

# Message from the Principal

Dear Parents/Guardians.

Our students have been incredibly busy throughout the second week of Term 3. During learning walks I visited several lessons where I observed challenging topics being enthusiastically unpacked in interesting ways, ranging from visualising quadratic equations in Year 9 Mathematics to artistic wire animals and English comprehension activities in Year 2.

To end the busy week our Year 7 and 8 began today with an introduction to the Chinese New Year culture, followed by a spectacular Lion Dance performance that filled the multi-function hall with festive cheer. Immediately after the dance creative activities involving traditional Chinese paper and craft materials, provided the opportunity to learn about the intricate artistry that is characteristic of this festive celebration.

Students from all three Invictus Singapore campuses will come together at Tanglin Mall for the public performances for the Chinese New Year celebrations this Sunday the 19th of January at 11:30. Please join us in celebrating this very special time of the year. Further details later in the newsletter.

A gentle reminder that Tuesday 28th of January will be a half-day and that we will dismiss children at Noon that day. Additionally, the school will be closed from Wednesday the 29th to Friday the 31st of January for the Chinese New Year break.

Wishing you all a well-deserved weekend break.

Best regards,



## Keeping In Touch with Your Child's Learning

The school strives to keep parents informed about their child's learning whilst balancing our teacher's priorities. A reminder that tutors and subject-teachers are always available, and aim to respond to parent emails within 48-hours, however the following are two ways you can immediately keep up-to-date with your child's learning.

### Weekly Subject content

Reminding children of learning, and pre-teaching key terms or ideas, has been shown to be beneficial, so we've put together a summary of upcoming content for each class here: <a href="Parent-Shared">Parent-Shared</a>

# **Academics**

### Homework

Please take note that homework has been given out this week via Google Classroom.

### Term 3 Curriculum Letters

Curriculum Letters outlining next term's subject content are available <a href="here">here</a> for your perusal.

### Subject Content

You may access the weekly subject content <u>here</u> to see what your child has learned this week and will be learning next week.



# ECAs Semester 2 (Term 3/Term 4) Registration

Dear Parents,

Registrations for Penn Junior Academy's (PJA) Extra-Curricular Activities (ECAs) has opened on Friday, January 10th at 7:00 PM!

Explore a wide variety of exciting programs designed to foster your child's growth and development. From sports and arts to academic enrichment and life skills, our ECAs offer something for everyone.

To view all ECAs offered at Bukit Timah:

https://enrolmy.com/penn-junior-academy#/venue\_id/64ab79b4-3344-44cc-bc2a-28350a4d82d2

Alternatively, refer to the document **HERE** for direct class booking links.

Please note that class sizes are limited, so early registration is strongly encouraged.

Registration Deadline: Wednesday, January 22nd at midnight.

Have any questions? Do not hesitate to reach out to us at enquiries@pennjunioracademy.edu.sg.

Sincerely, Penn Junior Academy

## **Core Values**

### **Invictus Values**

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#### Commitment

In taking ownership of our responsibilities and duties A

### **Aspiration**

In achieving our best R

### Resilience

In persevering through our challenges and setbacks E

### **Empathy**

In understanding, respecting, and showing concern for others

### Student-Parent Handbook

Dear Parents,

The Student-Parent Handbook is an invaluable resource, providing essential details on school policies, core values, student expectations, communication procedures, and much more.

By staying informed, we can all work together to create the best possible learning environment for your child! Download the handbook today using the link below and be prepared for a great academic year ahead!

Download the Student-Parent Handbook HERE

### **Invictus Uniform Sale**

Invictus International School has discounted its remaining uniform stock by **50%**. The Friends of Invictus Bukit Timah have agreed to distribute pre-ordered uniform between 15:30 and 16:30, Monday to Friday at our Bukit Timah campus. If you wish to purchase items, please reach out to Ms Hidaya on Tel: 69718210.

Discounted uniform prices are as follows:

Polo Shirt: Usual price: \$24, Now: \$12

**Shorts/Skorts: Usual price: \$23, Now: \$11.50** 

**PE Top: Usual price: \$23, Now: \$11.50** 

PE Shorts: Usual price: \$23, Now: \$11.50

Hoodie: Usual price: \$50, Now: \$25

Please note: Purchases can only be made in cash.

### **Uniform reminders**

Uniform - All students should be wearing their Invictus uniform

Black shoes (Not Vans/Trainers etc)

Grey Invictus Skort/shorts

Blue Invictus Polo

White socks

PE days & Fridays - House colour t-shirt, Invictus PE shorts and trainers are allowed.

Every day- Invictus cap or bucket style hat for outdoor play.

Please note that as per school tradition, students are invited to wear their house shirts on a Friday regardless of curriculum activity as we are encouraging Fridays as a day for house competitions in the near future.

## **School Uniform**



## PE Uniform



Please note a slight change to our uniform rules: Full PE uniform can now be worn on Fridays and not just the House top with school uniform as in the past.

We are aware that some students prefer a cotton based shirt.

Please note that Lim's are in agreeance to accommodating this by manufacturing a cotton version in the same style.

They require a minimum order of 5 but can make for example

3 in one size and 2 in a larger size.

Please process directly with Lim's;

Lim's Uniform

Address: 211 Holland Avenue, Holland Rd, #02-18 Shopping Centre, 278967

Opening Hours: Mon - Sat 10.30am to 7.15pm

Sun 10.30am to 6.15pm

# Weekly House Updates









Civets 458

Pangolins 405

Hornbills 307

Otters 325

# Invictus International School Bukit Timah



Ms Lu Assistant Principal Academic



Mr Cooper Principal



Ms Joachim
Assistant Principal Pastoral



Ms Shaw Key Stage 1 Lead



Mrs Lee Key Stage 2 Lead



Dr King
Key Stage 3 Lead
& Head of Science







### Invictus International School Bukit Timah



Ms Shaw Year 1A Form Teacher



Ms Liu Year 2A Form Teacher



Ms Khyati Year 2B Form Teacher



Ms Joachim Year 3A Form Teacher



Ms Poh Year 3B Form Teacher



Ms Jing Year 4A Form & Chinese Teacher



Ms Swigin English & Topic Teacher



Mrs Zhang Music Teacher



Ms Aastha Year 5A Form Teacher



Ms Neo Teacher



Mr Karunakaran Year 6A Form & Math Teacher



Mr Jimmy Oh Year 6B Form Teacher



Mr Tiui Year 7A Form & Arts Teacher



Ms Stewart Year 8A Form & English Teacher



Mrs Lee Year 9A Form Teacher



Ms Wang Chinese Teacher



Mr Chong Science Teacher

## Invictus International School Bukit Timah

Teaching Assistant and Learning Support team



Ms Florence



Ms Sulaiman



Ms Kamarudin



Ms Cai





# **Pastoral**

### Student Council and House Captains

This week, our Student Council members and House Captains gathered for our first meeting to plan upcoming events as well as brainstorm articles and activities include in our first student newsletter.

Needless to say, the students were buzzing with ideas and excitement. If your child is interested in joining our student leadership team, please direct them to me and I'll be happy to welcome them to our team.

### Upcoming events organised by Student Council members and House Captains:

- 1. Student Newsletter in February.
- 2. International Women's Day in March.
- 3. House Morning in March.



# **Physical Education**

### Swimming Lessons (Year 1,2,3,7,8 & 9)

Swimming lessons will commence on the 3rd of February, following the Chinese New Year break, and will run until the 21st of March, spanning 7 weeks. Currently, the students are participating in offsite PE lessons for approximately 3 to 3.5 weeks while we wait for swimming lessons to commence.

### Offsite PE Lessons (Year 4,5 & 6)

Students in Years 4, 5, and 6 will not be participating in swimming lessons this term. Instead, they will continue to with their PE lessons offsite at the field.

### **Additional Notes**

With the weather heating up, keeping our students hydrated during PE lessons is a top priority. Water bottles would be mandatory for all PE lessons. For those with regular field activities, a thermal water bottle is highly recommended to ensure they stay cool and refreshed throughout their sessions.

# Physical Education

PE -Basketball Court Schedule for Year 1 to 3 Term 3 2024/2025			
Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	
Mondays [11.20-12.40pm]	Wednesdays [1.40-2.40pm]	Thursdays [10.20-11.20am]	
06/01/25	08/01/25	09/01/25	
13/01/25	15/01/25	16/01/25	
20/01/25	22/01/25	23/01/25	
27/01/25			
PE -Swimming Schedule for Year 1 to 3 Term 3 2024/2024			
Year 1 (20s Bus)	Year 2 (40s Bus)	Year 3 (40s Bus)	
Mondays [11.20-12.40pm]	Wednesdays [1.40-2.40pm]	Thursdays [10.20-11.20am]	
Bus Arrival Time: 11.20am	Bus Arrival Time: 1.40pm	Bus Arrival Time: 10.20am	
Fetching Time: 12.20pm	Fetching Time: 2.20pm	Fetching Time: 11.05am	
03/02/25	05/02/25	06/02/25	
10/02/25	12/02/25	13/02/25	
17/02/25	19/02/25	20/02/25	
24/02/25	26/02/25	27/02/25	
03/03/25	05/03/25	06/03/25	
10/03/25	12/03/25	13/03/25	
17/03/25	19/03/25	20/03/25	

PE -Field Schedule for Year 7 to 9 Term 3 2024/2025		
Year 7,8,9 (40s Bus)		
Fridays [1.40-3pm]		
	10/01/25	
	17/01/25	
	24/01/25	
PE -Swimming Schedule for Year 7 to 9 Term 3 2024/2025		
Year 7,8,9 (40s Bus)		
Fridays [1.40-3pm]		
	07/02/25	
	14/02/25	
	21/02/25	
	28/02/25	
	07/03/25	
	14/03/25	
	21/03/25	

# Physical Education

PE -Field Schedule for Year 4 to 6 Term 3 2024/2025			
Year 6	Year 4	Year 5	
Tuesday [12.00-1.20pm]	Thursday [1.40-3.00pm]	Friday [9.00-10.20am]	
7/1/2025	9/1/2025	10/1/2025	
14/1/2025	16/1/2025	17/1/2025	
21/1/2025	23/1/2025	24/1/2025	
28/1/2025	06/02/25	07/02/25	
4/2/2025	13/2/2025	14/2/2025	
11/2/2025	20/2/2025	21/2/2025	
18/2/2025	27/2/2025	28/2/2025	
25/2/2025	6/3/2025	7/3/2025	
4/3/2025	13/3/2025	14/3/2025	
11/3/2025	20/3/2025	21/3/2025	
18/3/2025			

# KS3 Assembly Celebrating Chinese New Year









This week, our teachers have crafted some fantastic art and craft activities to fully immerse our students in the vibrant traditions of Lunar New Year. These workshops that have started this week and is continuing to happen next week, offer students a unique chance to explore diverse cultural elements and discover how families joyfully celebrate this special occasion at home.

But that's not all! Today, during the KS3 assembly, the students witnessed a spectacular lion dance performance. This electrifying performance was not just a lively display of culture; the symbolism of good fortune and joy, but also served as an amazing opportunity for our students to shine and dive deep into this beautiful art form. Let the festivities begin!











# Celebrating Chinese New Year



Next week, our Chinese Department will continue to celebrate this festive season by preparing and cooking vegetarian dumplings and tang yuan with our students and parent volunteers.





# Tanglin Mall CNY Performance

This coming Sunday, students from the three Invictus campuses will come together for a Chinese New Year performance at Tanglin Mall. Do come over to support us!

Date: 19th January 2025

**Time:** 11:30am

Venue: Tanglin Mall Atrium, 163 Tanglin

Road, Singapore 247933

See you there!

# Invictus Virtual STEAM Fair (Centrium Square)

We are excited to announce that Invictus International School, Centrium Square Campus will be hosting our inaugural Virtual STEAM Fair this year! This event will provide an excellent opportunity for our students to explore, create, and showcase their talents in the STEAM areas (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Mathematics).

The Virtual STEAM Fair will take place in May 2025, and we would like to invite all students to participate in this exciting event. The theme this year is Play! To Infinity and Beyond! The fair will not only give students a platform to demonstrate their innovative projects and ideas but also encourage them to think critically and creatively in these key fields, while pondering over their role in sustainability and responsible toy ownership.

#### **How Can Students Participate?**

This event is open to all students from Year 1 - Year 9 of Invictus International School Singapore and Malaysia. Registration opens from 2nd December 2024 - 31st January 2025.

All projects will be submitted digitally, and students will have the chance to present their work to their peers, teachers, and the Invictus community in an online event format. This is an exciting opportunity for students to share their passions, receive feedback, and inspire others.

# Invictus Virtual STEAM Fair (Centrium Square)

#### **How to Get Involved?**

Please encourage your child to start thinking about their project idea and register for the fair by 31st January 2025.

#### **REGISTRATION LINK**

We are looking forward to seeing the incredible projects that our students will create, and we hope to see many of our students participating in this enriching experience. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the event coordinators below:

Ms. Evelyn Chiah (Secondary) evelyn.chiah@invictus.edu.sq

Ms. Cassandra Victor (Primary) <a href="mailto:cassandra.victor@invictus.edu.sg">cassandra.victor@invictus.edu.sg</a>

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to celebrating the creativity and ingenuity of our students at the Invictus Virtual STEAM Fair!

# <u>Play Beyond - Empowering Play, Sustaining Tomorrow</u>

We are proud to announce a partnership with Play Beyond, providing a platform for children and families to contribute to a sustainable future with an option to donate or sell toys they have outgrown.

In January, Play Beyond will join us in our school to share more details with the children regarding their purpose in setting up Play Beyond and we will have a toy collection drive in our school.

For now, please visit their website as there is an option to donate used toys to Red Cross or sell them as well. On their website, there is a list of toys for sale, which might catch your child's eyes. What a better way to declutter outgrown toys especially with Christmas round the corner. Website: <a href="https://www.playbeyond.co/">https://www.playbeyond.co/</a>





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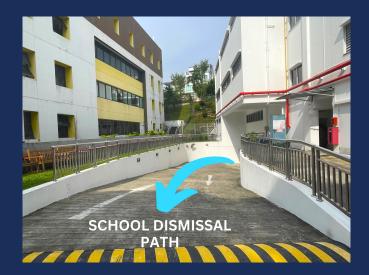
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# **Road Safety**

The school is situated on a quiet one-way road, but it's important that children are aware of our expectations regarding safe departure and arrival. To this end, pupils will receive their annual reminder regarding road safety next week from their tutors. The school has previously contacted the local authority regarding traffic calming options, but has been unsuccessful. We encourage parents to appeal should they wish to see signage or similar installed.

Parents are similarly encouraged to ensure pupils cross safely from the dismissal ramp, and walk only along the pavements. Younger children seeing safe use of roads is important for building their independence.





Dear Parents/Guardians,

We hope you and your child have been enjoying your time at Invictus Bukit Timah! Your feedback is invaluable to us and helps other families make the right choice for their child's education.

If you have had a positive experience with us, we would love to hear about it! Please take a moment to leave a Google review and share what you love about our school. Your kind words can make a big difference!

### **Click Here to Leave a Google Review**

Thank you for being part of our wonderful community!



# **Medical Matters**

### **Health Reminders:**

- Ensure your child's immunizations are all up to date.
- Advocate good hygiene habits to prevent the spread of illness and infections.
- Establish a bedtime and wake up time to ensure adequate and consistent sleep.
- Eat breakfast each day at home or at school.
- Assist in making appropriate clothing choices daily.
- Develop a routine for homework and after school activities.
- Keep an open line of communication with your child to ensure that he / she remains safe at school. If a concern arises, do not hesitate to contact the appropriate school officials immediately.
- If your child has a **health concern**, make it known to the school and school nurse.

Do not hesitate to contact the school nurse if you have any clarifications and concerns via email, <a href="mailto:schoolnurse.bt@invictus.edu.sg">schoolnurse.bt@invictus.edu.sg</a>

Kindly take note of the following school protocols and important medical information via this links:

**School Protocol and Information** 

**Nut Free Policy Letter** 





Thank you for helping us grow!

# REFER A STUDENT AND GET REWARDED\*!



\*Terms & Conditions apply

SGD 500 for every student as of January 2024



https://www.invictus.edu.sg/about-us/invictus-referral-programme

# **Key Contacts**

Safeguarding: <a href="mailto:safeguarding.bt@invictus.edu.sg">safeguarding.bt@invictus.edu.sg</a> (Please call 999 for any urgent safeguard matter)

For subject teacher and curriculum matters, please email the form tutor directly, the key stage lead or subject teacher.

Please contact <a href="mailto:admin2theprincipal@invictus.edu.sg">admin2theprincipal@invictus.edu.sg</a> for any urgent appointments required

or call the school at Tel: 6971 8210.

Please use the following contacts for any of these areas:

Admissions: admissions.bt@invictus.edu.sg

General Queries: receptionist.bt@invictus.edu.sg

School nurse: schoolnurse.bt@invictus.edu.sq

Student Services: <a href="mailto:studentadmissions.bt@invictus.edu.sg">studentadmissions.bt@invictus.edu.sg</a>

# **Social Media**



