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FROM THE EXECUTIVE PRINCIPAL

Dear Sekolah Ciputra Family,

It is so nice to look back upon a year where we have transitioned back to a state of post pandemic normalcy. Students have been able to enjoy the whole experience of face-to-face learning, physical education, sports, concerts, cultural events, service activities and camps. It feels very much like we have succeeded in climbing a very high mountain and can now enjoy the experience! Socialising the students back into face to face learning was not always easy, especially in the junior classes but it is wonderful to see the positive fruits of our journey.

Thank you very much to the Ciputra Board, with special note to Pak Denny and Pak Sutoto Yakobus who do so much to support the school. We have a very active building programme underway which will see some major developments in the school, enhancing what are already magnificent facilities. We appreciate our ongoing support, guidance and confidence.

Thank you to Ibu Nency and the whole PSG. It is fair to say the relationship and input of the PSG is very active and positive. The PSG has worked with us on our WASC mid-cycle review as well as co-planning the community engagement section of the annual plan. As part of this commitment, they are assisting in our workshop series as well as to the drafting of the new strategic plan next year.

The school is investing in our Alumni Association and has appointed an Alumni Liaison person within the school staff. You will have noted an upswing in interesting alumni profiles of late. This will continue along with setting up a formal constitution for the alumni next year.

Congratulations to our students for the positive way they have responded to the challenges and opportunities school offers. Students have entered and triumphed in national and international competitions, events such as MUN and WSC, sporting and cultural

events as well as maintaining high academic standards. We are proud of you and your efforts. We wish our graduating Grade 12 cohort our very best wishes as they join the ranks of our alumni whilst looking forward to next year's cohort of new students.

Thank you and God bless you to our staff. Having been a teacher since 1982 I can state categorically that I have never had the privilege of working with such a committed and positive group of teachers who genuinely demonstrate the attributes of lifelong learners. Our teachers have struggled through the challenges of the pandemic and come back even stronger. Thank you for your efforts and all the best of luck to those who are leaving us for other opportunities. We wish you well.

Finally, may God bless you and your families. Have a safe and happy holiday. We look forward to the 2023-2024 school year with anticipation and relish!

Martin Blackburn **Executive Principal**



12 Jun-26 Jul: End of Year Break

25 Jul : Welcoming New Families

27 Jul : First day of Students

A MESSAGE FROM PYP

When a school year ends, it is always a time when the Principals are writing many articles, delivering speeches, proofreading letters and reports and sometimes it's challenging to muster even more words and inspiration for that last article! To help us along, I thought I would experiment with that 'thing' that everyone is talking about ... Chat GPT. On the website we entered 'Write a 100 word article on the end of year in primary school' and this is what was delivered.

As the end of the year approaches, primary schools buzz with a mixture of excitement and nostalgia. It's a time when students and teachers reflect on the journey they've taken together throughout the academic year. The hallways are adorned with colorful artwork and displays showcasing the progress made by each student. Special assemblies and performances celebrate the accomplishments and talents of the young minds. Emotions run high as farewells are exchanged, marking the end of an era for graduating students and teachers moving on to new chapters. The end of the year in a primary school signifies growth, camaraderie, and the bittersweet beauty of transitions.

How easy it would be to plagerise this paragraph as it does describe exactly what the last weeks of school feel like, however it doesn't come close to describing the reality of what this academic year has meant to students, staff and leadership. We may be able to find the perfect words on Chat GPT but only a person breathing life into those words conveys feeling; therefore, it is with great delight that I pen our final newsletter for the 2022/2023 academic year in our own words.

This has been an incredible year - what a journey we have all taken and what an outstanding year it has been!

Together we have faced some interesting challenges and some exhilarating moments; together we have navigated through the unknown waters of resocialization after an unprecedented time in varying degrees of isolation. Together we have had to acknowledge the influence that social media, online games, chat rooms and apps had on our students while they were online learning. Together we have had to work together to restore a sense of normality to our classrooms, our playground and our social settings.

Thanks to the unwavering support and trust you, our parents, have shown in our PYP, we have successfully ended the year with joy and laughter. Our students have regained their confidence to communicate and take risks and they have shown that they care and respect themselves, others and the world that surrounds them. We are so proud of our students who have all ended their year more knowledgeable, much deeper inquirers and more open minded.

We know you will all enjoy a wonderful summer holiday and I look forward to welcoming everyone back 'home' on 27th July.

Christine Stayte PYP Coordinating Principal Diana PYP Principal

STUCO CHARITY

As the culmination of the Charity event in PYP, the Student Council or STUCO team went to 3 orphanages in April 2023 to donate the collection of 100th day of school charity items (non-perishable items) and from the Chinese New Year angpao collection.

100 non-perishable donations for charity were collected at the beginning of semester 2 which was on January 11th, 2023 to celebrate mathematics week and 100th day of school. Then, we raised Rp 16,522,500 in total from both the Elementary and Early Years from the Chinese New Year Celebration-angpao collection on January 20th, 2023.

We went to 3 orphanages:

- On Thursday, April 13th, 2023 we went to Panti Asuhan Ulul Albab in Jl. Manukan Karya No.1 A- 16, Manukan Kulon to celebrate Bulan Ramadhan when our moslem friends were fasting. STUCO joined a PYP 3 Moslem class. This was a great opportunity to show tolerance in a real situation.
- On Friday, April 28th, 2023 we went to Panti Asuhan Santo Yakobus Manukan Surabaya and also to Panti Asuhan Sumber Kasih Wiyung.
 We divided STUCO into 2 teams to go there to practice sharing and caring.

We have spent all the donations well and meaningfully. This event was an example of students at Sekolah Ciputra taking action and helping other children in need. From students-By students-To students. We are very happy when the small things we can do makes them smile so much. It is very humbling and makes us appreciate how fortunate we are. We thank all students, parents, PSG, teachers and staff who made this event a success.

Kind regards, STUCO 2022-2023





A MESSAGE FROM HIGH SCHOOL

As the 2022-2023 school year comes to a close, we want to thank everyone for making it a wonderful year. It was great to come back to "normal school," which meant in person learning, school wide events, and plenty of extracurricular activities to participate in. During the last few months we definitely did not have much down time!

A few of the many things that took place since our last newsletter were: IB Exams, Grade Level Camps, the World Scholar's Cup, the Cross Country Run, badminton and volleyball friendly matches against SES and SIS, the MYP E-Assessments and E-Portfolios, Prom, and our final assemblies and ceremonies, such as the MYP Completion Ceremony for our 10th grade students, and of course the Graduation for our 12th grade students. While the overall school year can be compared to a marathon, the final few months are much more like the 100 meter sprint!

We wish to thank all students, parents and staff for helping to make this year a success. We want to thank our OSIS Captain, Graceline Supramono, and OSIS Vice-Captain, Tricia Budhi, for their leadership throughout the year. They and their team have done an amazing job, and it has been a pleasure to work with them this year. We would also like to welcome our new OSIS Captain, Lee Si Hyeon, and OSIS Vice-Captain, Christsanny Tansa, who will be taking over for the 2023-2024 school year. They have big shoes to fill in replacing this year's team, but we have no doubt that they are up to the challenge and will make next year even better!

Finally, we hope that everyone will have an enjoyable break, and stay safe and healthy. The final day of school is June 9th, with Parent-Teacher Conferences taking place from 7:30-9:30. The first day of the 2023-2024 school year will be Thursday, July 27th. Please ensure your child attends from the first day of school, and has everything they need (such as the correct uniform, including shoes that are only black and white in color). We wish our graduates and newest alumni the best of luck as they head off on their next adventures. Please make sure you register with our Alumni Association so we can continue to watch you soar. Once an Eagle, always an Eagle!

Christopher Allen, Ed.D HS Coordinating Principal Mark Hukom High School Principal

Strengthening the Values of Pancasila Through P5 Projects

P5 stands for Proyek Penguatan Profil Pelajar Pancasila (Projects to Strengthen The Student Profile based on Pancasila). It is part of the new national curriculum, Kurikulum Merdeka. The projects aim to facilitate all students to develop the values of Belief in God (Beriman dan Bertaqwa kepada Tuhan Yang Maha Esa), Becoming a Global Citizen (Berkebhinekaan global), Working Together (Gotong Royong), Independence (Mandiri), Developing Critical Thinking (Bernalar kritis), and Creativity (Kreatif).

P5 is designed to be an interdisciplinary experience for students. All projects are designed to facilitate students to investigate, solve problems, and decide on solutions. Students will do the project according to a set timeline, and the project will facilitate students to produce a product or complete an action.

Grade 7 and Grade 10 started the P5 projects this school year. The following themes were explored: Sustainable Lifestyle (Gaya Hidup Berkelanjutan), Local Wisdom (Kearifan Lokal), Unity in Diversity (Bhinneka Tunggal Ika), Nurturing the Body and Soul (Bangunlah Jiwa dan Raganya), The Sound of Democracy (Suara Demokrasi), Engineering and Technology (Rekayasa dan Teknologi), and Entrepreneurship (Kewirausahaan).

P5 will be applied to all grade levels starting from the school year 2023-2024. We hope the projects enhance the student learning experience and develop the student profile based on Pancasila.





Grade 8 Camp: So Much Fun!

by Isabella 8D

Excitement, suspense, and curiosity, all of which were experienced in the camp of grade 8. Every single one of the students has waited for this day to come and it had finally arrived. None of the things we did were to be expected and that's what made the experience so fulfilling yet so much fun. Camp is the one event everybody looks forward to at the end of the school year as a reward for all our hard work.

The grade 8 students had a lot of fun playing games in the forest when we first arrived, as well as engaging with each other during group activities, and mingling with friends during breaks. We went on buses, stayed in a hotel, walked on a slippery trail, watched the sunrise at 5am in the morning, and so much more. All my peers and I hope that we will have even more fun next year!





Our first grade 9 camp after the pandemic was a truly memorable experience that certainly will be cherished for life. Though, it was only in the span of 3 days, what we experienced was remarkably unforgettable, especially when it was our first time sleeping in tents! The adventure began on the 3rd of May, when we departed from school to eat lunch at a local restaurant, where we made 8 groups. Afterwards, we reached the campsite to settle down and relax before dinner, followed by a guest speaker who talked about game mentality. The next day, students were taught by elementary students in the area for our SA activities. Once done, we headed for lunch, followed by an exciting 3-hour long trek from our lunch area back to the campsite, involving a number of mini games which our groups had to complete. Following dinner, each group had to create their own performance based on a theme they were given. Overall, the performances were fabulous, creative and entertaining! The last day started off with various activities including an exhilarating cooking competition, accompanied by a thrilling paintball match between groups. That marks the end of this significant journey!

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night with various adrenaline rushing activities—starting from ATV riding and rafting until big mable tubing and a visit to Waterbom on our last day.

The wind blowing, waves roaring, dogs running; watching the sun set in Pantai Jerman started the Bali trip on a high note. Ahoy, maties! The last night we spent was just as memorable—by setting sail on a pirate cruise dinner where we watched various performances, played games and sang our hearts out to our favourite songs. Our dancing and jumping definitely didn't make it feel like the platform of the ship was about to fall at any moment.

There were times when I felt overwhelmed by our itinerary. We were jumping from place to place like a snap of the fingers. It was so energy-draining to the point where we were all sleeping any

time we had in the bus. Traffic was crazy and we sadly had to miss out on visiting Desa Panglipuran due to unforeseen delays. But hey, the best view comes with the hardest climb. What creates happiness is spending time with the people you love and creating memories that last a lifetime. I'm glad we got to bond over this camp together! See you on top, class of 2024!

