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International College Newsletter

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From the Director

At the recent Cum Laude Presentation, it was with great pride that we saw many of our graduates receive an Award. When our students graduated from the International College we had high expectations for their success and they have made us very proud through their achievements. We congratulate them on achieving an Award and wish them even more success in 2009. Award winners are listed in the following pages.

It is always sad when one of our long-serving teachers leaves JPIC. After six years service, Garry Sullivan and his wife, Evelyn, have decided to relocate to New Zealand to be closer to their grandchildren. I am sure all the staff wish them well in this new chapter in their lives.

I know Garry will be missed in the classroom. His preparation of so many International students in the area of Maths has been of great value to both the students and the College. Best wishes for your move to New Zealand, Garry and Evelyn.

Head of Campus

After a busy Term 2, John Paul International College had a significant number of Primary, Middle and Senior School students graduate to John Paul College to continue their education. This term we welcome our continuing students and many new long term and short term students. Thanks must go to staff and Homestay parents who ensured that all students were ready to start for the first day of school on Tuesday 14 July.

Last term was certainly a very busy term, however Term 3 will also prove to be busy with mid-term exams quickly approaching, subject selections for Senior School students, the Primary Transition Experience for our primary graduates, study tours and hosting visiting teachers on our campus from partnering universities, just to name a few.

Students have settled back into routine and staff have undertaken the orientation process with new students, outlining the Code of Conduct. As you would be aware, our College is recognised because of our standards, expectations and discipline. These can only be maintained if we all work together to uphold our reputation. Therefore, I seek the support of Homestay parents in monitoring student dress and grooming standards, reinforcing the expectations regarding the wearing of our full school uniform to and from school.

Students are also reminded that they need to be focussed on their studies to ensure they maintain a consistent work ethic throughout the term.

I would, once again, like to thank the Homestay parents for their ongoing encouragement and support of the students in their care.

Finally, I would also like to take this opportunity to welcome Ms Kiernyn Davies to our campus. Ms Davies has replaced Ms Michelle Nieuwkamp as the face at the front desk in our Administration Office. Ms Nieuwkamp is taking the exciting step of working in her own business, and we wish her every success.

Christopher Pietrobon
Head of Campus

Dates to Note

Mon 10 Aug	Logan Show Holiday
Tue 11 Aug	School Holiday
Fri Sep 18	End of Term

Why I Like JPIC

"Hello, I am Daniel Tsou. I'm 11 years old and I'm from Taiwan. I am in PPB at John Paul International College. My teacher is Mrs Steinhausen. I came to Australia one year ago, so I can speak some English. I live in Sunnybank Hills with my uncle.

I have lots of friends in my class who are from other countries. I like my class because I can learn lots of languages.

"My name is Kate Kim and I am from Korea. I'm 12 years old and I'm in PPB with Mrs. Steinhausen, Mr. Bos and Mrs. Weston. There are 14 people in my class. I've been in Australia for about 6 months and I came here on 29 January.

I like my class because my teachers are very funny and kind. Mrs. Steinhausen is very nice. My class is a lot of fun and there are many students from many countries. Every morning we sing the school song and read a book upstairs. Also, we sing exciting songs. My classroom is near the main school, so we can eat lunch and afternoon tea with main school students.

We also meet some main school friends and play on the oval. The tennis courts are near our class and our seats for when we eat lunch are very good as they are under the trees.

I also love the school library, there are many interesting books. The library also has Korean books, funny books and comic books. These are good reasons why I love the library; it also lends Nintendo DS. So I especially love the library. I hope to go to main school next term, so I am making an effort. "

"Hello, my name is Harry Jung. I'm 11 years old and I come from Korea. I'm in PPB in the International College. My teacher is Mrs. Steinhausen. I came to Australia six months ago. When I came to Australia I couldn't speak English very well. I like PPB because I have many friends. My best friend is Daniel Tsou. He is very kind and friendly which is why I like him best. My future is to be a soccer player. I love soccer."

"Hello my name is Ashley. I am 11 years old and I come from Korea. In Australia I live with my mother and my brother.

In my class our teachers are Mrs Steinhausen, Mrs Weston and Mr Bos. There are 14 friends in our PPB class. Mrs Steinhausen is kind and teaches very well. Mrs Weston is kind too and funny. Mr Bos is tall, and when he reads a book, he sometimes has a funny voice. We always have tests and there are hard ones, so we need study for them.

At morning tea and lunch time I play with Kate and Katherine. We go to the library and the tuck shop.

At the library, we can borrow four books for two weeks. There are lots of books and DVDs at the library too. After school we can go there and we can study something. On the oval classes have P.E. and students can play on the oval at lunch and morning tea time.

Finally, in the future I would like to be a Cellist because I like the cello and music.”

Congratulations - Cum Laude Awards

At the Cum Laude Awards Presentation Ceremony, many of our graduates were presented across the stage. Congratulations to the following graduate award recipients.



Cum Laude “With Praise”

Primary School

To be eligible for this award, students in Year 6 must achieve a minimum of three VHA or ‘A’ grades and not less than SA or ‘C’ grade across seven subjects in their semester one report.

Hee Ji (Viki) Um

Middle School

To be eligible for this award, students in Years 7-8 must achieve a minimum of four VHA or ‘A’ grades and not less than a SA or ‘C’ grade across nine subjects. Students in Year 9 must achieve a minimum of two VHA or ‘A’ grades and not less than a SA or ‘C’ grade across six subjects.

Ani Pratiwi Hartanto (Year 8)
Jong Chan (Tom) Na (Year 8)

Jeong Hyun (Grace) Kim (Year 9)

Senior School

To be eligible for this award, students in Years 10-12 must achieve two ‘A’ grades and not less than a ‘C’ grade across six subjects:

Yuanyuan (Christine) Lin (Year 10)
Yeo Jin (Cindy) Jeon (Year 11)
Chun Shun (Andy) Yang (Year 11)

Lidan (Linda) Zhang (Year 11)
Qiwei (Jennifer) Qiu (Year 12)
Zhuyi (Joy) Wang (Year 12)

Magna Cum Laude “With great praise”

Middle School

To be eligible for this award, students in Years 7-8 must achieve a minimum of five VHA or ‘A’ grades and not less than a SA or ‘C’ grade across nine subjects. Students in Year 9 must achieve a minimum of three VHA or ‘A’ grades and not less than a SA or ‘C’ grade across six subjects:

Chi Ying (Crystal) Ho (Year 9)

Senior School

To be eligible for this award, students in Years 10-12 must achieve a minimum of three VHA or 'A' grades and not less than a SA or 'C' grade across six subjects:

Chee Yeng (Janet) Chan (Year 10)
Soyeon (Ashley) Joo (Year 10)
Fang Yu (Grace) Chou (Year 11)
Kin Chun (Ryan) Wong (Year 11)

Zhilin (Emma) Yang (Year 11)
Yu-Chun (Tina) Chen (Year 12)
Shu-Wei (Johnny) Wen (Year 12)

Summa Cum Laude "With highest praise"

Middle School

To be eligible for this award, students in Years 7-8 must achieve a minimum of six VHA or 'A' grades and not less than HA or 'B' grade across nine subjects. Students in Year 9 must achieve a minimum of four VHA or 'A' grades and not less than HA or 'B' grade across six subjects.

Bo Lim (Linda) Lee (Year 8)

Do Youn (Wendy) Won (Year 8)

Senior School

Chih Yu (Angela) Chou (Year 10)
Hei Cheuk (Anson) Mok (Year 10)

Chien Tse (Tony) Kao (Year 12)

JPIC Term Dates 2009/10

TERM 3, 2009

Tuesday 14 July – Friday 18 September
New students will be tested on 10 & 13 July

TERM 1, 2010

Wednesday 27 January – Thursday 1 April
New students will be tested on 22 & 25 January

TERM 4, 2009

Tuesday 6 October – Wednesday 9 December
New students will be tested on 5 October

TERM 2, 2010

Monday 12 April – Friday 18 June
New students will be tested on 9 April

Please note the above, and that John Paul International College term dates may differ from John Paul College. Students must be present on the last day of term at John Paul International College and must return for the first day of the new term, if travelling overseas.

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