



FROM THE EXECUTIVE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents, Staff and Teachers,

Welcome back to the 2020-2021 school year. We hope you all had an enjoyable break and ready to take on the new academic year. Although our welcome back to the year has been virtual, we are committed to providing a world class education.

Your child has now completed two weeks of online learning for this academic year. We are confident that the quality, which was already first rate, has increased. Our staff have attended online courses and received professional development to enhance the students' online learning experience. Thank you too, we appreciate the feedback that you have given through parent and student surveys.

I would like to take the opportunity of welcoming back all returning staff, students and their families and a warm welcome to all those who are new to the Sekolah Ciputra family, including Ms Christine Stayte, who joins us as our Elementary Coordinating Principal.

We enjoyed wonderful IBDP academic results. Our average grade of 30.8 was well above the world average, and once again our pass rate was very high. Four of our students' results were 40 or more and I am very proud to announce that for the first time we had a student, Christy Lorentz, gain a perfect score of 45. To put this into context 170,343 students took the DP and only 141 received a perfect score. This is an outstanding achievement, and is the first time a student has gained a perfect score in the twenty years the school has had the diploma programme. Congratulations Christy!

We should feel proud of this achievement, as well as the achievements of all our students who have done their best in what have been very difficult circumstances. We are proud of the way our students have maintained academic focus while maintaining their good manners, good citizenship and willingness to engage with the wider world through Arts, Music, Sport and other interactions. Our students are amazing!

This year is extremely important, as it sees the accreditation visit by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) as well as three teams from the IBO to reauthorize the PYP, MYP and IBDP programmes. The process in getting ready for these visits (known as the self-study) has been going on for nearly two years and has involved teachers, business staff, students and parents, particularly the parent support group (PSG). Thank you to all who participated. We look forward to a successful visit in October. After this, we will begin reviewing our strategic plan for the next three years.

Reflecting on what makes us successful; I feel it is our collaboration and inclusion as a community that sets us apart. This year will have its share of triumphs and tribulations, good times and tough times. This is part of life, creating memories and learning life lessons. We look forward to working with, and supporting you throughout the year, building on our strength, resilience and capacity.

Have a great year!

Martin Blackburn
Executive Principal

NEWS FROM PYP

Dear Families,

Please allow me to introduce myself to you all. My name is Christine Stayte and I am your new Coordinating PYP Principal for Early Years and Elementary. I have the honour and privilege of leading this amazing Sekolah Ciputra PYP staff in developing and supporting your child's learning journey. We have all been working together for a few weeks now to ensure that the 2020/2021 Academic year starts as we mean to continue - with strength, commitment and of course creativity.

I am presently working from Brisbane, Australia which is challenging as you can imagine but I am sure you are all facing your own unique challenges that you could never have envisaged. I have recently completed 10 years in Lima Peru where I was the Director of Primary and Early Years at San Silvestre, a British Bilingual girls school. I am a passionate educator who values risk taking and innovation. I am deeply committed to Education for Sustainability which I was awarded my Masters Degree in and I have always worked tirelessly in the areas of environmentalism, gender equity, women and children's health and service learning. I love sport and fitness, all forms of The Arts and like nearly every person in the world, I am growing my knowledge in the area of technology! Like our students I continue to learn, I make mistakes, I learn from my mistakes and I become more resilient in my learning. I would like to think I am a good example of a lifelong learner.

With the closure of our schools 5 months ago, all our teachers were asked to transform their teaching virtually overnight. It was an incredibly steep learning curve we all experienced and we really did not fully comprehend the extent to which this virus would affect education in the long term. We learnt a great deal from our experiences in the five months and we have sought feedback from our learning community and expert advice from the community of educators across the world. We have implemented some significant changes to our Online learning Programme that reflect worldwide best practices and also the needs and expectations of our own Sekolah Ciputra learning community. We are extremely happy with the calibre of programme we are offering your children this year and we are excited about working in partnership with you to see our aspirations come to fruition.

We are really committed to building even stronger and more meaningful connections between home and school and connecting with parents in such a way as to promote the love of learning with each and every one of our students. We need a strong partnership with you to make this remote learning work - we need your support, your commitment to aligning home expectations with school expectations and of course a continuing positive perspective and consistent problem solving attitude. You can be guaranteed that we will be doing the same and in doing so, we are sure to create a wonderful learning environment for your child

despite the challenges of learning during COVID-19 restrictions.

Every student who comes to Sekolah Ciputra is welcomed as a unique individual. It is our mission to bring to fruition every student's tremendous potential and endless possibilities for personal and intellectual development. It is both a pleasure and a great honour to accompany each student on his or her learning journey.

We believe that each student is capable of thinking independently, taking risks and learning from mistakes. We foster a passion for learning, teaching students how to look at the world from different perspectives, how to face challenges and learn from mistakes, how to grow resilience and how to go into the world with positivity and compassion.

We have developed a robust yet flexible Online Learning Programme that ensures a sustainable balance of synchronous and asynchronous lessons; and engaging and creative lessons and resources to support all learning. We are constantly adapting and changing to meet the needs of our students and we are confident that the beginning of this academic year will witness significant growth in the rigour and strength of learning in our PYP unit.

I look forward to meeting with you in the coming weeks and of course welcoming your sons and daughters as we begin what promises to be an exciting, challenging but very rewarding year.

Miss Christine
PYP Coordinating Principal



Important Dates

- 17 AUGUST**
Independence Day
- 20 AUGUST**
Islamic New Year 1442 H
- 21 AUGUST**
Teacher only day

NEWS FROM HIGH SCHOOL

Dear Parents and Students,

It is with great pleasure and a wonderful sense of anticipation that we have begun the 2020-2021 academic year. To our existing families, welcome back to what we hope will be a rewarding and successful year for your child. A special welcome to all of our new families who have joined the High School (HS). We look forward to working with you all as we continue to support your children on their life-journey at Sekolah Ciputra (SC).

Before the start of each academic year we identify several key goals we strive to achieve - goals we see as crucial in meeting the aims and objectives of the school's Strategic Plan. I wanted to share with you two specific goals we will be working on in the HS for the first term of the 2020-2021 academic year. We will explain to students that we are old-fashioned about behaviour and manners. The way that children talk to each other and the way that they talk to adults - be they teachers or not - is so important. Learning to value and respect everyone around us is an important part of a SC education. Secondly, some of our students will leave SC with IB Diplomas, be offered places at top universities around the world and will consequently receive a big pat on the back from us. There are students that won't get those grades, but, if they have worked incredibly hard - "blood, sweat and tears" - they will get just as big a pat on the back. All we want is for our students to work hard at everything they do - we can't ask for anymore than that can we?

I extended a challenge to parents this time last year, which I wish to reiterate. I [again] extend a challenge to all parents of HS students to take an active interest in your child's education and schooling. Please do not wait until there are issues or problems; instead be proactive and discuss daily with your child what he/she is learning at school. We all lead busy lives but it makes a huge difference when a parent puts aside their working lives to take an active interest in their child's education. Ask our teachers and ask your child questions. Take up the opportunities to participate in our monthly Parent Feedback Sessions (during our online learning programme), Parent Teacher Conferences - virtual or face-to-face, Virtual Coffee Mornings/Afternoons (chatting with the Principals online), etc. Finally, on behalf of the HS staff at SC, I would like to wish every student the very best for the year ahead. If there is anything I can do to assist, please do not hesitate to get in touch with me.

Yours sincerely,

Terry Swain
High School Coordinating Principal

CAS PROJECT

Before we actually started donating to the hospital, we set up an Instagram account to get people's awareness. We chose Instagram because teenagers all over the world use this platform. As we started to receive donations, we then planned and discussed what to buy with the group, and with help from our homegroup teacher Ms.Thressye and head of the Grade11, Mr.Diko. For the first half of the donation, we chose to buy hazmat suits since the hospitals are short of them. We chose hazmat suits because it is one of the most important things when handling this kind of virus. It is airborne and very contagious, hence the doctors and nurses that are handling patients will need a closed up suit (hazmat), face mask and mask to protect them from getting contaminated by the virus. We purchased around 85 pieces of hazmat suits from the first donation. I myself went with Mr.Diko and the school driver to the hospital to deliver them.

We raised a total of Rp.28,344,157.

We shared some of this money with Reagan and Tiffany who did a similar project and aimed to get basic necessities such as daily groceries like rice, milk, cooking oil and etc.

By the end of June, we decided to spend the rest of the money on those people who work at the hospital such as security guards, cleaners, nurses, doctors and etc to help boost their immune system. They are on the front line fighting against this virus and they need to consume a lot of vitamins. After we discussed within the group, we decided to buy UC1000 which is a vitamin C drink. We got around 23 boxes of the bottles. It was quite hard to find,

myself and other representatives of Grade 11-6, Jasper Lemmens had to go around and check different stores and find the best price for them. When we got what we could, we then chose a date to deliver the second batch of donations to the hospital. This time there were three of us, two representatives of the homegroup myself and Calista Sein, who went with Mr.Diko to the hospital to give the donation.

I personally feel proud that we raised this much money and grateful that I have an amazing homegroup and leaders around me which helped us. From this event, I learned that giving something little might not change the world but it will change someone's world for the better. Thank you to those who have donated and contributed to this Grade 11-6 project.

Frans Julio and Calista Sein
Grade 12



IB DP Update

Our lives are measured in many ways and for High School students the measurement is mostly letters and numbers. For our IBDP students, the highest accolade is to score a maximum of 45 points. On 6th July 2020, the results were released and we were overjoyed that 4 of our students scored over 40 points. However, one result stood out, a student who made her way through the PYP, MYP and DP excelling in both academic and extracurricular activities, achieved a perfect 45 points. As a whole school we are so proud to have helped this student on her educational journey and we cannot wait to see what she achieves in the future.

Congratulations Christy Lorentz

We are very proud of our whole 2020 cohort for their hard work and for possessing the integrity and resilience to overcome all the challenging situations they have and will face.

Sekolah Ciputra is making excellent progress helping students achieve high scores. In 2015 we proudly announced that two of our students had scored over 40 points in the IB Diploma Programme. Our aim was to improve on that and help as many students as we could to achieve their highest standard. Since then, we have consistently done that and have had several students each year reach this goal.

The 2020 cohort was predicted to do well but then the year was disrupted by the Covid19 pandemic and the DP exams were cancelled. Many students couldn't decide if they were happy not to face the stress of exams, or if they were sad not to have the chance to prove themselves. One certainty is that in the future, when they look back at their Graduation year, they will know that they had a unique experience.

Congratulations to you all - and best of luck for your future.

Your High School Teachers

New Staff 2020-2021 (EYP & PYP)



CHRISTINE STAJTE
PYP Coordinating Principal



DWINTA KWANISSARA
EY Administration Staff



JULIA JESSICA
EY Mandarin Teacher



ZACHARY LAGH
PYP 2 Teacher



LISA COONEY
PYP 2 & 4 Teacher



GLORIA NATALIA
PYP 4 Teacher



LUCAN O'BRIEN
PYP 5 Teacher



BIANGA STARK
PYP 6 Teacher



ELI JOEDYANTO
PYP Khong Hu Gu Teacher

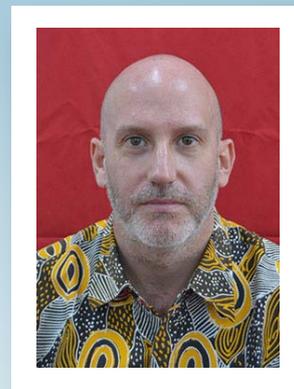
New Staff

2020-2021

(High School)



MICHELLE HANSEN
HS English Teacher



ALEX NEWMAN
HS English Teacher



ADRIANNA ASTLE
HS Teacher/Librarian



MASYKUR HIDAYATULLAH
HS Librarian Staff



CHRISTINA HANNY
HS Counselor



DANIEL DISSELL
HS Biology Teacher



SULTON MA'ARIF
HS Bahasa Indonesia Teacher



REUBEN DRAKE
HS Business Management Teacher



KARINNA THEA
HS Humanities Teacher



SUGENG EFFENDI
HS Humanities Teacher



META DISPINI
HS Mathematics Teacher



YOHANES SUMANTRI
HS Physics Teacher



RAHULA HANANURAGA
Continuum Buddhist Teacher