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Spotlight Series: Beyond the Job Title

VERSTAPPEN OR K-POP FAN?

BEHIND THE SCENES WITH MR PHEY & MR HARI



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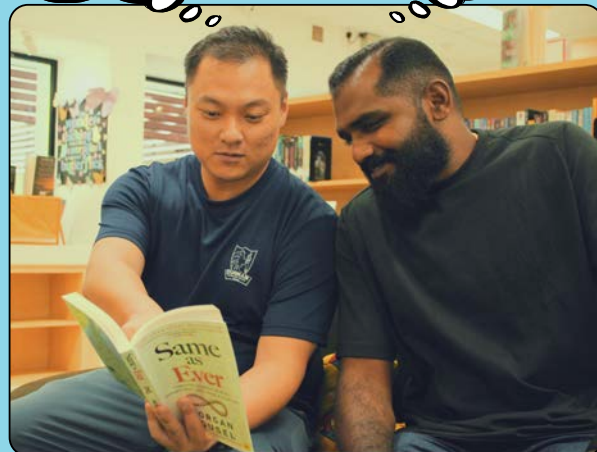
Have you ever wondered what lies within those impenetrable minds of our Year Heads? Elusive and enigmatic, their true intentions and motivations remain shrouded in mystery...

**Is Mr Phey secretly part of a multi-level marketing scheme?
Is Mr Hari channeling Max Verstappen energy?**

For Mr Phey, it's the hypnotic pull of K-pop. 'Kpop Demon Hunters' have taken over his world. Tunes like 'Golden' and 'Soda Pop' dominate his playlist. He also adores Blackpink.

Meanwhile, Mr Hari loves sports docuseries such as 'F1: Drive to Survive' and 'Last Dance'. He is a massive fan of the Chicago Bulls.

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BEHIND THE BEAKERS: MEET MR BRANDON LIM

Want a peek at what goes on behind the scenes at the science Labs? Meet Mr Brandon Lim, our school's ISTEM instructor — the man who makes sure everything runs like clockwork.

From checking equipment to setting up apparatus and cleaning up after lessons, his work might appear routine at first glance. Mr Lim has conducted iSTEM workshops and has been involved in many STEM-related school programmes as well. His passion for science started at a young age, inspired by sci-fi movies and video games like Godzilla and Resident Evil. **That early spark of curiosity shaped his interest in science and he continues to find joy in all things science.**

Even if students don't always notice him, Mr Lim, nevertheless, goes about his business to support the science teachers in making lessons safe and engaging. He undoubtedly brings his passion and exuberant energy into the science Labs, spreading joy to those he works with. So here's a reminder to all Dunmanites: take the time to pay attention to unsung heroes like Mr Lim in your lives. And if you can, say hello to them from time to time. They are more than the work they do.



SEEING THE UNSEEN:

DUNMAN'S SENSORY SKILLS PROGRAMME

Did you know that Dunman has a **Sensory Skills Programme (SSP)** — and that it has won 1st place twice in a row in Singapore's nationwide Biodiversity Race?

Unlike CCAs, SSP is more **student-driven**, taking **learning beyond the classroom**. Members observe biodiversity in and around our school, spotting species such as the *Green Imperial Pigeon* and *Long-tailed Shrike*.

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Beyond the Classroom



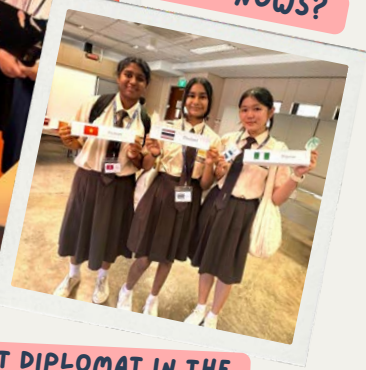
EXPLORING DIPLOMACY: DUNMAN AT NASSMUN

Model UN, as the name suggests, is a simulation of how the United Nations (UN) functions. It gives students the chance to step into the shoes of diplomats, navigating the complexities of international relations and pressing global issues that countries face today. So how does it work?

A handful of Dunmanites were selected to attend the model UN at Ngee Ann Sec Sch (NASSMUN), and their experiences shed light on what this event is really about. **Suhas (3D)** found himself in a fast-paced, chaotic session, filled with heated debates. It was all friendly fire, of course. At the end of the day, he walked away with **renewed appreciation for international relations, new friendships and the thrill of tackling complex issues that will stay with him for a long time.**



WHO KNOWS?



PERHAPS THE NEXT DIPLOMAT IN THE MAKING COULD BE YOU!



Stories Woven in Time



PIONEERS OF PLD

Long before iPads, there was another device used by students — the **EduPAD** might seem like just another relic... but in 1998, it was revolutionary.

Here's the twist — **Dunman Secondary** was the **first school in Singapore** to trial a digital Personal Learning Device.

The EduPAD could store entire textbooks on small memory cards, allow teachers to assign homework, and even connect to the internet. The project was ambitious and ahead of its time. However, slow processors and wonky internet connection meant students often faced connectivity and software issues.

Despite the setbacks, the EduPAD trial at Dunman was indeed a bold step in the right direction and remains an important and unknown piece of Dunman's history, reminding us that **as a school we have always been and continue to be ahead of the curve.**

A WALK BACK IN TIME: MY GRANDMA'S DUNMAN STORY






Hi there! It's your friendly editor of The Dunman Insider, Julita. I have something special to share with you all. Recently, I sat down with my grandmother, **Ms Thanaletchumi**, who was **part of Dunman's very first batch of students in 1963!** Through her, I got to picture what Dunman was like all those years ago and what the school meant to her.

Life at home was difficult — she was the eldest of nine children, and she lost her mother at twelve. Walking through the school gates felt like stepping away from her troubles. To her, school was a sanctuary. She told me that **Dunman was a place where students helped one another as they built the identity of the school together.**

When I asked if she would prefer studying in today's Dunman, with technology, AI, and all our modern programmes, she smiled, "I think we were better off without technology. School last time was stricter, and it was better for the students." Still, she's proud of how far our school has come and delighted to see its accomplishments today.




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