



ACS (INTERNATIONAL) NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents, Students and Friends

As we prepare to publish this newsletter, the Coronavirus outbreak continues to dominate everything both at school as well as in Singapore generally, and indeed globally. The rapid rate of infection increase is of major concern as we all seek to keep our whole school community safe, and maintain a high quality teaching and learning programme.

As stated a number of times, we are following the guidelines of the Ministry of Health, the Ministry of Education and the International SOS (our professional international risk management company) in order to minimise any chance of infection. We have instituted a number of precautions including suspending large gatherings such as assemblies, Chapel, Open House, Sports Day and the like; and we have daily temperature readings of all students on arrival at their Tutor Group every morning. We trust that everyone in the school community has been receiving the "Coronavirus Updates" via email. If not, then please contact our IT Department at it@acsinternational.edu.sg. The latest Coronavirus update can be accessed [here](#).

This Thursday's Devotion to the school over the tannoy system focussed on the Coronavirus and referred to Psalm 46 which says that "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble". The reality is that there will be difficult times, but God promises to be our refuge in the midst of them. We certainly pray that He will protect us all and bring a swift end to this pandemic.

The Coronavirus has overshadowed a number of very positive events in the school. The recently released November 2019 IGCSE results were our second best in recent years with a 93.3% pass rate and 53% Distinction (A and A*) passes. Our congratulations to both students and staff on these fine results, and special congratulations to the 45 students who did not gain direct admission to the IB Programme through their Prelim examinations but gained entry via IGCSE through gaining at least 2As, 2 Bs and 2C grades. For further details, see elsewhere in this newsletter.

The 2019 IBDP results were published in the last newsletter. Since that publication, over 50 students out of 159 have had at least one IB grade increased as a result of appeal, and all Chemistry Internal Assessment grades were scaled up. On one hand this is wonderful news, but on the other there is cause for concern about the consistency and quality of the original IBDP marking.

The other pleasing statistic to draw to your attention is that our school roll currently stands at 1076 – our highest ever. We have had to create one extra Year 1 class plus add extra subject classes at higher levels. This has put some strain on our resources but the high demand for places is pleasing in that it indicates confidence in the school among the wider community.

We continue to pray God's protection over us all, and wish everyone well in keeping safe and practising good hygiene at this testing time.

Rob Burrough
Principal



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KNOW ?**

The ice cream cone was introduced in 1904

Coronavirus Update

Thank you for your support as we continue to provide a safe and meaningful teaching and learning programme for our school community as the Coronavirus outbreak continues. The Ministry of Education (MoE) has outlined Additional Precautions to be implemented by schools. We have already been implementing some of these additional measures (e.g. no whole school assemblies and staggered lunch times), but we have now also introduced a number of additional measures. A summary of our precautions are as follows:

- We have defined a “large gathering” in the MoE notice to be 100 people.
- Whole school assemblies and Chapel *suspended* (no change)
- In light of point 1 above, the following are therefore *suspended*:
 - House meetings
 - House camps
 - Sports Day
 - Year 2 History Movie Showing ‘1917’ at Clementi
- Founder’s Day and ACSpirit de Corps celebrations are put *on hold* (the other ACS schools have also placed their Founder’s Day celebrations on hold at this stage).
- Also *on hold*: Open House and Whole School PTM – whether to proceed, we will confirm at a later date.
- Year 5 CAS Service trips and other international trips in the May/June holidays have been placed *on hold* (we will not pay the external providers any monies to secure bookings at this stage but will hold the cheques and we would hope to re-book flights and land bookings as soon as the outbreak is over and travel is safe).
- The March Ski Trip to Europe in the March holidays may still proceed on a voluntary basis. The forthcoming parents information meeting will proceed.
- CCAs may continue. Sporting CCAs are subject to International Schools’ ACSIS agreed protocols.
- Daily temperature testing in Tutor Groups to continue.
- School visitors are still required to complete the recent travel history declaration form and have their temperature checked at the guard house. Those who have travelled to Mainland China and/or those with a temperature of 38 degrees or higher are not allowed entry.
- We also ask that parents and guardians refrain from coming in to the school to reduce the number of unnecessary movements. Parents are not allowed to drive their cars on to the school property to collect or drop off students.
- Staff and students who are unwell are to see a doctor and those with a cough or similar must wear a mask. We continue to remind students about personal hygiene and regular hand washing.
- Staff have been reminded to keep focused on teaching and learning, and provide those away with relevant e-learning materials. Tests and other assessments continue but those students away from school will not be disadvantaged if they are on LOA or Parent Approved Absence. (As per school policy, students absent on the day of the test may still complete the assessment at a later date (or by distance) but the grades do not count towards a formal grade).



IGCSE 2019 Examination Results

IGCSE Results	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Pass Rate %	90	91	92	92	95	92.5	93.3
Distinction %	45	48	53	50	57	49	53

In the November 2019 IGCSE examination, students of ACS (International) scored a 93.3% pass rate, our second best result in recent years. Distinction passes (A and A*) were also our second best at 53%. Most students improved significantly on their Prelim results.

Fifteen students in the 156 strong cohort gained all Distinction passes (A * or A) – compared to 15 last year and 14 the year before. The top performing students who each gained 100% Distinction passes were Fahim Mohammed, Gweon Sujin, Lenard Oh Tzo Jue, Lucas Leong Joe-Yii, Chantel Chesney, Stephanie Tsang Miao Zi, Samuel Goh Jun-En, Rohan Kishore Buxani, Wu Yanyu, Le Quoc Thai, Anna Kong Min Yi, Natalie Chew Jiaxian, Vivian Hu Xin Hui, Joshua Chang Jun Wei and Aidan-Mier Singh Grewal.

Top performing subjects included Additional Mathematics, Drama, French, Global Perspectives, Music and Physical Education with 100% pass rates; followed by Mathematics 98.7%, Chemistry 96.2%, English Literature 94.7% and Physics, 94.3%. The highest percentage of distinctions were in French (100%), Physical Education (75.9%), Chemistry (71.2%), Mathematics (65.4%), Physics (63.2%) and English Literature (60.5%).

Top in the World results will be released later in the year. The school has gained 20 of these prestigious awards over the previous 10 years in English Literature, English Language, Economics, Mathematics, Additional Mathematics, Geography, Physical Education and Chinese.

We congratulate both students and staff on the high quality IGCSE results.

NOTICES

PEAKS Assessment for Years 1, 1B, 4 & 5

Year 1 and 1B Students

A reminder that students are required to complete the assessment in school (see schedule below).

Class	Schedule
1U	11 February, Tuesday, 8:45am–10:55am [Periods 1 & 2]
1V	11 February, Tuesday, 12:50pm–3:00pm [Periods 4 & 5]
1X	12 February, Wednesday, 8:45am–10:55am [Periods 1 & 2]
1W	12 February, Wednesday, 12:50pm–3:00pm [Periods 4 & 5]
1Z	13 February, Thursday, 8:45am–10:55am [Periods 1 & 2]
1Y	13 February, Thursday, 12:50pm–3:00pm [Periods 4 & 5]
1B	14 February, Friday, 8:45am–10:55am [Periods 1 & 2]

An email was sent to all parents/guardians and students on Friday, 31 January. Please refer to the email for more details. Students who know in advance that they can't make it for their allocated slot are to see Ms Magdalene, PEAKS Co-ordinator, in the General Office between 10 and 13 February (during Junior Lunch break or 3pm-4:30pm) for rescheduling.

Smaller-group Post-Briefing sessions will be scheduled within this month, where students will receive a copy of their profile and be shown how to read it. Details at a later date.

Year 4 and selected Year 5 Students

All Year 4 (including Foundation IB and Pre IB) students are required to take the assessment. **Year 5 students who:**

- joined the school in 2020;
- completed Foundation IB/Pre IB in 2019; and
- joined the school in 2018 (but did not take the assessment in February 2018 together with the Year 3 cohort) will have to take the assessment as well.

An email with details on how to take the assessment will be sent to all parents/guardians and students by mid of next week. Students will complete the assessment on their laptop/home desktop in their own time outside of school hours by **Monday, 17 February, 11:59pm**.

Smaller-group Post-Briefing sessions will be scheduled in March, where students will receive a copy of their profile and be shown how to read it. Details at a later date.

For clarification, please contact Ms Magdalene Ng at magdalene.ng@acsinternational.edu.sg or look for her in the General Office.

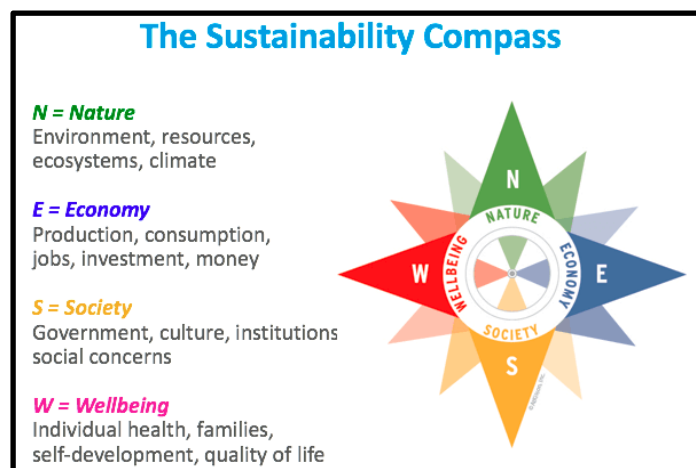


Sustainability at Our School

The Sustainability CCA is a new Interest Groups CCA which aims to educate and act for a sustainable future by embracing a whole school community approach to sustainability education. A common understanding of our objective is facilitated through the adoption of our school's IGNITE Values, the IB Learner Profile and the Sustainability Compass, which emphasises the need for balance between nature, economy, society and well-being.

In 2020, the Sustainability CCA will focus on the following seven projects:

- Upcycling (Sewing/Knitting/Crocheting)
- Advertising/Merchandise/Education
- Pink Bin Recycling (for paper only)
- Blue Bin Recycling/Eco bricks
- Single Use Plastics
- Clothing/Sport Equipment Donations
- Gardening



Everyone has a role in to play in recycling. We now have an **e-waste recycle bin**, located in the Library, for items such as batteries and other e-waste materials that fit in the drop slot. **Five blue bins** have been placed on campus for recycling metal, plastic and glass. Please make sure there are no fluids in the containers. **One pink bin** for recycling paper is available in each classroom.

We are also seeking donations for our Upcycling project and Gardening project. If you have pre-loved knitting needles, sewing supplies, gardening gloves, small hand fork and trowel, you can donate them to a good cause by dropping them off at Reception, General Office. Please do not purchase new items to donate.

We will work closely with established groups within our community to develop systems of continuity for a more sustainable future at our school. Thank you for helping to make our campus and community more sustainable.

Student Policies

Policies that are relevant to students can now be found on the school website under **Life At ACS**. Families and students are encouraged to go through these in order to better understand the policies that are applicable to their time at ACS (International). For now, the policies listed are as follows:

- Code of Conduct – Students
- Intercultural Learning Policy
- International Education Policy
- Student Leaving Campus Policy
- Student Mobile Device Policy
- Student Social Media Policy
- General Matters
- Attendance Matters

More policies will be released in this segment as and when they are completed so do stay tuned.



EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

IBDP Induction 2020

On 8 January, about 120 Year 5 students reported to school. The 2020 induction programme was carried out in several sessions over two weeks.

During the first induction session, using the acronym “ACS”, Mrs Tan Siew Hoon, Vice Principal (Senior Division), spoke to the IB students about keeping their eyes on their aspirations, giving consistent commitment as well as developing a well-balanced lifestyle for sustainability over the next two years to thrive in Diploma programme. Mrs Rita, Head of Higher Education and Careers, then briefed the students on matters relating to subject choices for university courses.

Part Two of the induction on 14 January began with Ms Carol Ling, IB Coordinator, sharing on the specific aims and assessment objectives of IBDP as well as the Approaches to Learning (ATL), which spells out the research, social, thinking, communication and self-management skills which students will develop during the programme. The session included a presentation by ACS (International)’s 2019 top 45-point perfect scorer, Gautam Ramasamy who gave personal insights into his learning journey and shared effective learning tips.

Following, an in-depth introduction to an IB core – CAS (Creativity, Action, Service) and ManageBac was facilitated by Ms Jamuna Madhav, CAS Coordinator. A few 2019 IB graduates were present to share on CAS projects and writing reflections on ManageBac. During the Q&A session, they provided helpful advice on how to fulfil CAS requirements while managing other challenging aspects of the IB curriculum.

Details of the 2020 overseas service trips were presented by Ms Jasmine Lee for the students’ consideration. Six trips have been planned for the June holidays: Laos, Vietnam, Cambodia, Bali, Lijiang (China), and Zimbabwe. *(Note: Due to the Coronavirus situation, these trips are currently put on hold.)*

The second intake of about 50 Year 5 students were welcomed on 17 January with subject option consultation, an introduction to IBDP, and a higher education seminar with a Q&A session.



A Unique Lunar New Year Celebration

This year, the Lunar New Year (LNY) organising committee decided to hold the usual whole-school LNY celebrations on the 7th day of the New Year instead of holding it on the eve of the LNY school break. And then the outbreak of the Wuhan coronavirus put everything to a stand-still. Well, almost everything.

On 31 January, ACS (International) started the morning with a loud bang (literally) – the beating of the drums and the clanging of the cymbals brought two beautiful “lions” to life as they performed around the school campus and reminded us we should not forget to celebrate.

Although the planned student performance items could not take place as part of the school's measures not to hold mass assemblies in light of the Wuhan coronavirus outbreak, we are still proud to share a video made by Year 4 students on the school Facebook page <https://youtu.be/xLLQgRj20fE> and to announce the winners of the LNY Poster Competition. Top winners are Cheng Xirui (5 Thoburn) and Isabella Huen Sen Vun (1 GHK), among 10 pieces of selected works.

Even though the celebration did not run as planned, the LNY Organising Committee would like to thank the following students for their efforts:

Main Committee:

Vahidy Rayyaan Ahsan, 6 TKK; Tan Hng Hon, 6 TKK

Emcees:

Tian Wei, 5 Thoburn; Vahidy Rayyaan Ahsan, 6 TKK; Yang Jiwon, 6 Oldham; Kamal Sandhu Dahnya, 6 TCT

Song performance:

Mei Yazhu, 5 CKS; Tamaara Shanmugaratnam, 3 Oldham

Taekwondo performance:

Keum Minjae, 6 SVM; Darren Yap, 4 TKK

Gymnastics performance:

Asumi Yamano, 4 TKK; Saya Ruchiev, 4 Thoburn

We are still hopeful that we will "get a plentiful year" and most important of all, may we all be blessed with good health. 祝愿大家鼠年吉祥，身体健康。



Isabelle Huen Sen Vun (1 GHK)



Xu Xinwen (4 TKK)

Yang Jie (4 CKS)

Li Jia (4 LSG)

Zheng Jiayi (4 Thoburn)





Tian Wei (5 Thoburn)



Koh Victoria (1 Oldham)



Vivian Hu Xin Hui (5 TCT)



Tay Kye Lin (1 LSG)



Singapore Cultural Orientation Tour I

On 18 January, the International Student Committee (ISC), along with the two International Pastoral Co-ordinators (IPCs) Mdm Chin and Mdm Goh and three PSP members (Ms Debra Leong, Ms Josephine Oei and Ms Akiko Yokota), organised a Cultural Orientation Tour for all the international students who were new to Singapore in order to introduce to them some of the vast diversity of cultures in Singapore. It was a good turnout of 74 new international students.

Initially, we started with bonding activities within small groups led by up to three members of the ISC, and had a buffet breakfast before embarking on our tour.

As part of the trip, we went to Chinatown, Little India, and Kampong Gelam. We were able to experience many things: in Chinatown, some of us were able to visit a street market and purchase traditional Chinese snacks, while others visited cafés and eateries and were able to enjoy a meal. Some of us were able to enter a Buddhist temple and see its interior.

At Little India, we watched a documentary detailing the many experiences and struggles of Indian immigrants in Singapore's early years in both English and Tamil. We also explored the Indian Heritage Centre, a museum filled with artefacts and statues of famous people and were able to get insights as to how Indian culture took shape and rooted itself in Singapore.

Finally, we visited Kampong Gelam and sensed the inviting ambience as it pulled us in. The array of colourful houses, and the smell of spices and the joyful energy radiating from the people demonstrated the lively Malay culture. Here, we got to explore a park and charming shops and narrow streets and absorb the way of life.



Student Reflections

I am very happy and glad to have joined the Singapore Cultural Orientation Tour. First, I had a buffet breakfast at school and it was pretty good. After that, we went to Chinatown, Little India and Kampong Gelam which are very beautiful and attractive. I ate many types of food in Chinatown, and they were delicious. Moreover, I had the opportunity to make friends with a few friendly girls, and was able to become more open-minded. It was a great and memorable trip.

Lam Ngoc Mai, 2 TTK (Vietnamese)

Throughout this orientation, I got to know more about the cities in Singapore and about international cultures. Also, it was a great opportunity to get to know other people of the same nationality. All the leaders and my group members were really nice and I had a great time.

Hana Kitanishi, 4 LSG (Japanese)

Going to Kampong Gelam was a great experience for me. It was a first and I do not usually get to go to these places. Also, this was a wonderful opportunity to meet new people and to make a lot of friends.

Arnav Parag Salkade, 6 TTK and Sharma Kaustav, 4 TCT (both Indian)

Even though at first I didn't want to go because I thought it was rather boring than exciting, I am glad that I joined the trip. I got to experience a bit of Chinese, Malaysian and Indian atmosphere and culture. I also met new friends from different countries! So, overall I enjoyed this Cultural Orientation trip!

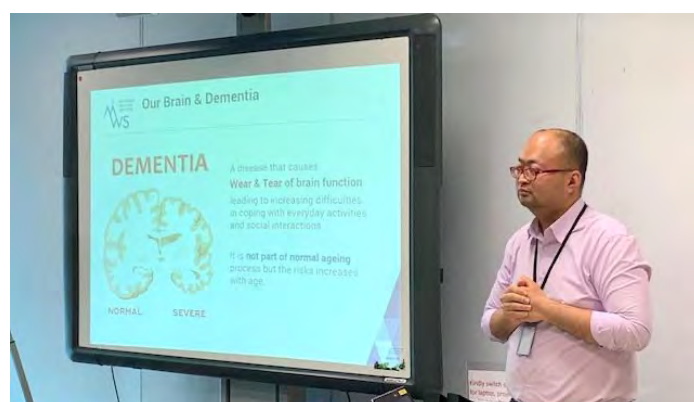
Ruben Rusianto Lau, 2 SVM (Indonesian)



Elderly “Befriending” Briefing

On 22 January, 20 student volunteers from the Ambassadors, TTK House and Interact Club attended a briefing session conducted by the Methodist Welfare Services (MWS) in the Seminar Room, Library. The aim of the session was to provide our students with practical tips on how to be “befrienders”, in preparation for our upcoming termly visits to the Bethany Nursing Home.

Mr Eric Hu from MWS began by sharing useful information about the growing ageing population in Singapore, many of whom would need our help and support. As the majority of the beneficiaries in Bethany Nursing Home are elderly, our students learnt how to befriend the elderly; acquired strategies for interacting with patients with dementia; and also gained practical advice on how to handle a wheelchair. All these tips would definitely come in handy and ensure that our students would have a more enriching volunteering experience with the beneficiaries.



TCT House Charity Visit

On 17 January, a group of TCT students and staff headed to the Methodist Welfare Service (MWS) centre to spend quality time with the senior citizens.

Surrounding the theme of Lunar New Year, we made origami lanterns with them, stimulating their creativity and hand-eye coordination. The elderly were so excited when they heard it was a competition and that motivated the seniors and students to give their best in making the lanterns, besides having fun. Apart from giving out prizes to the top five lanterns, we gave out mandarin oranges to celebrate the festival.

This charity project was a great success as we saw passionate students coming together, doing something a little different from their normal routines, and having a great time with the senior citizens. Students also made the effort to communicate with the seniors to the best of their ability, overcoming the language barrier. Seeing smiles plastered on the seniors' faces, hearing their excited cheers for our next visit and hearing them tell us they had an amazing time encouraged us to do more for them in the near future.

We hope to see the same level of enthusiasm and House spirit from TCT students in all our upcoming projects. Go TCT!

Sheryl Tan and Lee Kai Shun, both from 6 TCT



The Hague International Model United Nations Conference

Nine students and two teachers left for Amsterdam on 25 January 2020 to participate in The Hague International Model United Nations (THIMUN) conference, which was held at the World Forum, Den Haag, 27 to 31 January.

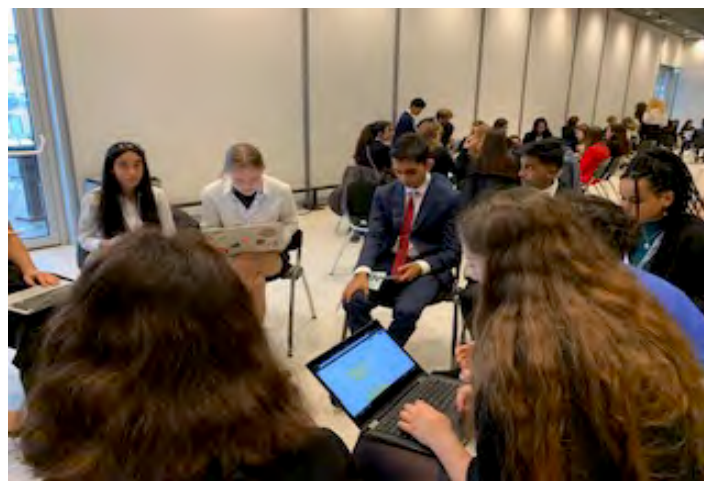


On the first day, 26 January, we were given the opportunity to sleep in a little as a form of recovery from the 14-hour long march that we had on the flight. After a hearty breakfast, we went on a tour of The Hague and Delft a town that was historically known as a fishing village. In Delft, we learned about the history of the city and were able to roam the streets for a short while and found some of the most interesting shops. For example we found a shop that made chocolate with a huge variety of flavours from crème brûlée to passion fruit. All the students on the trip were also really excited about all the scenic photos we were getting in the stunning city. After the photography session, we went to a restaurant that served delicious Gazpacho and Toast with cheese. We continued on our tour by returning to the city centre of The Hague and saw the historical significance of the area, namely the historic parliament building. From there, we continued on to Madurodam which has replicas of famous Dutch landmark. It was quite a lovely experience. Overall, the day was an extremely unique and enjoyable experience before the Model UN conference commenced.



27 January, the first day of THIMUN conference – we were all looking forward to experience the coveted conference. The day's plan was lobbying – this was the part of the conference where the delegates (including us) moved around and formed alliances with other countries and would work together to come up with a resolution on one of the pre-researched topics. This part of the conference can be either really easy if you find a good blog. However, if you were in a group of delegates who “drag their feet”, it can be extremely challenging. Although a cold lunch was provided at the conference, a lot of us decided that a warm lunch was worth what seemed like a nightmarishly long wait in the cold outside a food truck. After having eaten some of those delicacies, it was quite easy to say that those fried delicacies were worth it. Upon return from the conference, it was a ritual to go to Albert Heijn, a grocery store full of Dutch goodies. From the local favourite Strop waffles to French Madeline's, we were going crazy over the stuff. Finally, we closed out the evening by going to a lovely Italian restaurant called Vapianos, which will be remembered for its delicious pizza and tiramisu.

On the next day, Tuesday, we began to transition from lobbying, where we wrote and compiled ideas to solve the issues that we were assigned, to actually debating on all the collections of ideas (called “resolutions”). Energetic chatter and heated, informal discussions were replaced with silence as formal debate began with the first resolution being introduced. The room was teeming with excitement as delegates prepared to give speeches and submit amendments (changes to the resolution) for debate. Many of our delegates got the opportunity to publicly speak and critique in order to convince other delegates to vote one way or another, either in favour or against the resolution and to outline what could be improved. Overall, it was a constructive day where everyone felt the initial excitement of beginning to participate in the famed THIMUN.





Wednesday, however, was slightly different. Sessions in most committees (and all the committees our delegates were in) ended at 13:00 instead of the usual 17:00. Using this opportunity, we explored more of The Hague and visited some of its most famous landmarks and buildings. Greatest of all was the International Court of Justice, which we regrettably could not enter, as it was guarded by the Flame of World Peace. To cap off the night, we visited one of the Hague's piers, which was home to an amusement park above water, and possibly the coldest place we visited on the whole trip!

Ready to tackle the penultimate day of the conference (30 January), we were in high spirits, as resolutions were passing, and evocative queries were being asked by all of us. Many of us also managed to make speeches and amendments, all in hopes to make our resolution better. The day passed by rather rapidly with debating going on all around in the different committee rooms. As we ended our day, we were given some free time to go around as a group to grab some dinner wherever we wanted. Fate found us in the same Italian pizzeria that left a lasting imprint on us the first night in.

The next day, 31 January, started off in a calm frenzy as we rushed to get down to the lobby before breakfast with all our suitcases packed up. After a rather hasty breakfast, we made our way to the world forum conference centre for our final day at The Hague. The fact that it was our last day didn't hit us right until the very end, when we had to leave our newfound friends early, and skip the closing ceremony to catch our flight.

Overall, the experience has left a lasting imprint on all of us and we are all extremely glad that we went on this trip. A special thanks to our wonderful teachers Ms Sreemati Sen and Mr James Cope for being extremely understanding and fun to be around.

Gurnihal Singh, 5 CKS; Le Quoc Thai, 5 SVM and Ayush Deb, 5 TTK



ALUMNI NEWS

An e-Bouquet from a Former Student

In the recent 2019 IB results, ACS (International) has added to its accolades one 45 point perfect scorer, one 44 pointer and three students who scored 43 points. We are pleased to share the thank-you email sent to the sponsor of her IB scholarship by Chen Xingyu (former 6 Thoburn), our 44 point scorer, who agreed to the publication of the email.

We wish Xingyu all the best in her tertiary studies.



From: Xingyu CHEN

Sent: Wednesday, January 22, 2020 3:22 PM

To: Mr Anand

Cc: Rob Burrough - Principal

Subject: Thank You Letter

To Mr. Anand,

I am writing to thank you for your generous support for my high school education in ACS International. As the recipient of the Peter Anand Memorial Scholarship 2018-2019, I just graduated with a 44 point in IB program.

I felt very privileged to be sponsored to read the IB program in ACS International. These two years of education are crucial for my growth and development. The school provided me with plenty of opportunities which enabled me to be stretched in many aspects. I took up leadership role as a member of the Student Affairs Committee, helping in major school events. With the enthusiasm in piano performance, I also participated in the school's String Orchestra as a pianist and performed in various school events and concerts. These enriching experiences fostered my communication and collaboration skills. Meanwhile, the IB program challenged me to work hard to meet all the requirements including individual research essay, community services, internal assessments besides the final exams. The 2-year education journey in ACS cultivated my abilities not only in learning field, but also in balancing academic work and extra-curriculum activities, making me a self-disciplined, organised and well-rounded individual. Thanks to my knowledgeable and approachable teachers, and your generous support, I could finish IB program in ACS with 44 points over 45, which enables me to pursue higher education from top universities around the world.

Once again, I really appreciate your generosity in sponsoring my education in ACS. It lightened the financial burden on my family so that I could enjoy the school life in ACS and developed into a better person.

Sincerely,
Chen Xingyu



SPORTS NEWS

We are pleased to share the results of 2019/2020 ACSIS Season I as follows:

14U Boys Badminton (Div 2) 3rd Position

- Richard Sung
- Evan En Yew
- Abhay Malik
- Richard Sung
- Alan Yang
- Shaun Zhou
- Ishaan Arora
- Aasim Ali
- Aryan Asri
- Nigel Seow
- Daylen Kay

14U Girls Badminton (Div 2) 5th Position

- Angel Chang
- Sanjita Parashar
- Valerie Choo
- Mao Shimono
- Abirami Murti
- Li San Tan
- Krishna Gehlot
- Claudia Tan
- Manasa Lim
- Vera Yong
- Natsuki Miura
- Benetta Yu

14U Boys Rugby (Div 2) 1st Position

- Ishaan Arora
- Dennis Ng
- Luca Buchanan
- Kieran O'Rourke
- Clarence Chan
- Zachary Phua
- Kai Chan
- Jaden Png
- Cameron Chang
- Aryaman Shankar
- Joel Chua
- Bryan Sim
- Bill Jonothan
- Alan Yang
- Alexander Kato
- Robert James Yang
- Abhay Malik
- Harry Young

14U Girls Touch (Div 2) 2nd Position

- Chiara Buchanan
- Faye Setiawan
- Si Rei Chua
- Afreen Shaik
- Chloe Fong
- Jae Shien Soong
- Tiffany Lee
- Bethany Tan
- Stephanie Loh
- Nicole Tan
- Leanne Nair
- Natalie Tang
- Airi Narita (Aileen)
- Aglaia Teo
- Edelyn Ng
- Stephanie Westnedge
- Ayumi Sakaide
- Kristy Lim



16U Boys Football (Div 3) 4th Position

- Kentaro Akihara
- Joshua Chan
- Cameron Chang
- Khush Daryanani
- Vansh Dhar
- Luke Ho
- Roy Kawaguchi
- Jerry Leaw
- Louis Lim
- Rui Yi Lim (Josiah)
- Julian Liow
- Yi Yo Ng
- Exel Pang
- Kaito Sato
- Jeremy Sun
- Edric Tan
- Gabriel Tan
- Nishant Vats (Sunny)
- Darren Yap
- Rhys Yeo
- Ryan Chua
- Aryan Asri

16U Girls Volleyball A Team (Div 1) 3rd Position

- Aiko Yokota
- Yuiko Yokota
- Varalee Chaiphanichapun (Jasmine)
- Dhaniesha Jethani
- Chantel Chesney
- Saya Ruchiev
- Asumi Yamano
- Zoe Breen

19U Boys Volleyball C Team (Div 3) 3rd Position

- Ryon Chan
- Aden Chew
- Renguang Dong
- Donohue Foo
- Rikomei Suzuki
- Dominic Tan
- Russell Toh
- Yunan Zhang (Adam)

19U Boys Volleyball B Team (Div 3) 5th Position

- Kai Feng Tee
- Shannan Low
- Jakob Yoong
- Reynard Adidharma
- Elliot Sivarajan
- Ben Chiang
- Youngjune Heo
- Ashwin Laal
- Skylar Thiam



19U Boys Volleyball A Team (Div 1) 8th Position

- Justin Lee
- Sachi Kuttan
- Jin Kawaso
- Byron
- Sun Lehan
- Gautam Ramasamy
- David Ngien
- Kang San Tan

19U Girls Volleyball A Team (Div 2) 2nd Position

- Charlotte Chang
- Qianye Chen (Linda)
- Jia En Soh
- Yajing He (Yvonne)
- Judith Ho
- Emily Kreibisch
- Abigail Kastono
- Kim Jung Eun

19U Girls Volleyball B Team (Div 3) 5th Position

- Yasmin Darwalla
- Rachel Lee
- Iness Kuma
- Yuri Masuda
- Daning
- Chloe Chiang
- Shreya Sakhalhar
- Airi Narita (Aileen)
- Hong, Mingxi (Danny)
- Asumi Yamano
- Keira Tay
- Kim Jung Eun
- Yu Naifei (Vicky)

19U Boys Football (Div 2) 7th Position

- Iliyan Allana
- Joshua Lee
- Joshua Chan
- Andrew Gunawan
- Yokesh Kandasamy
- Minjae Keum
- Seungju Lee (Daniel)
- John Mao
- Ritesh R
- Rishikesh P
- Ryan
- Muzainy S
- Julian Tan
- Benjamin Ting
- Rayyaan Vahidy
- Jiwon Yang
- Jongwon Yang
- Ui Ogino
- Tarquin Loh



STA-SPEX 3rd Junior Age Group 2019 (16 to 24 Nov 2019)

- Kazuki Nogami; U16 Singles Best 16, U16 Doubles Champion



HIGHER EDUCATION NEWS

Job Shadowing Scheme for Years 5 and 6

The Higher Education and Careers department is pleased to announce the upcoming opportunity for job shadowing. Presently, there are over 50 companies in Singapore who are ACS (International)'s industry partners.

The Job Shadowing Scheme is designed for students to have the opportunity to work alongside professionals to gain actual work experience in their attached profession and industry. This is a unique and meaningful opportunity to learn and make informed decisions for their future career(s).

Period: 16 to 20 March 2020

Duration: 3 to 5 days

Location: Singapore, Korea (open to Korean students only),
Indonesia (open to Indonesian students only)

Application that was closed on 31 January was open to all Year 5 and Year 6 students, with preference given to Year 6 students since this is their final year in school and they will be applying for their undergraduate studies soon.

The areas of job shadowing are as follows:

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| • Architecture | • Law |
| • Arts | • Medicine |
| • Creative/Digital Media | • Medical Affairs |
| • Dentistry | • Optometry |
| • Early Childhood Education | • Public Relations |
| • Engineering | • Sales & Marketing / Events |
| • Finance | • Social work |
| • Infocomm Technology | • Theatre Production |

For more information, please email Ms Yap Lin Lin at linlin.yap@acsinternational.edu.sg Organisations who are open to collaborate with us may also contact Ms Yap.



UPCOMING EVENTS

February	Event
11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Higher Education Pathways for Year 6 students [CKS, GHK, LSG, Oldham Houses] (08:00–08:30) Class 1U NVR Test & PEAKS Assessment (08:00–10:55) Class 1V NVR & PEAKS Assessment (12:50–15:00)
12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Class 1X NVR Test & PEAKS Assessment (08:00–10:55) Class 1W NVR Test & PEAKS Assessment (12:50–15:00)
13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parents Prayer Group (08:00–09:00) Class 1Z NVR Test & PEAKS Assessment (08:00–10:55) Class 1Y NVR Test & PEAKS Assessment (12:50–15:00)
14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Class 1B NVR Test & PEAKS Assessment (08:00–10:55)
18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Higher Education Pathways for Year 6 students [SVM, TCT, Thoburn, TKK Houses] (08:00–08:30)
27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> IB Core – Year 5 (08:00–08:35) Founder's Day Rehearsal (15:30) [TBC]
28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Founder's Day celebration (08:00) [TBC] ACSpirit de Corps (11:00–13:00) [TBC]
March	Event
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Years 4, 5, 6 FIB and Pre IB Academic Enrichment Programme (Day 1) Years 1, 1B, 2, 3 and Pre IGCSE Normal Timetable
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Years 4, 5, 6 FIB and Pre IB Academic Enrichment Programme (Day 2) Years 1, 1B, 2, 3 and Pre IGCSE Normal Timetable



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Higher Education and Careers 2020 Important Dates

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Please take note of the compulsory attendance for the following events organised by the Higher Education Department.

Higher Education Fair 2020

Date: 6 April

Time: 3:00pm–5:00pm

All Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 students

Parents and Guardians are encouraged to attend.

Writing Effective Personal Statement and Essays for Year 6

Date: 18–21 May

Time: 3:15pm–4:45pm

Year 6 students only

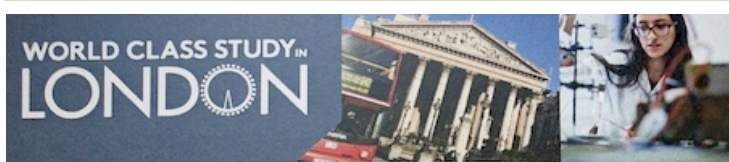
University Application Session for Year 6

Date: 25 July

Time: 8:00am–2:00pm

Year 6 students

Parents and Guardians are encouraged to attend.



Education exhibition in Singapore

Information, advice and guidance for prospective students

Date: **29 February & 1 March 2020**

Time: **11:00 – 17:00**

Venue: **Suntec Singapore Convention & Exhibition Centre**

Level 3
1 Raffles Boulevard
039593

The exhibition will include the following presentations on each day:

- 12:00 Introduction to UCAS
- 12:30 Engineering
- 13:00 Medicine & Biomedical Sciences
- 13:30 Laws
- 14:00 Introduction to Imperial College London
- 14:30 Introduction to King's College London
- 15:00 Introduction to UCL
- 15:30 Introduction to UCAS (repeated)

You are encouraged to register in advance for this event.

Further information and registration is available at:
<https://wclsingapore.eventbrite.co.uk>

Imperial College
London
www.imperial.ac.uk

KING'S
LONDON
www.kcl.ac.uk

UCL
www.ucl.ac.uk

2020 University Visits and Career Talks in School (Term 1)



The University of Melbourne:
Presentation on "Studying Humanities and Social Sciences at Uni of Melbourne"
Tuesday, 11 February 2020
12:10 pm – 12:45 pm
The Exchange Room @ Library
RSVP @ <https://tinyurl.com/ACS-UMelbourne2020>

Source of picture: <https://www.unimelb.edu.au/about-us>

Canadian Universities Tour
Monday, 17 February 2020
3:15 pm – 5:00 pm
Student Centre



Source of picture: <https://www.bbc.com/news/health-47708441>



Career Talk: Entrepreneurship
Wednesday, 19 February 2020
12:10 pm – 12:45 pm
Library
RSVP @ <https://tinyurl.com/careertalk-aci>

Source of picture: <https://www.entrepreneur.com/higher-education/career-talks/entrepreneurship-at-university>

University College London, Imperial College UOL and King's College UOL
Wednesday, 26 Feb 2020
12:10 pm – 12:45 pm
Library
RSVP @ <https://tinyurl.com/UCLImperialKings-ACS2020>



Source of picture: <https://www.imperial.ac.uk/about-us/visiting-us>

2020 University Visits and Career Talks in School (Term 1)

Career Talk: Cybersecurity
"Good guys versus bad guys"
Monday, 02 March 2020
12:10 pm – 12:45 pm
Seminar Room
RSVP @ <https://tinyurl.com/ACS-Cybersecurity2020>



Source of picture: <https://www.pymms.com/digital-security/2018/08/08/cybersecurity-101-what-is-cybersecurity-101/>



The University of Nottingham:
Presentation on "UCAS and Personal statement introduction"
Tuesday, 03 March 2020
12:10 pm – 12:45 pm
The Exchange Room @ Library
RSVP @ <https://tinyurl.com/uni-nottingham2020>

Source of picture: <https://www.universityofnottingham.ac.uk>

The University of Melbourne
Tuesday, 10 March 2020
12:10 pm – 12:45 pm
Booth at the School Canteen



Source of picture: <https://www.unimelb.edu.au/about-us>



University of California:
Presentation on University of California
Thursday, 12 March 2020
12:10 pm – 12:45 pm
The Exchange Room @ Library
RSVP @ <https://tinyurl.com/ACS-UCofCalifornia2020>

Source of picture: <https://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/>

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Spring 2020 School Program SAT Prep / Start: March 24th / Test Date: 2 May 2020

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6
Seminar 1 Orientation Tues 24 March 3:45 – 4:15 PM Diagnostic Test 1 4:15 – 7:30 PM	Seminar 2 Tues 31 March 3:45 – 6:45 PM Test Taking Techniques Grammar	Seminar 3 Tues 7 April 3:45 – 6:45 PM Algebra I Main Ideas and Finding Answers	Seminar 4 Tues 14 April 3:45 – 6:45 PM Algebra II Process of Elimination	Seminar 5 Tues 21 April 3:45 – 6:45 PM Diag 2 Review	Spotlight 5 Monday 27 April 6:00 – 9:00 PM Essay Test Taking Techniques 2
	Spotlight 1 Wed 1 April 6:00 – 9:00 PM Grammar Test Taking Techniques 1	Spotlight 2 Wed 8 April 6:00 – 9:00 PM Algebra I Reading Comp I	Spotlight 3 Wed 15 April 6:00 – 9:00 PM Algebra II Reading Comp II	Spotlight 4 Wed 22 April 6:00 – 9:00 PM Data Analysis/Geometry Expression of Idea	Seminar 6 Tues 28 April 3:45 – 6:45 PM Diag 3 Review
			Diagnostic Test 2 Saturday 18 April 12:30 – 4:00 PM (At SP Jain)	Diagnostic Test 3 Saturday 25 April 12:30 – 4:00 PM (At SP Jain)	Spotlight 6 Wed 29 April 6:00 – 9:00 PM Reading Review Writing Review Math Review

Seminar and Diagnostic Test Venue: **Anglo-Chinese School (International)**
Spotlight and Diag 2 & 3 Venue: **SP Jain School of Global Management**
Hyderabad Road off Alexandra Road near IKEA

Course Fee: S\$1050 including all materials.

More information and registration: <https://www.testtakers-sg.com/acs-int-sat>

SAT
Sat 2 May 2020



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Join us at the Study UK Roadshow!

Explore your study options with representatives from UK institutions

ACS (International)
Tuesday 3 Mar 2020
11.15 p.m. to 12.45 p.m.

List of participating UK Institutions at ACS (International) (as of 6 February 2020)

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| 1. University of Bath | 13. Queen Mary, University of London |
| 2. University of Birmingham | 14. Queen's University Belfast |
| 3. Cardiff University | 15. Royal Holloway, University of London |
| 4. City, University of London | 16. The Royal Veterinary College,
University of London |
| 5. Durham University | 17. University of Southampton |
| 6. University of Exeter | 18. University of Strathclyde |
| 7. Falmouth University | 19. University of Warwick |
| 8. Leeds Arts University | 20. University of York |
| 9. Loughborough University | 21. York St John University |
| 10. Newcastle University | 22. British Council |
| 11. The University of Manchester | |
| 12. University of Plymouth | |

This is a wrap-around event for our **Study UK Fair**, which will take place at **Suntec Convention Centre (Level 3)**, on **Saturday 29 February 2020, from 11.30 a.m. to 5 p.m.**

If you are interested in a UK education, this is an event not to be missed.

- More than 30 UK institutions at the exhibition
- A series of seminars with valuable information and tips for students and parents

For more on the **Study UK Fair**, please visit our website bit.ly/StudyUKFair2020Singapore

