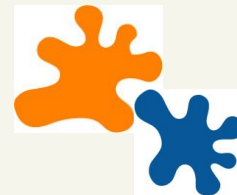




# Parent Update



## What a week!

### UPCOMING DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 24th Oct  
Grand Opening!
- 14th Nov  
Curriculum Seminar
- 12th-13th Nov  
Year 1 to 4 Camp
- 16th-20th Nov  
Secondary Camp
- 23rd-27th Nov  
Tigers Camp

There has been a real buzz around the school this week. The preparations for the Primary UN Day and our Grand Opening have kept everyone busy.

The UN Day is being celebrated today with the student coming to school in their home country's national dress and enjoying many different activities and foods from around the world. We would like to thank our wonderful PTA for organizing the event and congratulate all the mums involved.

Tomorrow is a momentous occasion for the JIMS community. The Grand Opening of our new campus is going to be

an exciting event. Our new location is certainly something we should celebrate and I hope you can join us.

It has also been a very important week for our Year 10 students, Maria and Adinda. They have completed two more Bahasa Indonesia exams, this time to fulfill the written component of the course. We congratulate them for the efforts.

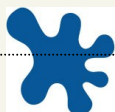
Finally, if you have not seen the new JIMS website please take the time to browse through the site. There are several new sections and all information and photos have been updated.



## See you tomorrow!

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Saturday, 24 October 2009

JIMS Grand Opening  
9 am – 1 pm  
@JIMS new campus  
***Come and join us!***



## ESSAYS FROM THE CEDARS

### "Discuss the conflict between civilisation and savagery in Lord of the Flies. How does Golding use characters and objects to represent these themes."

#### From Azi....

There are a lot of people in this world, but only some of them are civilized naturally. Most have savagery as their natural impression. The first time the boys met each other they are well-behaved, orderly children. In the book, Golding implies that civilization isn't a natural impression. It's an impression that is forced upon people, unlike savagery.

Savagery is natural, from ourselves, but then when we are younger savagery is tamed. Our parents/ elders teach us how to be civilized and what it is.

Children, having no rules, or civilization, have their true nature exposed. Not surprisingly, these children's nature happens to be savagery. "Roger gathered a handful of stones and began to throw them. Yet there was a space round Henry, perhaps six yards in diameter, into which he dare not throw. Here, invisible yet strong, was the taboo of the old life. Round the squatting child was the protection of parents and school and policemen and the law." This quote shows that Roger is slowly losing the 'civilized' part of him, because there are no rules on the island. When there are no rules, or no one to tell the children what to do, their natural instinct comes out, that is savagery. But he still show that he's afraid of the society's laws. "Kill the beast! Cut his throat! Spill his blood!" (pg. 152) does this sound like what normal kids would do? No, because there would be adults around them to tell them what to do, to set the rules for them. When there are no rules men are allowed to do anything they want. This shows us that man isn't actually civilized, civilization is like a nature that is forced and a nature that is based upon fear, upon fear for rules and laws. Men can only hide their inner savagery for so long, before given the right moment and situation to break out. Even the most civilized person must have some savagery in them.

#### From Yumi...

Ralph would represent civilisation because he is well organized and likes to do things properly. He is always finding ways to make life at the island more peaceful and comfortable. During the first meeting of the boys, he decided that the conch should be a sign of democracy by declaring "I'll give the conch to the next person to speak" which also proves that Ralph is fair because he lets everyone have a chance to comment on ideas.

After Ralph stated this rule most people managed to get others attention by saying "I got the conch". In other words most of Ralph's ideas have done the island well.

Piggy too is quite similar to Ralph in many ways which is why Ralph and Piggy developed a good friendship. Although Ralph is the leader of the group he often comes to Piggy when things on the island get confusing. Ralph's relationship with Jack is very different in comparison to Piggy's. They often get into misunderstandings because both of the boys believe strongly in their own opinions. In Chapter Four Ralph says "The fire's the only thing we've got." Which Jack answers "We're hunters. We need to hunt."

The fire also represents civilisation because it plays a very important role to the boys. It is known as the signal for rescue. Ralph and the others think that the fire is the only thing they've got so they try to make sure that it is lit at all times in case a ship comes.

## School Camps

The final preparations are being made for all of the school camps. The Year 1 to 4 students are heading off to Taman Safari on Thursday 12th November. The two day, one night camp will include several outbound activities and experiences. Permission forms have already been collected from the students. Parents will receive further information regarding what the children should bring in the week before the camp.

Our Tigers class are flying off to Bali. This camp will take place at the end of November from Monday 23rd to Friday 27th. Students will participate in a variety of cultural activities and an exchange visit to a Bali school.

The secondary students will be embarking on an overseas trip to Singapore. Their week long visit, from Monday 16th to Friday 20th of November, will consist of several cultural activities and educational experiences.

A parent information session will take place next week for the Tigers and secondary camps, all parents concerned will be contacted with the arrangements. The itineraries and details of both the Tigers and secondary camps will be discussed at this time as well as an opportunity for you to ask any questions.