

24 Mar 2020

Dear J2 Parents/Guardians,

- 1. Term 1 has been an eventful term for all of us, as we rallied together as a community to address the COVID-19 situation and keep the college safe for our staff and students. We are thankful for your strong partnership as we made several changes to our programmes in the course of the term. Despite having to cope with new instructions and changes to programmes, we are glad to see that our students have remained focused and continued to give their best.
- 2. As part of our efforts to establish a strong college-parents partnership, we held our JC2 Parent Information Evening (PIE) on 30 and 31 January 2020. At the event, we shared with parents about the JC2 learning experience and achievements in 2019, structure of the JC2 curriculum leading to the A-Level examinations, key academic and non-academic programmes and expectations. The slides for PIE can be found under the Parents tab in the college website.
- 3. During the March holidays, supplementary lessons were held on 16-17 March to strengthen the JC2 cohort's grasp of key concepts and to facilitate revision of key topics taught. The J2 Term 1 Continual Assessments (CA1) were completed at the end of Term 1 and your child/ward has been given his/her progress report. This assessment serves as an important checkpoint in your child/ward's journey towards the A-Levels at the end of this year. Please discuss with your child his/her progress, targets and encourage him/her to continue steadfastly on his/her A-Levels journey.
- 4. The Mid-Year Examination (MYE) will be an important milestone check for our students' academic progress. The examination is scheduled to be held from 8 to 21 May 2020. After the MYE, there will be J2 E-Learning Day held on 29 May to encourage self-directed learning at home. Students do not need to report to school on 29 May. Please also note that the J2 Parent-Teachers Conference (PTC) is on 5 June 2020. More details on the PTC will be disseminated at a later date. We would like to seek parents' assistance in encouraging your child to revise their work and work consistently to achieve his/her goals.
- 5. **J2 Supplementary lessons** have been scheduled from 1-4 June to support students in their learning. These lessons are important to consolidate the learning in Term 1 and 2 and to set the momentum for students' revisions during the June holidays. We seek your understanding to avoid scheduling your family vacation during this period.



## Social Responsibility in Safeguarding the Well-being of our School Community

- 6. As Term 2 commences, we are mindful of the rapidly developing COVID-19 situation and we have stepped up measures in school to keep your child/ward safe. The additional precautionary measures in our school include:
  - a. Students and staff who have travelled overseas during the March holidays will not report to school for 14 days upon their arrival to Singapore.
  - b. CCAs and school-based after-school programmes will be suspended until 5 Apr 2020.
  - c. Students will adopt an assigned fixed exam seating arrangement in classrooms and in the canteen (by House). Alternate seating arrangements will also be implemented for lectures.
  - d. Students will carry out a daily wipe-down routine for spaces that they have used.
- 7. To further safe-guard our school community, we seek your assistance in the following:
  - a. If any household member(s) has returned from overseas within the past 14 days and develops a fever or starts to display flu-like symptoms, please ensure that he/she gets necessary medical attention as soon as possible.

While waiting for the outcome of medical diagnosis, we seek your understanding and cooperation in informing us immediately and keeping your child/ward at home. Please be assured that the school will minimise disruption to your child's learning by making arrangements for Home-Based Learning.

b. Please remind your child to exercise good personal hygiene practices, social responsibility and safe distancing measures even when they are not school. While the school has put in place rigorous measures to ensure increased social distancing, students are strongly encouraged to avoid crowded places, gatherings and situations of prolonged mixing that could increase the risk of inter-class or inter-school transmission.



8. Students who are away from school due to reasons such as Leave of Absence (LOA), Stay Home Notice (SHN) will be supported through home based learning. We all play an important part in times of crisis. Your vigilance and assistance will help us to keep our school as a safe place for learning for all. Together, we can get through this. We would like to thank you for working alongside our staff and taking a keen interest in your child/ward's educational journey. Should you require any clarifications, please contact your child/ward's Home Tutor and relevant subject tutors or contact the college at 6252 4083/4, catholic\_jc@moe.edu.sg. Thank you.

Yours Sincerely,

Mrs. Phyllis Lim