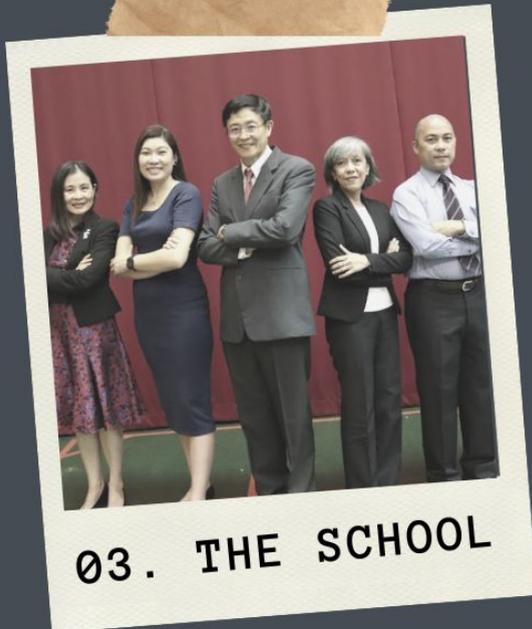
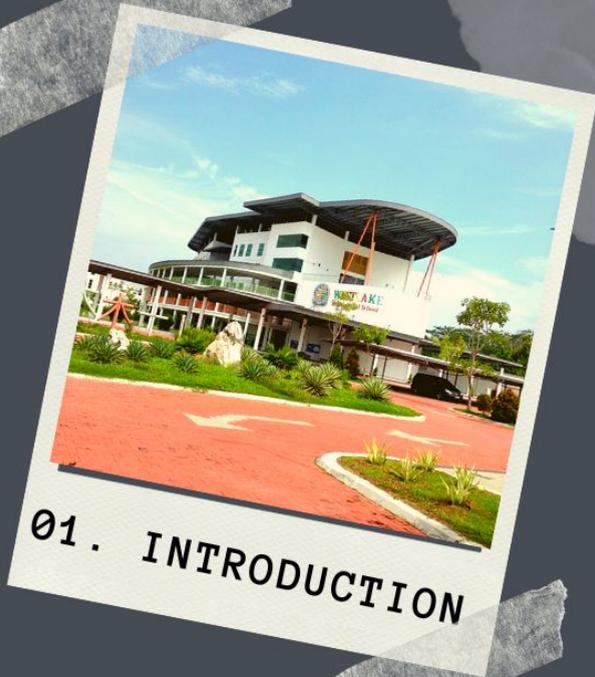


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# A message from the Principal



Welcome to the 2022 Edition of the Westlake International School yearbook.

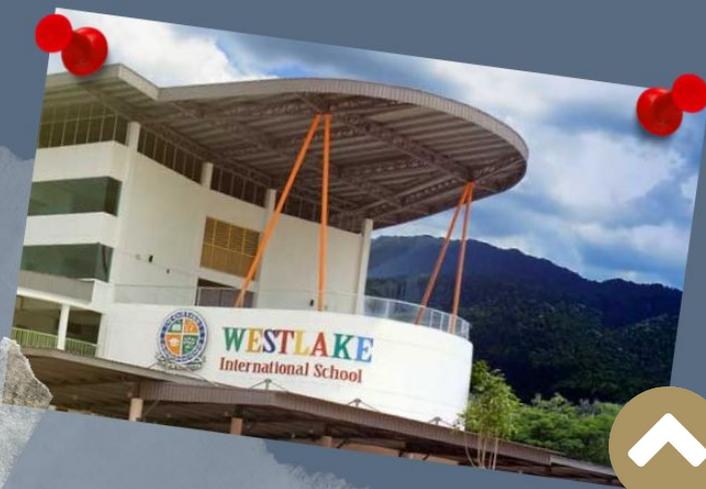
A big thank you to the Editorial & Creative Writing Club, and also the Photography Club for their time and hard work in putting together this edition of the 2022 Yearbook. They've done a fantastic job and on behalf of the school we want to say how proud we are of the finished product. As you go through the pages of this yearbook, I hope you take some time to reflect on the new friendships, laughter, and learning that we've shared this year.

2022 has been filled with many great award ceremonies and celebration of student accomplishments. We are incredibly happy for all of our students and their achievements. The A Level students brought in an astounding result of 77% A\*/A and our school teams did the school proud at the recent MSSD and MSSM competitions. This is truly a demonstration of determination and resolve. It was also heartening to see the enthusiasm for our Sports Day this year. WIS was a sea of colour and everyone gave their best; showing off their strong sense of teamwork and good sportsmanship. It was indeed amazing to see everyone participating in athletics with enthusiasm and cooperating to gain the best results for their respective Houses. We witnessed some fantastic sprint finishes and personal best.

In the last two years, the pandemic has heightened the need for all of us adopt a Growth Mindset; a continual strive for improvement and believing that abilities can be developed through hard work, perseverance and dedication. As we continue to advance, I hope that the guiding principles of excellence, responsibility, and integrity will remain constant.

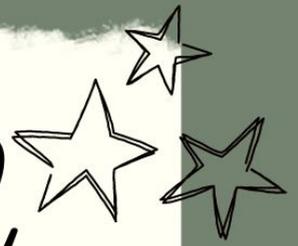
I would like to leave you this quote from Steve Jobs:  
Everyone here has the sense that right now is one of those moments when we are influencing the future.

Thank you for making 2022 a great year!



A message from the

# Vice Principal



Ms. Ellen Wong

The word of the year is **REKINDLE**.

We need to **REKINDLE** our excitement to talk to our friends and teachers face-to-face, instead of sending digital texts. We need to **REKINDLE** our eagerness for waking up early, putting on our WIS uniform, and stepping into the classroom to meet our friends and teachers. We need to **REKINDLE** our passion to learn, to listen, and to care for one another.

Two years of living under the brutal impact of the Covid-19 pandemic has completely changed the way we relate to our friends and family, not to mention the way we learn in classrooms. Remote teaching and learning might not be the most ideal method to substitute face-to-face learning, but it was the best solution to brace us through the difficult times during our national lockdown. WIS teachers, while working day and night to design the best online lessons for students, must at the same time manage their own households, all while facing various levels of anxiety about the uncertainties ahead.

I sincerely want to commend our teachers' resilience and sacrifices in keeping the virtual classroom running everyday, all for their love and care for their students. Not forgetting the efficient support system provided by our non-academic staff: Student Services, IT, Academic Quality Assurance, Transport and Security, front office, lab assistants, sick bay and library staff. Thank you for your unwavering responses to all the urgent and non-urgent matters so that teaching and learning can keep going on smoothly.

Despite the fact we have returned to school for about a year now, we are still far from returning to the pre-pandemic normal. Mask wearing has numbed our expressions of gratitude and respect because of the difficulties in showing our smiles. Social distancing restricted our social connection through sports, pats on the shoulders and handshakes. Hybrid teaching has restricted how teachers communicate effectively in the classroom because they have to accommodate for both the students physically in class and their online students, by their hand gestures or whiteboard writing within the dimension of their camera view.

In spite of all the setbacks, WIS teachers are not quitters! We have risen above all challenges during this pandemic period, and thrived. As a WIS community, we have grown more grateful, patient and compassionate towards others. While we cannot run away from the fact that some areas of our lives are going through some healing, I would like to encourage us to believe that suffering produces endurance, endurance produces character, and character produces hope.

Hence, this year, 2022 is a year for us to REKINDLE. And hopefully, in 2023, we can be bold enough to dream again and shoot for the Moon!





A message from the

# Editor-in-Chief



Looking back, 2022 has been quite an eventful year. We got back to learning in person and whatnot. A lot of things have happened this year which I'm sure include fond memories for all of us in the school. I'm pretty sure this was a rather nice surprise for us all.

This year, I've been honored to serve in the position of Editor-in-Chief for this year's Yearbook Committee and Creative Writing & Editorial Club. When we started, I was very hesitant to lead the yearbook making efforts but as time went on, I found the charms of being the Editor-in-Chief. Nevertheless, we did our work and got everything done. At the end of it we have produced what I hope you'll consider a pretty solid yearbook. Leading and working with this group of students was a life-changing experience, and I enjoyed most of it.

This year we've chosen a Behind the Scenes theme for the yearbook. Since we've now been back in school for an uninterrupted year, we figured most of you might be intrigued by what lies behind this school's facilities hence the theme for 2022.

I'd like to express my gratitude to everyone who participated in the creation of this yearbook. More specifically, Mr Josh, Mr Sam, Ms Choong, the committee members and members of the Editorial and Creative Writing CCA and those who volunteered from the Photography Club.



Big shout outs to the people we interviewed for our 'Behind the Scenes' articles, those guys are very underappreciated and I thank them on behalf of all students and staff.

This year was definitely a year to remember and I wish best of luck to those who have graduated. For those of us who will be returning, I hope next year will be an even better year. I wish you all the best, and enjoy the yearbook!



2022 Yearbook Committee

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## Special Thanks

Photography Club 2022

Ms. Coco Lau

Y9 & Y10 FLE Students





# ACHIEVEMENTS

*Love you, I love you,  
Love you, I love you*





# 2021 A LEVEL RESULTS



*biology* 67% A

*chemistry* 93% A

*physics* 64% A

*mathematics* 67% A



# 2022 A LEVEL RESULTS



**83% A**  
**CHEMISTRY**



**100% A**  
**BIOLOGY**



**80% A**  
**MATHS**

**69% A**  
**PHYSICS**

*Congratulations to all the A Level students on their OUTSTANDING AS results!*

*73% of students earned all A's in their exams.*

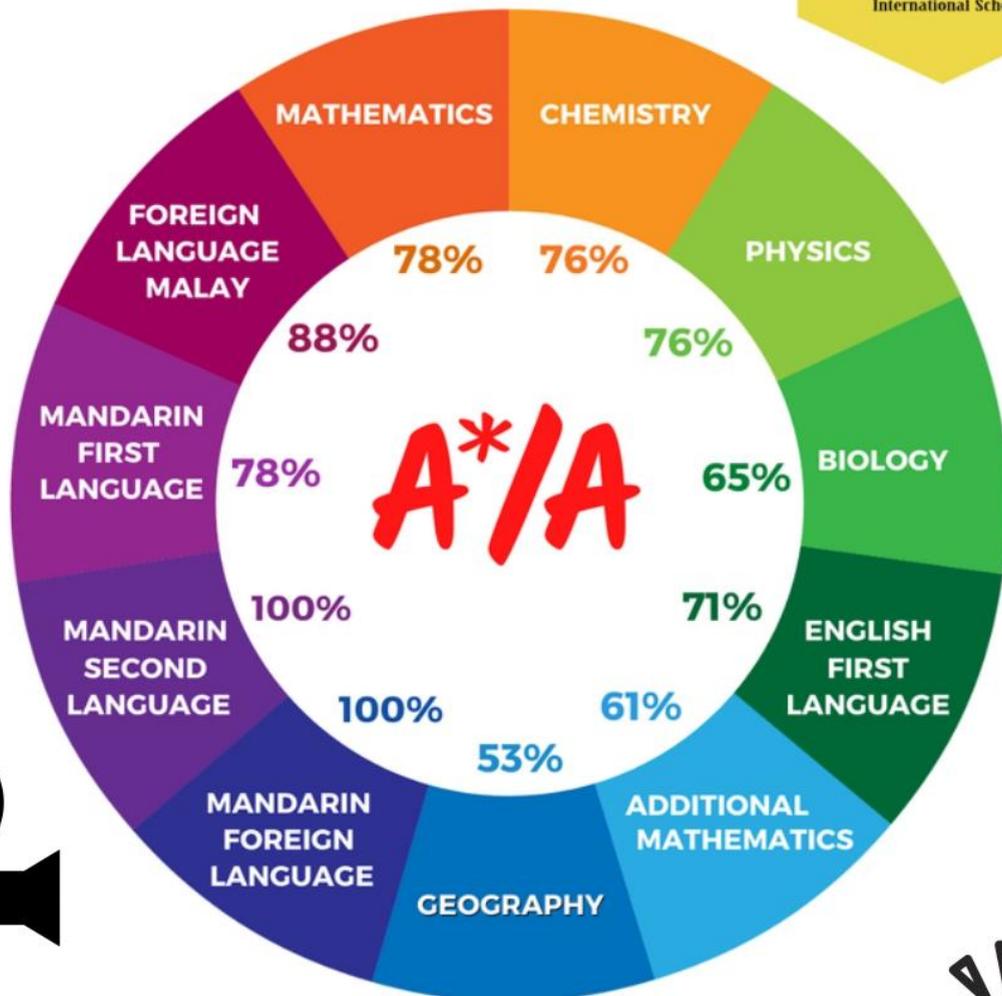
*We wish them all the best in their A2 exams!*

# 2021 IGCSE RESULTS

## 2021 IGCSE SUBJECT RESULTS



Westlake  
International School





# THIS IS WIS!

#WISGOTTHIS

## IGCSE SPECIAL EDITION

CONGRATULATIONS ON THE OUTSTANDING IGCSE RESULTS!



WONG SHENG-WEN  
**10A\***



LEONG KAI JIE  
**9A\***



TAN HUI YI  
**9A\***  
HEAD PREFECT



THEE MIN HE  
**9A\***



PONNARASU KANDASAMY  
**8A\*1A**  
PRESIDENT STUDENT COUNCIL



ABIGAIL WEE YUE EN  
**8A\*1A**



SIA ZHI YII  
**8A\*1A**



SAW YIN QI  
**7A\*2A**





**LEE PIN JING**  
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**HIRA AKBAR**  
**6A\* 1A 1B**  
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**5A\* 2A 1B**



**TAN YI SHENG**  
**4A\* 3A 1B**



**LAI BO YOU**  
**4A\* 2A 2B**



**JTRISHAAN JAGEN**  
**3A\* 3A 2B**



**FONG CHEN CHEE**  
**2A\* 4A 2B**



**HENRY CHAI CHENG HENG**  
**2A\* 4A 1B 1C**  
 TIGERS HOUSE CAPTAIN





**JOSEPH WONG YEW-HWA**  
**6A\*3A**  
HEAD PREFECT



**YEW YEN XING**  
**3A\*5A**



**YANG CHANJU**  
**7A\***



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**YAP WEN CHEN**  
**5A\*3A 1B**



**AGNES WONG SHIN UU**  
**5A\*2A 2B**





# The School



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EXECUTIVE  
DIRECTOR



***Hew Fee Voon***

CEO/FINANCE  
DIRECTOR



***May King***

PRINCIPAL



***Ellen Wong***

VICE PRINCIPAL



***Denise Tech***

DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF  
MARKETING, ADMISSION AND  
CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE



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ACADEMIC QUALITY  
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HEAD OF A-LEVELS



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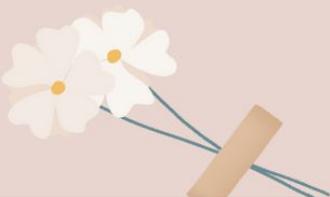
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HEAD OF KS2 AND  
PRIMARY ENGLISH



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KS1 COORDINATOR



***Timothy Soo***

WELLBEING  
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***Chang Ming Ru***

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MATHEMATICS



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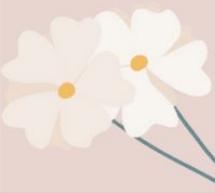
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***Emeric Hing***

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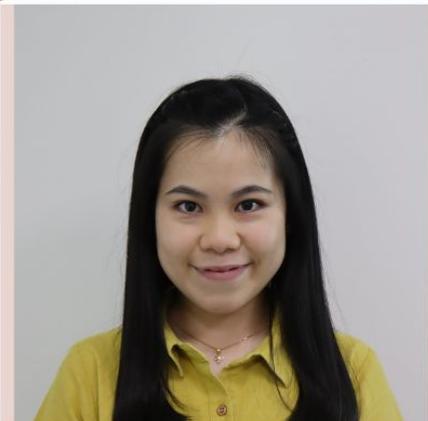
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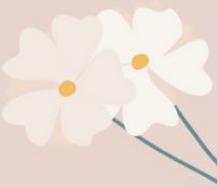
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RESOURCES



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HEAD OF FINANCE



# Student Council Message from President 2022-2023



New Ying Qing

I've always thought that leading would be someone standing at the top of a pyramid. Initially, I was not too fond of the idea, since I dislike the empowerment of one person; dislike the arrogance it could ever bring. However, as I continued my learning process in the Student Council, I soon realised how little I knew about leading. Leading was never somebody standing at the top of the pyramid, it's more like a big group of people standing together on a platform helping and guiding others to get on it together.

I am very grateful for our team of Student Council 2022-2023. So far, we've done the 2022 Teachers' Day events and there are also more upcoming events that we've planned, which I hope will already be completed when this yearbook is published.

There are always a set of activities that the Student Council must hold every year, such as Orientation day, Teachers' Day, and Merdeka Events. However, the team also came up with innovative ideas to initiate more events for the students. As for this year, we have planned for TEDxYouth, Technology Famine Camp, and Student Cafe Project to take place.

Leading the team this year is not easy, especially when we could all finally come back to school physically and hold physical events this year. This would be a very unfamiliar experience for most of our members or even myself after 2 years of online learning. Holding physical events will need us to take more things under consideration and will require a more detailed plan. Although many of our members do not have relevant experience, we still manage to carry out things successfully.

When it comes to leading the team, especially for a student-based platform like the Student Council, it is not only about the events. We will also have to look beyond this year and figure out things or changes that will benefit the team and students, in terms of long-term effect. I believe that the Student Council this year is undergoing a rapid-development where we need to plan out things that would benefit the team. Setting up long-term events can provide more opportunities for the members, which allows students to gain knowledge and skills through experiences.

The mission of the Student Council does not stop even as the senior members and myself continue our journey after this year. The spirit that we have in the team shall remain and provide a fair platform for any students to share their skills and creativity, and to make their imaginations come true.

Making a change is not easy but to make a difference, there must be somebody who needs to bear the responsibility, and that person could be any of us.



# Student Council Message from President

2021-2022



Kee Wei Wen

As I stand here today for the last time as the President of Westlake International School, I truly understand that time flies in a blink. It seems like yesterday when I was sitting with the members and brainstorming ideas to include in our first proposal on running an orientation for 2022. I have learnt that leadership is a responsibility and definitely not a piece of cake to master. In the past year our plan has been affected and even being put to a stop due to the unpredictable pandemic. However, the experiences and opportunities have taught me to step out of my comfort zone. Last year was a challenging year but we managed to overcome all the difficulties. All of this will not happen without the wonderful group of people that made up the Student Council, I am ever so grateful to them for doing their best.

There are certain things that I will never forget, enthusiasm and unity displayed by every member while creating our first year plan for the year, which pushes us to reach another milestone. I understood how the administration and the students have to work together to achieve what is best for our school and I hope that the incoming council remembers this. I felt like these memories are priceless and I hope our new president, Ying Qing remembers to treasure the moments that their council will create.

I want to appreciate Mr. Emeric and Ms. Haswani for their constant support and guidance as well as helping us fulfill our responsibility. I would like to congratulate the new council and I want you all to remember that there will be times when you will fail, there will be times when you will want to give up but always remember that there are hundreds of people who are looking up to you, let's continue to persevere and stay safe. All the best!

Ending my journey as the president of the Student Council by giving this message, was a perfect ending to a wonderful year of memories and achievements.





# Student Council Committee

2022



Jermaine Tan  
Sarah Soh  
Low Ean Joe  
Ong Shing Xi  
Satria Ahmad Mustaim Isya  
Woo Wei Bing  
Vitthal  
Alexandar Schwarzacher  
Eugene i Jeat  
Foo Jian Feng  
Hashwhinnee Arumugasamy  
Lee Juyoung  
Lena Montasir  
Logan Mugunthan  
New Ying Qing  
Pang Yan Qi  
Park Juha



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Poh Yu Xin  
Aaron Jang  
Aiden Jang  
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Zoie Sip  
Tony Giam Jian Yang  
Tham Zhi Bin  
Kenny Liew Zhi Feng  
Tan Chantel  
Al-Malek Faisal  
Ng Oi Yat Hilda  
Yee Jia Ern



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Lee Jungwoo  
Keophallyca Simon  
Amir Ashraf

Teacher Advisor:  
Ms. Noorhaswani Zailan





# Prefectorial Board Message from the Head Boy



Westlake has been quite the adventure for me. Throughout my time here, it has shown that it will always be a rollercoaster of events for all of us. Some moments will be joyous and enthralling, while others will be regretful and demotivating. These 'moments' however are what will be testing us of our capabilities and how our emotions handle situations; regardless if it means completing tasks on time or even getting to know new people. If there's one thing that I've learnt so far though, it is that it's okay to make mistakes, just as long as we learn from them.

Being a Head Boy means I have to represent the Prefectorial Board as its leader towards the entire school. In doing so, I've learnt quite a lot of traits that define being one. There's definitely more responsibility to be taken up. However, as time goes, I've also learned that it's not about me doing everything. From my point of view, it's rather a team effort from the Prefects. Of course, I do give my share of cooperation.





# Prefectorial Board Message from the Head Girl

I want to thank my prefect teachers Ms. Jasmine, Mr. Sam and Ms. Gabrielle for electing me and guiding me all the way. At first, I was pressured because of the responsibilities and the title I had to uphold. However, I understood that my teachers must have had good reason for trusting me with such a role. I am glad that I was able to enhance my confidence, leadership, passion, discipline and cooperation with others. I hope to bring along these skills and build on them in my future endeavours.



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# Prefectorial Board 2022



Shawn Arun  
Kong Zhuo Yi  
Li Min Yang  
Oh Zhi Lin

Ramani Madkurakshan

Tan Lik Xian

Tharsinaa a/p Gunalan

Wong Ann Jie

Wong Pui Xun

Yugendaran a/l gunalan

Adithyar Nithiabala JR

Adnan Ayoub

Bilal Nasir

Chai Cheok Hang

Elone Cassandra Claire Pineda

Nwando Miriam Emmanuella Arissa Dubem

Kai Han Hew

Ahmad Montasir Osman Ahmad

Siddarth Parthiban

Abilash Prakash

Ashton Irvien Ravinther

Roobicaa A/N Kamalakannan

Xing Wern Sae

Constatin Sherwarzarsher

Kota Shimizu

Qing Shuen Siew

Yash Sri

Gavriel Lee Tan

Tan Kai Xin

You Zhen Yee

En Xi Yip

Fui Shan Yow

Herwin Kamalakannan

Khaaniya Kasi Rajan

Lam Dorris

Lim Jing Xuan

Lim Pei Jei



TEACHER ADVISORS:  
Ms. Gabrielle Liew, Mr. Samuel Ng,  
& Ms. Jasmine Chuah





# PREFECTORIAL BOARD PRIMARY PREFECTS

## Year 5

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Eunince Wong Shin Yuen  
Aisha Shaheezam  
Sophie Sarang Lee  
Nurul Haya  
Eita Shimizu  
Janyll Shai Tong Qian

## Year 6

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Lai Kai Qing  
Lee Bo Cheng  
Junainah Shamin  
Sumughan Mugunthan  
Safwan Ahamad

### TEACHER ADVISORS:

Ms Kelly Yap & Ms Vivien Loke





# Farewell to the Academic Director

By Satria Isya & Wong Seng Yee

When Ms Anushia first arrived the school was vastly different from what it is today. Compared to today, the results weren't as impressive and the teachers weren't as passionate. After arriving, she has made the school a much better place than what it was before.

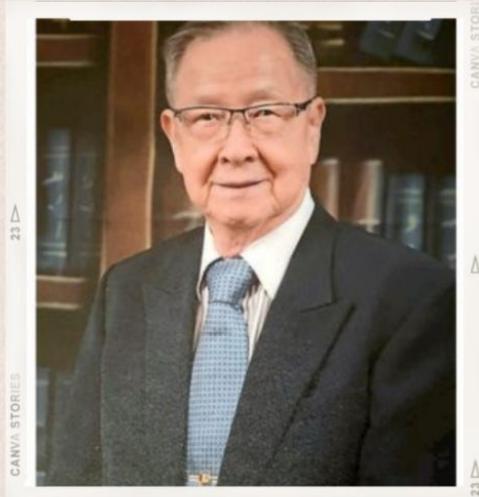
According to the teachers we have interviewed, they said that Ms Anushia had changed the mindset of teachers in the school and in general how the school functioned. Ms Anushia had a vision to make this school an outstanding one. Even though we might be in the middle of nowhere, she wanted Westlake International School to be a school that stood out among the rest.

After she came, there were drastic changes to ensure the school followed her vision. But it was worth it, after years of being in the school her vision came true to her and the puzzle pieces connected. To her, her job was done and she left.

When she left, she left the teachers with the work ethic that came with working under her, and the mindset that was there also. The chance and vision to be different and be better than other schools persisted and most likely as time passes on, the DNA of her vision will be there.



*In Loving Memory*

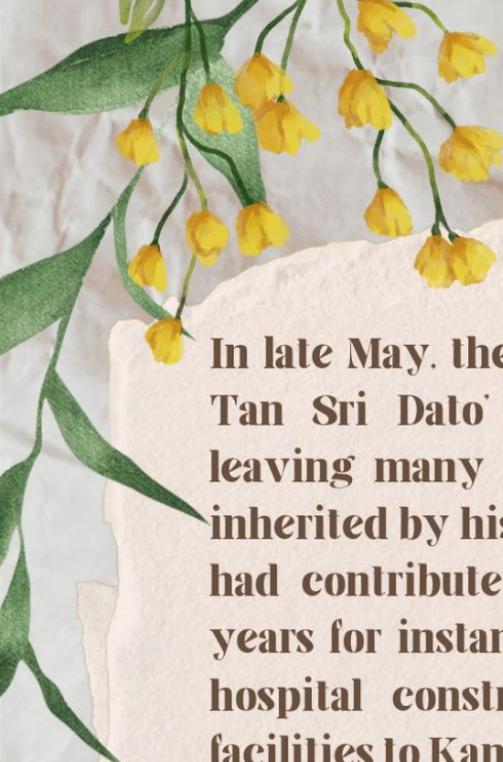


**Hew See Tong**

1933-2022

Founder of Westlake International School





In late May, the founder of Westlake International School, Tan Sri Dato' Hew See Tong departed in tranquility leaving many of his hard work behind, hopefully to be inherited by his trusted peers. Tan Sri Dato' Hew See Tong had contributed more than enough to society over the years for instance: partaking in the UTAR and the UTAR hospital construction and bringing in dozens of new facilities to Kampar as he was the New Town developer.

As the founder of Westlake International School, he has contributed to the Tan Sri Hew Excellence Scholarship. He was particularly renowned for being a huge involvement in the field of education in Kampar and also participated in the political field. Dato Tan Sri Hew started off as a tin miner in the 1980s and eventually ventured into property development and construction business after a while. In the character of being a helping hand, he donated 20ha (hectare) of land and RM5 million in cash for UTAR's construction. Without the great help of this remarkable man, Kampar would not have been what it is today.



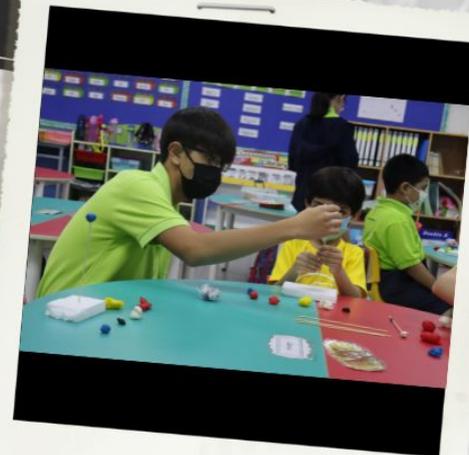
Westlake is and will forever be immensely grateful for all of Tan Sri Hew's contributions to our school along with the community and his hard work shall remain in our remembrance.

By Chin Yi Cheng





# Highlights of 2021-2022

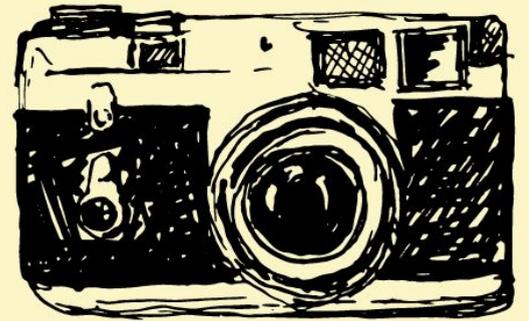
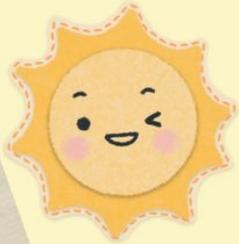


# Mid Autumn Festival





# TEACHER'S DAY



# Primary Book Day



# RAYA CELEBRATION





**RAYA CELEBRATION**









# BOMBA VISIT



Future Firefighters



Mascot greeting



Hero of 9W



Prepared for pandemic!

Career Change???



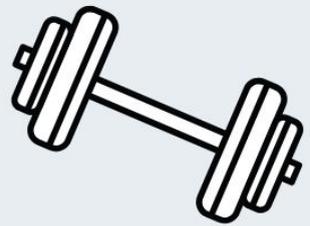
Proactive kids



Dream come true!



# SECONDARY SPORTS DAY



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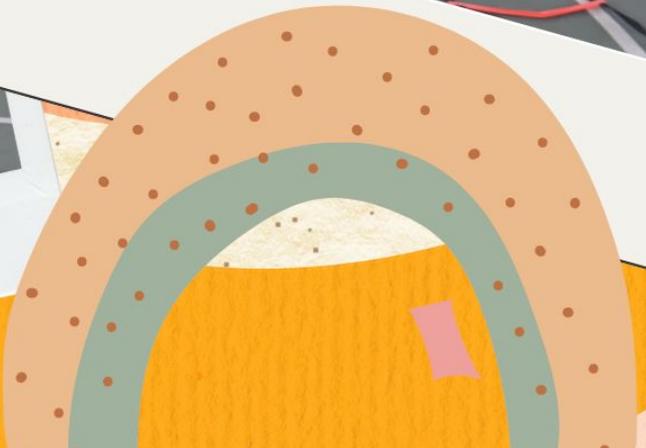




# KSI TELEMATCH DAY









# Merdeka 2022





# BOARDING HOUSE PARENT APPRECIATION NIGHT



**Best Dressed Queen**



**Best Dressed King**



BOARDING  
COUNCIL



# A-Levels Boarding

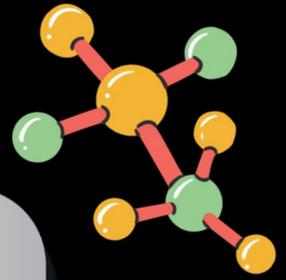
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# International Understanding Week!







# STEM COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT





# WOW Orchestra Training





# MUSIC



# UNIVERSITY FAIR





# Mr Emeric

Recipient of the 2022  
Guru Cemerlang Award

Mr Emeric is a Geography teacher who has been teaching Years 11 and 10 for 4 years now. He is an icon in Westlake and was awarded the Guru Cemerlang Award.



Congratulations Mr. Emeric! As Timothy Keller said, "A common vision can unite people of very different temperaments."

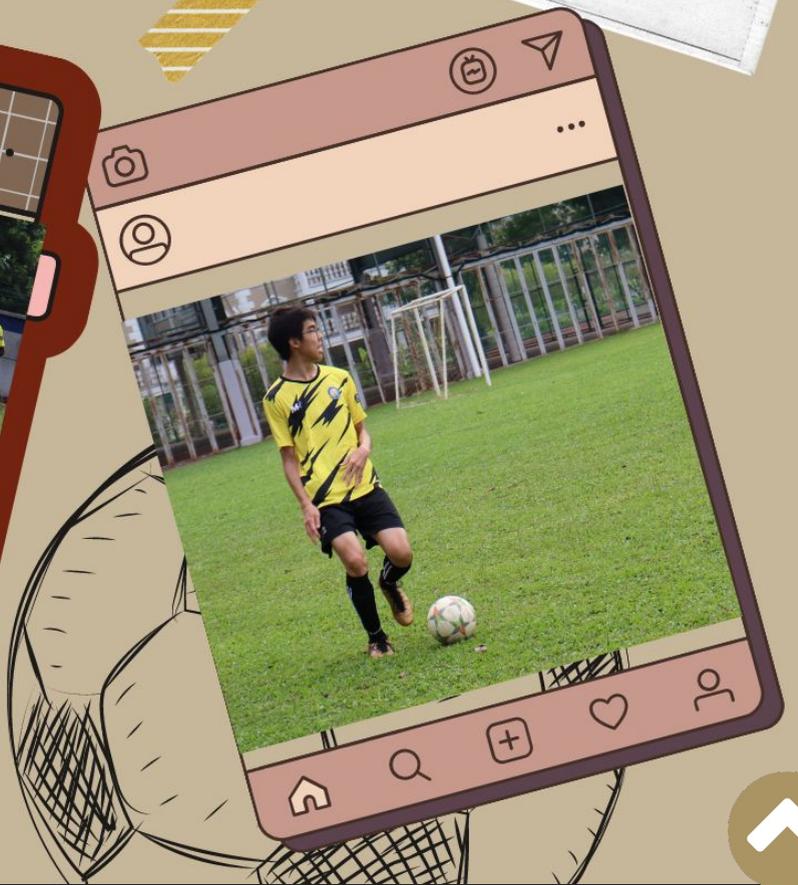
-Ms. Ellen  
(Vice Principal & Guru Cemerlang Award Recipient 2021)

# Ms Anushia's Farewell





# STUDENTS VS STAFF FOOTBALL MATCH



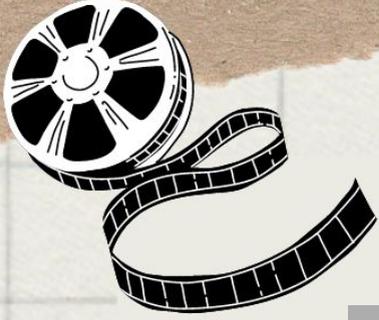


# BEHIND THE SCENES

A collection of articles by the Creative Writing & Editorial CCA Club highlighting those who work behind the scenes to keep the school going.

To these people and the many others, we express our gratitude.





# The Cafeteria

by Lim Jing Xuan

Have you ever wondered about the backstory of the Cafeteria? What goes on everyday in the hidden kitchen? At break and lunchtime, you walk down to the cafeteria to find trays of food already waiting for your arrival. How do the staff ensure food is ready for your mealtimes, and you do not go hungry?

I had the distinct opportunity to visit the inner workings of the Cafeteria's kitchen, and to interview the head chef, Chef Siong, to learn about the kitchen's inner workings.





### **Could you describe the daily routine in the Cafeteria?**

For kitchen staff, the day starts at 6 a.m. Buzzing and humming of ovens and hoods fill the silence of the morning, marking the start of yet another day. The menu is up and it's time to prepare breakfast. Flour, egg, rice, bread, and breakfast is ready for the students. At around 9.30 a.m., it's time to start cooking for lunch. It takes an hour and a half to prepare both the Western and Asian meals for lunch, which obviously takes much longer than breakfast. Two are in charge of cooking, and four other people help to prepare the ingredients and food.

### **Where do you get ideas for your recipes? Has there been instances when things went wrong, or when you ran out of certain ingredients? How would your team respond?**

The recipes originate from me. I'm a self-taught cook, and I created these recipes myself. Messing up recipes has never happened before. However, there are incidents where there are not enough ingredients, although this normally does not happen, but if it does, we will use a suitable substitute.

### **How does the cafeteria keep all the ingredients fresh?**

We order the ingredients daily based on the menu, and these are all prepared the day before, meaning to say that whatever vegetables and meat that is going to be served tomorrow, must be prepared today.





## **What if the food drops on the ground?**

If that happens, we will throw them away immediately. The kitchen in the cafeteria follows strict food hygiene guidelines.

## **Finally, a question no doubt on many student's minds: why is chicken the only protein?**

Lamb and mutton are more expensive compared to chicken. Fish are not sold much because there are many tiny bones in the meat and this will make it difficult for the students, especially younger ones, to eat them.

The staff in the kitchen works at early hours daily to make sure that every meal is being served. The chef has to think clearly for what ingredients to prepare and to be aware that the food is served to students and therefore making sure that the food is safe for us to consume. With that being said, we should remain grateful for the different types of meals we get to eat in the Cafeteria everyday.



# Estate Management

by Wong Seng Yee

Ever wondered who does all the hard work of keeping a school in one piece? Ever wondered who ensures the school is a safe and clean environment to be in? That's right: the always on standby, and working tirelessly, maintenance and cleaning team. Every company has a team like this, to ensure that everything runs smoothly, including schools.

We have interviewed Mr Fatah, a member of the maintenance team in Westlake International School. Westlake International School is an international school in Kampar, with approximately 600 students ranging from Year 1 to A-Level students.



## How many staff members are there in the maintenance team?

Mr Fatah explains that Westlake International school's "maintenance team has three people, including me, and cleaners has six people". We asked Mr Fatah how long it took for the maintenance team to repair something that has been heavily damaged, such as furniture, and he proceeded to describe that "it refers to the situation. If it's simple, it takes around one minute to five minutes. If it's a big problem, maybe one day, two days." Mr Fatah and the maintenance team sure do spend a lot of time resolving problems around the school.



**How were the school facilities maintained and what changes were there after the pandemic?**

He explains that before the pandemic, the school did not prepare any sanitizing spray and tissues. He continues to elaborate that “During the student break time, the cleaners will enter the class and spray and wipe all the tables and doorknobs. So in one day, the cleaners will sanitize three times. He also explains that “If a student caught COVID, all classes must be sanitized.”



## **What do you enjoy the most about EM in our school?**

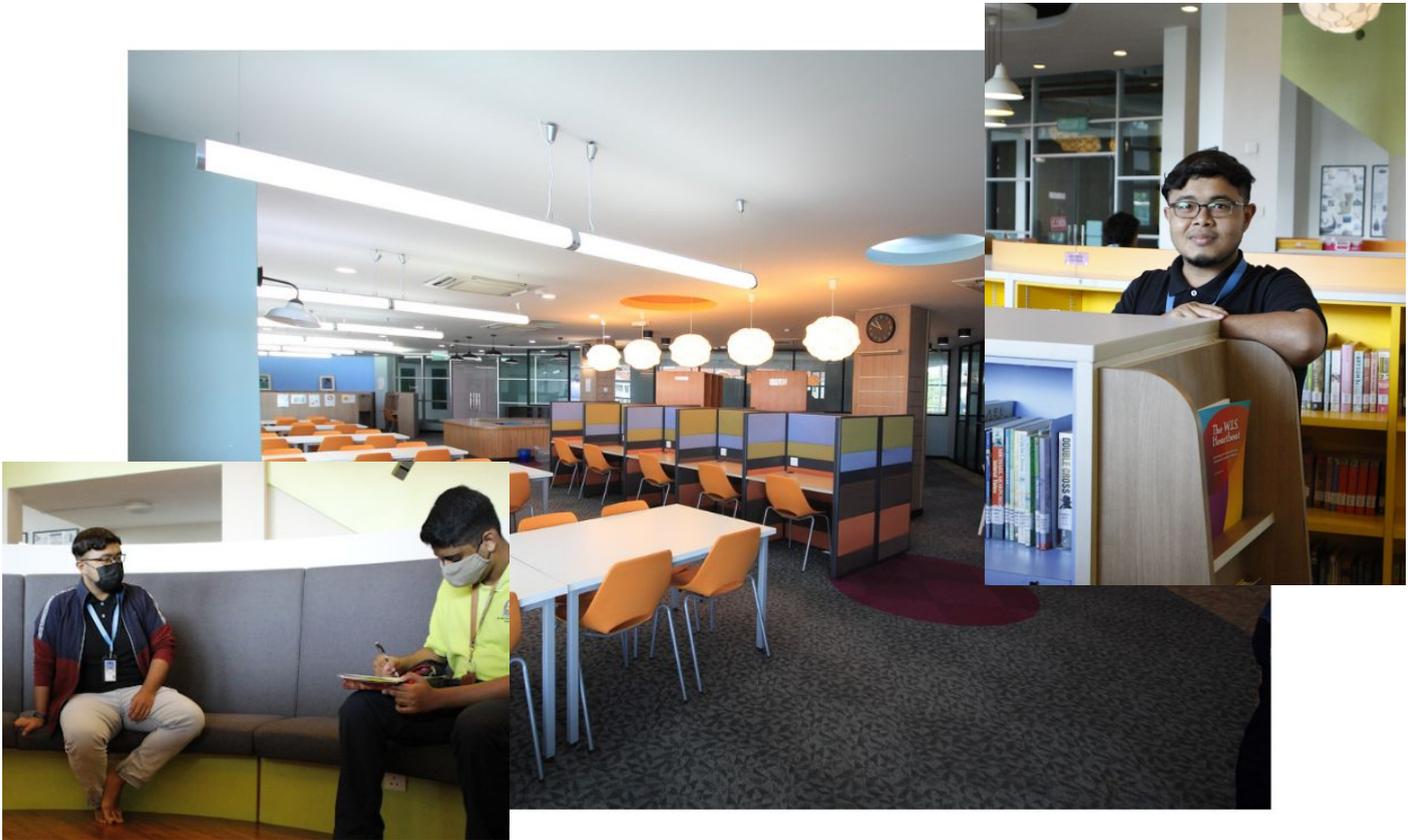
Mr Fatah answers: “I like the teamwork with students, the teachers and the staff. So if someone requests a job on the spot, I wouldn’t have prepared anything.” Mr Fatah also clarified that: “If you want to plan an event, you must prepare and inform me one week in advance. If you want to request me and prepare the equipment today. I wouldn’t have prepared the equipment. So this job would not be complete.”



To wrap up the interview, we asked Mr Fatah what Westlake International School students and staff can do to reduce the burden on the maintenance team. He suggests that students and staffs must keep the school equipment safe, equipment must not be damaged, and not to dispose rubbish anywhere but the bins.



# THE LIBRARY



Walking around school at lunch, and you pass by the library. You walk inside and are greeted by a calm and soothing atmosphere. You ever wonder how such an environment is maintained? In this article we talk with Mr Alif, the librarian in our school, on questions you were probably wondering about our school library.



## What is the first thing you do in the morning when entering the library?

One of the many things that Mr Alif does in the morning is to clean and rearrange books. Why? This is because students usually return the books they've read in a different location than we it's supposed to be.



## What do you do once all students leave the library for the day?

After students leave the library at the end of the day, Mr Alif makes sure all the lights, fans, air conditioners, and other appliances are turned off, and ensures that the doors are locked. He will later then do some cleaning in the library before continuing with it tomorrow.

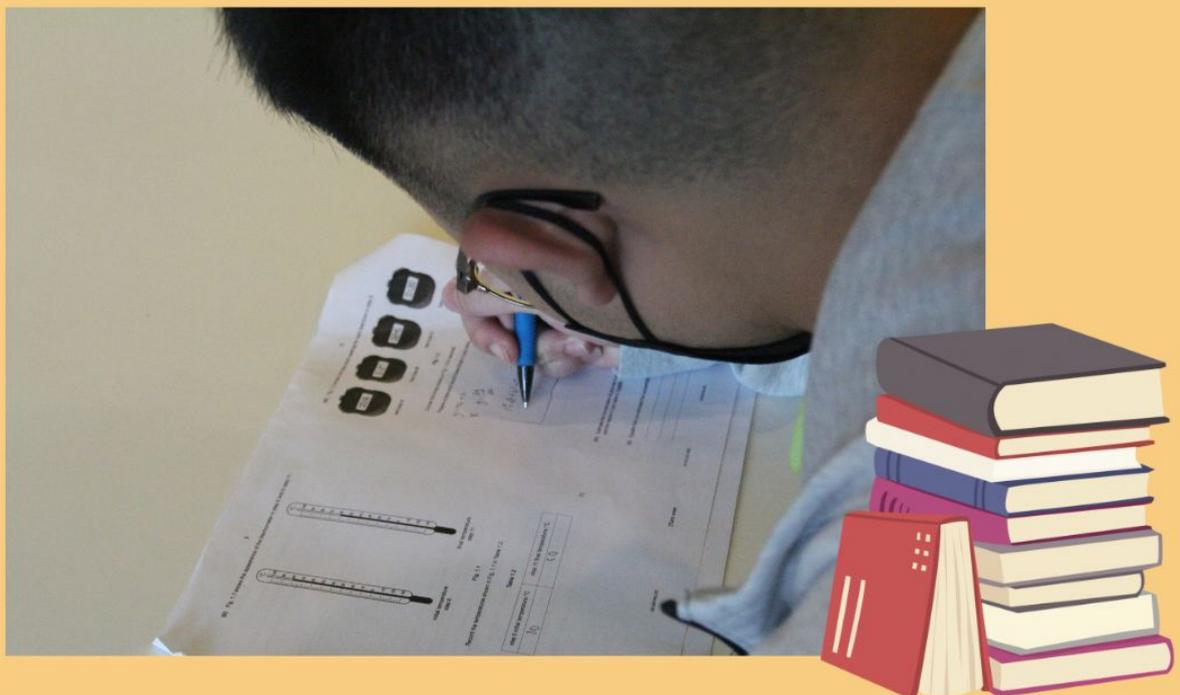


## **How do you find a specific book, is there any particular system?**

In our school, there are tons of books with different genres scattered all around our library. This means that it would be hard to find the book you are looking for. Mr Alif introduces us to the Koha system, a library system used by our school staff to help assist students with either borrowing or finding a book, which is very sophisticated.

## **Why is the library important for students?**

There are many reasons why a library is important as a role in one of the many facilities in a school. Mr Alif explains by saying that there are numerous books available for students to use for research, learning, and studying. It also has the internet and air conditioning for students to enjoy while carrying out their studies.



## What are the roles of a student librarian?



A student librarian is crucial in the school library. He goes on explaining that they help with shelving of disorganized books and crowd control, particularly after 3 o'clock. This is when youngsters of the school visit the library to wait for their parents to fetch them after school is over.

## What qualities should the right student librarian candidate have?

Mr Alif says that a school librarian must be attentive to instructions they receive, always assisting the staff with reshelving books, and be forceful with pupils that are ignoring the library rules.



## What is the best part of being a librarian?

Being a librarian brings many benefits, like being able to read books for free, help the school with purchasing more books, and helping students find books that interest them, as it gives a sense of satisfaction from seeing others reading books.



School librarians put in a lot of effort to arrange books in the correct sequence each morning so that students may read them more easily. It has never been simpler to study and conduct research thanks to libraries, which also provide access to the internet and comfortable air conditioning. To lessen the workload on our school librarian, pupils should abide by the library guidelines.



# IT DEPARTMENT

BY LOH YING LE



We may take our school's internet access for granted, but exactly what goes on behind the scenes in the WIS IT department? Well, I've taken my time to interview Mr Freddy and answer some questions you might have about IT.

## **What does a typical day of work look like?**

“A typical day is when the school’s servers are down, and the whole school cannot operate, as everything is online now, using online tools such as Google Classroom, and other student apps.”

## **What projects are you working on?**

“Current projects are enhancing server performance, to improve internet speed for students and staff. These projects include Google classroom, Microsoft surface, and transforming the current system.”

## **How long have you been working in IT, and how working at WIS was different from your previous jobs?**

“I have been working here for 7 years, and WIS is better as I have more opportunities to explore technology for educational purposes compared to my previous jobs, such as wireless classrooms and projectors.”

## **What do you like most about your job?**

“What I like most is that it is fun to explore newer technologies for educational purposes, so that better technology can be implemented for internal clients, which includes the staff and the students.”



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# 11W



*Mr Kong Cheok Thang*

Class Teacher

*"I was taught that I belong to the Asian race.  
Learning science showed me that I belong to the  
human race."*

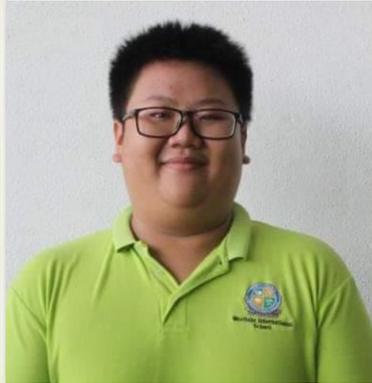


# 11 W



Eimaan Saad Ali

I love Pakistan. I will sacrifice my life for Pakistaaaaaan. I love Pakistan.. We all love Pakistan.. Pakistan?? Zindabad!!



Lai Chi Yan

I don't bite.



Lim Pei Jie

What can I say about school? I laughed, I cried. My parents told me it was fun.



Ng Wen Wey



Yow Fui Shan

Someday we will say these were the best years of our life.



Adithyar Nithiabala Jr.

And the final chapter is finally closed and done.



# 11 W



Caleb Hew Kai Han

Can you see my eyes  
now?



Lam Joo Yee

$E = mc^2$   
Energy = milk x (coffee)<sup>2</sup>



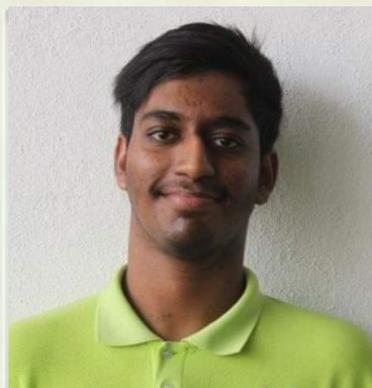
Oh Zhi Lin

Success Is Not Final;  
Failure Is Not Fatal; It Is  
The Courage To Continue  
That Counts.



Wong Zhi Yang

In Spain. Without the 'P'.



Kogulan Ravichandran

My nose made me  
famous, I don't know  
why.



Lim Jia Yee

It's okay to not be okay.



# 11 W



Yugendran Gunalan

Don't be so active in ig (Instagram), be active in IG (IGCSE).



Zachary Tan Ken Zhi

I will miss the cafeteria food, it's the best!



Chai Yee Hang

Don't always look forward, sometimes you need to look back for the juicy peaches around you.



Yuen Ji Shaun

People will always leave eventually, that's why you should learn to let go.



Tharsinaa Gunalan

Every class is drama class in high school.



Thooy Xiao Kuan

Graduation is not the end, it's the beginning.



# 11 W



It's okay to be quiet sometimes.



Death by a thousand cuts (exams)



When you can integrate in math but not into society.



I tried not to sleep in class. Tried.



It's hard to say hi; harder to write a quote





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*Mr Meor Hanif*

Class Teacher

*"Things are only impossible until  
they're not".*



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**Wong Ann Jie**

Don't get me confused  
with Pui Xun!



**Wallen Ng Wai Lun**

WOT?!!



**Kim Youjung**

Merry Christmas!



**Lee Jing Hen**



**Eunice Khoo**

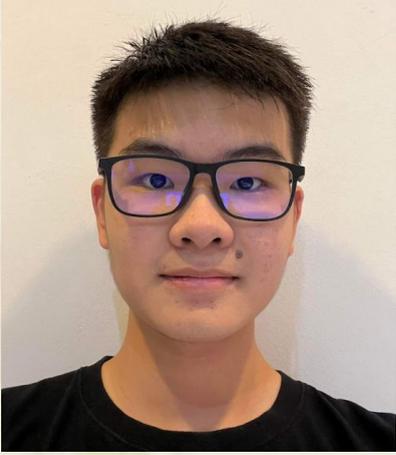
Teacher, writer's block la



**Owen Teh**

Ms Leong, enough  
already la





**Isaac Tang**

In the cookies of life,  
friends are the chocolate  
chips



**Wong Pui Xun**

My forehead is brighter  
than my future.



**Amin Saw**



**Trevor Lin  
Pui Fung**

And I heard them say,  
“Nothing’s ever promised  
tomorrow today. But we  
will find a way.”



**Kelly Choi**

The prosperity of the  
world is a never-ending  
feast. I hide in the bed  
and listen to it all.



**Nicholas Yap**

You can't catch me.





**Yong Ming Hao**

These 7 years passed by in a flash. For those people who don't like me, I don't like myself either. For those who love me, thank you for sticking around.



**Lim Jia He**

Y'all went to high school, I went to school high.



**Soo Yee Shuen**

Finally can leave, finally can rest, never to have homework again.



**Chia Ker Xin**

"Be stronger!" I whispered to the school's WiFi signal.



**Lam Zi Tou**

I'm a nice guy... I swear.



**Zhang Xujia**

Thank you so much.





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*Ms Michelle Chiew*

Class Teacher

*“Never bend your head. Always hold it high. Look the world right in the eye.”*





Chong Jun Yuan

Never thought I'd be doing two to five past year papers a day when a year ago I'd be playing games 24/7



Lai Pei Xuan

Nobody's perfect. Play hard, work hard and enjoy every moment!



Nicole Chong

Life is like a box of chocolates, you never know what you're gonna get.



Ong Wan Xuen

Mr Sam wrote my quote for me because I didn't submit one.



Shawn Arun Javier

Apparently Head Prefects are exempted from submitting quotes.





Chau Tik Sang

Did not make the cut for the next Stephen Chow movie.



Kee Wei Wen

I know you guys like Mr Calvin, but don't take Accounting!



Khor Wen Yin

Sometimes when I close my eyes, I can't see.



Bong Sin Ru

Don't take economics unless you wish to practice economics worksheets next to Ms Subhtra.



Zhang Xuyi

Thanks for creating this good memory.





Ting Liang Yue

When life hands you lemons, make watermelon juice?



Chun Wei Han

What we learn willingly we will never forget. Be yourself.



Tan Zhi Qin

Business Studies is the hardest subject!



Ong Shing Ler

My motto in life is to "Smile, and things will go right for you".



Saw Wai Wah

Don't cry because it's over, smile because it happened.





Jin Hogeun

I would like to thank my arms for always being by my side and my legs for always supporting me.



Seo HaYeong

The real thing is prettier.



Zhang Yibo

The limits of your language are the limits of your world.



Zhang Chunmiao

青春本就是马不停蹄的相遇与错过



Seah Wen Qi

If I stare hard enough, I can communicate telepathically





Wen Yile

Best Dressed Queen for the Boarding Parents Appreciation night



Soorya Ramesh Kumar

“Asks a million questions in person, silent when asked for a quote”  
- Mr. Sam



Raelyn Ooi Wen Lin

Keep yourself safe <3



Yek Ying Earn

Things come to those who stay silent.



Cheang Ee Venn

Never realised that graduation is right ahead until the moment where everyone was scratching heads about what to write for our graduation quotes.







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