

# Catholic Junior College

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23 June 2021

Dear JC2 Parents/Guardians

1. Thank you for your continued support in Term 2 and Full Home Based Learning (FHBL). We look forward to welcoming all CJCians back to school on Monday, 28 June 2021. The College will continue to support our students' learning while safeguarding the safety and well-being of both students and staff.

### **Home-Based Learning and June Holidays**

2. The College shifted to Full Home-Based Learning (FHBL) from Wednesday 19 May 2021 to end of the term on 28 May 2021. There were online supplementary lessons for JC2 students in the first week of the June Holiday from 31 May to 2 June. Online subject consultations to prepare students for the Mid-Year Examination (MYE) and science practical exam practice for science students took place from 23 to 25 June.

#### **Mid-Year Examination (MYE)**

- 3. The College conducted **Mid-Year Examinations (MYE)** on 17 & 18 May as planned. The **remaining MYE papers for JC2 students** have been postponed to **Term 3 (28 June 2 July)**. The *revised* MYE timetable was sent to all students and parents in end Term 2. We seek your continued support in providing your child with a conducive and safe learning environment to prepare well for his/her MYE.
- 4. Following the MYE, the College has designated **6 July as JC2 MYE Marking Day**. There will be no school and co-curricular activities for JC2 students on this day.

#### JC2 E-Learning Day

5. The JC2 E-Learning Day will be held on 7 July. The Home Tutors will check in with students in the morning over Zoom at 8.40 a.m. and students will proceed with asynchronous lessons for General Paper and H2 subjects for the rest of the day. Subject Tutors will be uploading the lesson instructions and materials by 2 July on the Student Learning Space (SLS).



#### **IC2 Intensive Revision**

6. The JC2 Intensive Revision (IR) Timetable will start from Term 3 Week 2 (8 July) to allow each subject to have longer periods with students to facilitate revision, consultation and timed practices leading up to the Preliminary Examinations. Afternoon slots from 3.30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. will be reserved for **Timed Practice** that will be conducted and graded by the respective departments. Attendance for these timed practices is compulsory, and we seek parents' cooperation to support your child during the IR period.

### **Engagement with Parents**

7. In Term 3, we will update you on your child's holistic progress and results during our **Parents-Teachers Conference (PTC)** on **30 July** via Zoom. We will provide you the instructions in mid-July to allow you to book a slot on Parent Gateway to meet with 2-3 of your child's Subject Tutors on 30 July. We would appreciate it if you could set aside time to take our Zoom calls and have a productive discussion on your child's academic preparation in the coming months leading to the A-level examinations.

#### **JC2 Preliminary Examination**

8. Prior to the commencement of the Preliminary Examination for JC2s, Home-based Revision and Consultation Day will be held on 19 August. The JC2 Preliminary Examination will be held in two parts from 20 August to 1 September and from 13 to 17 September. It includes hands-on science practicals to give JC2s full exposure to the format of the A-Level examinations. The examination timetable will be given to parents and students by mid-July.

## **Night Study**

9. Night Study in Term 2 was cancelled from 16 May due to the heightened alert measure. Depending on the national guidelines, we hope to reinstate Night Study from 2 – 31 Aug to support students as they prepare for the Preliminary Examination.



## **Physical Education**

10. Physical Education (PE) classes will resume after the MYE for all students. The PE lessons will be class based and will adhere to safe distancing and other Safe Management measures.

## **Student Leadership**

11. The JC2 Class Management Committee (CMC) has done a good job rallying the class to keep up spirits, boost class cooperation in academic and student development matters and uphold SMM during this challenging COVID year. There will be an online **JC2 Leadership Conference on 7 July afternoon** organized for our student leaders to reflect on their leadership journey and how they can continue to be *Thinkers with a Mission and Leaders with a Heart*, beyond their time in the College. **The annual Student Leaders Appreciation Ceremony** will be conducted online on **12 July** to recognise the contributions of our JC2 student leaders as they step down from their duties to focus on their preparation for the A-Levels and formally induct all JC1 student leaders into their role.

#### **School Events**

- 12. The College will be commemorating **National Day** on **6 August**. Students can look forward to in-class discussions and reflections pertaining to national issues and resolve to contribute to our society in meaningful ways, especially during this Covid-19 pandemic. The celebrations will end by 12 noon. Your child will be informed of the staggered dismissal times.
- 13. The College will be celebrating **Teachers' Day** on **2 September**, the **last day of school for Term 3**. Students will participate in classroom activities with their Home Tutors to recognise and affirm teachers for their many contributions. The celebrations will end by 10:30 a.m. Your child will be informed of the staggered dismissal times. There is no school on Friday 3 September (Teachers' Day).



## Social Responsibility in Safeguarding the Well-being of our College and Larger Community

- 14. Last but not least, we would like to seek parents' cooperation in helping to ensure our schools are safe for our students and the larger community. Students are reminded to have their TraceTogether token or app with them throughout the school day to facilitate contact tracing. Parents are to keep your child at home if he/she is staying in the same household as <u>individuals</u> (6 years and above) with flu-like symptoms and/or has been issued with a Quarantine Order, Stay Home Notice or its equivalent Leave of Absence or Approved Absence notifications. Please also seek appropriate medical attention immediately if you or your children are unwell.
- 15. We would also like to seek parents' help to remind your child to work with us in ensuring adherence of high standards of personal hygiene:
  - a. Students are to **wear masks at all times** in the College, except when eating or drinking. Students/staff should not talk when their masks are off, and should minimise talking while eating and drinking.
  - b. Students coming back to the College for their MYE, are strongly encouraged to eat at home before coming for their exams and to leave College immediately after exams. This is to minimize intermingling beyond their allocated exam grouping and given the limited canteen seating guided by the national guidelines on dining.
  - c. Students should continue to wipe down surfaces of common spaces, e.g. classroom and canteen, after they use them.
  - d. Students should wash their hands frequently with soap, and use hand sanitisers found in the classroom and/or designated areas in College.
- 16. We look forward to continuing the journey of learning and growth with your child in Term 3. Should you require any clarifications, please contact your child's Home Tutor and relevant Subject Tutors or contact the College at 6252 4083/4, <u>catholic jc@moe.edu.sg</u>.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

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