



#### **Dear Parents, Students and Friends**

#### ACS (International) Students are Top of the World



IGCSE Top of the World once again! Our heartiest congratulations to Zhu Mengqi (Alice) and to Xue Anwen on their outstanding achievements in Economics and Mathematics respectively, gaining the top marks in these subjects in the November IGCSE 2015 examinations.

The best in the world awards are recognition of these students high academic ability and sustained hard work, particularly over the past two years. We also acknowledge the efforts of their teachers – Mrs Beena George in Mathematics, and Mr Jonathon Remmington and Mrs Alice Wong in Economics - in assisting, guiding and providing high quality teaching to their students.

Of course, we also congratulate the parents of these students who have nurtured, supported and encouraged the students to achieve this elite result. All the hard work and sacrifice is worth it. A wonderful Mother's Day gift for this Sunday!

These latest two awards continue an unbroken run of seven years in which ACS (International) students have gained Top of the World awards. Students have now gained 15 such awards in wide ranging subjects which include English Language, English Literature, Chinese, Geography, Physical Education, Additional Mathematics, Mathematics and Economics. We are very proud of both our high calibre students and high performing staff.

We also commiserate with those four students who were only one mark off a Top of the World award – in Mathematics, Additional Mathematics (2) and Chemistry.

The reality is that very few students are able to gain a Top of the World award despite working very hard, and having supportive, encouraging parents. We can, however, take encouragement from Romans 12:6 which says 'We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us.' The following verses go on to encourage us to use our different gifts to serve and benefit others, for in so doing we find fulfilment and satisfaction.

Last week we were able to recognise leadership giftings in many of our students at our annual Student Leadership Investiture. Our sincere thanks to the outgoing leaders for their sterling efforts, and good luck to the incoming leaders. Good luck also to the cast and crew of the School Production *Into the Woods*. See you there! May each and every student discover and use his or her unique gifts, and in so doing realise hopes, dreams and potential.

#### Rob Burrough



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'All that I am or hope to be I owe to my mother'

Abraham Lincoln

#### **NOTICES**

#### **PSP Project: International Day 2016**

"Food is a central activity of mankind and one of the single most significant trademarks of a culture" - Mark Kurlansky, Choice Cuts (2002)

We couldn't agree more! It is why PSP takes great pleasure in supporting International Day each year by organising a lunch spread of delicious food from around the world.

This year, a small but enthusiastic group of parent volunteers put in much effort in coming up with the food list, sourcing the items, preparing some of the dishes, making delivery arrangements, looking for volunteers and helping to set up the booths as well as sell the food on the day itself.

It was wonderful to meet new parent volunteers, catch up with seasoned volunteers and interact with the students and staff. As predicted, the pizzas, Mexican tacos and Malaysia's Ramly Burgers sold like hotcakes but we were heartened to see students enjoying Cold Noodles prepared by a group of our China Mums, Wada Pau and Puri with Cholay from India, Japanese sushi, classic British shepherd's pies, Southwestern chicken wings, cocktail sausages, cotton candy and churros from the Americas as well as local favourites - roti jala with chicken curry, chicken satay and kachang puteh.

The World Vision sampling table had a long queue of people eager to try tea leaves salad and hsanwin makin from Myanmar, fried momo from Nepal, bibingka and biko from the Philippines as well as baklava and sofra kebabs from Turkey.

To the parent volunteers who took the time and put in the effort to make the day a success, we say a heartfelt thank you! We hope to see you all again at future PSP events.

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#### **Building & Construction Authority Approval**

The school has recently been assessed as having Basic Accessibility by the government's Building and Construction Authority. We are able to provide access for able bodied persons and significant lift access to many parts of the school. We will work towards improving ramp and other access.

#### STUDENT SUCCESSES

# ACS (International) Students Achieve Top in the World Results for IGCSE

Two students from ACS (International) have topped the world in Mathematics and Economics in the recent Cambridge IGCSE, bringing the total number of such awards by our school to 15 in seven years.

Singaporean Zhu Mengqi has received Cambridge Top in the World award in Economics while Xue Anwen has received the same award for Mathematics. They join past Top of the World award winners in subjects like English Language, English Literature, Physical Education, Chinese and Geography.

The awards recognise the success of learners who have achieved the highest standard mark in the world for a single subject.



Zhu Mengqi (Alice) is an outstanding all-rounder. She is a school prefect, Secretary of the Ambassadors Leadership group, and a former captain of the Chinese Drama CCA where she was the script writer for last year's group which won a Distinction Award at the Singapore Youth Festival. As well as gaining a Top of the World award she gained nine A\* awards in the IGCSE examinations, and was only one mark away from Top of the World recognition in Mathematics and Additional Mathematics. She plans to

study Econometrics at the London School of Economics.

Xue Anwen was also only one mark off a Top of the World recognition in Additional Mathematics. Anwen is now studying in Australia.

#### A\*STAR Award



Congratulations to Year 5 student Evangeline Leong who has been awarded an elite Singapore A\*STAR award for 2016. The award has an annual allowance of S\$1,000 and all A\*STAR Science Awardees are provided with a full-time research attachment at an A\*STAR Research Institute for five weeks, from 21 November to 23 December 2016.

Evangeline gained the award due to her outstanding IGCSE results gaining 9 A\* grades.

#### Student Leaders' Investiture 2016

A Beacon of Truth and Light was held on 29 April. The outgoing Student Leaders were commended for their dedicated service to the school, and awarded with Certificates of Service. The incoming Student Leaders from the 3 Boards, 8 Houses, and 39 CCAs were presented their badges before the Head Boy and Head Girl led them in taking the Leaders' Pledge.

Our congratulations to the following school leaders on their appointments.



The 12<sup>th</sup> Prefectorial Board

N	Name	House	Position
1	Dhruv Uppal	GHK	Head Boy
2	Erin Ching	тно	Head Girl
3	Purinat Atipas	OLD	Deputy Head Boy
4	Wong Yu Wen	LSG	Deputy Head Girl
5	Kelly Lee	тст	Secretary
6	Lim Jia Jing	тно	President of Student Council
7	Koo Ja Hyun Leo	тст	President of Ambassadors
8	Matani Neha Nikhil	OLD	
9	Quek Xin Zhong Joshua	OLD	
10	Leo Yang Tzu Yi	OLD	
11	Antony Yang Tzu Hsien	OLD	Head of House
12	Naveen Vankat	тно	Head of House
13	Julianne Lee	CKS	Head of House
14	Lee Ann	LSG	Head of House
15	Marcus Koh	ткк	
16	Surabhi Surya	ткк	
17	Yang Xiyan	ткк	
18	Sean Low	ткк	Head of House
19	Evangeline Leong	тст	
20	Cho Yoon Ji Annie	тст	Head of House
21	Tanya Sanjay	GHK	Head of House
22	Xu Yingzhi	GHK	
23	Zhu Meng Qi (Alice)	GHK	

## The 6<sup>th</sup> Board of Ambassadors

No.	Name	Appointment
1.	Koo Ja Hyun (Leo)	President
2.	Chan Zin Wen	Vice President
3.	Zhu Mengqi (Alice)	Secretary
4.	Yang Xiyan	Treasurer
5.	Lim Mun Yiang	Head of Logistics
6.	Nicole Akemi Tan	Head of Publicity
7.	Akshaj Singh	Ambassadors
8.	Anurag Choudary Potti	Ambassadors
9.	Ayushi Lahiry (Hyushi)	Ambassadors
10.	Channary Chea (Nary)	Ambassadors
11.	Chen Wan-Yu (Katherine)	Ambassadors
12.	Chen Yuxuan (Vivian)	Ambassadors
13.	Feng Hui	Ambassadors
14.	Ho Li Yi (Jamie)	Ambassadors
15.	Hye Inn Lee (Sarah)	Ambassadors
16.	Joshua Khoo Zhi Guang	Ambassadors
17.	Joung Jaewon (Kalista)	Ambassadors
18.	Karan Attal	Ambassadors
19.	Koo Hyehyoon (Hayley)	Ambassadors
20.	Kwun Jun Hyung (John)	Ambassadors
21.	Leow Yong Tee	Ambassadors
22.	Leung Chung Chan (Annie)	Ambassadors
23.	Mio Yoshikawa	Ambassadors
24.	Neha Rajesh Dadlani	Ambassadors
25.	Nguyen Tran Thao Huong (Kathy)	Ambassadors
26.	Rishi Bharadwaj Nandiraju	Ambassadors
27.	Shurabi Surya	Ambassadors
28.	Tan Ting Cher (Benjamin)	Ambassadors
29.	Tan Weng Tong (Tiffany)	Ambassadors
30.	Xu Ying Zhi	Ambassadors
31.	Zhang Rui Yang	Ambassadors

## The 12<sup>th</sup> Student's Council

N	Name	Position
1	LIM JIA JING	President
2	SEAN PHANG	Vice President
3	ANGELINA GRACE LIANG	Head of Logistics
4	VIVEKANAND KALWANI	Secretary
5	RUTH RACHAEL MATHEWS	Treasurer
6	ALEXANDRIA HALIM	
7	HARITH LIEW	
8	MATTHEW TAN	
9	ANGELIA GAN	
10	HO KHAI LIE	
11	MOK SHAO-JIN, EWAN	
12	AZIRA ABDUL AZIZ	
13	MAGGIE LIU	
14	SHONITA PILLAI	

# **Leadership Camp Photos**







#### Singapore Swim Champion – Twice!

Congratulations to Charity Lien who won 2 gold medals at the Singapore Secondary Schools National Swimming Championships 2016. Charity is pictured in the centre below after receiving one of her gold medals.



#### **Football CCA**

Since 2014 our senior boys have been competing in the Australian International School Cup. Each year, despite our best efforts, the boys have never managed to qualify for the semifinals. This year, with one game to spare, we qualified for the semi-finals but came up against the top seeds and competition organisers - the Australian International School of Singapore. The boys lost that match and finished the tournament having to play the German European School Singapore (GESS) for 3rd place.

In a pulsating match, on our field, our boys raced into a 4-0 lead. However, with 20 minutes left to play, GESS pulled it back to 4-3. With less than 5 minutes to play, we earned a penalty but missed it! That spurred GESS to launch a counterattack, where they caught our boys out. Team Captain and goalkeeper, Henry Chea (6Thoburn), tried his best to stop the GESS striker but ended up giving away a penalty, which was duly tucked away to bring the score to 4-4. Extra-time passed without any further goals and the match had to be settled via a penalty shootout. Our boys held their nerve, Henry managed to distract their penalty takers and we won the shootout 4-1 to finish the tournament in 3rd place.

Congratulations to the senior boys, teachers and Coach Roshan Rai.

#### South Fast Asia Nethall Tournament



Over the weekend of 5 & 6 March, the Under 16 and Under 19 Netball teams participated in the South East Asia Netball Tournament held at Tanglin Trust School. Both teams entered the tournament nervous as they knew they were against stronger teams from some of their previous experiences. Knowing that they were up against many tough teams, everyone played their best. They were up against schools from all over South East Asia including Malaysia, Brunei, India, Shanghai, local government and international schools.

The Under 19s lost their first game, however they did not let it affect their morale and they continued to put up a strong fight in their subsequent games. Overall, the Under 16 team came 4th in the Plate division, 12th out of 20 teams in their category. The Under 19 team came 6th in the Cup division, 6th out of 16 teams in their Division. Congratulations to both teams.

#### Interact Club CCA: Student Service Visit with Blossom World

The students of Interact Club CCA were trained by Blossom World in a workshop session to better enable them to engage and support intellectually disabled people. A group of 16 students then visited needy people who live in a care-home in Singapore on 1 April. The students arrived at the intellectually disabled home and introduced themselves to the residents who were delighted to see them. They then proceeded to play bingo with the clients who enjoyed this immensely. Prior to leaving the home the students worked in small teams with the residents and constructed animals and hats made from newspaper. Students then sang some Chinese songs and got the residents up on their feet for some dancing and a sing song. Students (and staff!) definitely stepped out of their comfort zones and displayed empathy towards the residents. Much fun was had by all involved.

#### Ambassadors' Leadership Training Workshop 24 March 2016

"I stepped out my own comfort zone and tried my best to be confident in front of the others while presenting myself without fears."

- Chen Yu Xuan (5-TKK)

"I realized how vocal aspects of speech, how we're saying something, are very much as important as the content, what we're saying, in sending our message across."

- Akkshaj Singh (5-GHK)

"It reminded me that I have to always carry myself with grace, respect and dignity before I can become a confident orator for the school."

- Lim Mun Yiang (5-SVM)

Just before we went away for the Easter weekend, the Ambassadors conducted a training workshop aimed at boosting confidence in public speaking and improving proactiveness in one-to-one communication and interactions. Graced by former MediaCorp host, Ms Wong Lee Jeng, and Mr Eugene Seah, a dynamic trainer with 15 years of experience in marketing, communication and management, the Ambassadors took on a fun yet fruitful afternoon.



As the organiser of the workshop, it was very pleasing to see many of the nominees stepped out of their comfort zone to participate in the workshop. For many of them, this was the first time they were communicating in front of a large audience.

By looking at real examples of great communicators and learning the '3V' framework, the Ambassadors reflected on how they usually get their ideas and messages across and learnt how to improve their daily communication by incorporating Visual, Vocal and Verbal communication to communicate effectively. It was very heartening to watch many of the nominees attempt to convince the audience to purchase an imaginary phone using these 3V framework.



Besides that, role play activities were conducted where the nominees were placed in awkward situations relating to their duties as an ambassador. Fortunately, under the guidance of our trainers, the Ambassadors learnt how to extricate themselves from such difficulties confidently. At the end of the afternoon, it was very touching to hear the Ambassadors mentioned that the workshop made them more comfortable in communicating with others and that they wanted to be more proactive to get their voices heard in the community.

I am sure that this workshop will prepare the nominees to be good ambassadors for the school that are confident, proactive, and comfortable by interacting with others. I am excited to see the Ambassadors placing what they have learned in action in days to come.

Ivan Phanada (6-LSG) Head of Publicity 2015/16

#### **World Vision Ethical Leadership Talk**



On 2 April 2016, the Ambassadors hosted an Ethical Leadership Talk in our Oldham Chapel organised by World Vision Singapore. The talk was conducted by Mr Tim Costello, the CEO of World Vision Australia and an active international lobbyist for social justice and global poverty.

About 200 participants attended. Mr Costello enthralled the audience with his captivating delivery, moving stories and real life examples.

He successfully engaged the participants on what ethical leadership entails and how people in general value their deeds and action against moral standards.

The following are reflections by students who attended the talk:

"Mr Costello gave an example of a story from Nagaland, when a person gives away all the food he has to the poor, which is known as the "feast of Merritt." It amazes me how a person is ready to give everything he has and start all over again. That just shows how ones good ethics can lead a person to live a respectful and good life.

Another thing Mr Costello talked about is how ethics does not stop at home. In other words what we learn at home doesn't stay at home, and we must learn how to apply the morals we learn at home to use them in our daily life to solve simple problems. That's what makes a good leader."

Karan Attal, 3-OLD



"In the talk itself, Mr. Tim Costello told us about what ethics should be and how it should be implemented in our daily lives, in our lives as leaders. He also mentioned about the measurement of happiness and how true pleasure does not derive from the "success" defined by the society. One idea confounded- how do we accurately judge and measure the ethics of one's actions?

Ethics seemed obvious and clear in certain cases such as saving children's lives and eradicating corruption, but showed vast area of grayness and obscurity when it came to circumstances involving the sacrifice of one's own benefits such as body, wealth, authority and dignity. One example raised by Mr. Tim Costello enflamed my confusion and curiosity: "A woman might spend a night with a stranger for 10,000 pounds, but would consider doing so clearly disgraceful for 1 shilling, when all that changed was not the ethics, but only the price tag." I asked myself, how could the ethics stay perfectly the same, when the 10,000 pounds she earns through her own consent could potentially save hundreds of innocent lives through donation?

This leads me to a bigger question- Could a seemingly unethical decision which can bring potential harm to one individual be justified as ethical if it brings opportunities to benefit others whose lives are at risk?"

Leo Koo Ja Hyun, 5-TCT

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# 2016 Ambassadors' Charity Project - ACS (International) Beats Hunger Together



This year's Ambassador's Charity Project, organised in collaboration with World Vision Singapore, aims to support children who are malnourished in Tien Lu, Vietnam.



The project kick started on 13 April with the launch of the Hunger Pledge Wall. Members of the 5th and 6th Boards of the Ambassadors worked together to paint the wall over several days. The process started with acquiring the essential tools, trays, brushes, rollers and paints. Several layers of white paint was used to prime the wall for the light turquoise colour. We returned over a Saturday from 9am till 4pm in the afternoon to complete the wall.

Students were invited to come to the wall during lunch breaks on Tuesdays and Thursdays to show their support. For a price of \$5 students and teachers alike signed their name on the wall in several colours, ranging from neon blue, neon orange, pink, black, white, silver and gold. Many of the students and faculty left encouraging notes to the people of Tien Lu, Vietnam. Several Ambassadors reached out enthusiastically to the student population during the lunch breaks to encourage them to come down the wall at the first level of the Old Block building.





A donation box has also been set up in the General Office so that students can donate more to support the cause. Please continue to support our efforts by coming down to the General Office to donate for our cause.

**6TKK Sharon Fang** 

#### The Ways of Tea: Matcha is the Key to World Peace

Going in and out of Starbucks on a daily basis, most of us know what *matcha* tastes like when it comes in latte form or green tea Kitkats. This brings forth the question: do any of us know the true taste of Japanese green tea?



Dr. Genshitsu Sen performing the art of m Dr. Genshitsu Sen performing the art of making Japanese green teaaking Japanese Green Tea.

It was a cloudless day when our teacher, Mrs. Akane Yoshida, took the class on an outing to the Japanese tea ceremony exhibition conducted by Dr. Genshitsu Sen, the 15<sup>th</sup> Grand Master of the *Urasenke* Tea School, widely known as a UNESCO Goodwill Ambassador and Japan-UN Goodwill Ambassador at the Asian Civilizations Museum.

At the impressive age of ninetythree, Dr. Sen remained lively and engaging as he explained the subtle details of preparing thick green tea (koicha). His pupil from the local Japan Creative Center displayed the techniques of the delicate art, and Dr. Sen immediately diverted from his English greeting to Japanese for further elaboration. Non-Japanese speakers were left to listen for the translator, but no one seemed to mind, enraptured by the pupils dressed in their hakama and kimono as the tea was brewed to perfection.



Women from the Japanese Creative Center in kimono, handing out Wagashi (Japanese sweets) to the guests.

Enjoying our freshly-brewed green tea!

Individual benefits aside, the Japanese *Chado* also unifies people as one of the requirements would be to enter the room with a bowed head; in Japan's older times, swordsmen had to shed their weapons in order to enjoy the ceremony, indicating equality according to Japan's ancient caste system. While such hierarchies no longer exist, the ritual is still observed for its implication of equal status and lack of discrimination against one another. This exhibition itself was beyond that of a normal tea ceremony demonstration, as it was a part of the Singapore-Japanese Goodwill programme.

The demonstration ended with flourish as Dr. Sen reminded the guests of *chado*'s purpose as well as his vision for the world: "Peacefulness through a Bowl of Tea". I do not know about my classmates, but as I sipped the complimentary bowl of tea graciously served to us guests, I felt that peace in the form of a gentle warmth swirling soundly at the bottom of my belly.

Sandra Aliandy

Dr. Sen did not only described tea preparation techniques, he also explained the meanings behind the whole ceremony itself; from how green tea was initially medicinal, to its evolution aided by the widespread culture of Zen Buddhism within Japan, resulting in an extravagantly simple tea ceremony which cleanses the mind, soul, and body.

#### String Orchestra in KL

The ACS International String Orchestra was involved in an exchange programme with Lai Meng Primary School in Kuala Lumpur from 29 April – 2 May 2016. Lai Meng Primary School is one of the largest Chinese schools in Malaysia, having recently moved to a new campus in 2013. After setting up our instruments, we went to enjoy the choir and band performances by the Lai Meng primary students before performing ourselves. Our hard work over several months to prepare for the concert was rewarded by thunderous applause and cheering by the Lai Meng primary students, their parents and the teachers of the school.



After the performance, we were treated to an exchange of gifts between us and the students of Lai Meng Primary School followed by a school tour of Lai Meng primary's new campus, checking out their classrooms, library, canteen and amazingly enough, their own tiny history museum! This history exhibition contained many relics from the past Lai Meng primary school, with old school desks, school uniforms, trophies and artworks, all of which dated back to the 1950's when the school was first founded.

That same evening we headed off to enjoy a musical, titled "Emma", performed by Wesley Methodist High School. Before the performance began, we were all treated to a school tour courtesy of several students. Even though they were a small school, they had so, so much space around their school campus, with a huge school field, futsal court and many other facilities. "Emma" is a rock musical which follows the tale of Emma, a final year student at her high school who believes that she has the power to bring people together in love. However, things quickly take a turn for the worst as she realises that she cannot dictate everyone's love life for them. It was a truly exhilarating and entertaining performance with most of the musical being organized and choreographed by the students themselves.

On the third day, we embarked on a morning guided tour around Kuala Lumpur, exploring the various landmarks and historical sites such as the Petronas Twin Towers, the Sultan's Palace, a War Memorial and much more. Soaking up the rich history of Malaysia truly left us in awe of how fascinating Kuala Lumpur truly is, with each and every landmark having much significance and a great story behind it. This was clearly one of the highlights of our trip to Malaysia.

That evening, we had a special masterclass with Dr Andrew Filmer. Dr Filmer holds a PhD in musicology and is an avid contributor to the Journal of the American Viola Society, Australia's String Praxis, British journal Arco, and Crescendo in New Zealand. During the two-hour masterclass, Dr Filmer opened our eyes to a whole new style and variation of instrumental playing; educating us about the Baroque style of playing. After this, we attempted to incorporate his teachings into one of our baroque pieces: Vivaldi Double Violin Concerto. By the end of the masterclass, it felt as if our playing had been elevated to another level.

This trip was truly meaningful and memorable at the same time, leaving us longing for the next time we get to travel overseas to perform. Until then, with newly imbued love for music and orchestral playing, we will strive to elevate our playing and improve as a better orchestra, for "The Best Is Yet To Be".

Michael Tan, 5 OLD

#### Year 1 Learning Journey to Malacca 2-3 April 2016



Eighty three students went on the trip with Ms Stacey Low, Ms Doreen Mak, Ms Ho Chia Yue, Ms Pamela Ng, Ms Victoria McGregor, Mr Chia Choong Kiat, Mr Chang Weng Moon, Mr Nick Hanrahan and Mr John Poon (teacher volunteer), for an experiential learning component of the Integrated Humanities curriculum.



At the remains of the Portuguese Fortress of Porta de Santiago.



Students visiting the Malacca Sultanate Palace.



Evening cruise on the Malacca River, to imagine what it was like in the 14-15th Century.

#### Year 4 English Drama Workshop



As part of the curriculum, the Year 4 IGCSE English Literature students had the opportunity to participate in a Drama workshop conducted by members of the Singapore Repertory Theatre (SRT) to aid the understanding of the English literature text, *An Inspector Calls* by J.B Priestly. The workshop took place over two lessons where the SRT members worked with the students on different aspects of the text while introducing the world of drama. This was timely as we had just began studying the play.



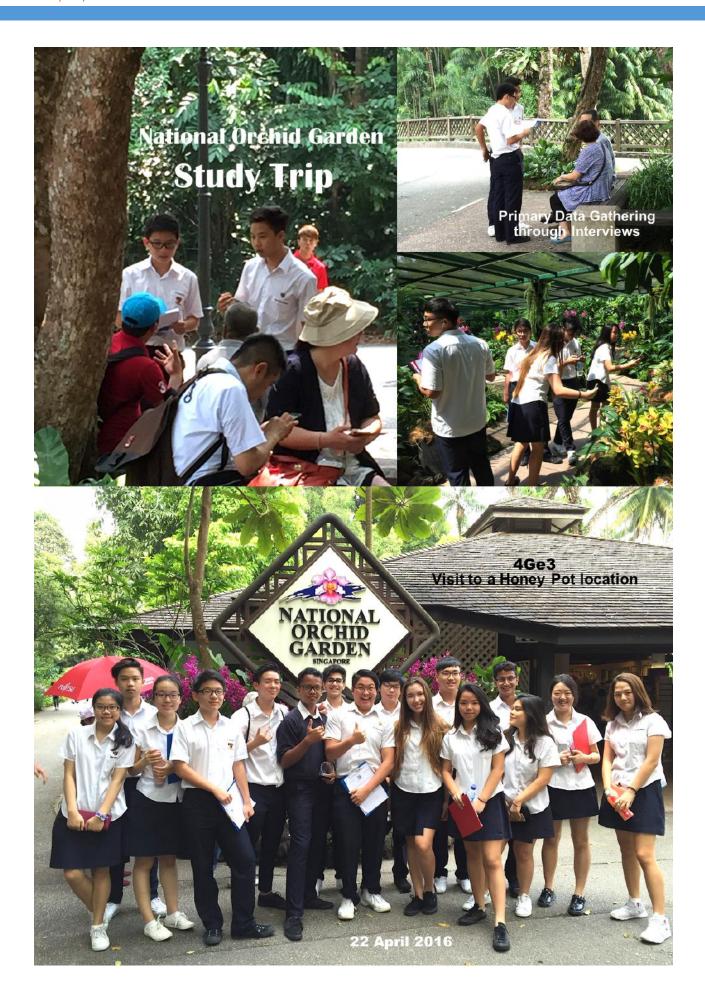
The workshop gave us an insight into the process of bringing the text to life as a play. It also gave us the chance to role-play the characters to deepen our understanding of them. We started the workshop with some

games to introduce us to the different conventions of drama, including space, body language, characterization and dialogue. The importance of stage directions and setting were highlighted as well. Following that, we were put into groups and were assigned a section of the text to give us a chance to role play a particular scene.

While role-playing, the SRT members would pause our performance and instruct a character to do a certain act on stage, for example, asking one character to move closer to another character. By making these small adjustments, we were able to see in real time how spatial relationships between characters were created with the use of proxemics. We were also able to see how body language and vocal dynamics of a character are derived from a character's personality.

This experience played a big part in our analysis of the play and has helped us greatly in what we are required to know for this section of the syllabus.

Kathleen Teo Kai Hui (4TKK)



#### Latest Envoy Magazine - On Line and Hard Copy

Don't miss this excellent publication! The ACS Envoy Club have just published its 17th issue of the Envoy magazine. Members of the Envoy Club have worked extremely hard on this issue of the Envoy, bringing the standards of the Envoy magazine to a new level. The Envoy Club seeks to educate as many people as possible about current and global affairs.



Please use this QR code that links to the e-magazine of this issue.

Hard copies of the actual magazine are also available from the school.

Congratulations to the students on the excellent in-depth articles.

#### **ACS International Facebook Page**

ACS (International) now has a Facebook page. https://www.facebook.com/ACS-International-Singapore-1244475705567762/?fref=ts.

Please note that this is separate to the PSP Facebook page. You are invited to visit and 'like' each page.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

After the success of last year's musical 'Guys and Dolls' the ACS Drama and musical team is back to work preparing for this year's production of James Lapine's classic tale "Into The Woods". Adapted to the stage by Stephen Sondheim, the plays will dazzle with an all-time favourite fairy tale cast. However, this is a musical with a twist where you will meet a disgruntled sleeping beauty, a blundering prince and many more. As the characters delve further into the woods, the lines between their stories muddle and blend with unpredictable results.

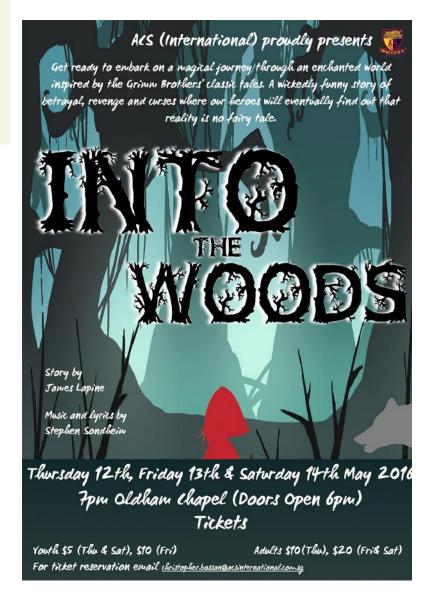
Our young actors have spent countless hours preparing for this special show and look forward to all ACS parents, family and friends joining them for three special nights.

# **Into The Woods**

Thursday 12, Friday 13 & Saturday 14 May

7pm Oldham Chapel – ACS International Ticket reservation:

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# Writing Effective Personal Statement / Essay Workshop for Year 6 students

Please be informed that the Higher Education Counsellor, Mrs Rita Kaur, will be conducting a personal statement/essay writing workshop for all Year 6 students. The workshop will help students to develop the necessary skills required by providing students with brainstorming strategies in writing effective personal statement/essays.

Dates: May 9, 10, 12, 13 (two houses on each day)

Time: 3.15 pm to 4.45pm

Venue: John Wesley Hall

Attendance is compulsory for all students

May 9 - students from LSG and THO

May 10 - students from CKS and OLD

May 12 – students from TKK and GHK

May 13 – students from TCT and SVM

If you have any questions,
please do not hesitate to email Ms Rita Kaur at
rita.kaur@acsinternational.com.sq

# PSP Bonding Session 12 May 2016

We've smelled the roses at Gardens by the Bay, tossed pratas during Prata Journey and now, we're keen to expand our culinary horizons with a cooking class at Palate Sensations. If you enjoy cooking, taking a class is a great way to learn new techniques or work with ingredients you may not have tried before. And if you're not into cooking, well, come along anyway and enjoy the company, conversation and food.

Palate Sensations promises that its classes are diverse, exciting, enriching, extremely fun, and best of all, hands on. The cost of a class is usually SGD 75 per person but PSP will be subsidising part of that cost. The details are as follows:

Date: **12 May 2016, Thursday**Time: **9:30am-12:30pm**Location: **Palate Sensations Cooking School**10, Biopolis Road, #01-03
Chromos, Singapore 138670

We'll be learning how to cook Tandoori Prawn & Chicken and Tiramisu.

Cost: \$30 per person

There are still spaces available & if you'd like to join us, please email us, via <a href="mailto:acspsp.net@gmail.com">acspsp.net@gmail.com</a>, by 8 May 2016.

We look forward to hearing from you!

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MAY	EVENT
9 - 13	Anti Bullying Week
12	PSP Bonding Activity
12	Into The Woods School Production
13	Into The Woods School Production
14	Into The Woods School Production
17	School Photographs
18	School Photographs
20	End of Term Grade Reports published
23	Vesak Day School Holiday
25	Athletics Sports Day + Year 5 Group 4 Science Launch
26	School Presentation Assembly
27	ACStraordinary Event     Last Day of Term 2

SCHOOL HOLIDAY YEAR 5 SERVCE TRIPS		
Zimbabwe	• 29 May to 13 June	
Vietnam	• 30 May to 7 June	
Cambodia	30 May to 7 June	
Kota Kinabalu	22 June to 2 July	