



## Principal's eNews

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Dear Parents,

I am pleased to share that the term is progressing exceptionally well, with our students embracing numerous opportunities to compete and represent the school in various events—both internationally and in Johor Bahru and Penang.

A significant milestone this term was our school's first-ever participation in the **FOBISIA U13 Games**. Our students delivered outstanding performances, securing 2nd place overall in Swimming, 4th in Athletics, and an incredible 1st place in Girls' Football, making them champions! This is a tremendous achievement, and we are incredibly proud of the teamwork, dedication, and sportsmanship they demonstrated throughout the competition.

On Thursday, over 40 students travelled to Kuala Lumpur to compete in the **KTJ Games**, where our U11 and U9 teams represent the school. The student's enthusiasm and commitment to participating in sports is commendable. Additionally, our **Year 5 AIMS Maths** team is competing at Marlborough College in Johor Bahru, and I am sure they will rise to the challenge.

Beyond sports, our Performing Arts students are actively collaborating with other schools at Uplands today at the **Penang Performing Arts Carnival**, a fantastic opportunity to showcase their creativity and talents.

These events play a crucial role in our students' development, allowing them to engage in activities that refine skills, test their personal goals and create lasting positive memories. We are incredibly proud of their achievements and look forward to celebrating even more successes throughout the rest of the year.

None of these incredible opportunities would be possible without the amazingly dedicated staff who work tirelessly to prepare the students, support them throughout these events, and ensure they have a positive and enriching experience. Their commitment and care make all the difference, and I am grateful for all they do.

### 60th Anniversary Celebrations

Next week, we will hold some in-school activities for the students to celebrate the 60th Anniversary. Thursday, 27th February, will be a non-uniform day, and we will hold a party for the children.

A reminder that all Parents and children are warmly invited to put on their best decade-inspired costume to join me for an evening of food, fun, laughter, and special performances by the children at the **'Dancing Through the Decades'** Disco.

### Parent Workshop

Thank you to all the parents who attend the different workshops on Monday mornings at 8.15 am. Please note that this Monday's workshop, 'History of SCIPS', has to be cancelled.

However, I will be running a workshop on an important and increasingly worrying topic: the impact of smartphones and social media on childhood mental health. This will be held on Monday 3rd, March and will look at the research and findings of **The Anxious Generation** by Jonathan Haidt, published last year.

### Key Dates Coming Up;

24th - 27th February	Parent Teacher Conference Sign-Up Portal Open	
28th February	60th Anniversary Celebration Party	5.00 pm-8.00 pm
3rd - 7th March	ASA Pause	
3rd March	T2 Reports to Parents	
4th - 5th March	Nur - Y8 Parent Teacher Meeting	3.30 pm

Enjoy Your Weekend

*Martin Touse*