



## Newsletter 4 2019-20

Friday 13th September 2019

Dear Parents and JIS community

Wishing everyone a very happy and enjoyable Mid-Autumn festival weekend.



We hope the clouds stay away and that the moon can be seen in all its glory, if you are visiting the beach or a mountain top! Enjoy your mooncakes and family gatherings.

### **Parent Learning Community – survey and more....**

A few weeks ago Cath Wan sent out a quick fill in survey to the JIS community regarding what kind of information people would like related to school curriculum and school life. If you have time this weekend, please spend a few minutes to give her some feedback. Many thanks.

### **JIS Parent – author**

On Wednesday, 18th September, we are delighted to welcome our very own JIS published author, Ngar-yi Leung (Fafa's mother P6) to read and discuss her picture book "I Want a Pet Whale" with all the students. The book is in Mandarin, so in our true international style, we will enjoy the story in Mandarin along with discussions in English and Mandarin.

If you would like to purchase your own copy of the book, please use this order form and then send the money (HKD 40 per book) to the office in a clearly marked envelope.

<https://forms.gle/gVdFBeS5h4wKzeVR9>



The deadline for orders will be Friday 4th October. Children who order before Wednesday, may receive it on author visit day.

### **P6 at ICHK – Secondary school ‘Taster Day’**

On Tuesday this week the P6 class went along to ICHK for an experience day as part of the transition for secondary school in August 2020. The students experienced a variety of activities and enjoyed hanging out

with their ex school mates and being at 'big school'! ICHK liaison with JIS is very strong and to those parents who were able to listen to Toby Newton, last week it is great to know that the philosophy and practices of the school so closely matches that of JIS, making a really positive process for our students!



ICHK also hosted a Curriculum and Information evening on Wednesday evening for interested parents in their partner schools. Many thanks to all the staff at ICHK for their support in helping parents through the process of planning schooling after JIS.

### **ESSPA – Welcome Back Party!**

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2019, 6-8pm**

Order forms have now been received and ESSPA look forward to welcoming everyone back to school to meet new families/students at their annual term 1 'Welcome Back party', scheduled for the evening of Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September, starting at 6pm.

The event is held in the school covered playground and will be an evening of good food, nice company, with some games and activities. It is a great opportunity to meet some new parents and fellow students. There will be some entertainment and activities for everyone – see you there!

All visitors to the event MUST have a ticket. For those families not ordered yet, tickets will be sold on the night (\$200 per adult, \$100 per child, 3-11yrs).

### **HK Music Festival – seeking interest – Ms Jill, music class**

The **72nd HK Schools Music Festival will be held in late February - March 2020**. Remember if you are interested for your child to take part in this competition, please contact Ms Jill on: [jtse@es.jis.edu.hk](mailto:jtse@es.jis.edu.hk) . Ms. Jill will provide training to students from Term 2 during snack recess / lunch recess.

### **JIS Student Council – applications by Friday 20th**

In school assembly this week the JIS News team and Student Council showed us a short movie they have made about the role of our student council and how to join.

Any student in P3 – P6 is able to join the JS Student Council and to get involved they need to write a 'letter of application' to their class teacher by Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September. Once the class teacher has letters of application, the class will get to vote on who they think will represent their class with some good ideas and support the development of the school.

### **LEAP Van at JIS 25<sup>th</sup> / 26<sup>th</sup> September**

The ever popular LEAP Van (Life Education Activities Programme) and Harold the giraffe will roll into the JIS car park at the end of September. LEAP staff have contacted JIS to ask if they can take some promotional photos and/video during their visit to the school. These will be totally unnamed and used for promotional purposes only. Any family not wishing their child to be included in any photos, please message the school office so we can make sure that this is followed up.

### Around school:

Students in Reception Class and P1 had a lantern parade this afternoon to show off their self-made lanterns. It was in the dark, in the MPR to make sure the lanterns looked their best!



Hopefully everyone has a very colourful and enjoyable evening ahead.



### Volunteers needed – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September – JIS House Team Challenge Day

Ada Cheung in P3 would love to hear from some parents who may have a few hours to share with the school on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September as we are planning a 'House Team Challenge Day'.

All students in JIS are in Dragon (red) Phoenix (yellow) or Pegasus (blue) teams, which we use for sports day, swimming gala and other events during the school year.

To make sure students are aware of who is in their team we have planned a team challenge event for all students to join in and have fun as they solve problems and do a series of treasure hunts and activities around the school campus. BUT we would really appreciate some help!

**If you can help on 27<sup>th</sup> September (in the morning) from around 10 a.m. – 12:30 pm please contact Ada Cheung on [acheung@es.jis.edu.hk](mailto:acheung@es.jis.edu.hk) .Please contact by Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September.**

### Events for the week ahead at JIS – week 5, September 16-20<sup>th</sup>

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup>** – P1 and P6 vaccinations – Student Health Service

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup>** – P6 students at HK Science Museum a.m.

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup>** – Library author visit – 'I want a pet whale' story read by Ngar-Yi Leung

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup>** – ICHK BoD meeting 6:30pm

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup>** – **ESSPA Welcome Back Party! 6pm**

**ICHK Weekly Bulletin: This week.**

Click here for this week's bulletin from ICHK: [here](#)

I look forward to seeing everyone around school and at the Welcome Back Party on 20<sup>th</sup> September.  
Enjoy your weekend – steady on the mooncakes!

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