



Convent of the Holy Infant Jesus (Katong) Primary

Our Vision - From girls to women of grace and substance

Our Motto - Simple in Virtue, Steadfast in Duty

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Dear Parents/Guardians

We would like to thank you for your invaluable support and presence at the P1 to P6 Parent-Teacher meetings, our Learning Fest and meeting for Catholic parents held in Term 1. We would also like to thank all parents who have participated in our Inaugural Family Night organized by our Central Parent Council and at our Sports Carnival held at VJC. Term 1 was a memorable term for our Girls.

Home-School Partnership

We will be commencing our annual 'In-Conversation with School Leaders' sessions this term. These one-hour sessions, which begin at 8.10 a.m., are a platform for you to share your feedback and for us to clarify your concerns regarding school programmes, practices and policies. Sessions for parents of P5 and P6 students will be held this term while those for parents of P1 to P4 students will be held in Terms 3 & 4. Details of the P5 and P6 Sessions have been given in separate letters last Term.

We have scheduled our **mid-year Parent-Teacher Meeting** on **Wednesday, 24 May**. Your daughter/s need not report to school on that day. Details and instructions on the booking of slots to meet your daughter's teacher(s) will be given later in the term.

Term 2 School Calendar

The **schedule for Term 2** is attached. Please check with your daughters or refer to the Parents' Portal on our school website for any updates. In particular, please note the following:

- Our e-learning day, **Project Click@IJ**, will be held on **Thursday, 20 April**, for the **P1 to P5** students and on **Friday, 21 April**, for the **P1 to P4 and P6** students. On *Project Click* days, your daughters are to stay at home and engage in independent study on an e-learning platform.
- We would like to thank our parents who supported our 1st Family Night on 3 March. It was heartening to see how our girls enjoyed an evening with their parents and siblings. We are grateful to our Central Parent Council for organising this event and will be having the **2nd Family Night on Friday, 19 May**. More details on the 2nd Family Night will be issued in due course.
- The Health Ambassadors of our Central Parent Council has initiated a new initiative to recycle used uniforms. They would like to reach out to all parents to recycle your daughter's used uniforms which they have outgrown. Your daughter may deposit their used uniforms with our Health Ambassadors at the canteen during recess from **Tuesday, 28 March** or at the General Office with Mrs Louise Dias. These used uniforms should still be wearable. Your daughter is most welcome to help herself to the used uniforms and can pick up a size that fits her at no cost. You may contact Ms Susanna Tan (CPC Co-chairperson) at 91176805 should you have any queries.
- **Only for P1 to P4 Girls:** A Letter on Changes to Affiliation Priority in secondary posting exercise is attached. Please refer to this letter for the details.

- The dates for the **2017 Semestral Assessment 1 (SA1)** for the P3 to P6 Girls are given in the attached school calendar. A separate letter with the SA1 schedule was given out at the end of last term. Please note that your daughter was to have shown the signed letter to her Form Teacher by 22 Feb. The exam topics and formats as well as exam guidelines and policies are on our school website and you are strongly encouraged to refer to these.
- We will be celebrating our **Founder's Day** with a Mass on **Friday, 26 May**. This is an important school event as we recall with gratitude and continue to be inspired by the love and service of our Founder Blessed Nicolas Barre and our IJ Sisters. **We will be ending School at 10.40 a.m. that day.** Details will be made known in due course.

Health, Security and Safety Matters

On health matters, we seek parents/guardians to inform their daughters' form-teachers of new medical conditions that were not declared previously. This will allow the school to be attentive to your daughter's condition/s when they are participating in school activities.

We advise that you do not deliver your daughter's forgotten lunch, water bottle, books, homework, shoes, PE attire, pocket money, etc. Your daughter will learn to solve problems and take responsibility for the consequences of her forgetfulness. This will give her the opportunity to be independent and resilient. Our Security Guards and Receptionist have been advised not to take delivery of such forgotten items and they will show this term letter to remind our parents/guardians.

As part of the school's effort for emergency preparedness, we will be carrying out a full-day security-related emergency exercise on **Friday, 12 May**. MOE will conduct the exercise and it may involve the assistance from SCDF and the Police Force. Your daughter will be informed of the exercise details in early May.

The school was advised by LTA that our parents/guardians should exercise caution when driving in the school zone along Martia Road and Saint Patrick's Road, especially at the cross junction of these two roads. Please be reminded that Saint Patrick's Road is the main road and when you are driving in from East Coast Road or driving out from the school along Martia Road, you need to slow down or stop when approaching the junction. Do exercise patience when you are driving to school and follow the instructions of our Security Guards. We have reminded our girls not to pick up anything they have dropped onto the road. They should inform our staff stationed at the road junction for assistance. Their lives are more important than the things they have dropped onto the road.

We look forward to partnering you towards an enriching Term 2 for our Girls.

Mrs Judina Cheong
Principal