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Welcome to Zenith's April Issue 2024.

"Learn as if you will live forever, live like you will die tomorrow."

-Mahatma Gandhi

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DR INDERJEET SINGH SIDHU

Hello Zenithians!

April 2024 has been a fabulous month for all of us at Zenith International School (ZIS). We are thrilled to provide you with updates from the recent Town Hall held on April 19th, 2024, from 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM, where we shared insights into completed projects and forthcoming plans for the 2024/2025 Academic Year at Zenith International School. Below is a concise summary of the 2nd Parents Town Hall.

COMPLETED PROJECTS FOR THE 2023/2024 ACADEMIC YEAR:

- 1.10-Year Anniversary Celebration: Commemorated with internal rebate and scheme.
- 2. Academic Plan/Improvement: Successfully implemented SOW/WLP/Recording/Attendance/HW/ Career Talk/University Visit initiatives.
- 3. Safety and Health Plan/Improvement: Achieved ERP/BOMBA Compliance/Fire-drill completion.
- 4. Cafeteria Improvement Plan: Ensured value for money and offered hygienic and nutritious food.
- 5. Zenith Education Management System (ZEMS): Successfully implemented by Term 2 of the 2023/2024 Academic Year.
- 6. CAIE Examination: Expanded accessibility to include Private candidates.
- 7. School Building Repair and Aesthetic Improvement: Enhanced roofing, indoor/outdoor painting, lockers, school signage, and café aesthetics.
- 8. Implemented Interim Employee Benefits: Ensured employee satisfaction and welfare.

UPCOMING PROJECTS FOR 2024/2025 ACADEMIC YEAR:

Changes in Schooling Hours: Effective from the 2024/2025 Academic Year

- Both Primary and Secondary School: 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM (Mon-Fri).
- Staggered Break and Lunch times to reduce queues at the café.
- Implementation of Teacher Subject Specialization for enhanced teaching quality.

Subject Selection for Lower Secondary (Y7-Y9):

- Refinement of Literary, Enquiry, and Numeracy subjects.
- Increased hours for Malay Language, Mandarin, ICT, GEO, HIS.
- Emphasis on Physical Education, CCA.

<u>Co-curriculum, Extra-Curriculum</u> <u>& Other Competitions:</u>

- ECA absorbed as CCA with no extra cost.
- Introduction of Maths, Science, English, and Economics Olympiads.
- Establishment of Sports and Academic Scholarships.

Subject Selection for Primary (Y1-Y6):

- Literary, Enquiry, and Numeracy subjects with increased hours and Achievement Test preparation.
- Enhanced focus on Malay Language, Mandarin, Creativity, Physical, and Social Skills.
- Introduction to Visual Arts, Performing Arts, ICT, and Sports.

Subject Selection for Upper Secondary (Y10-Y11):

- Non-Streamed curriculum with a diverse subject offering.
- Inclusion of Physical Education, CCA in Year 10.

School Facility Improvements:

- Upgrade of sports facilities, playground, library, music and drama rooms, and more.
- Implementation of a rooftop garden and recreational area.
- Expansion of the hostel and construction of a grand hall.

Green School Initiatives:

- Adoption of rainwater reservoirs, solar energy, greenhouse for vegetation growth.
- Emphasis on reducing paper usage and digitalization.

We are dedicated to realizing these plans and projects and extend our gratitude for your unwavering support.

Wishing you all the best, Zenithians!

Warm regards,
Dr. Inderjeet Singh Sidhu
Executive Principal, Zenith International School

Message from our Principal



CATHERINE FOO BEE YEN

Dear Zenithians,

We had all our planned activities executed well and again "walking the talk" to be Greater Zenith International School.

Here's to a month filled with success, growth, and memorable moments at ZIS!



Bali Meranti Adrian: A Triumph of Excellence

On the 5th of April, Zenith International School had the honour of celebrating a remarkable achievement. Bali Meranti Adrian, a shining star among our students, was awarded the prestigious Top in the World Prize by Cambridge International Education for her outstanding performance in IGCSE English as a Second Language. Bali's accomplishment, marked by a perfect score of 100% (Percentage Uniform Marks), is a testament to her unwavering dedication and unparalleled brilliance. We extend our heartfelt congratulations to Bali and her family for this well-deserved recognition of her exceptional talent and hard work.

Hippo English Olympiad: Unleashing Linguistic Prowess

The 26th of April marked an exhilarating day at Zenith International School as 106 bright minds participated in the Hippo English Olympiad. From mastering grammar intricacies to unleashing boundless creativity, our students demonstrated their linguistic prowess with unmatched enthusiasm and skill. Each participant received a coveted Certificate of Participation, a symbol of their hard work and commitment to excellence. As we eagerly await the results, we anticipate nothing short of spectacular success from our talented students.



MSSD Sports Update: Table Tennis, Football, and Badminton



On the 24th of April, Zenith International School concluded the MSSD Table Tennis and Football events. While our students showcased great enthusiasm, unfortunately, we faced a challenge in forming complete football teams for the Under-15 and Under-18 categories due to insufficient participation. However, we remain optimistic and are considering revising our strategy, perhaps focusing on the Under-12 category to foster greater involvement and enthusiasm among our students.

In contrast, the MSSD Badminton Selections held on the 25th of April were a resounding success. We're thrilled to announce that 22 talented players have earned their spots, representing Zenith International School with pride and determination. Congratulations to these exceptional athletes, and we wish them the best of luck in the upcoming competitions!

MSSD Chess Selections: Checkmate to Victory

Concluding our series of sports and academic updates, the MSSD Chess Selections concluded on the 26th of April with ten exceptional players earning their spots. We extend our heartfelt congratulations to these talented individuals and wish them the best of luck as they represent Zenith International School in upcoming competitions.

In closing, the recent achievements and events at Zenith International School reflect the unwavering commitment to excellence and the vibrant spirit of our student community. As we continue to nurture talent and celebrate success, we look forward to witnessing even greater accomplishments in the future.



Best Regards,

Catherine Foo Bee Yen Principal, Zenith International School



Don't forget to follow us for real-time updates and pictures on all our social media platforms!

MESSAGE FROM SECONDARY HEAD



OMPRETA FLORA FRANCIS



In April 2024, a lot of events took place which the students had eagerly awaited to participate in. Let me walk you through our ZIS Annual School Concert 2024! Prepare to have been whisked away on an enchanting adventure at the highly anticipated ZIS Annual School Concert 2024!

Immerse yourself in a captivating fusion of music and storytelling as our exceptionally talented students transported you to realms of wonder and delight. This was an experience not to be missed, promising memories that would last a lifetime.

Experience the magic firsthand as our students brought beloved fairytales to life through captivating performances and mesmerizing melodies. From classic tales of courage and romance to whimsical adventures in far-off lands, the ZIS Annual School Concert promised to have enchanted audiences of all ages.

Thank you in advance for your support and participation in making the ZIS Annual School Concert 2024 a truly unforgettable experience for all! We look forward to sharing this magical journey with you.

April 2024 will be remembered as a month of inspiration, unity, and achievement at Zenith International School, where each event contributed to the holistic development and vibrant spirit of its students.

Best Regards, Ompreta Flora Francis Head of Secondary, Zenith International School

MESSAGE FROM PRIMARY HEAD

NOR LEILAH



Dearest Zenithians,

Zenith International School (ZIS) recently embraced the vibrant spirit of Hari Raya with a day filled with cultural splendour and intellectual exploration. On the 19th of April 2024, the school came alive with the sights, sounds, and flavours of Malay tradition, marking a celebration to remember.

From the break of dawn, the campus resonated with the echoes of tradition as students adorned themselves in their finest traditional attire. The air was alive with the rhythmic beats of the kompang and the laughter of traditional games, infusing the morning with an aura of joy and camaraderie – Embarking on a cultural journey this Hari Raya with our students! From the elegant embrace of traditional Malay attire to the mesmerizing strokes of Tulisan Jawi, the art of Ketupat Weaving, Wau decoration, and the lively beats of Kompang, every moment was a vibrant celebration. Also, experiencing the joy of classic games like Congkak, Batu Seremban and Teng Teng added an extra layer of fun. Let's cherish these enriching experiences together!

The highlight of the day was undoubtedly the Special Condiment Table, a culinary masterpiece boasting a delectable array of traditional delicacies. From succulent satay to fragrant nasi lemak, every dish served as a testament to the richness of Malay cuisine, tantalizing the taste buds of all who partook.

Adding to the festivities were captivating performances that showcased the talent and cultural pride of ZIS students. From preschool dances to secondary school dramas, each act was met with applause and admiration, further enriching the cultural tapestry of the event.

Gratitude was extended to the sponsors and special guests whose support made the celebration possible, underscoring the importance of community in fostering such memorable experiences for the students.

In conjunction with the festivities, the "Duit Raya" ZIS Library Hari Raya Aidilfitri 2024 Challenge provided students with an opportunity to delve deeper into the cultural significance of Hari Raya. From April 1st to April 5th, participants immersed themselves in a quest to uncover the rich history, traditions, and culinary delights associated with the occasion.

The challenge not only promised intellectual engagement but also offered tangible rewards for those who demonstrated their understanding and passion for learning. After days of rigorous exploration, a cohort of bright minds emerged victorious, showcasing their knowledge and enthusiasm for Hari Raya celebrations.

In the primary category, students such as Sowad, Abigail, and Kavya distinguished themselves with their insightful answers and dedication to learning. Meanwhile, in the secondary category, individuals like Nimalen and Sokka demonstrated exceptional knowledge and passion for cultural heritage.

As the winners were announced, their achievements were celebrated with pride and admiration, serving as a testament to the importance of cultural education and appreciation within the ZIS community.

In conclusion, the celebration of Raya at ZIS was not only a testament to the school's commitment to cultural diversity but also a reflection of the students' eagerness to embrace and celebrate the traditions of others. Through moments of joy, learning, and camaraderie, the event underscored the importance of cultural exchange and understanding in fostering a vibrant and inclusive community. Here's to many more celebrations filled with love, joy, and cherished memories at Zenith International School.

Best Regards,

Nor Leilah Head of Primary, Zenith International School



MESSAGE FROM PRESCHOOL HEAD

UMMA MAHESWARY

Hello everyone!

In a dazzling display of scientific wonder, Zenith International School recently embarked on a captivating journey into the realms of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM). From the 22nd to the 26th of the month, the school transformed into a hive of exploration and innovation, as students and educators alike delved into the depths of discovery.

The week commenced with a poignant launch ceremony, where echoes of historical brilliance resonated through the corridors. Young visionaries took centre stage, channelling the spirits of scientific luminaries such as Albert Einstein, Charles Darwin, and Marie Curie. Their inspirational role models paved the way for a week filled with excitement and enlightenment.

Under the guidance of Dr. Inderjeet, Ms. Ompreta, and Ms. Leilah, the school soared to new heights, igniting curiosity and sparking innovation with thrilling chemical reactions and symbolic balloon launches. Teachers, staff, and students united in a celebration of knowledge, curiosity, and the boundless possibilities of STEM.

The pinnacle of the week was the STEM Exhibition, where a dazzling array of mind-blowing experiments and projects took centre stage. From magical candle water suckers to tea bag rockets, students unleashed their creativity and scientific curiosity for all to see. Each experiment was a testament to the ingenuity and passion of the young innovators at Zenith International School.

As the week drew to a close, applause filled the air, acknowledging the incredible endeavours of the students and their tireless dedication to scientific exploration. Through their experiments, they illuminated worlds, unlocked secrets, and inspired awe in all who beheld their achievements.

Zenith International School's STEM week was not merely an event; it was a testament to the power of education to ignite passions, inspire curiosity, and pave the way for a future where innovation knows no bounds. As we reflect on the wonders of STEM, we are reminded that the journey of discovery is endless, and the possibilities are limitless.

Best Regards,

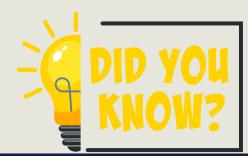
Ms. Umma Maheswary Head of Preschool, Zenith International School



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Notes:

- Labour Day Public Holiday : Wed, 1 May
- Annual School Concert Sat, 4 May
- Teachers' Day Assembly Mon, 13 May
- Wesak Day Public Holiday Wed, 22 May
- IGCSE Written Exam Wed, 24 Apr Thu, 13 Jun
- Year 6 Achievement Test Wed, 29 May Fri, 31 May



Starfish don't have bodies. Along with other echinoderms (think sea urchins and sand dollars), their entire bodies are technically classed as heads



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Thank you for being a part of our April Newsletter!
We will see you again in next month's edition with
more happenings to share.

