



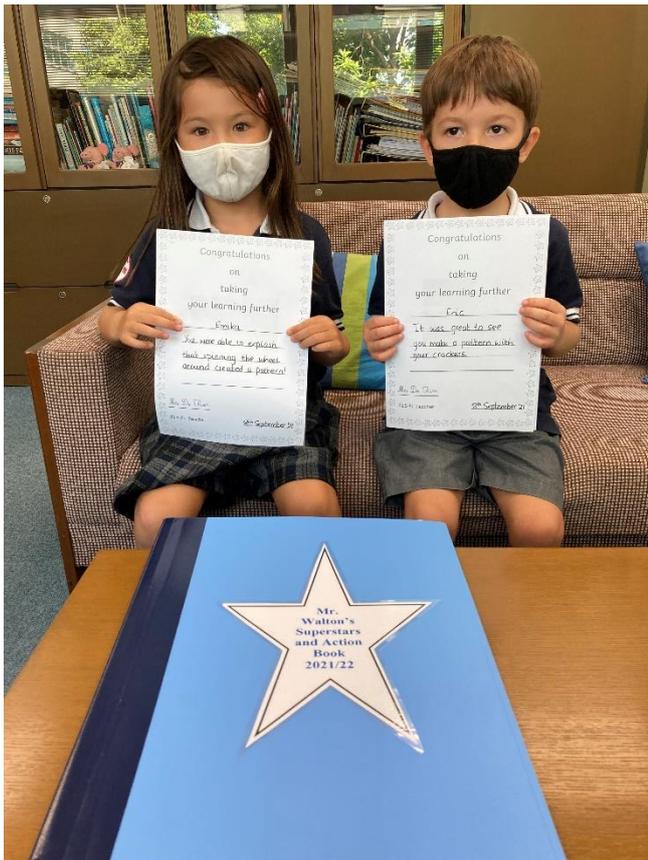
## Newsletter 4 2021-22

Friday 10th September 2021

Dear Parents and JIS community

### Week 4 around school

Out and about around school this week:



In P3 – P6 assembly this week we focused on Kindness as a value and looked in detail at the playground and how we can play together and support each other when we play. We also shared some inspirations from

the recent Paralympics in Tokyo of how despite all the odds people can succeed and achieve wonderful things.



### Toddle – new school communication app: ‘Welcome to Toddle’

The new school communication and information app is up and running and is being used by a wide section of our school community. We think our coverage is now 100% but if anyone is experiencing difficulties or connection issues, please let us know and we can support you. We will continue to add more and more information to the class folders to allow for some positive information sharing.

### Meet the Teacher Night / Principal Deputy Principal – online meetings this week.

Many thanks to everyone who lodged on and joined the meetings this week. We hope you found the information useful. Class teachers will continue to keep their class communities informed of updates throughout the year.

Thank you to the group of parents who also joined the Principal / Deputy Principal meeting on Thursday evening. We had almost 70 listeners for the presentation. Cath Wan (as mentioned in the talk) will be updating all class folders on Toddle with some more curriculum information. Log on to your class to find out more information. There will also shortly be a copy of the presentation made on Thursday evening.

The presentation from Thursday evening is also included here:

<https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1aPhzg8qETrXogEeyGm2DxcABNCNUzTDOZx4U4BR4BMQ/edit?usp=sharing>

### Ms Le Scelle in JIS

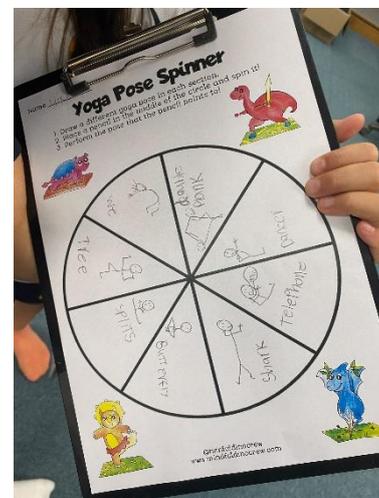
Amber Le Scelle was in school this week to create some opportunities for students with yoga and well-being, as Ms Jill (Music) was not in school.

As previously mentioned, Amber Le Scelle writes and publishes a variety of books which introduce mindfulness and wellness techniques through story.

If you would like to order a signed copy of any of her books, details, plus an order form are here:

<https://forms.gle/JEe5s2S2XhYmeiut5>

The form will be closed soon, so please order promptly if you would like to be included.



### The Mini and Junior Duke awards 2021-22 – life skills for young children

Following on from last years' pilot scheme for the P2 and P4 classes we are offering the Junior Duke Awards this year for all students in P1 – P6. The awards are a set of challenges for young children based on the model of the Duke of Edinburgh Awards famous for young adults and beyond. Fiona Merrill has agreed to coordinate the scheme again this year for the students.

- The Junior Duke program consists of 14 activities of which the children choose to complete 10.
- The Junior Duke program will be open to P1, P2, P3, P4, P5 and P6 children.
- The total cost for each child will be HK\$200
- Each child will receive a booklet to complete, teachers are available as advisors to support if need be
- Once a challenge has been completed, a parent will sign the booklet. Next the JIS Duke assessor will discuss the challenge with the child
- When 10 challenges have been completed a certificate and a badge will be awarded at an assembly.



- For the early year classes (P1) parents can support reflection on a task by scribing for their child (writing down what the child says.)

Click this presentation for full details of the awards and also for the application form – the form for each class P1 – P6 is on the final slide of the presentation:

Click here: [https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1aynSuhTh520tGVrBWtRhSUZEt\\_yV-ZE1fRFhTtHqoX4/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1aynSuhTh520tGVrBWtRhSUZEt_yV-ZE1fRFhTtHqoX4/edit?usp=sharing)

These awards are for interested volunteers, it is not a compulsory school activity.

## Update from our Student Support Department – Jenny Procter

### Digital Literacy:

The Student Support Department has completed Unit 1 of JIS' new PSPE Programme- Digital Literacy. There were three main areas of focus in these lessons: achieving balance between screen time and alternative activities, keeping information safe and securing and protecting ourselves. These messages were taught age appropriately and in different ways across the year groups. Next week all classes will be learning about empathy through Second Step – our school wide Personal Social Education programme. More information will be provided about this next week.

**O.T. Presentation:** Unfortunately we had to postpone the presentation planned for last week by Cheryl and Abi from SPOT about Occupational Therapy and Speech Therapy. We will rearrange this as soon as possible and share the details and Google Meet codes with you.

**Date correction from last week: Ear tests / screening:** You should all have received information on how to opt in to an audiology screening with our audiologist Anna on **Tuesday 14th September**. Please contact Kim in the office if you have not and Jenny Procter if you need more information.

[jprocter@es.jis.edu.hk](mailto:jprocter@es.jis.edu.hk)

### P1 and P6 vaccination applications

Parents of P1 and P6 students are reminded to send in their application forms and medical records by Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> September (latest) for the vaccination offered. Student Health Service staff will be checking all records on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> at JIS.



### Lunch orders at JIS: delivered to school each day (repeat message)

A few more parents are beginning to use this service so I leave the contact information here for general interest: OKA's catering, can arrange delivery of lunches (Bento box styles or rice/noodle dishes). Parents would need to contact the company and pay them directly through their website or call them on 2785 1305. Currently the website is only available in Japanese / Chinese but English is spoken on the phone if you call the restaurant. They will try to arrange some translation into English soon:

<http://www.okashk.com/ch/menu.html>

T: 27851305

### ICHK Newsletter for this week

Each week we share the newsletter from ICHK – (International College Hong Kong) to keep our community informed of the news from our partner secondary school.

To access this week's newsletter click: [here](#)



International College Hong Kong

### Recruitment position for I.T. Manager at JIS starting late October / November 2021

Towards the end of October we shall say farewell to our I.T. Manager Mr Wa Man Lee, who has been with the school over 10 years. Wa has a part time job with JIS and also a job as a tree management expert. He will be doing some extended study in tree management for a Masters' Degree, upon leaving JIS.

Currently this position has been 3 days per week and would suit someone with the technical expertise and knowledge who seeks only part time employment or who may be doing further study or vocational work. Working hours are negotiable. There is some technical work on management of our devices and system but also opportunities to have fun engaging with students and broadening their computing skills:

## **I.T. manager, technical support**

**(3 days per week, part time)**

Applicants must be creative, confident and flexible to work in an international primary school environment. Duties will include system admin, network infrastructure, system and user support and resources management. JIS is a Google products school, with some Microsoft applications. Applicants should send their C.V. expressing their experience and professional qualifications; with names of two referees to the Principal: [s-walton@jis.edu.hk](mailto:s-walton@jis.edu.hk) . For further information or enquiries, please contact the Principal.

Wishing everyone a very enjoyable weekend – it looks like the typhoons have gone and left some amazing sunshine ahead!

Simon Walton  
Principal