

Dear Parents

'Frantically busy' are not the words for it. Everybody is working very hard: students, parents and teachers. This Parent Update will highlight some of the events.

ASA

ASA started this week and everything seems to have run smoothly. If your child would still like to join a class, please see Ms Tari, our office secretary, to make arrangements.

PIM EXHIBITION

Please tell all your friends that JIMS will have an information booth at Pondok Indah Mall (2nd floor) from Mon 10 to Sun 16 May. If you happen to be there (shopping!), please drop by to say hello to our office and teaching staff.

CURRICULUM SEMINAR

Please come to our JIMS Curriculum Seminar on **Wed 19 May (10am-12pm)**. There will be several speakers on the various curriculum programmes (IB, Cambridge, SBI).

Dr Bambang Indriyanto, Sekretaris Direktur Jenderal from Diknas (Dept of Education) will speak on, "SBI curriculum and how is it different from Kurikulum Nasional and National Plus", Dr Ron Verburgt, Consulting Principal JIMS clarifies, "Why does JIMS combine Primary Years Programme (IB) and Cambridge International Examinations?", and Prof. Dr Melani Budianta from the University of Indonesia explains, "Why did I send my daughter to an international school?" The Moderator is Ms Tika Bisono, MPsiT, psi.

If you wish to attend, please contact Ms Felly (marketing). The cost is Rp50,000 which includes lunch.

ASSEMBLIES

Our school assemblies take place every Monday at 8am in the Hall. They don't last long, but every week one of our classes will give a presentation. If your child appears in an item, you are most welcome to join us. Last Monday the Penguins performed their piece of work about air. Over the past weeks they had been exploring concepts of air and movement with Ms Emily in drama as part of their UOI. Congratulations for a fantastic and imaginative show. Next Mon 3 May the Jasmines will do their act.

BRING A BOTTLE

We are very concerned that the plastic cups we provide near the drinking fountains may become a health hazard. To avoid any contamination from cups that have been used by other people, **we will no longer provide plastic cups** for drinking. Students may fill their own bottles at the Aqua machines at any time. Please also ask your nannies to bring their own bottles.

PE UNIFORMS

Please ask your child to wear the correct uniform for PE. Some students wear their batik school uniform on the field. Students **wear PE uniforms during PE class**. Also, please give the students **hats to wear during PE**. Especially around midday it can be very hot.

BOOK CLUB

The International School Book Club catalogue was handed out last Monday. Many students have already returned their order form and the money, since today was the deadline. However, Ms Lala (librarian) will still accept them on Monday. If you have lost your form, please ask your Class Teacher for a new one, but you must hurry.

RECIPES FOR THE CAFETERIA

Our friends in the Cafeteria have asked for advice. Do you have a favourite dish that is also nutritious for the students? Please give your recipes to Ms Sari who will pass it on to the chef, so that we can vary the regular menu from time to time. Thank you!

IMPORTANT DATES

MAY

Wed 05	- Children's Day (Primary School only)
Tue 11	- Football Friendly Match Mentari School U8
Thurs 13	- Red Day (Ascension Day)
Fr/Sa 14/15	- PYP Workshop (professional development for teachers)
Fri 14	- School closed for PYP Workshop
Wed 19	- Curriculum Seminar: 10-12 + lunch
Thurs 27	- JIMS Science Olympics

PYP EXHIBITION

JIMS' EXHIBITION 2010



Helping the world

The PYP exhibition has a number of key purposes:

- for students to engage in an in-depth, collaborative inquiry;
- to provide students with an opportunity to demonstrate independence and responsibility for their own learning;
- to provide students with an opportunity to explore multiple perspectives;
- for students to synthesize and apply their learning of previous years and to reflect upon their journey through the PYP;
- to provide an authentic process for assessing student understanding;
- to demonstrate how students can take action as a result of their learning;
- to unite the students, teachers, parents and other members of the school

community in a collaborative experience that incorporates the essential elements of the PYP;

- to celebrate the transition of learners from primary to middle/secondary education.

EARLY YEARS' SCIENCE CLUB (ASA)

Nine students signed up for Ms Vissia's Science Club held every Tues at 1pm.



Their curious minds started to glow when she came in with a pack of candles, glasses and a lighter. Yes, their first strike was the Candle Experiment. After a brief explanation on fire safety, each little scientist had to find out what happened to the lit candle if it was covered by a glass by conducting an individual experiment. Everybody seemed so engaged that they did at least three trials! At the end they had a big discussion and each club member wrote a reflection and was looking forward to the next experiment. Science IS fun!



Kind regards



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Consulting Principal