

# **OLN Connect**

#### **School Mission**

A CHIJ School is a Christ-centered school community where all work together for the promotion of truth, justice, freedom and love, with special reference to the needs of students who are disadvantaged in any way.

#### **School Vision**

Girls of Today for Tomorrow



#### International Friendship Day (IFD)

This year's theme for IFD is "Forging friendships in a Complex World". Asia is the world's fastest-growing region and Singapore continues to facilitate closer economic, political, social, and cultural cooperation within ASEAN and in Asia.

The commemoration of IFD helps our students become more cognizant of the importance of maintaining friendships with and among our neighbouring countries thus, encouraging our students to play an active role in fostering ties.

We will commemorate IFD on Wednesday, 9 April 2025, with an assembly programme and recess activities. School hours will be as per normal and students should come in their school uniform and school shoes.

#### General Repair and Redecoration Works (GR&R)

The school will be undergoing a series of improvement works from April to August 2025. This will include the following:

- GR&R works, i.e. painting and general repairs
- Renovation in the General Office
- Conversion of the top hung windows to louvred windows to improve air flow and reduce temperature of the classrooms

The school will provide timely updates to staff and students on areas that they will need to avoid during this period.

## **General Information**

# Home-Based Learning Exercise on 4 April 2025 Reminder

The Home-Based Learning exercise will be held on Friday, 4 April 2025 for all students. Task Sheets and schedules for each class will be published on the School Website after 6pm on Thursday, 3 April 2025 at

https://www.chijourladyofthenativity.moe.edu.sg/learn-at-ijoln/home-based-learning/.

Subject teachers will brief students of the assignments nearer the day of HBL. Details will also be posted in the Student Learning Space (SLS) Announcement Page. Students are not required to report to school on that day.

# Project G.O.O.D. - Gift of One Dollar Reminder

10 March marks the beginning of Holy Week in Lent. As the act of giving and sharing is one of the ways to observe Lent and as caring for the less fortunate is also the emphasis of our IJ Mission, the students are given the opportunity to participate in the annual Project G.O.O.D.

Our students are encouraged to make a little sacrifice to set aside a portion of their pocket money each day to donate a total of a dollar to the less fortunate. Participation is optional. Collections will be done on Friday, 11 April 2025, and all proceeds will go to CHIJ Sanctuary for Children Limited (CHIJSC) formerly known as Infant Jesus Homes and Children's Centres (IJHCC).

# Sale of Hot Cross Buns at Recess on 17 April 2025 Reminder

In the spirit of Easter, we will be selling Hot Cross mini-buns (halal) at recess on Thursday, 17 April 2025. They will be sold in packs of 2 buns at \$2 per packet. If you would like to support this drive, do let your child/ward have sufficient money to buy the buns on 17 April. The profits will be donated to CHIJ Sanctuary for Children Limited (CHIJSC).

#### Languages Come Alive! Week (21 - 25 April 2025)

In line with 2025's World Book Day and the drive to inculcate a love for reading and languages in our students, Languages Come Alive! is back again with the theme "We're going on an adventure!". Our students will embark on an epic adventure to learn more about story elements, and participate in different language activities.

On Monday, 21 April, our students are given the opportunity to demonstrate their creativity by coming dressed as their favourite or popular storybook character! The girls will be asked to come in simple costumes that they have created from recycled materials. Teachers will also be sharing with students creative ways to create simple costumes and props through upcycling. **Please do not purchase costumes.** 

#### P3 Resilience Race

The P3 students will be participating in the Resilience Race on Thursday, 24 April 2025. The event will be conducted in the school hall during curriculum time. Students are to wear their PE attire with their school pinafore. Students will be informed of the timing by their PE teachers.

#### Health Challenge

The first Health Challenge will be on Tuesday and Wednesday, 29 and 30 April 2025. Students will get to enjoy fun activities during recess while learning to consume a balanced diet that consists of fruits and vegetables. They will also learn the importance of maintaining healthy eating habits throughout their lives to support overall well-being.

### **Safety Reminders**

# Keeping CHIJ OLN a Safe Environment for Students - Arrival and Dismissal

We refer to our Parents Gateway announcement (ref no.: 2025OLN\_0035) and would like to reiterate the following after observing the past few weeks:

- During dismissal, parents/guardians who drive are requested to park at the designated parking lots at the Multi Storey Carpark or open-air carpark. Please be considerate and do not inconvenience residents in the vicinity and other road users by parking illegally along the double yellow lines and the main road before the bus-stop as accidents may happen. Kindly also exercise patience and refrain from honking if there is a slowdown or congestion especially during dismissal.
- For parents/guardians who take the public bus, please ensure safety for the students by standing behind the yellow lines and bollards while waiting at the bus stop. Do not rush or push forward while the bus enters the bus bay as anyone might fall and be seriously injured. Please queue and board safely and wait for the next bus if it is full.

 All parents/guardians, especially domestic helpers, are reminded not to block the pedestrian walkways or sit on the steps of the overhead bridge while waiting for your child/ward as you cause inconvenience to residents and members of the public. They need the space on the steps and to hold on to the railings for support, especially the elderly and those requiring support in their movement.

We appreciate your support and will continue to work with you closely to keep all students safe. Let us all do our part to exercise personal and social responsibility. As an IJ OLN family, let us role model the value of Graciousness to our girls and the community.

# **Upcoming School Events**

Date	Activity/Programme	Remarks
4 Apr (Fri)	Home-Based Learning	
7 - 17 Apr (Mon - Thu)	P6 NAPFA	To be conducted during PE lessons
9 Apr (Wed)	Hari Raya Celebrations	School hours are as
9 Apr (Wed)	International Friendship Day	per normal.
11 Apr (Fri)	Project G.O.O.D.	
12 Apr (Sat)	Parents Play On!	For P4 - P6. Please refer to letter reference no.: 2025OLN_0121
17 Apr (Thu)	Sale of Hot Cross Buns	
18 Apr (Fri)	Good Friday Public Holiday	School will be closed. All students are to report on Monday, 21 April 2025.

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Date	Activity/Programme	Remarks
21 Apr (Mon)	Languages Come Alive!	More details will be given later.
24 Apr (Thu)	P3 Resilience Race	
21 - 24 Apr (Mon - Thu)	Cyberwellness Week	
29 - 30 Apr (Tue - Wed)	Health Challenge (1)	
21 Apr - 2 May (Mon - Fri)	P4 NAPFA	To be conducted during PE lessons
8 - 9 May (Thu - Fri)	P6 Oral (EL and MTL)	To be conducted after curriculum hours. More details will be given later.
12 May (Mon)	Vesak Day Public Holiday	School will be closed. All students are to report on Tuesday, 13 May 2025.
27 May (Tue)	School-Wide Learning Journey (2)	More details will be given later.
28 May (Wed)	Founder's Day Celebration Prefects' Investiture	School hours are as per normal.
29 - 30 May (Thu - Fri)	Parent-Teacher- Student Conference	More details will be given later.
30 May (Fri)	Eat with Your Family Day	The General Office will be closed at 5pm.

We seek your understanding that there may be changes to the schedule of activities shared in this newsletter due to unforeseen circumstances. Please refer to Parents Gateway and our <u>school website</u> for copies of letters issued by the school.