

John Paul International Newsletter

June/July 2012

From the Manager, Education & Administration

As Term 2 ends, I reflect on the busy term at JPIC. The International College has welcomed a range of short-term students, long-term students, Study Tour students, Study Abroad students and teachers. These groups have all played a part in shaping the International College this term, sharing in the learning and cultural experiences. We all shared in the once in a hundred year event – the Transit of Venus – which I am sure will be remembered for a long time. I trust the events of this term will be fondly remembered in association with this major world event.

This term has been marked by a range of integration activities. We have seen increased collaboration and involvement of short term students with JPC. In particular, Study Abroad and Study Tour students have observed, participated and shared in a range of JPC Primary, Middle and Senior School classes. Not only has there been academic integration but also sporting. Study Abroad students were able to mix with some of the JPC Primary classes and play rugby together. We are thankful to our colleagues at JPC for accommodating students from the International school and enhancing the experiences they have of our school, Brisbane and Australia.

Our long term students have been involved in a range of integration activities throughout the term, too. Students bound for Senior School next term have had good integration, participating in lessons to learn about Australia, critical literacy and HPE. The HPE lessons, in particular, have been a good challenge for JPIC students mentally, physically and linguistically. The Primary Preparation students earmarked for Primary School next term have integrated by attending their new class for 5 full days this term. They have experienced life as a JPC student and a little bit of what life will be like next term. These students were lucky enough to be treated lunch by the Deputy Head of Primary School, Mr Gordon. These experiences for our students aim to make the transition from JPIC to JPC as smooth and as easy as possible.

I would like to encourage all JPIC students to be involved in the wider co-curricular programme at John Paul College. There are a range of sporting, academic and cultural activities available to JPIC students to enhance their experience. From playing soccer to playing piano, all activities are open for International students to join. If your student has a particular talent or interest they wish to pursue, please encourage them to get in touch with the International school office.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind you once again about our Guidelines for Mutual Respect. We encourage all students to maintain consistent behaviour right up to the end of the term and from the very start of the next term. We thank parents and homestay parents for their continued support in this regard.

We wish all JPIC students a safe and enjoyable break. We farewell many of our short term students, wishing them the very best in the next stage. We trust our long term students we get the restful break they need in preparation for the next term.

Michael Bos
Manager, Education & Administration

Dates to Note

Mon 16 July	Term 3 commences John Paul College
Tues 17 July	Term 3 commences John Paul International College

JPIC Study Abroad Term 2 - Shenzhen Nanshan Bilingual School

The Study Abroad program at John Paul International College is at the end of a very successful visit from Shenzhen Nanshan Bilingual School, from Shenzhen, China. Study Abroad involves cultural lessons, integration with Year 4, 5 and 6 JPC Primary classes, day trips and a school camp. JPIC Homestay families have provided a welcoming and supportive environment for 69 students, aged between 9 and 11 years old.

We thank the Homestay families wholeheartedly, as they have hosted the Shenzhen students for over two months. Students have enjoyed cultural activities such as making chocolate crackles and friendship bracelets, Music, Art, P.E and Spanish with the JPC classes, Rugby lessons from JPC Rugby Coach, Tim Tavalea, and a fantastic school camp at Thunderbird Park, Mt Tamborine. The Shenzhen students treated us to their wonderful performance of Chinese music, dancing and martial arts. JPIC wishes all students the best for the future and looks forward to providing more exciting Study Abroad programs.

There were many hugs and photos after the students' wonderful performance at our Graduation Ceremony. The JPIC homestay parents were very impressed at the quality of the performance and gave us lots of nice feedback. We thank the JPIC, JPC and Shenzhen teachers for all of their hard work. We trust the students have enjoyed the Study Abroad program and we wish them a safe journey home. Farewell Shenzhen Nanshan Bilingual School! John Paul International College looks forward to hosting you again in the future!

Susan Burton
Study Abroad Co-ordinator

What will school be like in 50 years?

Our Level 3 students have had some interesting thoughts on this question.

Molly Sun: After 50 years, there won't be any teachers in class but computers instead. The school will give a bracelet for each student that can send you everywhere in the school. The classrooms will be built in the sky. Students will not have to write homework, they will only think the information and it will become an e-mail sent to the teacher's computer.

Sami Song: Our school will be special in the future. There will be animals and we will be able to talk with them. We will learn how to fly and how to clone ourselves. We will not use paper anymore. We will remember our lessons in our brain.

David Kim: After 50 years, students will not go to school because internet and technology are developing now. Thus, students will study at home and use webcams. Teachers will disappear because students will be using computers.

Chanwoo Kim: I think school will not change after 50 years because 50 years is a long time for humans but it is not for the study system. Although people will study different things the subjects will not change.

Xin Chen: After 50 years I will be old. The world of education will become more advanced. The schools will become more humane and learning will be easier and more interesting. Students can choose subjects of interest and there will be no more homework and difficulties.

Raymond Chung: Everything will be changed. Students will be taught by robots. There will be many surveillance cameras so students are not going to do criminal acts anymore. Moreover, all books will be smartboard and students will use them with a touch. Schools will change like transformers. Students will put information into their brain and moving pictures in e-books will become available. There will be no more paper usage.

Shiori Tokunaga: Many things will change. Perhaps there will be no whiteboards. The teachers will use electronic boards and students electronic pads. No more paper and pens. Everyone will speak English so students will learn other languages.

Risa Nagano: Future schools will be like a maze. In the school we will use travelators. Some schools will be under water so students can learn about the sea and sea animals.

Jack Zheng: In 50 years the school will be like a computer. Students will not need to go to school but they will study at home. I will be 67 years old so I think my grandson will tell me how they will study and what they will learn.

Letters home from our Primary Prep Students

Dear Dee & Nanny, on Friday we went to Mayfair. We bought a bracelet; Linda wanted to ride Round up with her friends and I met Alex. He wanted to ride the hurricane with his sister. I went to the brown mat with a slide, it was fun. When I got off I saw Sue with her friend, so I talked with her. Also, I saw, "Dump the teacher", it was fun. I drank a slushy with Linda, it was delicious. As it was 4:35, I didn't have much time. Because I needed to go home at 5:50, I went to the fun factory. Finally, I saw the animals and held some chicks. They were very cute. I had a great day at Mayfair. Love from Emily



Dear Mum, last Friday I went to Mayfair with my friends and parents. At Mayfair, I ate a hamburger, chips, ice cream and fairy floss. I played in the fun Factory and also rode the hurricane. That was a lot of fun, but after I rode the hurricane, I was dizzy. After that, I couldn't ride any more rides so I was a little bit sad. At night, I saw wonderful fireworks. They were so beautiful. After I saw the fireworks, I went back home, and slept because I was very tired. Love from, Sue.

Dear homestay brothers, on Friday I went to Mayfair at school. I put on the bracelet and I saw lots of friends. I ate a hot dog and jellies and ice cream. My favourite food was chips. I felt very, very happy. I didn't ride any rides, just ate and saw the fireworks. See you soon, Kevin Kim

Dear Mum, on the weekend, I went to an interesting park. First, I saw a special swing that five little girls sitting on it. They were talking and drinking juice. Next, I saw a big slide, it was red and black. Three little boys played on the slide. Then, I saw the fence but didn't know what the fence was for. I saw a dog it come here, and then saw many dogs running. Now, I know it is a dog's park. I had a great weekend. Love from Teddy.

Dear Mum and Dad, last Friday I went to Mayfair with my friend. I went on a ride. I ate chips and a Hamburger. It was fun. I saw lots of my friends there. Love from, Kai

Dear Dad, last Friday I went to Mayfair, where I met Sunwoong and Kevin. I rode 'Round up,' which was fun. We ate some Fairy Floss but it was too sweet. Next, we went to the laser gun fight. That was a lot of fun! Then Sunwoong and Kevin went to their soccer village brothers. Then I ate a hotdog, which was very yummy. Then I rode the Hurricane. It was very fast! Next, I went to the slide and I saw Emily. Then, I touched the animals! My favourite animal was a Guinea pig. I saw many other rides, but it was time to go! It was interesting at Mayfair. Love from Alex

Dear Mum, last Friday I went to May fair. So I ate McDonalds. Next, I rode the rides. I liked the rides because they were fun. Next, I found Kai and Alex and we ate fairy floss. After eating, I found my brothers, so we played games and ate chips and we watched the fireworks. From Sunwoong

John Paul International College Term Dates 2012

TERM 1, 2012

Wednesday 25 January – Friday 30 March
New students will be tested on 23 January

TERM 2, 2012

Tuesday 17 April – Friday 22 June
New students will be tested on 16 April

TERM 3, 2012

Tuesday 17 July – Friday 21 September
New students will be tested on 16 July

TERM 4, 2012

Tuesday 9 October – Friday 7 December
New students will be tested on 8 October

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.

John Paul College (Main Campus) Term Dates 2012

TERM 1, 2012

January 23 Monday - March 30 Friday

TERM 2, 2012

Tuesday 17 April – Friday 22 June

TERM 3, 2012

Monday 16 July – Friday 21 September

TERM 4, 2012

Monday 8 October – Friday 7 December

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