

MIS HAWKS NEWSLETTER



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“21st-century education is about giving students the skills to think, learn, and adapt – not just to survive, but to thrive.”

As we move toward the end of this academic term and begin preparing for the upcoming 2025/2026 academic year, I reflect on this quote and its powerful relevance in our current educational landscape.

The world our students are stepping into is fast-paced, complex, and ever-changing – a true VUCA world. It is no longer enough to simply teach content. Our mission as a school is to shape adaptive, resilient, and capable learners who are ready to lead, create, and innovate. And we are well on our way.

In line with this, we are excited to announce a deeper integration of technology-driven education across all key stages beginning next term. Our digital platforms, AI learning tools, and coding-based modules are being strengthened to ensure every learner develops fluency in digital literacy – a must-have skill in the 21st century.

Simultaneously, we continue to embrace project-based and activity-based learning. These approaches move students from passive recipients to active participants in their education – igniting curiosity, encouraging collaboration, and building real-world problem-solving skills. Our classrooms will be dynamic hubs of inquiry, exploration, and creativity.

We also have an exciting calendar of continuous activities and cross-curricular events that reflect the core competencies of 21st-century education – leadership, critical thinking, communication, character, and global citizenship. These experiences are designed not just to educate minds, but to shape individuals.

Let us continue this journey together – parents, students, teachers, and the school leadership – committed to building a community of future-ready individuals who will not only survive but thrive in whatever the future holds.

Wishing all our families a strong end to the term and an inspiring transition into a new academic year filled with purpose and possibility.

*Warm regards,
Dr. Jeffery Louis
Principal*

A Safer Tomorrow Starts Today

Dear MIS Community

As we mark Child Safety Week (2nd to 8th June), I am reminded of the African proverb: ***"It takes a village to raise a child."*** At Melaka International School, we believe this village must first and foremost be a safe one - *where every child can learn, explore, and grow without preventable harm.*

This annual campaign is more than just awareness - it's a call to action. Each year, thousands of children are injured in accidents that could have been avoided with proper precautions. From ensuring furniture is securely anchored to teaching the "stop, drop, and roll" technique, small measures save lives. Road safety remains critical - did you know correctly used car seats reduce infant fatalities by 71%? Meanwhile, in our digital age, online risks like cyberbullying and privacy breaches demand equal attention.

At MIS, we embed safety into our curriculum because protection extends beyond physical walls. Our students learn not just fire drills and first aid but also digital citizenship and emotional resilience. This holistic approach ensures they navigate both playgrounds and social media with confidence.

Yet schools can not do this alone. True safety requires partnership - parents reinforcing lessons at home, neighbours watching out for community hazards, and educators modelling vigilant care.

I urge you to:

- * ***Audit your home for potential dangers.***
- * ***Discuss online safety with your child.***
- * ***Practice emergency scenarios together.***

Let's transform awareness into action. Attend parent workshops, share safety tips with fellow families, and most importantly, keep the conversation going beyond 'Child Safety Week'.

Together, we can build a world where safety isn't an afterthought but the foundation of childhood. After all, our children's security isn't just our duty - it's their right.

**With commitment,
Ms. Shamsunnisa
CEO, Melaka International School**



Academic Staff of the Month: Mr. Goh Chart Hiang



A Teacher Who Believes Learning is the True Measure of Success

Mr. Goh Chart Hiang, an esteemed educator at MIS since 2013, is recognized for his exceptional dedication and student-centered teaching philosophy. With decades of experience spanning both corporate accounting and academia, he brings a wealth of knowledge to his classroom. His core belief - "I have not taught if the students have not learned"- drives him to continually refine his methods, ensuring genuine understanding.

For Mr. Goh, teaching is more than delivering lessons - it's about fostering meaningful learning. He emphasizes self-reflection, asking, "Have I taught?" rather than simply focusing on student performance. His approach blends care and discipline, believing that "sharing knowledge brings joy and hope." Even small signs of comprehension, like a student's nod, reassure him that his efforts are making an impact.

His passion for accounting began in secondary school, where he excelled in Principles of Accounts. He later earned a Diploma in Financial Accounting and became a Chartered Certified Accountant (ACCA). Before joining MIS, he worked in an accounting firm and spent 18 years as a Managing Partner at a commercial institute, teaching Financial, Cost, and Management Accounting. Today, he inspires Year 9, Year 10, and Year 11 students with real-world insights.

Beyond teaching, Mr. Goh serves as treasurer for the Johor Prisons Department's Board of Visiting Justices and manages finances for his church. He advises graduates to "contribute to family, community, and country" while valuing multicultural connections for future opportunities.

Mr. Goh's unwavering commitment, professional expertise, and belief that "love overcomes all" make him a deserving honoree. His legacy lies not just in lessons taught but in lives transformed through learning.

Thank you, Mr Goh, for your unwavering commitment and for reminding us that true teaching is measured by learning.



Faculty of the Month:

Ms. Superletchimy Sambasibam



This June, we proudly celebrate Ms. Superletchimy Sambasibam, our dedicated librarian, as Faculty of the Month! With 18 remarkable years at MIS, Ms Letchimy's journey is one of resilience, passion, and quiet inspiration.

Before joining MIS in 2007, she held diverse roles - from airline ticketing to hospital administration, showcasing her adaptability. But it's in the library where she's truly flourished, creating a nurturing space for students to explore books and ideas. A single mother, she found stability at MIS while raising her daughter, now a successful science paramedic - an achievement she cherishes deeply.

Though her dream of becoming an English teacher was deferred, her love for education shines through her work. From organizing the Multicultural Fair library event to curating engaging reads, she fosters a joy for learning. Outside school, she finds peace in gardening, reflecting her patience and care.

Ms Letchimy's next mission? Modernizing the library with fresh, inspiring books.

Join us in thanking her for 18 years of warmth, wisdom, and unwavering dedication!

"Libraries store the energy that fuels imagination." — Ms Superletchimy



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Alumni of the Month:



Dr. Sharveena Velan – A Shining

Example of Perseverance and Success!



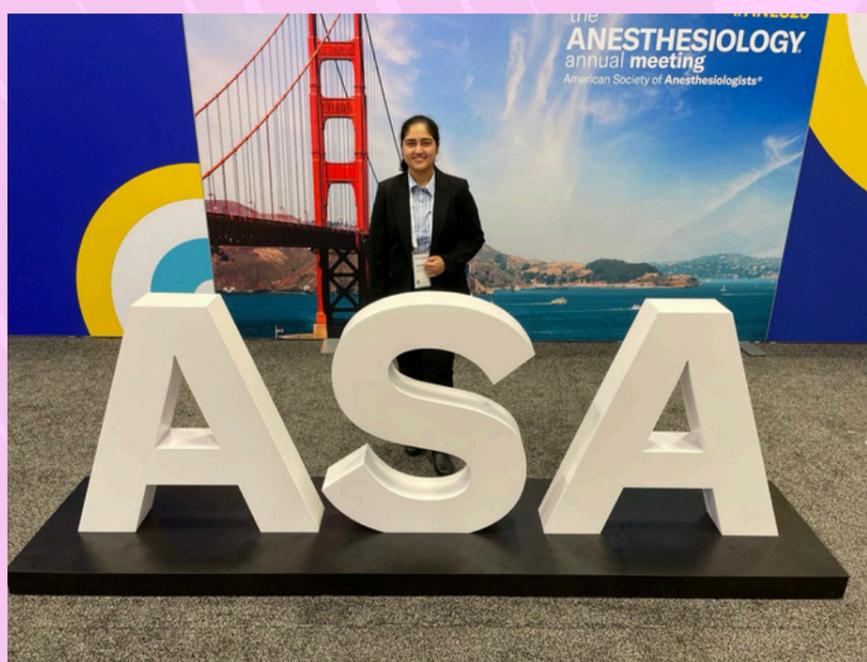
We are thrilled to celebrate **Dr. Sharveena Velan**, an outstanding MIS alumna, as our Alumni of the Month! Sharveena attended Melaka International School from 2012 to 2015, where she excelled academically, achieving 8 A* and 1 A in her IGCSEs – a testament to her dedication and brilliance

Her academic journey continued at Taylor's College Subang for A-Levels, followed by a medical degree at the prestigious University of St Andrews and the University of Manchester. Today, she is a full-time doctor at an NHS hospital near Manchester, where she finds her work deeply rewarding despite the challenges facing the healthcare system.

We are especially proud to share that Sharveena has secured a specialist training position in anaesthetics, starting this August – an incredible milestone in her medical career! Beyond her professional achievements, she stays connected to her roots, keeping in touch with MIS teachers and classmates. In her free time, she enjoys travelling, cooking, and gaming.

Sharveena's inspiring message to current MIS students: "Don't be afraid to step outside your comfort zone." Her journey from MIS to the NHS proves that ambition, resilience, and a willingness to embrace new challenges lead to extraordinary success.

Congratulations, Dr. Sharveena Velan! MIS is incredibly proud of you!



Celebrating His Majesty's Birthday & Year 8's Royal Adventure!



On 2nd June, Malaysia celebrated a day of national pride—His Majesty Yang di-Pertuan Agong's birthday! This special day honours the King's leadership and recognises outstanding individuals who have contributed to the nation.

The current 17th King of Malaysia is His Majesty Sultan Ibrahim, the Sultan of Johor, who ascended the throne on 31st January 2024. As the Supreme Head of the Federation, the King plays a vital role in Malaysia's constitutional monarchy.



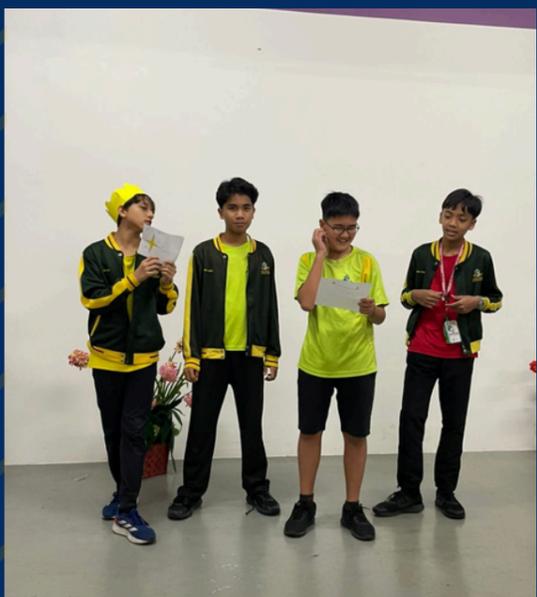
Year 8's "If I Were a King" activity

during a Malaysian History lesson, explored the role of the monarchy and took on a royal challenge —imagining themselves as rulers of their own kingdoms!

Students worked in groups to create a fictional territory and govern it as kings and queens.

They designed laws, policies, and systems covering security, politics, economy, and social welfare.

Each group crafted a unique flag representing their kingdom's identity.



With creativity and teamwork, students presented their visions — some prioritised environmental sustainability, others focused on education and equality, while a few even introduced innovative economic systems!

- Leadership requires wisdom, fairness, and vision.
- A nation thrives when its people's needs are heard.
- Designing a flag isn't just about colours. It's about identity and values!

This activity wasn't just fun - it helped students appreciate the complexities of governance and the importance of the monarchy in Malaysia's history.



Happy Belated Birthday to His Majesty! Long live the King!

Stay tuned for more exciting updates from our school's Malaysian History adventures!



THE GREAT BLOCK-OFF:

WHERE CREATIVITY MEETS PIXELS!

On 4th June 2025, Dr. Ishak Hall at Melaka International School transformed into a digital playground as 39 young Minecraft enthusiasts (ages 7-12) from across Malacca gathered for The Great Block-Off: Minecraft Education Competition. This wasn't just a contest - it was a showcase of imagination, problem-solving, and teamwork, proving that the next generation of innovators is already building the future, one block at a time!

Participants from private, national (SK), and national-type Chinese (SJKC) schools dove into the challenge, crafting elaborate hidden rooms, moving mechanical parts, and stunning themed builds that left judges Ms. Shamsunnisa, Mr. Ruban, Ms. Alin and Mr. Zamani amazed. The energy in the room was electric, with live feedback like "This feels like a whole little world—there's so much happening here!" and "The colours popped - it caught my eye right away!" sparking even more creativity.

For just RM20, competitors enjoyed breakfast, lunch, a digital certificate, a goodie bag, and a chance to win exclusive Minecraft prizes. But the real reward? The unforgettable experience - building solo yet surrounded by encouragement, with proud parents cheering nearby.

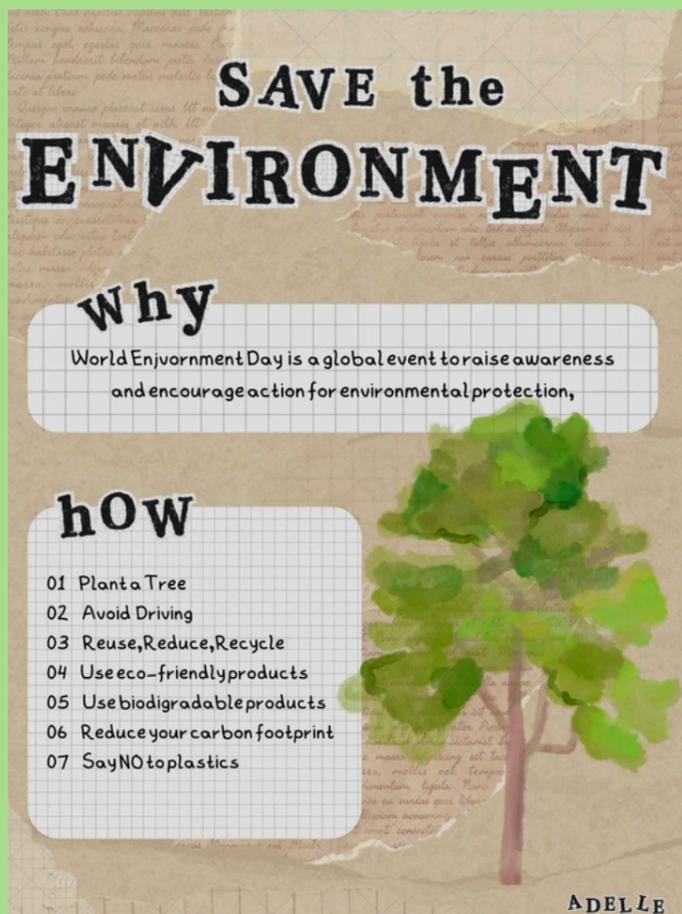
The 'Themed Builds' segment was a highlight where participants merged artistry with logic, designing structures that told stories, and solved challenges. In the end, Carmel Tesia Toby (MES) claimed the title of Overall Champion, taking home epic Minecraft-themed rewards. Meanwhile, Ho Jia Ming, 11 (SJKC Yok Bin), summed up the day perfectly: "I made new friends!" - proving that while Minecraft was the medium, teamwork and community were the real winners.

This event wasn't just about competition - it was a celebration of digital learning, creativity, and the boundless potential of young minds. A massive thank you to all participants, schools, and supporters who made this day unforgettable.

Until the next academic year... keep crafting, keep dreaming, and keep breaking the limits of what's possible!



Year 7 Takes Action for World Environment Day!



To celebrate World Environment Day, which was on 5th June, our brilliant Year 7 students stepped up with creative ideas on how to protect our planet! Through lively classroom discussions, they shared why the environment matters and how even small actions can make a big difference.

Each student brainstormed unique ways to help the Earth, from reducing waste to planting trees. But they didn't stop there. They turned their ideas into eye-catching Canva posters, showcasing their passion for a greener future! Their posters reminded us that every effort counts, whether it's recycling, saving water, or spreading awareness.

Year 7 proves that even the smallest act can change the world, and they're leading by example! Let's all take inspiration from their creativity and commitment to protecting our planet.

Be responsible for the world we live in - We only have one!

Happy

Eid Al-Adha

7th June: Celebrating Eid al-Adha with Faith, Sacrifice, and Creativity

Eid al-Adha, the "Festival of Sacrifice," is one of Islam's most significant holidays, celebrated on the 10th of Dhu al-Hijjah. It honours Prophet Ibrahim's unwavering faith and willingness to sacrifice his son, Ismail, in obedience to God, who provided a ram as a substitute. Today, Muslims worldwide commemorate this event by performing 'Qurban' (sacrifice) of permissible animals, distributing the meat to family, friends, and the less fortunate, reinforcing values of charity and gratitude.

In Malacca, the celebration includes special prayers, festive meals, and acts of kindness. To deepen their understanding, our Year 5 and Year 6 students engaged in a creative activity - designing personalized Eid al-Adha greeting cards. Through art, they explored the holiday's themes of devotion, sacrifice, and community spirit. This hands-on project not only enhanced their Islamic Studies lesson but also allowed them to express their appreciation for this sacred occasion in vibrant, meaningful ways.

Eid al-Adha reminds us that true faith is reflected in selflessness and compassion, lessons that resonate far beyond the classroom.



YEAR 4 TURNS TRASH INTO TREASURE FOR WORLD OCEANS DAY!

This World Oceans Day (8th June), our Year 4 students dove deep into ocean conservation with an inspiring project that blended creativity and environmental action! They crafted mini-books filled with their own artwork and reflections, then designed a breathtaking underwater mosaic using recycled materials, transforming discarded wrappers, straws, and tetra packs into a vibrant ocean scene.

Through lively discussions, students learned how plastic pollution harms marine life - from sea turtles to coral reefs. They were shocked to discover how everyday trash ends up in the ocean. But they didn't stop there! Their mosaic now brightens their classroom, proving that waste can be reimaged into something beautiful.

Key Takeaways:

- *Pollution's Path: How land waste travels to the sea, threatening habitats.*
- *Reuse & Recycle: The power of giving trash a second life.*
- *Art for Change: Creativity can inspire big waves of awareness!*

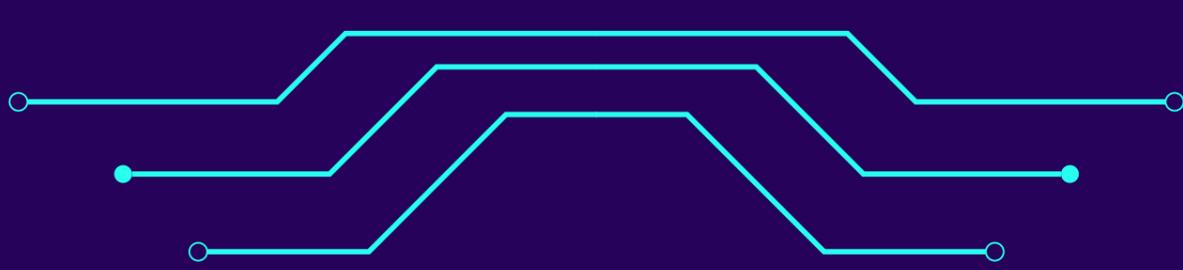
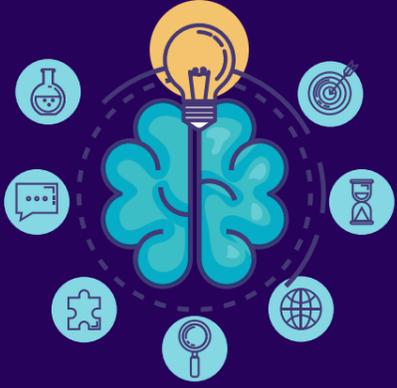
Year 4 also explored the importance of protecting whales and dolphins. Wild, sentient beings crucial to ocean health, and learned about threats like ghost fishing gear, which traps millions of marine animals.

Their message? Small actions create big ripples! By refusing single-use plastics and supporting ocean friendly choices, we can all help safeguard our blue planet.

One Ocean, One Climate, One Future - Together!

Well done, Year 4 - your passion for the planet shines bright!





9TH JUNE ASSEMBLY:

Technology Week Launches with a Futuristic Assembly!

The 9th June Assembly marked the exciting kickoff of Technology Week, as Mr. Bryan took students on a captivating journey through the evolution of innovation. He painted a vivid picture of a world without electricity or modern devices, where people relied on candles, papyrus, and sedan chairs - highlighting how far humanity has come. "Technology isn't just gadgets," he explained, "it's about using knowledge to improve lives, making tasks easier, faster, and smarter." From paper to smartphones, he encouraged students to think beyond limits and embrace the endless possibilities of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) in shaping the future.

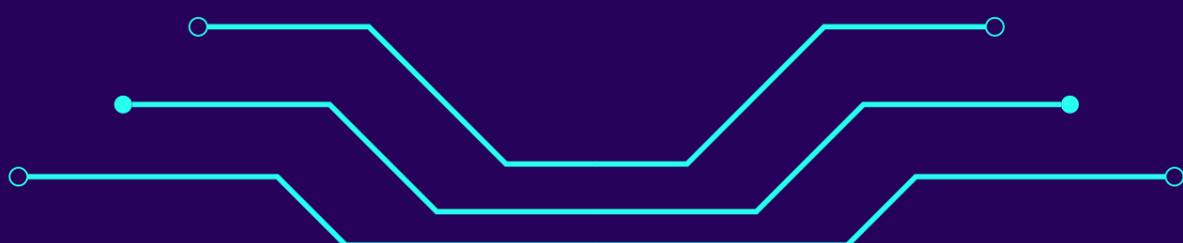
The highlight of the morning was when our principal, Dr. Jeffrey Louis officially launched Technology Week with an awe-inspiring launching video. He then shared another video, 'A Day Made of Glass' by Corning. The clip showcased a world where glass transforms into interactive screens, smart mirrors, and even health-monitoring surfaces; blending technology seamlessly into homes, schools, and workplaces. Students were left wide-eyed, imagining a future where their classrooms and daily routines could be revolutionized by such innovations. Dr. Jeffrey Louis reinforced the message: "Technology is here to stay, and we must embrace it to enhance our lives."

The week promises hands-on excitement, starting with Paperless Learning and a Computer Hardware Exhibition on Monday. Tuesday brings a Robotics Demo by Roboforce Academy, while Wednesday features a crucial Cyber Crime Talk by Melaka Tengah Police. Gamers, get ready - E-Sports tournaments (Mobile Legends and Minecraft) will take over Thursday and Friday!

Mr. Bryan closed with a powerful quote: "Be a creator, not just a user - use technology to innovate and improve lives!"

Everyone is looking forward to a tech-packed week - where the future becomes today!

Reminder: Full school uniform on Mondays, and let's tackle tardiness together!



TECHNOLOGY WEEK:

INNOVATION, CREATIVITY & DIGITAL EXCELLENCE!

From 9th to 13th June, MIS celebrated Technology Week, a thrilling dive into the digital world! Students explored cutting-edge tech, embraced paperless learning, battled in esports, and even uncovered the secrets of cybersecurity.

Computer Hardware Exhibition

Ever wondered what's inside your computer? Students got hands-on with CPUs, motherboards, and graphics cards, learning how these components power our daily tech. The Hardware Station was a hit—future engineers assembled parts while discovering the latest advancements in computing!

The 'Digital Shift' embraced a paperless future. It highlighted how e-books, cloud platforms, and digital collaboration make learning smarter and greener. No more lost worksheets – just seamless, eco-friendly education!

Day 1: Paperless Learning

Day 2: Robotics Demo by RoboForce Academy

Robots took center stage! Students watched AI-powered machines solve problems, explored automation in healthcare and space, and even controlled robots themselves – STEM in action!

Our local police department exposed the dark side of the internet, teaching students how to stay safe online and recognize cyber threats. Knowledge is power!

Day 3: Cybercrime Talk

Day 4 & 5: Minecraft & Mobile Legends Competitions

Creativity and strategy ruled! Teams built incredible Minecraft worlds, while Mobile Legends squads battled with teamwork and tactics.

Mobile Legends Winners:

Minecraft Competition Winners:

1st Place – Tay Sui Hang
2nd Place – Muhammad Arman bin Mohd Azhari
3rd Place – Ma Rui
4th Place – Adrian Edward Sarfaraz
5th Place – Sun Zhenhao

1st Place – Supreme Startboys

- Ahmad Faris Rayyan bin Ahmad Azhar
- Jaycee Yap San
- Kamaludeen Mohammed Uwais
- Darris Zakwan b. Safwan Zakwan
- Alston Wang Kai Seng

2nd Place – The Fantastic Five

- Ranson Sit
- Harold Yow Fu Don
- Adam bin Azahari
- Badhrus Sharifah
- Miss. Pavitraa

3rd Place – Goose

- Goh Sze Yin
- Afnan Adam Abdelkarim Abdalla
- Brezianna Pearlin Jaresh
- Chew We Nie
- Zoey Teng Ying Hui

MISSION ACCOMPLISHED!

Tech Week sparked innovation, collaboration, and digital responsibility –preparing students for a tech-driven future. Until next academic year, keep coding, creating, and exploring!

Technology Week Gallery:





Father's Day 2025: A Tribute to Love, Sacrifice, and Unwavering Support

Celebrated this year on Sunday, 15th June, a special occasion dedicated to the incredible dads who shape our lives with their love, wisdom, and endless sacrifices.

Father's Day isn't just about gifts or cards – it is a meaningful opportunity to recognize the dedication of fathers everywhere. Inspired by its touching origins – a daughter's mission to honour her father's devotion.

At MIS, we believe that strong families nurture strong futures. The lessons fathers impart are patience, resilience, and kindness, which leave a lasting impression on our students.

We encourage everyone to pause and say, "Thank you, Dad – for everything you do, for everything you are."

Our students submitted heartfelt photographs and cherished memories that highlighted the unique bonds they share with their fathers.

To all the wonderful fathers, grandfathers, and father figures in our MIS family: Your love and support inspire us every day. We hope you felt celebrated and appreciated!



16th June Assembly:

Celebrating Excellence, A Week of Achievements & Upcoming Events

The school assembly on 16th June was a vibrant celebration of student talent! Principal Dr. Jeffery Louis commended the success of Technology Week and English Week, praising organisers and participants alike.

English Week Highlights

Mr Paulo proudly announced who shone brightly, receiving World Book Day & English Week certificates, medals, and trophies.

- **Book Character Parade Stars** included Yang Jia Ling (KG), Jasper Er (Y2), Airin (Y6), Louie (Y9), and Ahmed (Y10).
- Muntaha (Y1) won the **Nursery Rhyme contest**.
- Zaeryn Gabryelle (Y2) triumphed in **Storytelling**, followed by Kenza (Y6) and Dahlia (Y4).
- Creative minds Danny (Y1), Zaeryn Gabryelle (Y2), and Asaka (Y3) excelled in **Bookmark Making**.
- Adelle (Y7), Anastasia (Y8), and Elee (Y9) impressed with **Book Reviews**.

Technology Week Triumphs

- **MIS Mobile Legends Competition** –
 - 1st Place – Supreme Starboys (Ahmad Faris Rayyan, Jaycee Yap San, Kamaludeen Mohammed Uwais, Darris Zakwan, and Alston Wang Kai Seng) dominated Mobile Legends.
- Haylas Tay Sui Hang (Y8) claimed victory in **Minecraft**

Key Announcements

- For the time being, assemblies will be on hold until 22nd July. Students are to go directly to their assigned assessment room at 7:45 am.
- With immediate effect, no outdoor games are permitted during breaks. This decision has been made due to a noticeable increase in the number of injuries occurring during these times.
- Departure Rule: All students must leave campus by 4:00 pm.
- Academic Achievements Discussions: Parents and guardians meet teachers on achievement reviews (16th to 19th June, 2:15–4:00 pm) in Hogsworth (library).
- STEAM Week (23rd–27th June): Art, Sudoku, and hands-on activities await! Forms via HRTs.
- Inter-House Basketball Carnival (14th July): Register by 26th June. House meetings on Tuesday to Thursday at 7:45 am at assigned areas.
- Symphony of Stars Showcase (18th July): Compulsory attendance. Absences require an official 'Leave of Absence' letter to the principal. Tickets are on sale!
- Year-End Assessments: Start 30th June (Secondary) and 7th July (Y3–Y6).

Due to the absence of CCA and Year-End Assessments

School Dismissal Time Schedules:

Primary Students:

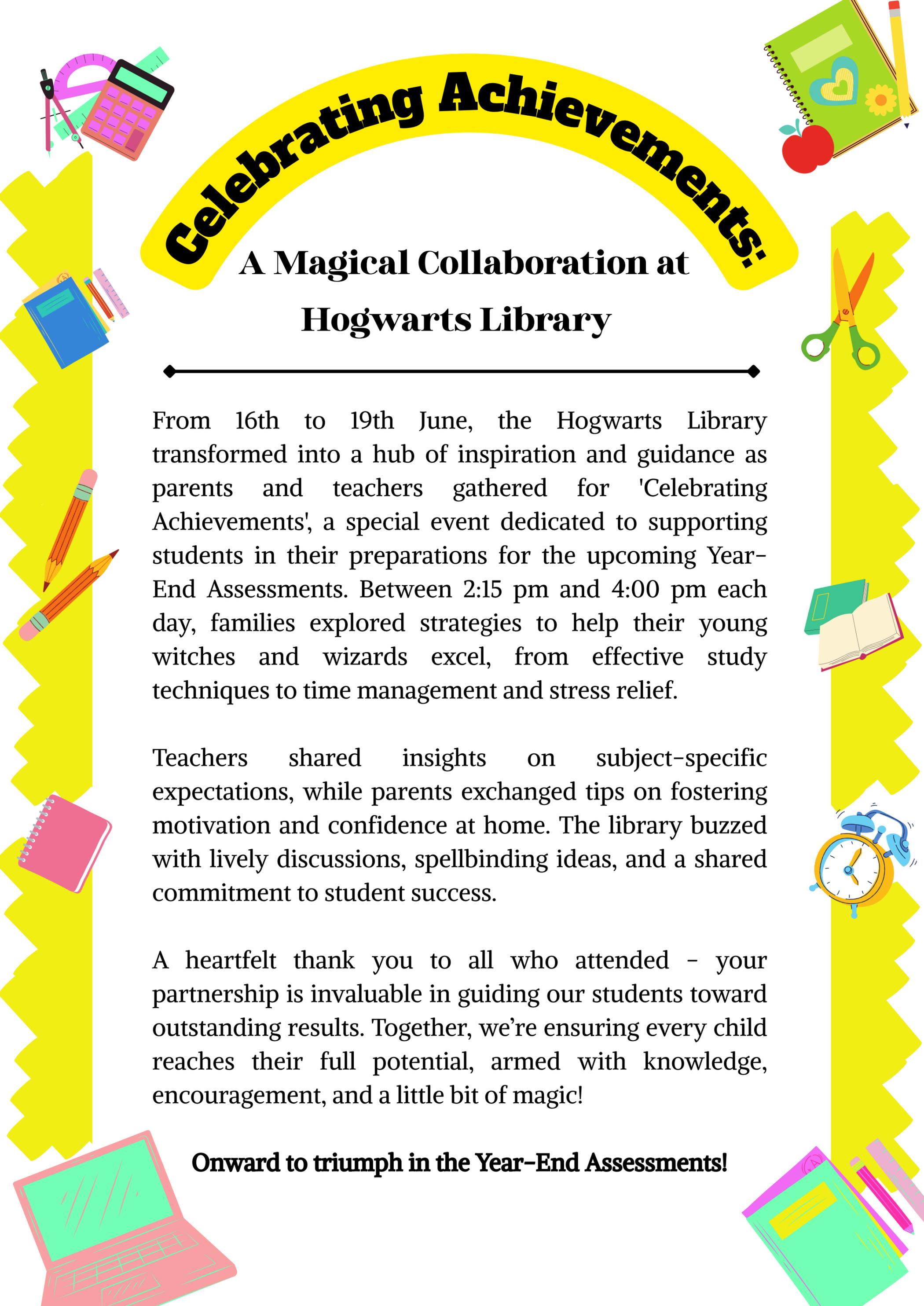
- Monday, 30th June at 2:15 pm
- Monday, 7th July at 2:15 pm
- Secondary students at 3:00 pm

Primary & Secondary:

- Monday, 14th July at 2:15 pm
- Monday, 21st July at 2:15 pm

We appreciate your attention in arranging transportation for your child as the safety and well-being of our students are of utmost importance.

Let's keep the momentum going - congratulations to all achievers, and stay tuned for more excitement!



Celebrating Achievements!

A Magical Collaboration at Hogwarts Library

From 16th to 19th June, the Hogwarts Library transformed into a hub of inspiration and guidance as parents and teachers gathered for 'Celebrating Achievements', a special event dedicated to supporting students in their preparations for the upcoming Year-End Assessments. Between 2:15 pm and 4:00 pm each day, families explored strategies to help their young witches and wizards excel, from effective study techniques to time management and stress relief.

Teachers shared insights on subject-specific expectations, while parents exchanged tips on fostering motivation and confidence at home. The library buzzed with lively discussions, spellbinding ideas, and a shared commitment to student success.

A heartfelt thank you to all who attended - your partnership is invaluable in guiding our students toward outstanding results. Together, we're ensuring every child reaches their full potential, armed with knowledge, encouragement, and a little bit of magic!

Onward to triumph in the Year-End Assessments!

CELEBRATING WORLD MUSIC DAY WITH THE VIBRANT SOUNDS OF KOMPANG!

On 21st June, we joined the world in celebrating World Music Day (Fête de la Musique) - a day dedicated to the universal language of music! This year, our talented Year 8 students have chosen to explore the kompang, a traditional Malay frame drum with deep cultural roots.

The kompang is a captivating percussion instrument, often played in groups to create rich, interlocking rhythms. Made with a wooden frame and goat or cow hide, it produces dynamic sounds when struck by hand. Used in weddings, religious ceremonies, and celebrations, the kompang is a symbol of Malay heritage and unity.

Our Year 8 musicians have been hard at work rehearsing for the upcoming "Symphony of Stars" showcase on 18th July (7:30 pm - 9:00 pm) in the Hall of Character. Don't miss this chance to witness their incredible talent - grab your tickets now and show your support!

Let the rhythm move you - Happy World Music Day!



Airborne Innovation Takes Flight at AIIRC JET 2025!



Excitement soared high at Merlimau Polytechnic (24th & 25th June) as seven schools - including our very own MIS teams, competed in the Airborne Innovation International RC Jet (AIIRC JET) 2025! With 86 participants, the event was a thrilling showcase of creativity, engineering, and sheer passion for flight.

Our eight brilliant students:

Year 7's Ahnaf Hossen, Brezianna Pearlin Jaresh, Zoey Teng Ying Hui, and Muhammad Arman bin Mohd Azhari, alongside Year 8's Sun Zhen Hao, Li Mayi, Au Yong Pin Cheng, and Aniq Thaqif bin Norazman - split into two squads and took on the challenge with zero prior experience, proving that innovation starts with courage. From Ahnaf's pilot-like precision to Zoey's awe at her first flying jet, their journey was nothing short of inspiring.

Highlights:

- Mind-blowing designs crafted from foam, recycled materials, and pure ingenuity!
- Live demonstrations by international RC experts - watching jets defy gravity never gets old.
- Real-world STEM skills in action: teamwork, problem-solving, and aerodynamics mastered on the fly.

Though we didn't clinch the top awards (congratulations to SMKA Sultan Muhammad and Kolej Komuniti Jasin!), our teams proved raw enthusiasm can rival even the most prepared competitors.

"We built jets from scratch in hours! Can you imagine what we could've done with practice?" beamed Brezianna Pearlin, while Sun Zhen Hao added, "Every crash was a lesson, next time - we'll soar higher!"

A huge shoutout to Mr. Ruban and Mr. Zamani for guiding our young aviators. As Aniq Thaqif put it: "This wasn't just a competition - it was the runway for our dreams."

Next stop? The skies are limitless.



STEAM Week:

A Spectacular Fusion of Creativity, Innovation, and Fun!

From 23rd to 26th June, our school transformed into a vibrant hub of discovery as students from Year 2 to Year 10 celebrated STEAM Week - an exhilarating journey through Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics! Packed with hands-on experiments, collaborative challenges, and thrilling competitions, the week was a dazzling showcase of curiosity, creativity, and teamwork.

Day 1: A Magical Kickoff with Science!

The week launched with an exciting short gimmick video - a paper aeroplane "flying" into Melaka International School and soaring its way to our assembly in the Hall of Character, setting a playful tone for STEAM Week!

Then came the breathtaking launch ceremony, where our CEO, Ms. Shamsunnisa, unveiled the theme in style! Using an invisible writing experiment, she sprayed sodium hydroxide onto a phenolphthalein-treated sign, turning it from colourless to vibrant pink—revealing the words **"STEAM Week 2025"**! This mesmerizing chemical reaction left the audience in awe.

Finally, the assembly ended on a high note with a live band performance by Year 8 students, who rocked the stage with "The Best Day of My Life", an energetic finale that left everyone buzzing with excitement for the days ahead!

Day 2: Art Takes Flight!

At Le Délice, students marveled at the 'MIS Hawk' Giant Collage, a stunning masterpiece crafted by Year 3, Year 5, and Year 6 artists. Meanwhile, a captivating video traced the evolution of art—from ancient cave paintings to AI-generated digital masterpieces - inspiring everyone to see art as both history and innovation.

Day 3: Sudoku Mania!

Brains were put to the test with Sudoku puzzles, sharpening logical thinking and problem-solving skills. Students raced against the clock, proving that math can be as thrilling as any sport!

Day 4: *The Grand Finale - Competitions Galore!

The excitement peaked on the final day with four adrenaline-pumping challenges:

- **Paper Plane Competition:** Students (and even 10 daring staff members!) engineered high-flying gliders, with Ayushmaan (Y5) and Ahnaf (Y7) soaring to victory in distance, while Chrys Jacob (Y5) dominated flight time!
- **M-A-M Challenge:** Teams raced to solve Tarsia puzzles, blending math and art in a battle of wits. Team Ninja (Y2-Y3), Team KED, Team Year 7, and Team ilovejoyuri (Y9-10) emerged as champions!
- **Balloon-Powered Car Race:** Creativity met physics as students built balloon-propelled cars. Team Smart Champs (Y7-10) zoomed to victory with an impressive 2.5-meter dash! Team Dragon Squad, and Team Snoopy also managed to travel across the finishing line with their balloon powered cars in their respective categories.
- **Strength Tower Challenge:** Using only newspaper and tape, teams constructed freestanding towers. Team ZAB (Arman, Zoey, Brezianna) triumphed, supporting a whopping 5kg weight!

A Week to Remember!

STEAM Week wasn't just about winning—it was about teamwork, innovation, and the joy of learning. The overwhelming participation (with last-minute entries pouring in!) proved just how electrifying STEAM can be.

Congratulations to all winners and participants! A huge thank you to our incredible organizing team - Miss Fatin, Ms. Bariah, Mr. Bryan, Mr. Airil, Mr. Daniel, Miss Pavitraa, Miss Thevimeena, Ms. Sabitrah, and Miss Indrani - for making this week unforgettable.

Here's to more curiosity, more creativity, and more STEAM magic next academic year!

STEAM WEEK MEMORIES



27th June: Islamic New Year (Awal Muharram)



The Islamic New Year marks the beginning of the Hijri calendar, a lunar calendar that started in 622 CE with the migration (Hijrah) of Prophet Muhammad from Mecca to Medina. This event was a turning point in Islamic history, leading to the establishment of the first Muslim community.

The Hijri calendar is about 11-12 days shorter than the Gregorian calendar, so the Islamic New Year shifts earlier each year. Unlike other celebrations, there are no fixed traditions, but many Muslims use this time for reflection, setting personal goals, and strengthening family bonds. Some also observe fasting, give charity, or engage in prayers.

During Islamic Studies our Year 1 and Year 2 students participated in an activity called "My Goals for the New Year," where they created posters themed around self-improvement and new beginnings. This helped them connect with the spirit of the occasion in a creative way.

As we welcome the new year, it's a great opportunity for everyone to reflect on growth, kindness, and gratitude. Wishing our school community a peaceful and meaningful Islamic New Year!



MIS Hawks Shine at MSSD Melaka Tengah

The MSSD Athletics Melaka Tengah Competition was held from 23rd to 26th June at Stadium UTEM, and we are thrilled to announce that our 27 MIS athletes delivered an incredible performance, securing a Top 5 ranking out of 137 schools in Melaka Tengah! With a total of 3 Gold, 2 Silver, and 3 Bronze medals, our athletes showcased exceptional talent, determination, and sportsmanship.

Although Melaka International School sent a small contingent of athletes compared to other schools, we still proved to be a force to be reckoned with!

GOLD MEDALISTS:

- Janelle Yow Jia Ee – Girls U12 Shot Put (New Record – 9.02m!)
- Diana See Sheng En – Girls U15 Shot Put (7.71m)
- Kamaludeen Muhammad Uwais – Men Open Octathlon (2803 points)

SILVER MEDALISTS:

- Iris Alanna Jansen – Girls U18 1500m (6:18.10) & 800m (2:56.80)

BRONZE MEDALISTS:

- Iris Alanna Jansen – Women Open 3000m (13:56.86)
- Ananya Raghav – Heptathlon Women Open (1065 points)
- Renee Liu Chi Ching – Heptathlon Women Open (973 points)

Outstanding Performances

- Janelle Yow Jia Ee smashed the Shot Put competition record twice, setting a new benchmark at 9.02m!
- Bacaoco Hugh Godfrey Canuto broke his personal best in the Boys U15 1500m (5:58.20).
- Our Boys U15 & U18 400m runners (Elvin Chong, Huang Hongkun, Carson Sit & Hugh) all achieved personal bests!
- The Girls U15 4x100m Relay Team narrowly missed the finals by just 3 milliseconds – an incredible effort!
- Zanchi Kenza (Girls U12 Long Jump) and Chloe Pierre Chan (Girls U15 Long Jump) competed fiercely among strong fields.
- Aneira Kaur Sahota completed her Javelin Throw event with great determination.

Team Spirit & Perseverance

Though not all athletes made it to the podium, their hard work and dedication were truly inspiring. From relay teams setting new personal bests to athletes pushing their limits, every participant embodied the true spirit of sportsmanship.

Our participation aligned with the National Education Philosophy, fostering talent development, healthy competition, and teamwork. We are proud of how our athletes represented MIS with pride, unity, and excellence.

Congratulations to all athletes, coaches, and supporters! Your relentless effort and passion continue to elevate MIS in the world of sports. Keep striving for greatness!



ACHIEVEMENTS GALLERY





Year 9 Subject Selection Session: Guiding the Path Ahead

The Year 9 Subject Selection Session, held on 30th June, 2025, from 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm in The Chambers, provided students and parents with essential guidance as they prepare for the transition to the IGCSE curriculum. The session aimed to help students make thoughtful, informed choices by offering a clear overview of available subjects and the role these choices play in shaping their academic and personal development.

IGCSE subject teachers were present to provide in-depth academic guidance, clarify subject requirements, and address individual queries. Their support enabled students and families to engage in meaningful conversations around academic strengths, interests, and long-term goals. The session exemplified the school's ongoing commitment to ensuring that each student is well-prepared and confidently positioned for success in the years ahead.

