

Friday 11th June 2021

Dear Parents and JIS community

Out and about around school this week:

P6 Exhibition – Thursday and Friday this week.

The P6 students have launched their Exhibition this week. The Exhibition has had to be online this year but the class has used a variety of new tools to share their learning. They have all done a great job!



The P6 Exhibition display boards at our entrance today.

Our P6 students have worked extremely hard over the last 10 weeks: identifying a passion; making connections to a significant issue, researching using primary and secondary resources; applying the IB Learner Profile and Approaches to Learning (skills), reflecting and taking action.

Our Exhibition is a community event with all teachers supporting the students. Please take time to watch the introductory video (link is here: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1iTMO8mogTmOUFI9yfeUP0UiDnT2Xx6o/view?usp=sharing)

and to visit our exhibition - the link is

here: https://sites.google.com/es.jis.edu.hk/p6exhibition2021/exhibition-padlets

Reception Class – Forest Adventures:

"Reception had a wonderful time at Hong Kong Forest Adventures today! It was our very first trip and the children had so much fun! They used teamwork to build their own playground, explored the garden and used what they found in the garden to make food for the fairies. We would love to go back again!" Lilian Chen – Reception class teacher.







"It was a great hike!" - Ethan

P3 out in Sai Kung today

The P3 class went off to Sai Kung today as part of their unit of inquiry on economies, spending patterns and resources. The students explored a range of shops and markets looking at fair trade and the origins of ingredients and goods for sale around us.

The students went around Sai Kung in small groups supported by parents and staff. Many thanks to all those who volunteered to help make the trip useful and successful.

[&]quot;I want to come back again!" - Minami









JIS Talent Show video – Video link:

The Talent Show video was shared on class dojo this week. Please keep the link within the school community to protect privacy. Many thanks.



School places for next year:

Families who are moving away from Hong Kong or relocating to a new school for August 2021 are asked to contact Sachiyo Miyajima in the school office on 2834 3531 or by email at s-miyajima@jis.edu.hk as soon as possible. Student withdrawal forms have been sent out to those who have informed us so far that they will not be returning to JIS and interviews have been arranged for spaces that have become available. This helps us plan for the new academic year ahead as accurately as possible.



Eye screening for JIS students – This week

Thanks to all the parents who included their child(ren) in the eye screening. All results have been shared with families with recommendations where appropriate. Please contact Jenny Procter with any concerns. Suzan Salnikow will return to JIS in September to screen any new students in Reception or other classes, as well as existing students who missed out this time.



Car Park speeds!!

Can we please ask any parents who are coming in to school to collect children to be careful with their speed in and around the school car park. This applies at any time during the day but especially around pick up or drop off time when the area is very busy. Thank you.



Summer School events at JIS: July 2021

Last week we attached to the newsletter some information about Music summer camp opportunities from Ms. Jill and the music department. Stephanie Tsui (SIS Ltd) also sent out information to the school community regarding sports and arts opportunities for summer camps at JIS. If you need any further information, please contact SIS Ltd on 2652 1128.



NEW - Employment opportunity at JIS

First Aid Coordinator / Resources manager - needed for August 2021

We are interested to hear from any members of our school community or their contacts who may be interested in a term-time only position to support the school's first aid and also resources management and purchasing.

Christine Lau who has been with us at JIS for 10 years is moving to the U.K., so we have a new opportunity to fill. Christine has combined her knowledge in nursing and organisational abilities to create a perfect solution for the school – we may not be able to completely replicate this role but we would be keen to hear from anyone who may be interested in either aspects or a combined position. The position would be school hours and term time only – so would suit a parent or person needing flexibility in school schedules. If you are interested in either aspect of this role, please get in touch with us.

We will be advertising more widely later but will try within the school community first. Anyone interested please contact Mr. Walton at JIS on s-walton@jis.edu.hk any time in the next week or so.

ESSPA - English Section Staff and Parents Association - get involved!

As we have had a very strange and disrupted year at school it has been impossible for us to have any social events or fundraising events for the school due to the COVID 19 pandemic restrictions. This has mean that ESSPA – our parents and community association has had a very quiet year. The ESSPA committee in previous years has helped the school a great deal by arranging social events for the school community and also arranging some fun events, family BBQ, monthly pizza / Japanese lunches and occasional treats for the students (Halloween, crazy hair days, dress up days). It would be really great to get some interested people who could start a new committee and plan some ideas for next year – in case we are able to open up the school in a more normal way.



If you would be interested in getting involved in supporting the school and also meeting other parents in a fun, purposeful way – please get in touch with us. Simon Walton on s-walton@jis.edu.hk or Kim Murch kmurch@es.jis.edu.hk (Kim in the school office is an ex ESSPA president from when her children were in the school so can share ideas and experiences with you).

Events for the week ahead: 14th June – 18th June 2021

Monday 14th: School closed – Dragon Boat festival holiday

Tuesday 15th: P6 class are off to Outward Bound Hong Kong for an adventure week

Wednesday 16th: Ms Le Scelle in school to work with P4 and P5

Thursday 17th:

Friday 18th: P3 off to Forest Adventures experience day.

ICHK Newsletter

Friday 11th June - <u>here</u> is the link to this week's newsletter from the staff of ICHK – our partner secondary school.

Wishing everyone a really enjoyable long weekend! There may not be much competitive dragon boating going on due to the pandemic but we hope the weather is good for a family day somewhere.

See you all on Tuesday.

Simon Walton Principal