



MIS HAWKS NEWSLETTER



April 2025

End of Term 2 Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As Term 2 comes to a close, I extend my deepest appreciation to all who attended and supported our TCD Nostalgic Hari Raya Festival (17th April) and Parent-Teacher Meeting (18th April). Your involvement enriched these events and reinforced the strong community spirit we cherish at MIS.

Since joining MIS in January, I have been inspired by our collective progress. While we have initiated key academic and organisational improvements, 90% of our transformation journey still lies ahead - an exciting challenge we embrace together.

This term has been vibrant, filled with Term 2 exams, Sports Day, and festive celebrations like Chinese New Year and Hari Raya. Our students continue to shine, with some competing in the World Scholars Cup in Kuala Lumpur - a testament to their dedication. We also launched the MIS Hawks sports brand, published our first school newsletter, and are gearing up for impactful teacher professional development to elevate learning experiences.

Term 3 will be equally dynamic, featuring:

- 1. Teachers' Day Celebrations**
- 2. STEAM Week**
- 3. Technology Week**
- 4. MIS Showcase**
- 5. MIS Speech & Prize Giving Day**

These events will highlight talent, innovation, and the unity of our school community.

As we close this term, we bid farewell to three treasured teachers - Dr. Thefye, Miss Priscilla, and Encik Faris - thanking them for their contributions and wishing them success in their new endeavors.

On behalf of the MIS team, I thank you for your trust and partnership. Together, let's continue striving for excellence with passion and purpose.

Wishing you a joyful and restful break.



**Warm regards,
Dr. Jeffery Louis
Principal
Melaka International School**

Celebrating 32 Years of Excellence

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY, MELAKA INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

On the 1st April 2025, we joyfully celebrate 32 remarkable years of Melaka International School – a journey that began humbly on 1st April 1993 as a kindergarten with just two students at our first premise on Mata Kuching Road.

As our family grew, so did our aspirations. With increasing students and the introduction of primary and secondary levels, we moved to Jalan Kubu, laying stronger foundations for learning. Then, in 2008, we embarked on an exciting new chapter at our current campus in Kampung Lapan, where spacious classrooms, modern facilities, and endless opportunities await every learner.

Through every transition, one thing remained constant: our unwavering commitment to excellence, community, and holistic education.

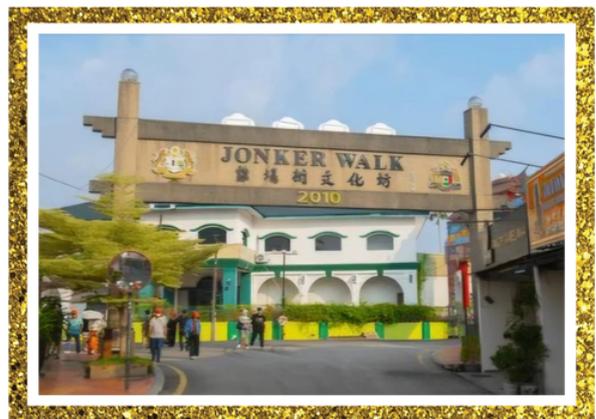
To our students—past and present—you are the heart of MIS.
To our teachers, faculty staff, and parents—your dedication shapes futures.

Together, we've built a legacy that inspires.

Happy 32nd Anniversary, MIS! Here's to many more years of growth, achievement, and cherished memories.



MATA KUCHING ROAD



JALAN KUBU



KAMPUNG LAPAN

Celebrating Our CEO's Birthday!



On 9th April, the Melaka International School community came together to celebrate the birthday of our beloved CEO, Ms Shamsunnisa. A special cake-cutting ceremony was held in the Le Délice, attended by excited students and staff, who joined in singing and sharing warm wishes.

The event was a wonderful opportunity to express our gratitude for the CEO's visionary leadership and dedication to our school. The smiles and cheers reflected the deep appreciation we all hold for their hard work in making MIS a nurturing and inspiring place to learn.

As we enjoyed the sweet treats and joyful moments, we were reminded of the strong sense of family within our school. Happy Birthday to our amazing CEO—may the year ahead be filled with health, happiness, and continued success!





ACADEMIC STAFF OF THE MONTH:

Ms. Debbie Moore

For over 30 years, Ms. Deborah Tracey Moore has been a pillar of our school, inspiring young minds in Primary Geography and History since joining on 1st April 1993. Her dynamic teaching turns lessons into exciting adventures, sparking curiosity in students.

A mother of four and with two grandchildren, (who are only permitted to call her 'Atin), she is a model of discipline, Ms. Moore starts each day with a 5km run. Her resilience shone in 2022 when she completed the grueling Spartan Super (10km, 25 obstacles). Now, she's pursuing the Spartan Trifecta before her 65th birthday.

Beyond fitness, she champions inclusivity, supporting Special Spartans Malaysia to help children with special needs experience obstacle courses. Her adventurous spirit extends to powerboating, waterskiing, and scuba diving.

A lifelong journal keeper, she reflects on growth and perseverance daily. Despite her achievements, she remains humble, dedicating this recognition to her students, colleagues, and the entire school community.

Congratulations, Ms. Debbie Moore, on this well-deserved honour!



FACULTY STAFF OF THE MONTH:

Mr. Ramli Bin Amat

We are delighted to honour Mr. Ramli bin Amat as our April Faculty Staff of the Month! A dedicated member of the MIS family since 2nd January, 1996, Mr. Ramli began his journey with us at the young age of 22 as an Office Admin, handling various tasks—from bank runs to post office visits.

Before joining MIS, Ramli was a state footballer, but a knee injury four years later led him to focus entirely on his role here. Over the years, he has become an indispensable part of our community, serving as a prayer leader (imam) for school events and expertly managing immigration matters for students, parents, and expatriate staff.

Known for his quiet, happy-go-lucky nature, Ramli enjoys simple pleasures like sipping 'teh tarik' and savouring offal delicacies. Though he doesn't speak much, his wisdom shines through when he offers valuable advice to younger colleagues. In his free time, he dedicates himself to reading the Quran and attending religious lessons at the mosque.

Ramli's 28 years of unwavering service, humility, and dedication make him a true asset to MIS. We are grateful for his contributions and proud to celebrate him this month.

Ramli is still single and available, so if anyone knows of a potential match for this kind-hearted, hardworking gentleman, feel free to reach out!

Thank you, Ramli – your hard work and kindness are noted by us all.



CCA Public Speaking:

Celebrating the Power of Poetry

This April, CCA Public Speaking students embraced World Poetry Month by crafting 20-line poems on "Forests." Guided by Ms. Adeline, they explored poetry's timeless role in uniting cultures and expressing shared humanity.

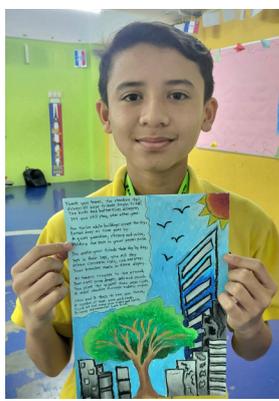
Poetry transforms words into bridges - connecting continents, sparking dialogue, and inspiring peace. Through vivid imagery and rhythm, it captures emotions and ideas like no other art form.

Congratulations to our young poets: Arman, Zoey, and Adelle (Year 7) for their creative submissions! Their work reminds us that even in turbulent times, poetry remains a beacon of connection and hope.

Keep writing, keep sharing—your voices matter!



Zoey



Arman



Adelle

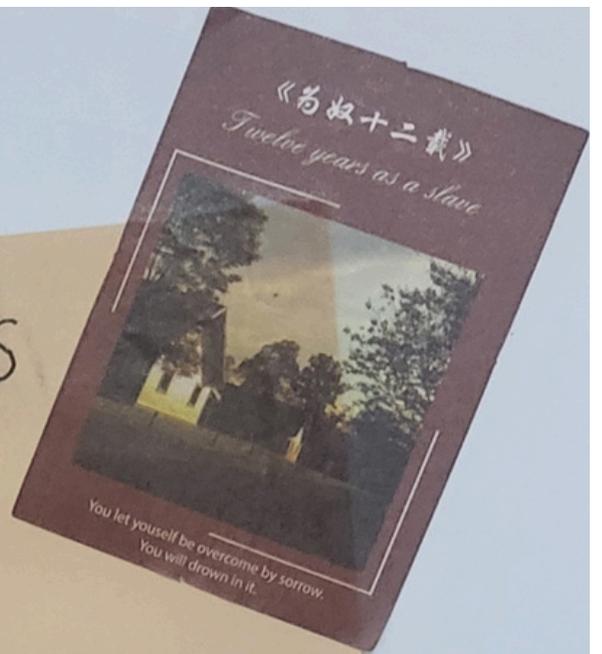
Thank You, Forests

Thank you, forests,
for the shade of your tall trees,
whisper of leaves in the wind,
and the songs you sing,
which are soft and endless.

Thank you, trees,
for your bonding with branches
to shade us in hot days,
for the fresh air you breathe out,
filling our lungs.

Thank you, nature,
for the sun that warms,
the rain that pours,
the wind that whispers in my ears,
and blows through my hair

Thank you nature, trees and forests,
for giving us the gift of life.



- Zoey ♡

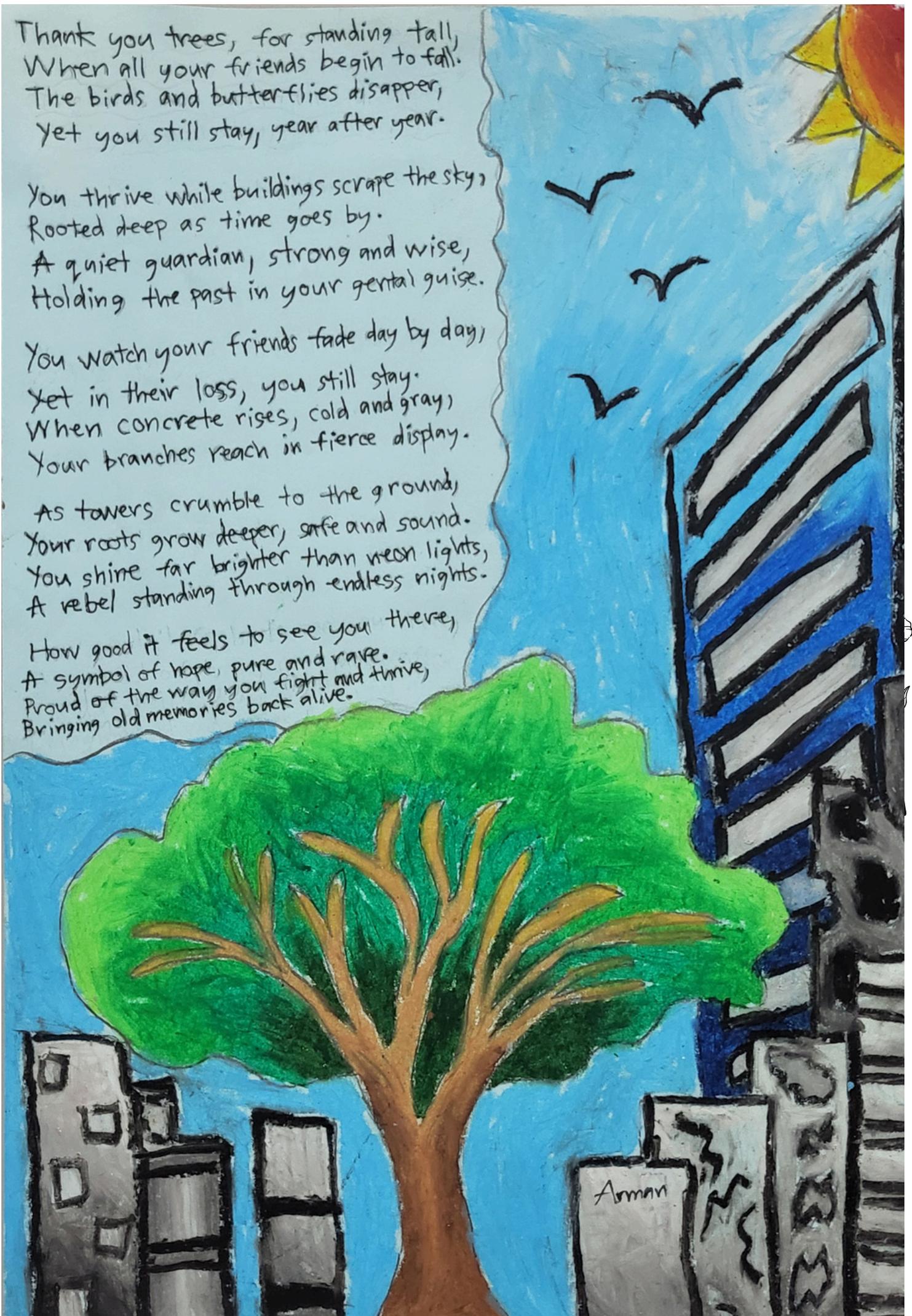
Thank you trees, for standing tall,
When all your friends begin to fall.
The birds and butterflies disappear,
Yet you still stay, year after year.

You thrive while buildings scrape the sky,
Rooted deep as time goes by.
A quiet guardian, strong and wise,
Holding the past in your gentle guise.

You watch your friends fade day by day,
Yet in their loss, you still stay.
When concrete rises, cold and gray,
Your branches reach in fierce display.

As towers crumble to the ground,
Your roots grow deeper, safe and sound.
You shine far brighter than neon lights,
A rebel standing through endless nights.

How good it feels to see you there,
A symbol of hope, pure and rare.
Proud of the way you fight and thrive,
Bringing old memories back alive.



Arman

As the wind rushes in peace
It release a harmony, a gentle tune.

Where everyone dances in cheer
Under the wonderful sky in June

Nature, nature, we don't deserve you
Yet still you shine brightly just for us

The ones that ruined you
Giving us a life with light

Flowers dance in joy, swaying freely.
Not knowing that one day they will vanish
The sound of birds chirping
Completes the missing puzzle.

One day we will wake up without you.
The puzzle will separate
No songs to hear and no light in life.
We don't deserve you

Nature, nature, bold and bright
Learn to value you
Learn to appreciate you
Learn to admire you

Adelle

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Continuous Professional Development

IGCSE & CHECKPOINT INVIGILATOR TRAINING SESSION

NOTES

Our Exams Officer, Mr. Saravanan, led a crucial training session to prepare invigilators for the IGCSE and Checkpoint exams. The session ensured compliance with Cambridge International's regulations, maintaining fairness and security throughout the examination process.

KEY TRAINING OBJECTIVES

- Understanding exam regulations and proper exam room setup.
- Handling emergencies, malpractice, and special cases.
- Creating a calm, well-managed environment for candidates.

TOPICS COVERED

1. Roles & Responsibilities: Ensuring exam integrity, verifying candidate IDs, and monitoring behaviour.
2. Before the Exam: Room setup, materials checklist, timings, and special arrangements.
3. During the Exam: Starting procedures, discreet monitoring, and handling disruptions.
4. After the Exam: Secure script collection, proper storage, and incident reporting.
5. Malpractice & Irregularities: Identifying and addressing cheating, unauthorized materials, and reporting procedures.



Thank you to all invigilators for their commitment to upholding exam standards and supporting our students. Your diligence ensures a smooth and fair examination experience for everyone.

Year 11 IGCSE Journey Begins

– Make MIS Proud!

The entire MIS community wishes our five Year 11 students the very best as they undertake their IGCSE examinations, which began on 7th April 2025 and concludes on 11th June 2025. Over the next few weeks, they will sit for Non-Coursework Exams, Practical Exams, and Written Exams across a wide range of subjects offered at MIS.

The International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE) is a globally recognized qualification, valued by universities worldwide for its emphasis on critical thinking, problem - solving, and academic excellence. With subjects spanning languages, sciences, humanities, and creative fields, our students have worked hard to prepare for this milestone.

A special thank you to Mr. Saravanan (MIS Exams Officer) and all Year 11 subject teachers for their dedication and support in guiding our students through this journey.

We are confident that our Year 11s will rise to the challenge - stay focused, believe in yourselves, and give it your best! The MIS family is cheering you on every step of the way. Good luck!



MIS ATHLETES EXCEL AT MSSD MELAKA TENGAH CROSS COUNTRY 2025

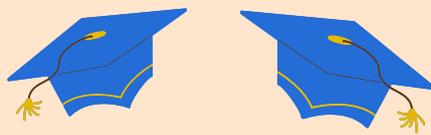
Melaka International School showcased outstanding determination and teamwork at the MSSD Melaka Tengah Cross Country Competition on 10th April 2025 in SMK Krubong. Under the guidance of their coach, *Mr. Zulhairi* and assistant coach *Mr Shakirin*, our runners demonstrated resilience and competitive spirit across multiple age categories.

The Girls U18 (6km) team delivered a stellar performance, with *Iris Alanna Jansen* claiming silver and *Ananya Raghav* earning bronze, while *Aneira Kaur Sahota* completed the race with pride. Their combined efforts secured an impressive 6th place out of 32 schools—a testament to their hard work and unity.

In the Boys U18 (8km), *Kamaludeen Mohammed Uwais* pushed through the tough distance as a finisher. Meanwhile, *Bacaoco Hugh Godfrey* (Boys U15), *Yosr Osman Ahmed Elhassan* and *Anastasia Quah Anh Khue* (Girls U15), and *Ayushman Raghav* (Boys U12) all completed their races with strong determination, representing MIS with pride.

This event highlighted not just individual achievements but also the team spirit and perseverance that define MIS athletics. We congratulate all participants for their efforts and extend special thanks to Coach Mr. Zulhairi for his dedication and leadership, along with all the supporters who contributed to this success.

Well done, MIS runners!



Celebrating Milestones:

Graduation Photo Session

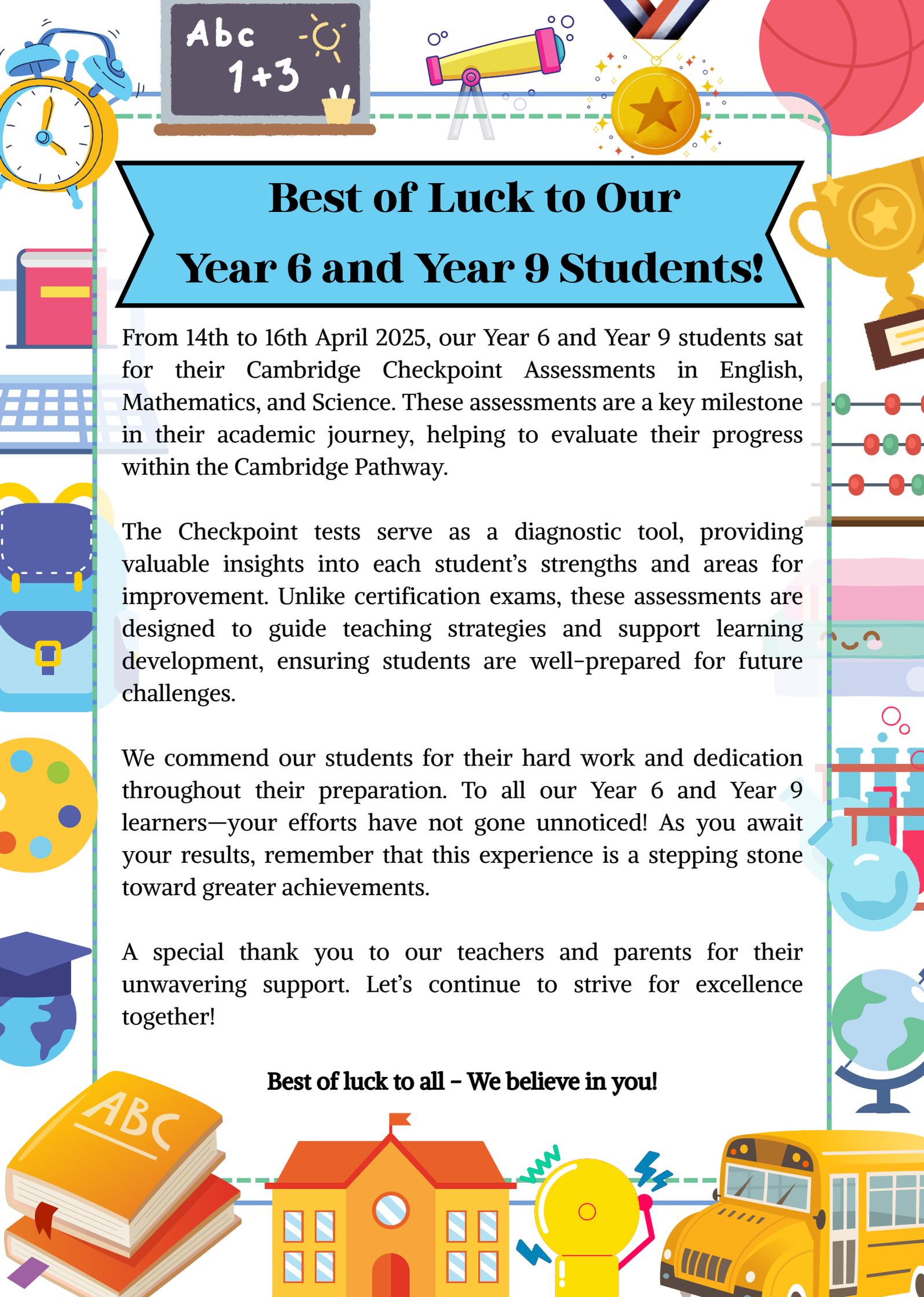
On 11th April, our Year 11 and Kindergarten students came together for a special graduation photo session, marking their upcoming transitions. Year 11 students, who will officially graduate in June with their prom, posed proudly in their formal attire, while our bright-eyed Kindergarteners—soon to step into Year 1 in September—beamed with excitement. The session was filled with laughter and camaraderie, capturing the joy of these important milestones.



A huge thank you to the staff and photographers who made the day memorable. We look forward to celebrating Year 11's achievements at their prom and cheering on our youngest learners as they begin their next chapter!

Here's to new beginnings!





Best of Luck to Our Year 6 and Year 9 Students!

From 14th to 16th April 2025, our Year 6 and Year 9 students sat for their Cambridge Checkpoint Assessments in English, Mathematics, and Science. These assessments are a key milestone in their academic journey, helping to evaluate their progress within the Cambridge Pathway.

The Checkpoint tests serve as a diagnostic tool, providing valuable insights into each student's strengths and areas for improvement. Unlike certification exams, these assessments are designed to guide teaching strategies and support learning development, ensuring students are well-prepared for future challenges.

We commend our students for their hard work and dedication throughout their preparation. To all our Year 6 and Year 9 learners—your efforts have not gone unnoticed! As you await your results, remember that this experience is a stepping stone toward greater achievements.

A special thank you to our teachers and parents for their unwavering support. Let's continue to strive for excellence together!

Best of luck to all - We believe in you!

MIS CELEBRATES RICKY'S OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE AT MSSN MELAKA AQUATICS COMPETITION 2025



We are thrilled to congratulate Ahn Sangwook (Ricky), our sole representative from Melaka International School, for his remarkable participation in the MSSN Melaka Aquatics Competition 2025 held on 15th & 16th April at the Stadium Hang Jebat Aquatic Centre. Organized by the Jabatan Pendidikan Negeri Melaka, this prestigious event brought together talented swimmers from across the state.

Ricky competed in three U18 categories: 50m Butterfly, 50m Backstroke, and 50m Freestyle, showcasing his skill, determination, and fighting spirit. Despite tough competition, he delivered impressive performances, achieving notable rankings:

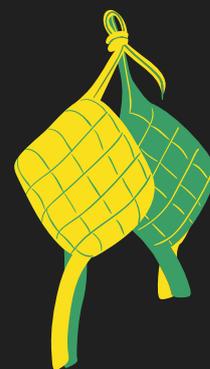
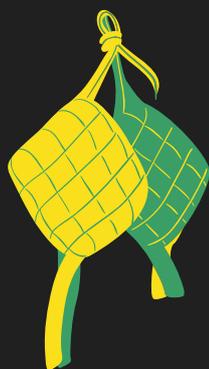
- **15th out of 28 swimmers in Butterfly (33.81s)**
- **9th out of 17 swimmers in Backstroke (35.56s)**
- **12th out of 59 swimmers in Freestyle (29.35s)**

Guided by his personal coach, Mr. Yeo Cheng Loon, and supported by team managers Mr. Zulhairi and Mr. Shakirin, Ricky demonstrated resilience and sportsmanship throughout the competition.

MIS takes immense pride in Ricky's achievements and his dedication to representing our school at such a high level. His hard work and passion for swimming serve as an inspiration to all students. Well done, Ricky - keep making waves!

TRADITIONAL COSTUME DAY NOSTALGIC RAYA FESTIVAL

A DAY OF JOY AND TRADITION



The TCD Nostalgic Raya Festival on 17th April was a vibrant celebration of culture, talent, and togetherness! From 10:00 am to 3:00 pm, our school came alive with performances, games, and delicious food, creating unforgettable memories for students, staff, and parents alike.

The festivities began with our Year 10 students warmly greeting and ushering parents from the Le Delice to the Auditorium for the concert. Inside, our dynamic MCs, Ananya Raghav and Jayson Cheong, kept the audience entertained with their lively energy and engaging commentary. The spectacular concert showcased our students' incredible talents in singing, dancing, and playing traditional and modern musical instruments. Adding to the excitement, the MIS Staff dazzled everyone with a lively Serumpun dance performance. The concert concluded with a Best Dressed Parade, where students from Kindergarten to Year 7—and even our stylish MIS Staff—strutted down the catwalk in stunning traditional outfits.

At 11:00 am, the fun continued with traditional games! Indoors, participants enjoyed congkak and carom, while the art room offered creative Raya-themed activities. Outside on the Hawks Home Ground, families joined in the laughter with games like the slipper throw, coconut shell shoes, and palm leaf tug. Younger students had a blast playing with bubbles, and the excitement peaked with thrilling races to wrap up the games.

By 1:00 pm, everyone gathered to savour a delicious buffet filled with traditional Raya delicacies. The celebration continued at 2:00 pm with a lively Karaoke Competition, followed by a prize-giving ceremony at 2:30 pm. The event concluded at 3:00 pm, sending everyone home with full hearts and big smiles.

A heartfelt thank you to all the proud parents who joined us to support their children, making the day even more special. We also extend our deepest gratitude to the TCD Raya Committee Members for this memorable event.

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Parent-Teacher Meeting Fosters Strong Collaboration

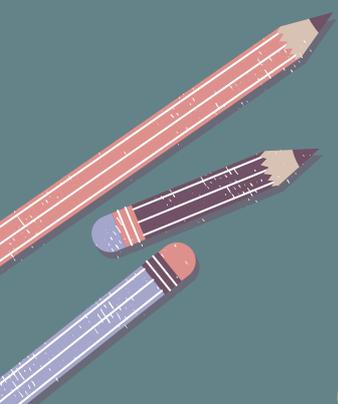


The school successfully held its Parent-Teacher Meeting on 18th April from 8:30 a.m to 12:30 p.m at Dr. Ishak Hall, providing a welcoming space for parents and teachers to connect. Parents collected their children's Assessment Report Cards, which included detailed results from Formative Assessments and Mid-Term Summative Assessments, allowing them to track academic progress and celebrate achievements.

A key feature of the event was the opportunity for parents to sign up for Term 3 Co-Curricular Activities, ensuring students continue to explore their interests and talents. Parents also had the privilege of meeting our Principal, Dr. Jeffery Louis, who shared updates on school initiatives and addressed questions, reinforcing the school's commitment to excellence.

The meeting facilitated meaningful one-on-one discussions between parents and teachers, focusing on each child's growth and learning journey. Light refreshments were served, adding to the warm and engaging atmosphere.

We sincerely thank all parents, teachers, and Dr. Jeffrey Louis for their active participation. Such partnerships are vital in nurturing our students' success.



Parents-Teacher Meeting Gallery



Melaka International School Shines at the 2025 World Scholar's Cup Regional Round in Kuala Lumpur



The 2025 World Scholar's Cup (WSC) Regional Round was held on the 18th & 19th April, 2025, at the British International School Kuala Lumpur. This prestigious academic competition celebrates learning, fosters skill development, and inspires future scholars and leaders. Over 800 students participated in the Kuala Lumpur round, with top teams qualifying for the Global Rounds.

Team MIS (582), comprising Shashini S. Kannan (Year 7), Damia Zara binti Safwan Zakwan (Year 9), and Star Ong Alai (Year 9), represented our school with outstanding performances. Under the expert guidance of Mr. Paulo Cedillo Dorongon, an experienced WSC coach and English teacher who has led MIS teams to the Global Rounds in China, Singapore, India, Australia, the UAE, and at Yale University in the United States for the Tournament of Champions, and with the support of our CEO and chaperone, Ms. Shamsunnisa, our scholars showcased their talents across various events, including Team Debate, Scholar's Challenge, Team Writing, and the Scholar's Bowl.

Team MIS Achievements:

Shashini S. Kannan

- Gold Medal – Individual Debate
- Gold Medal – Team Writing
- Silver Medal – Individual Writing
- Silver Medal – Team Bowl
- Silver Medal – Team Debate
- Silver Medal – “Barely Old” Scholar

Damia Zara Binti Safwan Zakwan

- Gold Medal – Team Writing
- Silver Medal – Individual Debate
- Silver Medal – Team Bowl
- Silver Medal – Individual Writing
- Silver Medal – Team Debate

Star Ong Alai

- Gold Medal – Team Writing
- Gold Medal – Individual Writing
- Silver Medal – Team Bowl
- Silver Medal – Team Debate



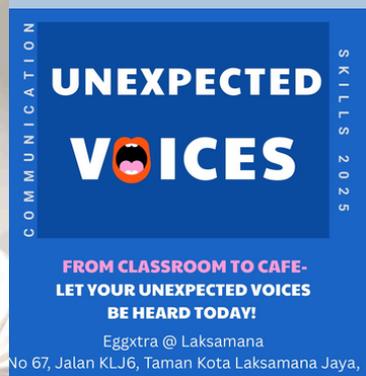
A Special Message from Mr. Paulo:

"I'm incredibly proud to share that Team MIS has once again qualified for the Global Round of the World Scholar's Cup! This prestigious event will be held in one of the following host countries: Slovenia, New Zealand, South Korea, Malaysia, China, the UAE, Thailand, or Qatar."

We extend our deepest gratitude to Encik Safwan Zakwan for providing transport support and to all who contributed to this success. Congratulations to our scholars for their hard work and dedication—MIS is proud of you!

Stay tuned for updates as Team MIS prepares for the next challenge!

BLUBRICKS COMMUNICATION SKILLS WORKSHOP CELEBRATES WORLD SPEECH DAY



In celebration of World Speech Day on 19th April, BluBricks hosted an engaging Communication Skills Workshop: Unexpected Voices at Eggxtra Cafe, Malacca. The workshop aimed to provide students with hands-on experience in interview skills and improvisational communication.

Among the participants was Diana See Sheng En (Year 9), known for her quiet demeanor, stepped out of her comfort zone to take part. The session began with a "Coffee Chat", where students practiced conversational skills by interviewing parents and guests.

The highlight was Diana's heartfelt recitation of the poem "Education - Need of the Hour" by Disha Mittal. Through her delivery, she beautifully conveyed the poem's powerful message about the value of education - its role in shaping wisdom, discipline, and purpose.

The workshop not only boosted confidence but also highlighted the importance of effective communication. Congratulations to Diana for embracing this opportunity to grow and express yourself!

"Because it teaches us the meaning of life, or because it helps us thrive." – A reminder of why education and communication matter.

FAREWELL

All the Best to Dr. Thefye Prasad Moganna Sunthar

The MIS family bids a fond farewell to our beloved Dr. Thefye, who has been an inspiring educator, mentor, and leader since joining us on 4th September 2023. With a Doctorate in Engineering (Materials Chemistry from the prestigious Kyoto Institute of Technology, Japan, Dr. Thefye brought not only academic excellence but also deep compassion to his roles as Head of Discipline and Student Affairs and teacher of Biology, Chemistry, Science, and Moral Education.

Dr. Thefye's departure on 18th April 2025 marks the end of an era filled with dedication, warmth, and unwavering commitment to our students' growth. In his heartfelt farewell message, he expressed profound gratitude to Ms. Shamsunnisa, colleagues, and students, likening MIS to a second home. He acknowledged the invaluable mentorship of Mr. Saravanan, the sibling-like bond with colleagues, and the deep affection he holds for his students, always pushing them to reach their fullest potential.

Though we will miss his presence dearly, we celebrate his next chapter as a Principal and carry forward the lessons, kindness, and discipline he instilled in us. Dr. Thefye, you will always remain a cherished part of MIS—thank you for everything. Please keep us in your heart as we will forever keep you in ours.

**With gratitude,
The MIS Family**

Bon Voyage, Priscilla Tan Mei Ee!

MIS bids a fond farewell to our beloved School Counsellor, Ms Priscilla, as she concluded her journey with us on 18th April 2025. Ms Priscilla began her time at MIS on 5th October 2020, and over the past four and a half years, she has touched countless lives with her warmth, expertise (holding a Masters in Counselling), and unwavering dedication.

Ms Priscilla extends her heartfelt thanks to management for their trust and support, the admin staff for their seamless cooperation, and her colleagues for their friendship and teamwork—especially Ms Debbie (her mentor) and Dr. Thefye (her Pastoral team partner). To her students, she leaves an encouraging message: "Trust in your journey, step forward with courage, and embrace a future of abundance."

Though we will miss her dearly, we celebrate the incredible impact she has made and wish her endless blessings in her next adventure. Thank you, Priscilla—MIS will always cherish the memories you've given us!

"May your path ahead be filled with love, joy, and boundless happiness."

Farewell Mr. Muhammad Faris bin Abdul Nazib

Mr. Faris bid farewell to MIS on 18th April 2025. We extend our deepest gratitude for his dedication since joining us on 25th July 2022. His passion as an Islamic Studies and Malaysian History teacher, along with his guidance as the Student Council advisor, has left a lasting impact on both students and colleagues.

His parting words remind us of the importance of unity and positivity in fostering growth. Though we will miss your presence, we wish you continued success in your future endeavours. May Allah bless your journey ahead.

Thank you, Mr. Faris!





MIS Hawks Soar High at Melaka Inter-School Cross Country Competition!

The MIS Hawks made waves at the Melaka Inter-School Cross Country Competition on 21st April 2025, held at the Malacca State Education Department Co-Curriculum Centre, Jasin. Representing Melaka Tengah District, our talented runners, Iris Alanna Jansen and Ananya Raghav, showcased incredible determination and skill in the Girls U18 (6km) category, bringing pride to our school with their outstanding performances.

Iris delivered a stellar run, finishing the race in just 30 minutes - an exceptional feat that earned her 4th place overall! Her remarkable achievement has also secured her a spot to represent MIS and the Melaka State at the prestigious MSSM Competition in May 2025. We have no doubt she will continue to shine on the national stage!

Meanwhile, Ananya achieved a personal best, slashing her previous time from 46 minutes to an impressive 38 minutes - a testament to her hard work, perseverance, and dedication to improvement. Her progress is truly inspiring!

It was a proud day for MIS, and we celebrate the spirit, resilience, and sportsmanship of our Hawks. As they continue to push their limits, we eagerly await their future triumphs. Fly high, MIS Hawks—the sky's the limit!



Continuous Professional Development (CPD) – Term 2 Break Wrap-Up



The Term 2 break was an enriching opportunity for our educators as they participated in Continuous Professional Development (CPD) from 21st to 25th April 2025. This five-day programme enhanced teaching strategies, classroom management, communication skills, and leadership, empowering our teachers with the latest educational approaches.

Day 1 (21st April) began with Workshop A on Student Behaviour and Management, facilitated by Miss Shivani, followed by Workshop B on Classroom Management by Ms Bavani.

Day 2 (22nd April) featured Dr. Jeffery Louis discussing Going the X-tra Mile and Miss Pavitraa exploring The Art of Communication.

Day 3 (23rd April) included Dr. Puspa delving into Teaching and Learning Dynamics, while Dr. Murali led an insightful session on Teacher Professionalism.

Day 4 (24th April) focused on leadership, with Dr. Jeffery Louis guiding Leader, Leading & Leadership, followed by the KS Coordinators facilitating an engaging workshop on Team Dynamics.

Finally, Day 5 (25th April) consolidated practical planning with sessions on Lesson Plans, Academic Calendars, and Assessments, culminating in a Certificate Ceremony to celebrate the participants' dedication.

The workshops were highly interactive, featuring group discussions, role-plays, and brainstorming activities. Teachers left equipped with fresh strategies to foster student success. It was a week of collaboration, learning, and growth—because great teachers never stop improving!



Veterans vs. Vibes: Myxini IX Gets Schooled by Nepal IX

Sunday's friendly match on MIS Hawks Homeground was a showdown of experience vs. energy - and sadly, experience needed a nap. The Myxini IX, led by Captain Zulhairi, Mr Shakirin, and featuring ex-state legends (plus one brave parent, Mr. Anuj Raghav), faced off against the sprightly Nepal IX, who clearly didn't get the memo about "taking it easy on the old guys."

The first half was competitive, with Myxini holding their own. But by the second half, the veterans were running on fumes - and possibly regret. Meanwhile, Nepal IX, led by Captain Kumar, dashed around like they'd chugged energy drinks for breakfast. Final score? 4-7, with Myxini's pride taking an extra hit.

Thanks to Myxini Football Academy for the refreshments—though what the veterans really needed was oxygen tanks! Better luck next time, legends!



THROWING EVENTS WORKSHOP – A SUCCESS!

On Monday, 28th April 2025, Quantum Athletics Academy organized an exciting Throwing Events Workshop at the MIS Hawks Homeground. The session, led by our ECA Athletics Coach (Mr Thaltha bin Mahadi), focused on Shot Put and Javelin Throw, with special guests Coach Ali (National Throwing Coach), Nurul Atiqah (National Throwing Athlete), and Coach Thaltha (Former National Athlete).

Eight students—Gordan Goh Jun Han, Renee Liu Chi Ching, Ananya Raghav, Diana See Sheng En, Janelle Yow Jia Ee, Ayushman Raghav, Sun Zhe Hao, and Aneira Kaur Sahota — participated in the workshop, learning proper techniques, improving strength and coordination, and gaining hands-on experience. The national coaches and athletes provided expert guidance, while inspiring stories from Nurul Atiqah and Coach Thaltha motivated students to pursue athletics at higher levels.

The workshop successfully met its objectives, equipping students with technical skills, boosting their confidence, and preparing them for future competitions. It was an enriching experience, blending practical training with professional insights—a great step forward for our young athletes!

Well done to all participants!



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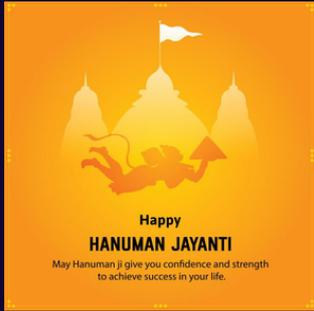
CELEBRATING DIVERSITY:

Hanuman Jayanti, Vaisakhi, Tamil New Year & Easter

At Melaka International School, we embrace the rich cultural and religious diversity of our community. This month, we joyfully acknowledge four significant celebrations observed by our students and families: Vaisakhi, Tamil New Year (Puthandu), Easter, and Hanuman Jayanti.

12th April – Hanuman Jayanti (Hindu)

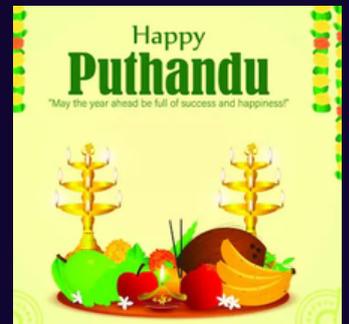
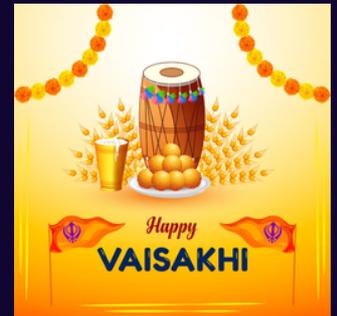
This festival honours the birth of Lord Hanuman, the devoted deity known for strength, loyalty, and courage. Devotees visit temples, recite hymns, and reflect on his teachings of selfless service and devotion.



14th April – Vaisakhi (Sikh & Hindu) & Tamil New Year (Puthandu)

Vaisakhi marks the Sikh New Year and the founding of the Khalsa (the Sikh community) in 1699 by Guru Gobind Singh Ji. It is celebrated with prayers, processions, and community feasts. For Hindus, Vaisakhi signifies the harvest festival in Punjab and other regions, symbolizing gratitude for nature's bounty.

Tamil New Year (Puthandu) is celebrated worldwide by Tamil communities, marking the Tamil calendar's first day. Traditions include decorating homes with kolam (rangoli), preparing festive feasts, and seeking blessings for prosperity in the new year.



20th April – Easter (Christian)

Easter commemorates the resurrection of Jesus Christ, a cornerstone of the Christian faith. Celebrated with church services, family gatherings, and symbolic traditions like Easter eggs (representing new life), it is a time of joy, reflection, and renewal.

As a school that values inclusivity, we encourage everyone to learn about and respect these beautiful traditions. Let's celebrate the spirit of unity and understanding that makes our MIS community so special!

Wishing everyone a joyful Hanuman Jayanti, Vaisakhi, Puthandu, and Blessed Easter!

Meet the MIS Hawks Newsletter Team

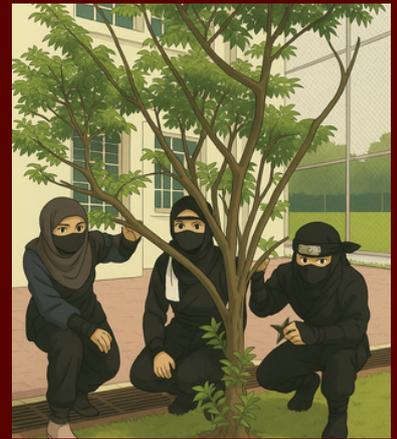


The Info Hunters!



Move over, paparazzi – there’s a new trio in town! Miss Sutha, Miss Izzatie, and Ms. Debbie Moore have volunteered ourselves into becoming the fearless MIS Hawks Newsletter Team – because someone had to do it, and we drew the short straws. (Just kidding... mostly.)

We three aren’t just educators – we’re information ninjas, hunting down updates like hawks spotting prey. Need a quote? We’ll ambush you at lunch. Forgot your club news? We’ll politely haunt your WhatsApp. And don’t even get us started on our stealth photography skills – no smile is safe.



Between teaching, meetings, and the general chaos of school life, we somehow find time to write, edit, and design every issue. Are we magicians? Sleep-deprived? Fueled entirely by caffeine, chocolates, and goodwill? The world may never know.

So when we corner you for updates, just surrender gracefully. After all, we’re doing this for you – and possibly because no one else was reckless enough to try.

Stay tuned for the next issue—proof that passion (and mild obsession) move mountains!

