

Tuesday 17th December 2019

Dear Parents and JIS community



This is the last newsletter of this term – from all of the staff at JIS we wish all members of our school community a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year for 2020.

Around school:

Cinderella Rockerfella – Friday 13th December

Well done to everyone who was involved in our school production last Friday evening – it was a fabulous JIS occasion with the whole school involved and the school community coming along to support us! Thank you to all the students, staff, parents who made it all happen. The singing was excellent, true love blossomed on the stage (until she threw her shoe at him), a cast of 170, some new talent, experienced talent and plenty of cute costumes and voices to get us in the pantomime spirit ready for Christmas!

Well done to all the JIS staff and volunteers who helped the show come to fruition, in a shorter time scale. Thank you.









ESSPA – Thankyou – Friday evening, pre show drinks snacks and tickets

Many thanks to all the ESSPA volunteers and committee members who helped with the pre-show arrangements and also with the ticket sales. Well done to everyone. The ticket sales help us to rent the sound system for the show to make sure all singers can be heard! It was well worth it.

Student Council Toy Swap Event – Tuesday 17th December



The JIS Student Council organized Toy Swap day today as a way of 'upcycling toys' that no longer are needed or could make someone else very happy.

We had a rush of donations in today which meant an impressive 'swap' was had by all. Thanks to all the Student Council members, Ms Merrill and Mrs Rixon for their help and support.

Food Angel donations:

All donations to our Christmas 2019 appeal were collected by the Food Angel truck on Monday afternoon. Thank you to all those who got involved. We hope our donations can be put to good use over the Christmas and New Year holiday season.









For Chinese New Year we will arrange a clothing and good quality used toys collection for the Salvation Army. After Christmas may be a good time to clear out some wardrobe spaces

School will close tomorrow – Wednesday 18th December at 12 o'clock – midday for the holidays.

School calendar for 202-21 – draft 1 – on website, calendar page

Reception Class August 2020 – Interviews – 13th – 17th January 2020

We have sent out a set of invitations for interviews to a series of applicants born in the year 2016. We shall be hosting our annual 'playdate' interviews at JIS in the week of 13th January. If you have not applied or know of friends who wanted to apply, please make sure they do so as soon as possible, so as to be included in the interviews.

Events for term 2 at JIS – Week 1, January 6th - 10th

JIS Uniform Shop will be open on Monday 6^{th} January from 8 a.m. until 12 p.m. for new students and new uniform requests. Order form is on the school website.

Monday 6th -

Tuesday 7th -

Wednesday 8th – Roz Keep – local artist, visits JIS to do presentations and workshops – 'using recycled materials for artworks.

Thursday 9th -

Friday 10th-

This week's ICHK Christmas newsletter for news from our partner secondary school is attached: click here

Green wall initiative: Our latest new initiative will be our 'green walls' out in the back garden area. We will be involving the students in growing plants in recycled bottle containers to hang on our pallet boxes – anyone wanting to get started can try to grow one over the holidays! (Our target picture is here for info)







Thanks to Christine Lau for her support and ideas for this initiative.

School will resume on Monday 6th January 2020 – bright and early at 8:15a.m.

We wish everyone a very enjoyable holiday and look forward to an excellent 2020. This week we say farewell to a few students who are heading off on international travels and to new schools in Hong Kong. We wish them all the very best and hope they leave JIS with very fond memories for years to come.

Many thanks to all of the JIS community for their continued support and involvement in the school. We continue to work closely with you all to create the best learning experiences for all of our students. Long may it last in 2020!

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