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FROM THE EXECUTIVE PRINCIPAL

As this article is being written students from grade 6 to grade 11 are on camp. This is symbolic of a return to our normal ways of operation and a sense of order and routine within the school. We have enjoyed a wonderful start to the year with many, many activities for the whole community. What a whirlwind of a term this has been. It seems only yesterday that we were welcoming new students and staff to our Sekolah Ciputra family.

Special thanks this term needs to go to our wonderful parent support group, (PSG). This group of parents has expanded and is now taking on a far wider range of activities within the school. They have recently facilitated courses in first aid and repurposing textiles. They have organised parental feedforward for our new strategic plan. Their executive has always been ready and available to give valuable insight and advise. They are currently organising what will be an incredible school bazaar.

We have enjoyed a much wider range of sporting opportunities this term. Under the tutelage of our new sports coordinator, Mr Steph, we are organising greater participation, improved organisation and access to a wider range of sports. We aspire to put teams onto the field in multiple sports that are well coached,

well organised, well turned out, model good sportspersonship and are competitive. We look forward to this aspect of our school growing.

The grade 12 students must now realise that after two more terms they will face their examinations. This is the time for focus and effort as the IB DP examinations are the final summative assessment experience they will have in their school careers. Help is always available at school for those who feel that they need extra support. This can be organised through home room teachers, counsellors, senior management or even myself. Help is only one Google chat away!

We look forward to the next term having the school filled with students who were inspired by their experiences at camp or at the world scholars cup global round in Bangkok and refreshed from their break. We look forward to continued positive relationships and effort so that each individual can be the very best possible version of themselves.

Martin Blackburn
Executive Principal



Important Dates

25-29 September
14 October
10 November
13 December

Mid Semester Break
School Bazaar & Fun Walk
Academic Break
Arts Performance Night

PYP HAS STARTED WITH STRENGTH AND JOY!

Our year has started tremendously well with our students arriving ready to learn and ready to work together. Our school is looking amazing with our playground area having been reconstructed and a new area for the older students added, thanks to OSIS's donations. This means that at break time now, students not only can play games on the oval field, High School field, BBC and half court but they all can now play on climbing and exercise equipment no matter what age they are. We are committed to ensuring our students' wellbeing is addressed and balancing academic ventures with physical and outdoor experiences is part of that.

Our Eco School Committees have also started work on implementing the Action Plans addressing Food, Energy and Waste so we will see some significant improvements taking place in many areas of the school including an expansion of our recycling programme and the use of organic waste. Our wonderful PSG is working closely with us in this area and we now have a PSG Eco School Warrior Group! Please let us know if you are ready to step up and help us wage war on non-sustainable behaviour and actions.

Our assemblies have been amazing so far with STEAM shining through with coding and robotics and a focus on computational thinking.

This term has flown by but it has been so incredibly full of wonderful Units of inquiry that have challenged the students and empowered them to know and understand the many ways we can see and make a change in the world. Our final week of school has seen the Teacher 360 degree survey being administered where our students have been given a voice to share their thoughts about teaching and learning in the PYP and teachers will be analysing this data to ensure that their classrooms remain engaging and alive for each and every student. Finally, our PYP 6 students made their way to Yogyakarta for the first time in four years for their cultural trip where they experienced so many amazing opportunities, learning more about the culture of this part of Java and experiencing independence and resilience. It's been a pretty terrific start to the year and we can't wait to see everyone on 2nd October when we all start preparing for the Sekolah Ciputra Bazaar.

Thank you again for your support throughout the term and it was great to see you all at the Three Way conference. Have a wonderfully safe and happy break.

Ms Christine and Ms Diana

PYP PE NEWS

This year, the PYP PE department has introduced a 3X3 basketball competition to help students improve their physical fitness, teamwork, and sportsmanship. We also encourage the students to show and do their best in all PE activities and programs.

In this term, we're also working collaboratively with PYP 2 students to explore different places and cultures. We're excited to have Mr. Stefan Bergh, the Sports and Physical Education Coordinator, share his knowledge of sports and traditional games from his country. Our students are really enthusiastic about this initiative and are actively participating. We're also getting our PYP Elite Basketball and Soccer teams ready to compete in future competition which is adding to the excitement. Finally, we are in the middle of preparing a GIRLS ONLY Training Camp Week to develop our female sports teams for the coming years. This will happen for Basketball, Volleyball and Soccer. We are seriously working towards ensuring our students live the learner attribute of being balanced by offering greater opportunities to both girls and boys.

In summary, our goal is to promote physical fitness, teamwork, and cultural awareness among our students through sports and cultural exchange. We have enjoyed our events this term and look forward to more great PRE and sport in Term 2!



WIDA COMES TO SEKOLAH CIPUTRA

In Term 2 we will be introducing the WIDA MODEL Paper to PYP B - PYP 2 students in order to provide opportunities for students to demonstrate their English language proficiency in the four language domains: Listening, Speaking, Reading and Writing. Each of these domains is assessed separately. All four domain tests are delivered face-to-face between Test Administrators and students. The Speaking and Listening tests are individually administered while the Reading and Writing tests may be administered individually or in small groups.

We are very excited to have this form of standardised and diagnostic testing available to our EY and lower Elementary students as it will now provide a continuum longitudinal data collection of our students' English language development. This tool will also allow us to target students who require additional support in their English language acquisition.

NEWS FROM MS ECHA IN THE PYP LRC

We frequently hear that the presence of libraries in schools plays an imperative part and is at the heart of inquiry based education. WE have recently audited our resources and we currently have 27,000 books. But we want and need more!

During this academic year we will be initiating some collaborative activities that are anticipated to advantage the whole school community. To start we will have a Book Reader of the Year, where we recognise students who have created amazing connections with our library collection. Secondly, we will facilitate the LRC Small Talk, which will be an opportunity for our students to share stories around their accomplishments, achievements, or things about themselves that they believe inspire the school community. We will also collaborate with a few Grades through the Green Libraries project. Given that the world's most noteworthy library organisation, IFLA, gives esteem to the significance of libraries actions promoting and supporting the Sustainable DEvelopment Goals and being ecologically mindful: Green Libraries is an endeavour to put the LRCat the forefront of implementing the SDGs in the curriculum.

The LRC is no longer just a place to store books, it's the hub of learning and growth in the PYP.

Our Students Shine in the PAIS/PAT Assessments!

We have some fantastic news to share! Our recent PAIS/PAT Assessment results show that our students are doing incredibly well. We couldn't be happier, and we want to thank you for your wonderful support during this time.

Our teachers and school leaders worked together to look at the test results, and we're thrilled to say that our school is meeting and even surpassing international standards in many areas of our program. This is a big achievement and it shows our commitment to giving your children the best education possible.

But we're not stopping there. We've also found a few areas where we can make things even better. Our main goal with these standardised assessments is to help each student individually, especially in Mathematics, Science, and English.

We'll be doing the PAIS/PAT Assessments again in the second semester, as we get closer to the end of the school year. We hope to see even more progress from your children by then!

Thank you for being part of our school community. We're excited to keep working together to help your children succeed.

Student-Preneur Challenge

We are excited to invite you to participate in the Sekolah Ciputra Student-Preneur Challenge, a unique opportunity for you to showcase your creativity, innovation, and entrepreneurial spirit. This competition is designed to encourage you to develop a finished, fully functional prototype of a product with a focus on social and/or environmental responsibility. All students in Grades 7-12 are encouraged to participate.

- Competition Details:**
- Theme:** Your product must be related to social and/or environmental responsibility.
 - Product Type:** Your entry should be a physical product accompanied by a brief description of your business in the form of a single-page business plan.
 - Submission Deadline:** Please submit your prototypes and a printout of your business plan to Mr. Evan in Room D312 no later than November 2nd.

Once your prototypes are submitted, they will be displayed in the **Library Resource Center (LRC)** during **Global Entrepreneurship Week (November 13th-19)**. This provides a fantastic opportunity for you to showcase your work to the school community and beyond.

- Awards:**
- First Place:** Certificate of Commendation from Sekolah Ciputra and 1,000,000 IDR to fund your project.
 - Second Place:** Certificate of Commendation.
- Judging Criteria:**
- Our panel of teacher judges will evaluate your prototypes based on the following three criteria, each with a maximum score of ten:

- Professional Design:** How well your product is designed and presented.
- Embodiment of Theme:** The extent to which your product aligns with the social and/or environmental responsibility theme.
- Business Plan Strategy and Profitability:** Your ability to articulate a sound business strategy and potential profitability for your product.

This competition not only provides you with an opportunity to put your creative ideas into action but also offers a platform to make a positive impact on our society and the environment. We encourage you to think innovatively and consider how your product can contribute to a better world.

We look forward to seeing your brilliant ideas come to life. Should you have any questions or need further information, please don't hesitate to reach out to me, Mr. Evan: ephillips@sekolahciputra.sch.id

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

As we come to the end of Term 1 in the High School, we wanted to inform you of several things that have taken place, as well as prepare you for things to look forward to in Term 2. The end of term is always a busy time for students, as they have to complete final summative assessments in a number of subjects in order for teachers to be able to provide the best feedback possible on students' progress reports. Term 1 progress reports will be generated on ManageBac this year, and will be available for all students and parents on Wednesday, October 4th. This will be followed up with our first Parent Teacher Conferences on Wednesday, October 11th, from 14:00-16:00. More information regarding these will be sent out soon.

All schools in Indonesia have to sit the national assessment [ANBK, Asesmen Nasional Berbasis Komputer] which happens in between August-October. This assessment is intended to assess the level of literacy and numeracy within a school. An addition to that, there is a survey about the school environment and programs. The assessment is for randomly selected students from Grade 5, 9, and 11. Grade 11 students completed the assessment on the 28th and 29th of August. Grade 8 will take their assessment on the 18th and 19th of September. Grade 5 will take their assessment between 23rd-26th of October. We would like to thank parents and students for their continual support on this matter. We hope all the results will continue to show positive evidence of our school's level in literacy and numeracy.

We will finish Term 1 with our annual Camp Trip, which is a highlight for many students, past and present. In order to minimize disruption for the 12th grade students' exam preparation, the decision was made to not have them go on camp. Instead, they will stay at school next week working with subject teachers to improve their knowledge and skills in a variety of subjects, as well as use the time to work on other requirements from the IBDP. Grade 11 students will leave on Tuesday for their camp in Bali, staying for 4 days and 3 nights. Grades 7-10 will leave on Wednesday for their camps in various locations across Java. Students who did not join the camp will come to school to participate in activities related to Creativity, Action and Service.

It has been a busy month for our sports teams as well. Our Boys' and Girls' Basketball Teams followed up the Senior DBL Tournament by competing in the Friendsters' Tournament at Cita Hati West. The Girls' Team finished as champions, while the Boys' Team finished in 2nd place. Congratulations to both teams! Our Football Teams have also begun their seasons, with the Junior Boys' playing a match against SES, and both of our Senior Boys' and Girls' Football Teams playing matches against SES and SIS. The Senior Boys' and Girls' Teams will finish the month by competing in a tournament, hosted by SIS.

Thank you for your support throughout this Term. We hope everyone will have a safe and healthy end of Term Break, and we look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on Monday, October 2nd.

The Sekolah Ciputra Design Programme



Design technology aims to develop a high level of design literacy by enabling students to develop critical-thinking and design skills, which they can apply in a practical context as they learn how to design real solutions to real problems.

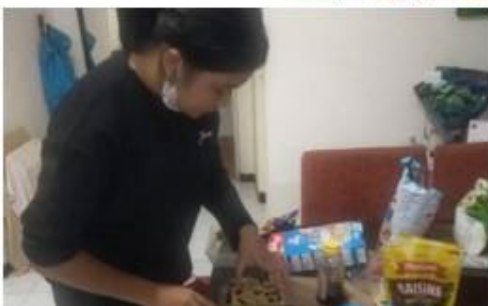
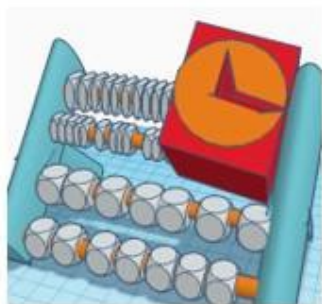
SO WHAT
HAVE DESIGN
STUDENTS
BEEN DOING
THIS YEAR?

Grade 7: Ethical Food Production

Our budding chefs in Grade 7 have dived deep into the world of ethical food production. Their mission? To whip up a healthy fast food for kids! They've been exploring the impact of our food choices on the planet and society. The result? A smorgasbord of ethical menu items accompanied by engaging videos showcasing their preparation.



Grade 9: Innovating for a Better World Grade 9 students are on a mission to change the world, one design at a time. Aligning with the UN's **Sustainable Development Goals**, they've brainstormed innovative solutions. From a kimchi product targeting world hunger to recycled plastic bricks for climate action and educational toys to boost quality education - they're truly designing for impact!



Grade 8: SWAG-tastic Designs

Grade 8 is turning up the style quotient! They're mastering the art of designing promotional products and merchandise. From vibrant graphics that narrate myriad tales to crafting trendy keychains, stickers, and tote bags - they're making sure our school swag is the coolest in town!

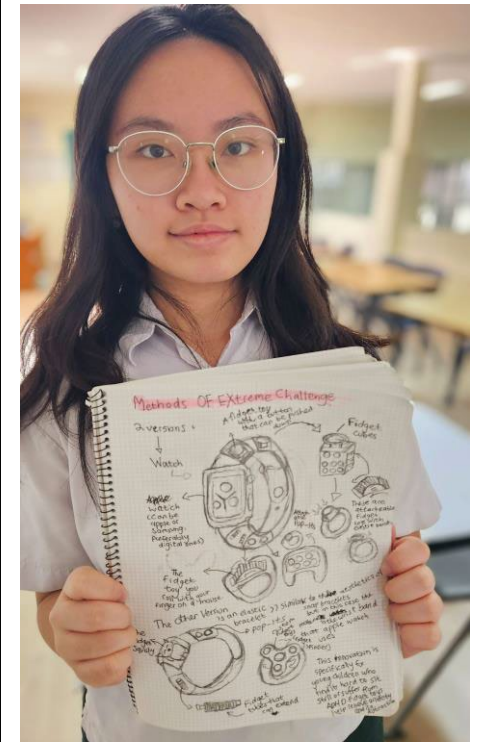


Grade 10: Designing for Awareness

Grade 10 is all about making a statement! Students are honing their design skills and leveraging innovative communication methods. Their focus? Amplifying awareness about service activities in our school. Stay on the lookout for their impactful campaigns!

DP Design Technology

Grade 11 DP Design Technology students have been hard at work completing the first two core units of the course that provide them with an enhanced understanding of design and the technological world. Students have done a marvelous job digging into these complex concepts and completing a variety of assessments to demonstrate their understanding. Now they will apply what they have learned to their first practical design project: designing a school souvenir!



Grade 12 DP Design students have spent the majority of term 1 applying design concepts and skills they have acquired during the first year of the course to designing a solution to a real-world design opportunity of their own choosing. Students are currently creating models and prototypes of their original ideas.



And finally we have our **STEAM Event Highlights.**

On August 25, Sekolah Ciputra was abuzz with excitement, hosting the first STEAM event of the year. A day dedicated to the fusion of Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math, it was a celebration of curiosity and creativity. From designing Rube Goldberg Machines and coding challenges to delving into the mysteries of electricity, magnetism, and ancient technologies, it was a day of exploration and fun. Dive deeper into the event's highlights on our Instagram and YouTube channels!



OSIS EVENTS

To kickstart the new school year, OSIS recently held our FIRST event, which was Sepirit Week on 4-8 September 2023! For a week, students were given the chance to wear non-uniform clothing to school which made them more excited for school. This event not only involved students, but many teachers also participated in this event. Throughout the week, we saw many interesting outfits; here are a few of them!



Monday - Character/celebrity day
Mr. Edi as a Minion



Tuesday - Mismatch day
Shiloh Auranda Zeta (Grade 10)



Wednesday - Pink day
Marvel Christopher Tanaya (Grade 10)



Day 4 - Neon day
Claire Faustine (Grade 12), Lidya Happy Lians (Grade 12),
Venita Yoshe (Grade 12), Mr. Sulton



Friday - Pyjamas day
Helen Wibisono (Grade 11), Anastasia Lilananda (Grade 10),
Nicole Isabella Jolie (Grade 10), Dedri Lukmanto (Grade 11),
Emily Dewi Svava (Grade 11), Viviana Kim Partowidjojo (Grade 11),
Ingrid Limsen (Grade 10)

After Sepirit Week we followed up with OSIS's FIRST fundraiser of the year, selling roti bakar and nachos from 11-15 September 2023. These were sold next to the BBC, where there were long lines of people anticipating our roti bakar and nachos!

Both Sepirit Week and the fundraiser were a huge success, and we, the OSIS team, would like to thank you all for your continued support. See you at our next event!

Latest Events

