

# NEWSLETTER

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## Message from The Principal



Thank you to all those parents who have completed the annual parent survey. It really is useful for us as we start to formulate our priorities for the academic year ahead. I will include some of the main learnings and highlights for you in the next newsletter.

School was closed this Wednesday for the labour day holiday and in conjunction with this I'd like to appreciate the work that all the non-academic staff do at our school. From our facilities management to our cleaners, marketing and admissions to finance and HR, these people keep our school running. I would encourage you to get to know them, greet each other by name and help everyone in our community to feel welcomed and valued.

As many of you will already know, Nexus is widely recognised as a leading school for developing Global Citizens and I'd like to draw your attention to the message from Ms Maddy below, regarding our SDG conference on May 28th.

More recognition of this can be seen with the amazing achievements of our learners. Last weekend we hosted the World Scholars Cup and several of our learners have won awards and been invited to the National Finals. In addition two of our secondary learners, Amni and Ammar are helping to spread the environmental message through song - see the article in the Secondary section below.

Further congratulations go to Joseph, Keith, Brian, Lee and Dev who have achieved distinctions in the World Economics Cup.

Our Learners are wonderful and we are very proud.

*David Griffiths*

# Primary

This week, Year 6 wrapped up their 'Mission to Mars' IPC topic with a blast! They put together a fun-filled Exit Point, showing off what they've learned in style. The kids were super creative, coming up with activities that had everyone buzzing with excitement. Thank you for attending! The kids had such a good time, and it was lovely to see their hard work pay off.





# Primary

Ms Christel is extremely proud of her Y1 and Y2 Spanish learners who have been extremely enthusiastic about learning, taking on challenges and completing the tasks, in a focussed and collaborative manner.



Our Primary boarders collaborating and enjoying an afternoon of Board Games after some extra English practice.

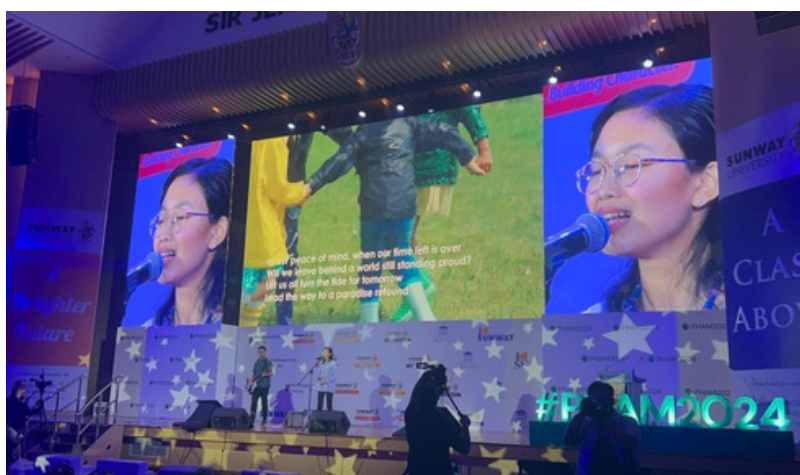
There is no better way to start the week than a Forest school session up in our Nexus jungle. with the Year 4 Learners. As always, the natural world never disappoints and once up in the Wolves in the Wild Forest School area, the Year 4 learners learned about Tree Shrews and Plantain Squirrels. Some created shelters for lost squirrels, some followed their inquiries and hunted for insects while others tested their resilience by sawing wood. It was great to see how the learners showed resilience and independence. After our 80-minute session, many did not want to come down because they were so involved in their activities.



# Secondary



Congratulations to brother and sister Amni and Amar who performed recently at the closing ceremony of the Planetary Health Summit. The talented duo performed a song composed by Amni on the topic of global warming and received a standing ovation from the very appreciative audience.



More congratulations go to our team in this years World Economics Cup international edition which took place over the recent break. The team consisted of Brian, Joseph and Lee from Y11, Dev from Y12 and Tina from Y10, all of whom gained a distinction or higher in this tough global competition which tests advanced economic knowledge and skills. Well done to them all!

Congratulations to the Nexus learners who took part in the World Scholars Cup at the weekend. All 4 teams and individual participants have been invited to proceed to the Regional Round due to their high level of performance. Well done to all involved and thanks to Ms Jane for the organisation.



# Boarding

## Boarding Food Survey

This week we were so proud to see our new Boarding Council members get together and survey the Boarders for their favourite breakfast items. It is always incredible to see how well our Boarders perform in leadership roles in the House. Our Council asked everyone what they wanted to see more of in breakfast - and our caterers, Cezars, are already on the case to make improvements to our daily breakfasts.





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## Games Day

We utilised our time this Labour Day Holiday by catching-up on study and joining together for a day of strategy with board games. Board games are an excellent way to improve our English skills and to learn something new - thank you for your time and games, Mr Matthew!

## Weekend activities:

### *Saturday - Wellness Day*

**Yoga session to promote well-being and fun water polo**

**Sunday - Shopping Trip and optional Movie**

**Essentials and treats at iOi Mall**

# Sustainable Development Goals Conference

## WE WANT YOUR...

- Plastic bottle lids
- Preloved clothing
- Newspapers
- Plastic spoons
- Used but clean yoghurt pots
- Clean used / ripped plastic bags
- Beads for jewelry making

These items will be used during our  
SDG Conference on Tuesday 28th May

Place inside our collection boxes: Secondary drop off  
Collection ends: Monday 27th May at 8.30am



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Our annual Sustainable Development Goals Conference will be taking place later this month on Tuesday 28th May 2024. All our learners will be learning about and taking action towards the Sustainable Development Goals. Each year group will follow a personalised timetable for the day, which we shall share more about in a few weeks.

There are lots of engaging workshops for our learners to participate in, and in preparation for this, we would like to kindly ask for your assistance so that we can make a difference as a community. If you have any of the following items at home, we would be very grateful for your kind donations.