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Sports day (Track & Field) is an annual event at Chatsworth where all secondary students get a chance to participate in healthy competition with their peers supervised by the teachers. The school is split into three house teams, Changi, Sentosa and Raffles. Students in each of these teams sign up to do an event where they will, depending on their year, compete with one another. Our school actively encourages everyone to feel comfortable to participate. We feel that it is necessary to conduct sports day because it brings our school community closer as well as give everyone a chance to have fun. The teachers love to participate in this day because it gets them out of their rooms and they are able to see their students thrive not just in the classroom but on the sporting platform too.





**Sports Day 2019** 



Thursday May 30th saw the first batch of students graduate from the Bukit Timah campus. The hall at the Institution of Engineers was fully packed to watch the Class of 2019 formally mark the end of their high school education. The ceremony was enlivened by a number of student performances and Mrs. Melis delivered some heartfelt advice as the Graduation Speaker. Whether they have been with Chatsworth for 12 years or two years, each graduate has been a valued member of our community. We wish them the very best as they embark on the next phase of their journey.



#### - Mr. Hudson



I am grateful for my time in Chatsworth as not only was it fun, but the experiences and expertise I gathered will stay with me for the rest of my life.

- Raman

Since I arrived in Singapore many places were new to me, and you'll think at this time and age, and by the different cultures I've visited that I would've gotten used to this by now, but changes are still difficult. I found a welcoming community that was open to the idea of diversity and Chatsworth was that lovely community. - **Sara** 

I've been saying that I can't wait to graduate ever since this school year started but as I struggled to somehow pick 3 photos to conclude my entire 9 years at Chatsworth, I realised how much memories I've made and how much I'm gonna miss this place once we leave.

- Mona







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This year's book week was the first ever book week hosted at Chatsworth Bukit Timah. The event was organised by the book club and our librarian, Ms Joyce. Book week is a way to celebrate books, the joy they give us and the lessons we learn from them. The many fun activities included costume competition, book character parade, door decorating contest and the battle of the books. We even had the amazing Neil Humphrey come and tell us why he had the best job in the world (Journalist and Author) and told us many funny stories. In the battle of the books, Harry Potter, Greg Heffley (Diary of a Wimpy Kid) and August Pullman (Wonder) battled it out to see which book is the greatest of them all. Congratulations to Diary of a Wimpy Kid for winning with an enormous lead. Overall, we had a great book week and good luck to next year's book week because this one is going to be hard to beat!

- Amaya Yahiya

## Book Weel























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As a student, it's quite a unique and interesting experience to interact with our teachers in quite an informal way. There were laughing, screaming and a lot of smiles. Finally, we all came together at the nest to celebrate the success of the students. The organizers of this eventful day, Mr. Louis and Mr. Serong, then presented the medals to students. This year the overall champion was Sentosa!

- Jacquelyn & Keshav



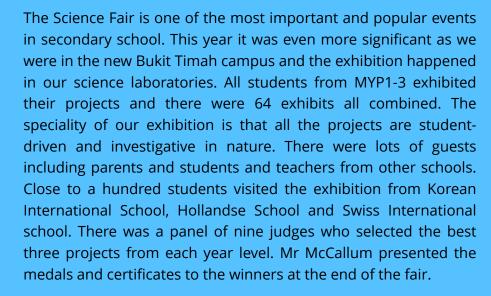
## PRIMARY SPORTS DAY



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## SCIENCE FAIR





"Great work on the Science Fair day. Students were engaged, spoke well and some excellent presentations of their research. Brilliant effort from the teachers to get them there" - Mr Thomas

"Congratulations on an excellent event - I really enjoyed speaking to the students and listening to their presentations. They were informed, proud and confident. I was impressed with the range of experiments and inquiries that they had come up with, some genuinely interesting topics and questions! Well done again for making the effort with these students - it really lifts the profile of science in the school" - Mr Burch



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## How do you know what you know?

The International Baccalaureate Programme offers many subjects across the 6 groups for students to choose from, and to learn the disciplines they are truly interested in. However, there is one subject that is offered beyond that in order to develop further understandings in the course, and to aid students in raising questions pertaining to their learnings - Theory of Knowledge. This, often abbreviated to TOK, is a "core component" of the IB, (along with the Extended Essay and CAS) its primary aim being to discover how we know what we know, and to form opinions on the same. Not only that, but students are also encouraged to evaluate any theory from multiple perspectives and to engage in active discussions, something which may open more avenues to explore. Sharing similarities to a philosophy course, TOK may lead to some of the most insightful dialogue among students, and prove to be something that students eagerly look forward to.

TOK as a subject covers a plethora of topics, which are called "Areas of Knowledge" (AOK). The AOK include topics such as languages, mathematics, human sciences, natural sciences, history, arts, ethics, religious knowledge systems and indigenous knowledge systems. TOK is a subject that can be applied in any way, which means one could have a TOK discussion based on any subject one could think of. TOK becomes the key to solely deepen your understanding, rather than a subject requiring you to study to memorize. Another aspect of TOK is that it is riddled with discussions. Since no single perspective or observation is an answer, everyone tends to be able to discuss the issue, not specifically heading towards a clear answer but rather to further our understandings and allow ourselves to think deeper.

So before you head out let's have a nice fire starter for a possible TOK discussion based on the AOK of "sense perception", shall we? First let us start with the concept of time, and more specifically the past and the future. The past is an amalgamation of the information on what has already happened, and the future is the information yet to be discovered and has not already occurred. So the question is as follows: is time solely a construct of memory or documentation of what has already happened? If so then does the past really exist? Is it a tangible thing? Can we even see time linearly? What if we are just existing, and using our memory as the basis of the past, which would mean even with a time machine one could not return to the "past" because it is not a physical thing, but rather a memory that is built from your senses and previous writings based on those senses.

- Karthikeya Gautham

### **Chatsworth Inter-house championship**

2010 Sentosa 2013 Changi 2016 Sentosa 2019 Sentosa

**2011** Sentosa **2014** Sentosa **2017** ——- **2020** ?

2012 Sentosa 2015 Sentosa 2018 Changi



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On Wednesday 24th April, year 8 Visual Art students enjoyed a drawing excursion to the World Heritage Botanic Gardens where they created both digital and 2D works that will be used as inspiration for their new Georgia O'keeffe paintings.

## **Year 13 Visual Art Exhibition**

## **Year 8 Art Excursion to Botanic Gardens**







On Monday 18th March, the IBDP2 class opened their final exhibition. This exhibition was the culmination of two years work and was worth 40% of their final grade for DP Visual Arts. We congratulate all students on their excellent work.





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### PRIMARY SWIMMING GALA

Chatsworth first ever Primary Swimming Gala took place on Friday 16th March. All the students from Y3 to Y6 took part in the event. This was a hotly contested affair, with all the Houses gaining lots of points. However, it was Sentosa who was victorious. Well done to all students involved; a fun and wet day was had had by all. Miss Abadesco said "This has been an awesome year for the primary swim team" and no doubt about it as we all enjoyed the new swimming program and the facility at our campus. Thanks to Mr Tibor for organising such a great swim meet.

- Chloe Abadesco



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