

The Lodge Times

IN LODGE, WE CARE



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CASHLESS @ LODGE

In line with Bank Negara's initiatives, the Board of Management has agreed that we collaborate with United Overseas Bank (Malaysia) Berhad to launch a cashless environment campaign in Lodge School.

This campaign will involve both National and International secondary school students.

To begin with, parents will open a joint UOB account with their children with a basic saving account of RM20 while parents will open an eAccount with a minimum of RM100. The children will access only the joint account, where the funds come from the parents' eAccount.

Upon activation of the account, students are to use their Junior Debit Card to do cashless transaction in the canteen and school office subject to the spending limit per transaction (this limit is set by the parents).

UOB bank will set up a service counter in Lodge National School on 2-6 April 2018 to facilitate the opening of accounts. The service counter will open from 9am until 5pm on these dates.



GET TO KNOW US (and our favourite books)!



Ms Denise Lim
International School

Ms Lim graduated with a degree in English Literature and currently teaches Year 10 and 11 English Literature and Global Perspectives.

Her favourite book is "The Little Prince". This book encouraged her when her mother was in hospital with an aneurysm. To her, literature is something that should resonate with people and remind them of what life is all about.



Ngieng Sen Jun
4B, National Secondary

Sen Jun is a dedicated prefect and is also a member of the scouts troupe. He hopes to pursue Mechanical Engineering in the future.

His favourite book is The Storm Siren trilogy, by Mary Weber. This fantasy series explores the nature of good vs evil and fate vs personal responsibility.

COMING UP IN APRIL...

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| 2 - 13 April | A2 Trial Examinations |
| 2-6 April | UOB account set-up at National Secondary School |
| 16-20 April | Mid-Year Examinations (National Primary and Secondary) |
| 28 April | A-Level Graduation Ceremony |

OUTSTANDING LODGE ATHLETES!



Mercedes Angel (7A)
2 Silvers

Shannon Sim (7A)
1 Gold

Roger Loh (11C)
1 Gold

Aidan Kho (8A)
1 Gold

Tristan Yeo (3B)
1 Gold, 2 Bronzes

Amanda Ong (3B)
1 Gold, 1 Silver



Nathan Tan (1B)
4 Golds, 3 Bronzes

Our school swimmers did very well at the Sarawak Age Group Swimming Competition!



Our athletes also showed brilliant results at the Track and Field Competition - MSSM Kuching Division

- Emma Hill Yu (2B): Gold 100m Girls C, Gold 200m Girls C
- Nicole Goh (3C): Gold High Jump Girls B, Bronze Triple Jump Girls B
- Cayden Jan(2D): Silver Shotput Boys C
- Grace Amara Ho(9A): Bronze 100m Hurdles Girls C

The following athletes are on their way now to represent Sarawak!



Bryan Ting (6.1)
Badminton



Gregory Chan (10A) and Zoe Ting (10B)
Squash



Elicia Tsai (5D)
Ping Pong



Joshua Lim (3.1)
Golf



Benjamin Ethan Ngelingkong (4A)
Golf

DANCING KINGS AND QUEENS!



Our Kindy children look forward to every Friday, as they get to have fun in their weekly Friday aerobic dance. In this fun session, the children get to be physically active, and we see lots of smiles, laughter and enjoyment in them as they dance away. Who wouldn't enjoy dancing their hearts out before their day begins?

Studies have shown that regular exercise can help children focus better and makes them less impulsive. Indeed, this is the aim of this activity, which is to help them have stronger bodies, and a stronger mindset!

CHECKMATE!

About 25 National Primary students were involved in an intra-school chess competition. They enjoyed the new competition format, and gained a lot by learning from each other.



WELCOMING OUR GUESTS FROM SINGAPORE



Lodge National Primary was very honoured to receive 25 students and 5 teachers from Teck Whye Primary School, Singapore, on 9 March 2018. The purpose of the visit is to learn about the Malaysian education system and promote friendship and understanding between the pupils from the two countries. Our partnership with Teck Whye Primary School dates back to 2013 from their inaugural immersion programme, after which 5 years of email-pal programmes and cultural exchange trips quickly followed.



They were welcomed warmly by our Cultural Dance Club. Apart from the welcoming dance, our cultural club also did a medley of cultural dances, inviting the guests to join in.

Teck Whye responded and also performed a short skit for our school. We then had an ice-breaking session for the students, exchanged souvenirs between the schools, before they were brought on a school tour.



Special appreciation goes to our Principal, Mr Chong, and the teachers: Cikgu Angela Ritikos, Cikgu Raymond Ho, Cikgu Christine Linang, Cikgu Nur Azelin, Cikgu Nelson Tan, Lydia and T4.1. They have made the annual partnership even more exciting for the years to come. Hopefully, Lodge will visit Teck Whye Primary School one day too!



LODGE SCHOOL CELEBRATES ALL-ROUND EXCELLENCE AT SPM 2017



Lodge Group of Schools is proud to announce that we have once again upheld our tradition of all-round excellence with the 2017 SPM examinations.

- 53 students (42% of the cohort) obtained 7As or better.
- With a GPS (Gred Purata Sekolah) of 2.38, this places us in the top 5 performing schools in the state of Sarawak in terms of SPM achievement.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE CONTINUES TO BE OUR NICHE

We are extremely proud of our SPM candidates, whom have worked very hard to achieve excellent results.

Here are some of the highlights:

Distinction (A-, A, A+) rates:

- English Language 97%
- History 56%
- Science 71%
- Mathematics 87%
- Additional Mathematics 53%
- Physics 65%
- Chemistry 76%
- Biology 56%
- Chinese Language 100%
- Information Communication Technology 100%



Offering support to one another.



Eager parents checking out the names of the top scorers.

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REPRESENTING MALAYSIA

While many would shy away from heavy co-curricular activities during their examination year, it was not the case for Gabriel Ling, Derrick Tsai and Andrea Tan. All three of them are familiar faces on the state and national table tennis circuit, having represented Malaysia from as early as 2011, in Gabriel's case.

They have continued to do well after graduating from Lodge School. Derrick, who obtained 4As in his SPM, is currently pursuing civil and structural engineering at Sheffield University, United Kingdom. Both Gabriel and Andrea are looking forward to their undergraduate studies in Australia and UK respectively.



A HEART FOR THE COMMUNITY

One of our perfect scorers with 10As, Sidney Marie Chin, was known for her big heart for the community. As President of the Interact Club, she led her peers in multiple community service projects. She was also a Gold Award recipient of the prestigious Duke of Edinburgh's International Award programme, having also completed a 9-day service learning programme in Mauritius. Sidney was also the recipient of the Chairman's Award at the Lodge School Graduation Ceremony 2017.



Another top scorer with 9As, Aziah Aina Raena bt Roney, was also passionate about her community. Amidst her demanding academic schedule and multiple co-curricular activities including the Prefectorial Board, St John's Ambulance and History Club, she also managed to garner a Gold Award under the Duke of Edinburgh's International Award Programme. As part of her programme, she had helped initiate, organise and execute a residential project with SK Sematan .

EXCELLING IN NOT ONE, BUT TWO EXAMINATIONS

This cohort also includes the pioneer batch of Lodge National Secondary School Dual-Certification students, whom had already achieved 100% passes in 9 IGCSE subjects, 5 months before sitting for their SPM examinations.

7 out of 19 of them had scored straight A/A*s, and many of them have done well in the SPM examination.

One of them is Nicole Chai, whom had obtained 4A* and 2As in IGCSE, and has gone on to score 8As in the SPM examination. She was an active Lodgian who was in the basketball team, a Scout member, a reporter for the school magazine, the secretary for Career Club, and eventually earning her Gold Award for the International Award programme.



ENGLISH EVERY DAY, ENGLISH EVERYWHERE!

On 9-11 March, 28 Form 1 students, together with 7 staff members, visited SK Nanga Ajau, Layar, Betong, to be a part of their English Proficiency Programme. We will be embarking on a pen-pal programme with their Primary 4-6 students. In this trip, we experienced incredible Iban hospitality, learnt a lot about local culture, made new friends, and got a lot closer to nature! We hope to host our new friends here in Kuching very soon!



Upon arrival, the Form 1 students conducted icebreakers and English conversation activities with the SK Nanga Ajau students.



We enjoyed a friendly football match on their massive field!



We were welcomed warmly into the longhouse, Gensurai. They also prepared some pua kumbu demonstration for us, and we learnt to appreciate the intricate and labourious work behind the beautiful piece of fabric.



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Dato' Sri Michael Manyin anak Jawong, Minister for Education, Science and Technological Research, was the Guest of Honour at the launch of the English Proficiency Programme.



Our Director and Principal with YB Gerald Jabu and Mdm Rosemarie Wong



Making new friends at SK Nanga Ajau



The Tuai Rumah of Gensurai is an inspirational figure, who is still learning English at the age of 89!



For most of us, this was the first time we had ever been in a river!
It was a truly unforgettable experience.

LODGE PREFECTS SERVING LOCALLY ...



In late February, the Lodge International School prefects visited Home of Peace in order to find out more about the needs of the residents. The students helped in cleaning up the environment, interacting with the elderly there and donated daily necessities to the Home.

The Home of Peace is a refuge for the elderly poor. It is an outreach project undertaken by the Catholic Welfare Services of Sarawak, and subsists on generous donations from the public and parishioners.

... AND ABROAD!

21 prefects from Lodge International School travelled to Ho Chi Minh, Vietnam on a humanitarian trip from 15-18 March. Prior to that, they had raised RM10,000 from their food sales and donations from well-wishers.

They visited Thien Phuoc, an orphanage that cares for the victims of the infamous Agent Orange. They interacted with the children and brought along gifts.

It was also a great opportunity for the students to learn more about the Vietnamese culture, particularly of its rich history.



Lodge prefects interacting with children from Thien Phuoc orphanage.



수많은 정보와 지식들이 범람하고, 변화하는 유행과 다양한 문화가 혼재된 시대의 개인중심적 현상 속에서, 친구는 많지만 진정으로 대화할 상대가 없는 경우를 뚝딱 학생들에게서도 쉽게 찾아볼 수 있는데요, 우리 학생들이 서로 동기부여 받을 수 있으면 좋겠다는 취지 하에 가졌던 '선후배와의 생각나누기 시간'을 소개하려고 합니다.

지난 3월7일 한국어교실에서는 한국어를 공부하는 Yr10과 Yr11 학생들이 각자 준비한 내용을 발표한 후에, 참석한 선후배 학생들과 서로의 생각을 나누는 시간을 가졌습니다.

‘꿈(남이 결정 해 준)을 버려라’(종다민), ‘평창 동계올림픽의 빛과 그림자’(배시은), ‘삶의 여유를 가져라’(정찬우), ‘나의 롤 모델’(박근기), ‘미투’(사무엘 김), ‘진정한 친구 관계’(경지우), ‘거울의 법칙’(이다은), ‘AI’(이지호)와 같은 다양한 주제로 각각 3분정도의 분량으로 자신의 생각, 경험 등을 소신 있게 소개했는데요, 경청하며 공감하는 후배들의 진지한 모습이 인상적이었습니다.

발표 후, 의견을 개진하며 대화하는 시간에는 “나만 이런 생각을 한 게 아니었구나”, “지금 당장 꿈이 없다 해도 잘못된 건 아니구나”, “자신감이 부럽다”, “나도 학년이 높아지면 저 정도는 해야지”, “내가 변화해야겠구나” “아, 저런 생각까지 하는구나” 등등 다양한 생각을 자유롭게 이야기하며 공감하고 소통하는 모습에 뿌듯했습니다.

학생들의 ‘보여지는 모습’이 전부가 아니라, 그 안에 무궁무진한 가능성과 잠재력이 내재되어 꿈틀거리고 있음을 발견할 때가 종종 있는데요, 그들의 숨은 열정이 일깨워져 ‘빛을 발할 그 날’을 기대해 봅니다.

This article is about this special class where the Year 10 and 11 Korean students offered support and mentoring to the Year 6, 9, 10 and 11 Korean students. Some of these students don't have someone to discuss their life and future with, so such support means a lot to them. They benefitted a lot from this encouragement from their peers.