about remembering Darren Loh, his love for football and his charitable nature. All three objectives were met and through everyone's efforts, \$7,200 was raised for The Rainbow Centre.

As ever, the event would not have been a success without the continued support of Mrs Angela Loh and Mr David Loh. This year's event was jointly sponsored by Samsui Supplies & Services, Founder Bak Kut Teh, Hot Pot Pin, JP Pepperdine, Mr Brian Kwan, Mr Willie Ng and our ever-supportive PSP.

Thanks also to all CKS teachers and students who were in school from 7:30am until 6:30pm on that Saturday, helping to manage the event and doing whatever that had to be done to make the day a successful one. Final thanks to Anahita Bhesania, Sana Bhadelia and Muzainy Shahiefisally, all from 5CKS, who planned, executed and managed the event. Without their amazing leadership, the day would not have run as smoothly as it did.

Thanks again to all participants and volunteers. See you all next year for DLC VII!

The CKS DLC team

Results

- U19 champions: Big Ballers
- Open champions: Daddies FC
- Mixed champions: Bork



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About Rainbow Centre, Singapore

Rainbow Centre Singapore serves infants, children and youths with a diverse range of developmental and learning needs. This includes autism spectrum disorder (ASD) and multiple disabilities, which may involve physical, visual and/or hearing impairments.

Founded in 1992, Rainbow Centre currently runs two Special Education (SPED) schools for students aged 7-18 years and two Early Intervention Programme (EIP) centres for children aged 2 months to 6 years, at two campuses – Margaret Drive and Yishun Park.

Rainbow Centre is a registered charity with the Registry of Societies and an Institution of a Public Character under the Charities Act.

Learn more about Rainbow Centre at www.rainbowcentre.org.sg



Mobile Awareness Campaign 2018

Our first ever Mobile Awareness Campaign kicked off in July and August 2018! To teach students a more responsible approach to using their mobile phones, our campaign took place over two consecutive Tutor Time lessons on 19 and 26 July, and culminated in a “Mobile Awareness Day” on 2 August.



The campaign activities enabled us to focus on the responsible use of our mobile phones for both academic and social purposes. They supported our learning of “Digital Citizenship”, an important and much discussed topic among our peers. All House Tutors prepared a “Digital Citizenship” resource booklet filled with activities and we assisted in facilitating the discussion, as it was part of our CAS project.



Our “Mobile Awareness Day” was jam packed with exciting lunch activities that included board games in the Student Centre and sports activities in the Hall during both Junior and Senior lunch time. There was even a Cell Phone Prison on the stage for us to jump in and take polaroid shots!



Overall, it was an engaging, interactive and meaningful way for all of us to learn how to use our mobiles phones more responsibly.

Year 5 CAS Project Student Leaders



Interact Club Service Activities

Rotary Networking Dinner with District Governor

On 8 August, our Interact Club student leaders had the wonderful opportunity to network with the District Governor and Rotarians at the Rotary Club Networking Dinner. Held at the Serangoon Country Club, our Interactors gave a fantastic presentation on the service projects that we have been involved in for 2018, and also shared our plans for 2019. The Rotary Club President and District Governor were very impressed and gave us excellent feedback, which is posted on the Rotary's official Facebook Page.



We would be continuing our collaboration with the Rotary Club in 2019, as we greatly appreciate the invaluable networking opportunities indeed!



Interact Club Student EXCO Committee



Rotary Club Changi added 25 new photos.
30 mins · 📷

DG'S VISIT

DG Henry Tan and District First Lady Ellen visited our Club on 8 Aug 2018. Accompanying the DG was AG Matthew Yong. Henry held sessions with our President Julian, Hon-Sec Dennis and PE Jimmy. He then met up with our Interactors. The Interactors from ACS International headed by President Eriel Pang were accompanied by Teacher / Interact Teacher Advisor Mattie Annette Jackson and Caroline Heng as well as their External Project Coordinator Willie. The students gave an impressive presentation of the service projects they have carried out not only here but in Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia. Interactors from Fuchun also came for the function accompanied by Interact Teacher Advisors Jasmine Lwa and Sivakumar Murugaya. DG gave encouragement to our Interactors.

During the meeting President Julian updated us on the exploratory trip to Cambodia to help Lavalla School which was set up to give the handicapped a skill to make a living. DG mentioned our active fellowship and urged our Club to continue giving to the Rotary Foundation and to recruit new members. Henry Tan did us the honor of pinning the PHF pins President Julian (PHF + 4) and PE Jimmy (PHF + 9 i.e. a major donor).

The meeting was followed by dinner. During the dinner we sang our national anthem as it was the eve of our National (Independence) Day. We (including our spouses) were dressed in red and white our national colours. A birthday cake to celebrate our nation's 53rd birthday was cut. We had an enjoyable time and with good food we are enthused to explore ways to help LaValla School and other areas.

Learning Journey to Mediacorp

On 17 August, as part of our Media and Communication curriculum, a group of us, including three visiting Taiwanese exchange students, got the opportunity to tour Mediacorp and Channel News Asia studios.

We had a fantastic time trying our hand at acting in a TV drama, and being a radio DJ, a Channel News Asia newscaster and a magazine cover personality. We also enjoyed an exclusive dialogue session with the Editor of News Radio 93.8FM.



It was an interactive and hands-on learning experience for all of us and nothing beats seeing how news is created "live" right in front of our eyes! It definitely took our learning to a whole new level.

Year 3 ESOL students



Model United Nations Conference

From 9 to 11 August, a delegation from ACS (International) had the opportunity to participate in NPSMUN. The MUN is a simulation of the United Nations which requires students to debate and discuss issues of global significance. Attending an MUN conference allows students to develop advanced communication skills as well as to enrich their knowledge and understanding of current affairs.



NPSMUN was a wonderful experience for the six students who proudly represented our school: Pei Han Lu, Nicolle Tan, Karan Attal, Kishoraan Sivananthan, Gurnihal Singh and Ayushi Lahiry. After three days of debating about topics such as institutional racism, AI and the economy, and the impact of the OBOR initiative on the economy, it is safe to say that the six of us bonded with the delegates in our committee quite well, made numerous friends, grew our respective Instagram follower bases exponentially and learned a lot about issues that will be up to our generation to solve.



Ayushi



Gurnihal



Pei Han

A big congratulations to Pei Han and Nicolle on their first MUN, and to Ayushi for winning "Best delegate" in the ECOSOC committee.

The Envoy team

Language Week

This year's Language Week was held from 30 July to 3 August, with activities organised across as many as nine languages – Chinese, Malay, Tamil, Hindi, French, Spanish, German, Korean and Vietnamese. The highlight was undoubtedly a multilingual skit *Airport Adventure*, a combined effort by students using five languages, showcased during assembly.

As is typical of Language Week, we opened with Learn-a-Phrase in the morning, and a third language workshop where Year 1 students got to experience a new language from another culture. Workshops included French Football, Korean Jegi, Malay Games & Songs, Latin America Places of Wonder, Indian Traditional Costume, and Vietnamese Language.

A game Language Trail was organised for students to solve problems using learnt knowledge of languages, for example, counting one to ten in Spanish, saying hello in less known languages, and learning a Korean jiggle. Creative Writing and Talent Show competitions were held too. We received a wide variety of entries from students, ranging from Lego Animation to Chinese poetry that displayed the students' creative stride in an elegant fashion, as they imbued their personal touch to their literary works. Special thanks to the PSP for sponsoring the prizes.

The Language Week would not have been possible without the hard work of teachers and students involved, but the efforts paid off when we recognised the diversities we represented through our languages.



International Day

International Day was celebrated after the National Day assembly on 8 August. Students left the Sports Hall and were greeted by the wonderful smell of food from around the world. Tacos, Prawn Cakes, Toppoki, Ramle Burgers, and many more items were donated by PSP. Students were treated to free food samples from eight different countries.

The food stalls, New Block classrooms, and one performance tent were set up to promote a carnival atmosphere. All students received a passport to document the experience as they walked around participating in all the activities.

At the main stage, emceed by Pannapa (Mook) in Year 5, the school was entertained by a mix of music, dance, and instruments from around the world. Multiple CCA groups including the Gu Zheng, Guitar, Contemporary Singers, and Dance performed. Individual students also sang, danced, and performed in bands.

Students also were able to visit eight cultural rooms organised and led by students. A group of students in international dress performed and led fellow students in activities. Students played games, danced, made Origami, rolled chapatis, tasted treats, and learned to write their name in various languages. The cultural rooms included Indonesia, Vietnam, Japan, Korea, China, Thailand, and Punjabi. A new addition this year was learning to dance the Flamenco Dance from Ms Tania Goh, a Spanish Dance instructor.

The day finished with another new addition – a final performance sponsored by the Punjabi Club. Mr Burrough was a great sport getting up on stage and leading a dance with a Bhangra group.

Thanks to PSP for the generous gift of food and for helping to set up, run, and tear down the food stalls. Thanks to all the parents, teachers, and students who put in many hours to make International Day a fun experience for all.



A Melody Fantasy Came True

On 19 August, “Melody Fantasy” took place at the Victoria Concert Hall, featuring the ACS (International) Philharmonic Orchestra. The orchestra played music from various different genres, encompassing classical, romantic, and especially modern film music. The concert opened with the exuberating and uplifting tune to Brahms’s Academic Overture, before separate sections of the orchestra showed their talents by playing individual pieces. In addition, the ACS (International) Contemporary Singers group guest performed a rendition of the melody of “Les Misérables”.



It was incredibly heartening and encouraging to see the orchestra flourish even after most of the Year 6s have stepped down to focus on their academics. Prior to Term 3, the membership of the orchestra was at stake as the Year 6s form a large part of the orchestra. However, I was delighted to see that the younger junior students have risen to take our places, even though they may not be the most advanced player or the most experienced in playing for public audiences.



It was just as emboldening to see the evolvement of the Acapella CCA into the Contemporary Singers group, as the music scene in our school has been lacking a platform for group singers to perform and be recognised as a CCA. The high quality of music performed has given me confidence that the standard of music ability in our school will continue to rise in the coming years.



It was definitely a evening filled with a plethora of melodies that allowed us (as audience) to be transported to a fantasy world of another kind. On the behalf of the orchestra, I would like to extend my gratitude to our conductor, Mr Lim Soon Lee, Ms Samantha Chong and other music teachers for maintaining and increasing the standard of our orchestra. Thanks also to the teachers-in-charge Ms Carol Ling, Mdm Josephine Toe, Ms Grace Lim, Mr Chang Weng Moon and Mr Lim Tse Ren for supporting the orchestra endlessly and for helping make this evening of fantasy a reality.

*Teo Kai Hui (Kathleen), 6 TKK
Former Concertmistress (2017–2018)*



Visiting Students from Sookmyung Women's University

On 8 August, eight Korean students from Sookmyung Women's University visited the Languages Faculty to learn how Chinese is taught as a foreign language to our international students. Coincidentally, we were in the midst of celebrating the various cultures present in our school, through International Day. So along with questions posed, the Korean students were able to see how our students mingled and learnt different cultures and languages from each other.



The visit started off with introductions and short questions the students had about foreign language learning. It was followed with a tour, allowing them to watch first-hand how our students were teaching one another different languages in the various "country/language" rooms. Touring the school, they were able to see the environment our students learn in, intrigued by the space of learning as well as the way our students learnt in tandem. Moreover, they were able to taste-test the varieties of international food we had set up for the celebrations.

Before ending this memorable morning, our principal, Mr Burrough concluded with a short speech, expressing how it had been our pleasure to have them visit. One of the students said: "It's pleasant to visit such a wonderful school. Through this visit, I am very inspired by the students who study hard and do leadership work. Also, I am able to learn more about the international school education system, IB course, and how students learn foreign languages. It's an amazing experience for all of us! Thank you."



SPORTS NEWS

Inter-House Netball and Football Competitions

The annual Inter-House Netball and Football competitions were held on Wednesday, 15 August. All houses were well represented with teams in Junior, Middle and Senior Divisions.

Results of the competition are as follows:

Netball

Junior Division		Middle Division		Senior Division	
1st	CKS	1st	CKS	1st	Thoburn
2nd	LSG	2nd	SVM	2nd	TKK
3rd	Thoburn	3rd	TKK	3rd	CKS
4th	TKK	4th	LSG	4th	SVM
5th	TCT	5th	TCT	5th	LSG
6th	Oldham	6th	Oldham	6th	Oldham
7th	GHK	7th	GHK	7th	GHK
8th	SVM	8th	Thoburn	8th	TCT

Football

Junior Division		Middle Division		Senior Division	
1st	TCT	1st	TKK	1st	CKS
2nd	TKK	2nd	TCT	2nd	Thoburn
3rd	Oldham	3rd	SVM	3rd	Oldham
4th	Thoburn	4th	GHK	4th	SVM
5th	CKS	5th	CKS	5th	GHK
6th	LSG	6th	LSG	6th	LSG
7th	SVM	7th	Thoburn	7th	TKK
8th	GHK	8th	Oldham	8th	TCT



UPCOMING EVENTS

September	EVENT
3 - 14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Term Break
3 - 13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Japan CAS Trip
17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Term 4 Begins
24 - 29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wellness Week
27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Elevate Session Year 4s (3:15pm-4:30pm)
29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Choice To Run (8:30am-12:30pm)
October	EVENT
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 4 Leavers Assembly Publish of EOY Report



IB Diploma Graduation Ceremony 2018

The Principal Mr Rob Burrough, along with the Staff and Students of ACS (International), warmly invite you to attend the Graduation Ceremony of the Class of 2018.

Friday 16 November 2018
 5.30pm (Please be seated by 5.20pm)
 Lim Seng Guan Sports Hall
 61 Jalan Hitam Manis, Singapore 278475

Dinner will be served at Lim Seng Guan Sports Hall following the ceremony.



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