



# Shining Our Light:

## Giving thanks for our blessings in 2025

### From the Editor's desk

Dear SJCians & Parents/ Guardian ,

The year is almost coming to an end and we are grateful to God for blessing us with a wonderful journey these past few months.

Over the semester, we've witnessed SJCians flourish in various school programmes and also witnessed significant events such as their Graduation and Teachers' Day. There were many moments of warmth and exuberance which provided us ample opportunities to celebrate with appreciation and gratitude. In addition, the school gathered to commemorate two important events for the nation, Racial Harmony Day and National Day.

To all our SJCians, we're proud of your growth and determination to learn continually. We wish everyone a well-deserved break and look forward to seeing you back in school in 2026!

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### Congratulations to the Class of 2025 on their Graduation!

From a reflective para-liturgy and heartfelt speeches to touching letters and joyful moments with family, our Graduation Ceremony was filled with love and gratitude. The Class of 2025 marched forward with pride, surrounded by teachers, family and friends who have shown continuous guidance and support. We thank God for their growth, and wish them courage and joy in the exciting journey that lies ahead of them!



# Expressing Our Sincere Appreciation



## National Day Celebrations



On 8 August 2025, SJCians rallied together to celebrate our nation's 60<sup>th</sup> birthday. This is indeed a milestone that reminds us of how far we've come, and how we will continue to thrive as a nation. Students reflected on our nation-building journey and the values that have united us in overcoming past challenges. This year, the celebrations started off with a series of fringe activities ranging from song requests to setting up of booths displaying an array of traditional local snacks and delicacies before culminating in a vibrant concert in the school hall, where staff and students sang their hearts out to well-loved National Day songs, a true reflection of our shared love for Singapore!

## Teachers' Day Mass & School Celebrations

The SJC community came together to celebrate our beloved teachers this Teachers' Day with the theme, "Dream Builders", to reflect how they guide, nurture and inspire us to pursue our goals and aspirations with courage and hope. The day's celebrations commenced with a meaningful para-liturgy led by Rev. Fr. Jovita, to thank God for the gift of our teachers, followed by a short concert planned and presented by the students. One highlight of the day was seeing our teachers dressed in outfits that reflect their childhood aspirations – a joyful reminder that they too once stood where the students are, with hopes and dreams waiting to take flight.





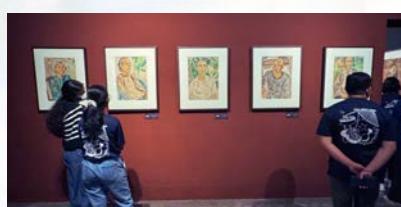
# Learning Beyond Our Shores

During the June holidays, 24 of our Secondary 2 and 3 SJCians had the opportunity to spend 5 days in Chiang Mai for an Overseas Learning Journey. We were warmly welcomed by Navamindarajudis Phayap School, where we spent a day and a half learning about the diverse culture of Thailand and forming meaningful friendships. SJCians proudly shared about our school and life in Singapore through performances and presentations, learning valuable communication skills in the process.

Besides the school exchange, the students also got to explore historical landmarks and experience the rich heritage of Chiang Mai at the Chiang Mai Cultural Centre. Other highlights included making local crafts, visiting a night market, and a hands-on tour of the Elephant Poo Poo Park to learn about sustainable tourism.

We are thankful for the safe travels, kind hosts, and memories that will last a lifetime. Here's to more global experiences ahead!

## Chiang Mai, Thailand



## Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

In the first week of the June holidays, 23 Secondary 3 SJCians embarked on an interdisciplinary learning journey to Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam. The trip gave students the chance to explore the connections between History, Geography, Art and Social Studies through authentic experiences and interactions with local people, places and artefacts.

At historical sites like the Cu Chi tunnels and War Remnants Museum, students saw and heard first-hand from a Vietnam war veteran about the brutal realities of war. At the Fine Arts Museum, students explored different perspectives expressed through local art about how the past is closely tied to Vietnam's identity today. During their farm experience and visit to the Vietnam-Singapore Industrial Park, students also witnessed the enterprising spirit and resilience of the local people. Many memories were made along with the rich interactions with new friends during the trip.

In November, two groups of students also had the opportunity to visit Yokohama and Tokyo, Japan for an IJ Heritage and Culture trip and to Guangzhou, China for a STEM learning journey. You can look forward to reading more about the highlights of these two trips in our upcoming digital School Yearbook 2025.



# Embarking on an Explorer's Quest

During **Learning Week** in Semester 2, Secondary 1 to 3 SJCians embarked on an exciting Explorer's Quest, consisting of a series of activities in which they completed challenges, earned points, and unlocked new learning experiences. The Quest encouraged them to step out of their comfort zones, discover more about themselves and the world, and develop 3Cs – Curiosity, Communication and Collaboration in the process.

From an array of activities ranging from opportunities to engage in historical trails, global classroom experiences as well as chances to express one's creativity through Digital Drawings and Writer's workshops, our Secondary 1 to 3 girls stepped up to display a spirit of lifelong learning. In addition, they also participated in exciting inter-class games where they learnt the value of teamwork and strengthened the camaraderie among classmates.

Students also showcased their learning and passion through the **Passion Ignite** showcase where they presented projects on topics of personal interest. They also had the opportunity to reflect on their service learning and VIA projects which had been carried out throughout the year. Throughout the week, they displayed adaptability, resilience and a spirit of lifelong learning – qualities that will continue to guide them in their journey ahead!



## Eco Stewardship @SJC: Together we make an impact

Semester 2 saw our Eco-Stewards collaborating with different groups in and beyond the school to build a stronger culture of sustainability. As part of our school's Learning for Life Programme, Eco-Stewards joined hands with St John Brigade, Girl Guides and parent volunteers for community clean-up sessions in August and October. In the same spirit of taking responsibility of our shared spaces, Eco-Stewards also built on the 'Adopt-a-Table' initiative that was introduced last year, encouraging all Sec 1-3 classes to keep the canteen clean.