



Weekly Newsletter Academic Year 24/25 Term 2 8th November 2024

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### Message from the Principal

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The three-day week before the short break was busy nevertheless with the community celebrating Deepavali on the Wednesday, which provided us with the opportunity to celebrate the Hindu festival of lights, which symbolises the spiritual victory of light over darkness, good over evil, and knowledge over ignorance, all in all a very positive message for the children (Pictures further ahead in the newsletter).

On Monday of this week, we celebrated Halloween with many students choosing to dress up in costumes or House kit for the day. The whole day was great fun for all the children (Again pictures further ahead in the newsletter).

SLT representatives from all three campuses have visited our Primus, Invictus and Swallows & Amazons preschools this week to speak with parents looking to transition their child to Year 1 with in either January or August 2025. These presentations were well received, and we look forward to welcoming many of these families to our school in due course.

Please note that we have decided to change our recommended school bus provider from NewGen to RushOwl from the beginning of Term 3 (6th January). The main reason for this change is that RushOwl have a much newer fleet of vehicles and added safety features including onboard CCTV. Please read the flyer on the next page which further details the service provided, including how to register for one of two online information sessions scheduled for the 14th and 15th of November. I'm happy to report that his change of provider will have no impact on bus charges this academic year.

Wishing you all a well-deserved and restful weekend with your families, and we look forward to hearing your feedback to our parental sinked on the following page.

Craig Cooper

Note: If your child is in Year 9, please add the forthcoming Options Evening, on the 26th of November, to your calendars.



### School rides made easy

Your child deserves the best in school transport. RushOwl makes that happen. From morning pickups to afternoon drop-offs, we ensure safety and comfort every step of the way.



#### Peace of mind for parents, reliable transport for students



#### Scan the code to sign up



# Benefits you'll love! Instant pick and drop alerts Live GPS tracking Professional drivers More time for yourself! Need to reschedule or cancel? It's easy via the app

#### ATTEND THE ONLINE INFO SESSION!

 THURSDAY, 14 NOVEMBER • 6:30 – 7:00PM
 https://meet.google.com/igm-hett-kcg

 FRIDAY, 15 NOVEMBER • 6:00 – 6:30PM
 https://meet.google.com/igm-hett-kcg

#### Dear Parents/Guardians,

To align all Invictus campuses with the same bus operator, we will be moving towards RushOwl on 6 Jan 2025. Please sign up for the new bus service by scanning the QR code on the left. You are also encouraged to attend a video conference call to find out more about the new school bus vendor on any of the dates below:

#### Date: Thursday, 14 November · 6:30 – 7:00PM

Video call link: https://meet.google.com/jqm-hett-kcq

Date: Friday, 15 November · 6:00 – 6:30PM

Video call link: https://meet.google.com/zoq-txcr-ank

### Parental Survey T2: 2024

Dear Parents,

I'd like to invite you to share your feedback with us by using the link below. The feedback will be anonymous by default. However should you wish to follow up on any matter here, as always, the school's leadership team would be happy to arrange to meet with you.





### **Invictus International School Bukit Timah**



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Year 3B Form Teacher



Ms Neo Year 5B Form Teacher







Ms Liu Year 2A Form Teacher



Ms Jing Year 4A Form & Chinese Teacher



Mr Karunakaran Year 6A Form & Math Teacher



Mrs Lee Year 9A Form Teacher



Ms Khyati Year 2B Form Teacher



Mrs Zhang Year 4B Form & Music Teacher



Mrs Ferraz Year 6B Form Teacher



Ms Wang Chinese Teacher

Ms Joachim Year 3A Form Teacher



Ms Aastha Year 5A Form Teacher



Mr Tiui Year 7A Form & Arts Teacher



Mr Spencer Science Teacher

### Invictus International School Bukit Timah Teaching Assistant and Learning Support team



Ms Florence



Ms Sulaiman



Ms Kalaihselvan



Ms Kamarudin



Ms Makose





Ms Devi

### **Core Values**

#### **Invictus Values**

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Resilience Persevere through challenges and setbacks Responsibility Take ownership of your commitments and duties Empathy Understand and care for others E

**Excellence** Strive for your best

### 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

### **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

PEdays & Fridays - House colour t-shirt, Invictus PEshorts 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**







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 Un iform

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

### **Academic and Pastoral**

#### <u>Homework</u>

Homework will be issued on the second week of Term 2, unless your child's homework day falls on the 31st of October or the 1st of November (which is a public holiday and school holiday).

#### **Curriculum Letters - Term 2**

Curriculum Letters are now available for your peruse TERM 2 CURRICULUM LETTER



#### 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: <u>Parent-Shared</u>

#### Term 2 Curriculum Letter

Curriculum letters outline the topics that will be covered by each year group in each subject during Term 2. These are available here: <u>Parent-Shared</u> T2 Curriculum Letters.

## House Updates



In our third week of school, Civets continue to lead with 701 house points. Well done Tino to from 2A who contributed a whopping 49 house points to his house this week, followed by Claire from 6A who contributed 40 house points, and Johan from 3A who contributed 39 house points. Keep it up!















## Halloween Dress - up







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### Key Stage One - Maths



In KS1, moving through concrete to pictorial to abstract representations of maths topics allows students to have a deep understanding of content they are learning. This style of learning also helps students to establish good Numeracy proficiencies such as problem solving, reasoning and fluency.

*"I like Maths because we do tricky problems." "Maths is fun because we get to make things and use toys to help us."* 











### Key Stage One - Science













In Year Two, students have been working in teams and independently to learn about habitats and life cycles.















Year 3 States of Matter Experiment

## KS2 Science



Year 5 Magnet Mazes

Year 5 Gravity Experiment -Unbalanced forces



Year 5 Gravity Experiment -Unbalanced forces















Year 7 used games to move around the water cycle as if they were molecules



### KS3 Science









Year 9 went around the carbon cycle in a different simulation









Year 7 handled chemicals to create a reaction that showed us how lava can bubble and move to shape



## KS3 Class performance

Dancing together is super fun! In this week's assembly, we had everyone from Key Stage 3 coming together to perform their awesome dance moves. Students had an opportunity to get creative, work as a team, and show off their skills. As they performed together, it was clear that the students gained more confidence and felt connected. Good job, KS3!



Year 7 - Bang Bang Bang

Year 8 - Waka Waka

## KS3 Class performance

The GRAND Prize goes to Year 9 for their amazing forms and interesting storyline, which creatively reproduced the Ghostbusters.





Year 9 - Ghostbusters



Enjoy the video here - <u>https://shorturl.at/7JPEF</u>

## KS3 Rugby Workshop



### 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 Genia 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.



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.







Scan this QR code using the WhatsApp camera to join this group

#### Dear Students, Parents and Guardians,

We are thrilled to welcome you to another exciting school year! Whether you are joining us for the first time or returning, we look forward to partnering with you in creating a vibrant and supportive environment for our children.

#### \*Become a Part of the Friends of Invictus BT Parents Community!\*

We welcome all parents to join the Friends of Invictus BT. Whether you're available for occasional support or would like to become a permanent member of the PTA, your involvement is valued and flexible to suit your schedule. To express your interest, simply email us at **friendsofibt@invictus.edu.sg**. A member of our team will reach out to you shortly to discuss any further details. We look forward to having you with us!

#### Please use the QR code to join our fantastic community!

Together, we can achieve great things and make this year memorable.

Warm regards, The FOIBT Team

#### 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!

## Review us on Google

### 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, *schoolnurse.bt@invictus.edu.sg* 

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\*!





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SGD 500 for every student

as of January 2024



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

### **Key Contacts**

Safeguarding: <u>safeguarding.bt@invictus.edu.sg</u> (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 <u>admin2theprincipal@invictus.edu.sg</u> 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: <u>schoolnurse.bt@invictus.edu.sg</u>

Student Services: <u>studentadmissions.bt@invictus.edu.sg</u>

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