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Good luck Mr McCallum



Chatsworth has grown and changed exponentially since Mr McCallum joined us in 2011. He has implemented our IBMYP and strengthened our DP programme, developed our well-rounded Student Services programme, worked with the leadership teams and teachers to continuously adapt and enhance our curriculum. We wish Mr McCallum every success with his new leadership role at another international school outside of Singapore. We welcome Ms Siobhan Dean, along with her two children to Chatsworth as our new Head of Secondary in August 2020. Ms Dean is a dedicated and passionate leader with strong communicative and inter-personal skills. She is a life-long learner and has an interest in school culture. We look forward to welcoming her onboard in the new academic year.

Welcome Ms Dean





We began our Exhibition journey in the middle of February and since then a lot has happened to bring our Exhibition to fruition. Home based learning presented the Year 6 students with the challenge of completing their individual inquiries from home. With the constant support from the teachers and mentors, they were able to express themselves through comics, podcasts, animations, virtual tours, stories, documentaries, articles, art works.

The student presentations discuss such topics as; global warming, being unique, positive personal connections, ocean pollution, mental and physical health, plastic pollution, third culture kids and how to be peaceful and happy. If you would like **to** see our presentations and learn more about our topics please scan the QR codes.

YEAR 6 EXHIBITION 2020

I decided to express myself by making a virtual tour using some digital photographs because I feel pictures portray emotions and feelings and can represent positive connections very well. I used an app called "Tour Creator" to do the virtual tour.









I was inquiring what kind of music people like to listen to and how it makes them feel. I found out that even though we all like different types of music it can really change the way we feel. I interviewed people to find out how music inspires them.

I really enjoyed about my Exhibition journey were writing my persuasive writing and drawing for my exhibition comic. Some of the challenges the Exhibition process were drawing and writing for my exhibition because I made mistakes and I had to do it again but it was kind of fun.









The topic I chose for my Exhibition is about being different and unique. I chose this topic because I want people to try new ways to be unique and to know what it is. My central idea is Everyone is unique and can express themselves in a variety of ways.

When I heard that the exhibition was going to be about how we express ourselves I thought it would be a great idea to make a comic. It was hard doing it alone because there were so many chapters. When I worked on my comic it turned out shorter and easier than when I thought about it before.





I think a balance is required between being unique and being the same. I think being very unique can be frustrating for the person as they may not have enough connections or similarities. But being the same as everyone is boring, particularly if it takes a lot of effort to fit in all the time.









I chose to make an animation about this because I would really like to get people's attention with something fun for them to watch but to learn something important at the same time.I really enjoyed being able to make my own animation because it is a creative and fun way to express myself.

The topic I chose for my Exhibition is all about peace, happiness, and wellbeing because I wanted to stand up for the people who feel depressed or are stressed because sometimes it's very hard to not be.









I chose global warming as my topic because it is something serious that will affect me and my generation. We will have to live in a no tree world with high pollution and boiling temperatures if we don't do something about it

I care about marine life and everything in the ocean. It is a delicate ecosystem and we need to protect them because 70 percent of all animal species live in the ocean. We can take action to help solve global problems if we express ourselves creatively and responsibly. I decided to make an animation using stop motion.









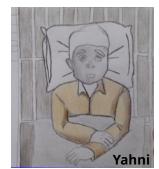
I decided to express myself by making a piece of art and an article because I love to do art! It's really fun and there are so many resources I can use. "Taking action to educate and inspire others to participate in a balance of physical activities."

My Exhibition is about mental and physical health. I chose this topic because it's good to be healthy and if you like playing some sports you can have fun and also be healthy. I really enjoyed making my comic on my computer.





Some of our Y11 and Y7 art students explored the significance of living through the circuit breaker during the COVID -19 pandemic and how it impacted them.



My New Life



Living As Blanks



Today's World



Covid Significance







Kayleigh Anderson

My artwork consists of a drawing of me surrounded by toxic air representing the feeling of being trapped and confined by the COVID 19 virus. My face shows a blank expression conveying my sense of feeling useless during the global pandemic. All I can do is wait and watch...



Nandika Kumar

The painting that I have created is about the 2020 Pandemic that we are going through this year. For me, what I will remember about the Coronavirus, is having to wear masks all day long, and how depressing it is to see people all around doing the same. I wanted to represent my family, as this painting will remind us about how I felt when we all had to go out, frightened of the virus. This painting will be very memorable, and I will treasure it, to remind us about how life was during this time.



Kenji Komar

In this painting, I've made a portrait of a doctor from the hospital kicking the corona-virus out of the earth as though it is a football. I think that this relates to me because I really miss playing football as I've been staying home for 2 months following the protocols. The things in this painting that was significant for me is that the doctors in hospitals are very under appreciated as they're the ones saving our lives and staying out to work meanwhile everyone stays home.



Ella Bempasciuto

This painting symbolises how we as human beings are being affected by the corona virus through the spread of germs and shows a visual representation of how contagious it is. I made the woman wearing the mask look as normal as I could to show that anyone is capable of getting the virus, no matter your age, race and so on. I am proud of the technique and skill used in this painting. I first met Mr McCallum in 2008 when we were both attending the Apple Distinguished Educator programme in Singapore. Mark was working at another international school

in Singapore and we had never met previously. After spending a few days together, sharing our passion about technology integration and education, we realised we had much in common and kept in touch, often joking it would be nice to work together one day. At the end of the 2010 academic year, I was looking to fill the Head of Secondary and Campus Vice Principal role at our Orchard campus and the Board ended up hiring Mark. Since 2011 Mr McCallum has done a lot of work to grow and develop not only our secondary programme but many of our whole school policies and procedures. Mr McCallum has been my source of knowledge for most things secondary-related and has been an excellent partner in making decisions during difficult periods, such as this COVID-19 pandemic. We will be sad to see him leave us this year but we are also delighted for him as he begins his new role as head of another international school.

- Mr Sherwood

Mr McCallum has a great sense of perspective and helps people solve problems calmly. He jumps into action when needed and I've never seen him run so fast as when he heard that a student had been in a traffic accident on Orchard Road. I'm grateful for his ability to help people grow: for students and teachers alike, he sees the best in people, believes in them and provides opportunities for them to shine. I'm amazed by how quickly he has learned Chinese after mispronouncing Mdm Wang's name for so many years and it shows he is a true lifelong learner.

- Mr Costich

Mr McCallum, a catalyst for educational change and he continues...



I've known Mr McCallum for 10 years now and in all that time he has been a warm, honest and approachable principal. Mr McCallum has the ability to make anyone feel comfortable talking to him and this is part of what makes him an inspiring school leader. His considered reasoning and professionalism masks a warm sense of humour, and he never fails to show his passion for education and a determination to create a caring and inclusive international community. We have all changed a lot in the last decade, but Mr McCallum can always be relied on to be enthusiastic, compassionate and dedicated towards a better educational life. - Ms Shelly





The past few years have been a mixture of fantastic memories that I've been lucky enough to share with a group of amazing friends and incredible teachers. Teachers are always open minded and it made me comfortable to always approach them if I had any issues.

Best Wishes to our Graduates of 2020

Year after year I would say to myself, this has been the best year, thinking it couldn't get any better, but it did. Realising that this is all coming to an end still hasn't really sunk in yet...but for some reason I don't imagine the good times will ever end with you guys.

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It will definitely be hard to finally graduate from the place that I consider a second home: however, if I have learned anything at all from taking the IB, it is that change is not necessarily a bad thing and that stepping out from my comfort zone can lead to a whole new world of opportunities and

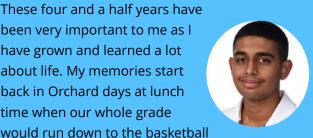
experiences.



The phrase "No choice" resounds to my ear often. As I hear this phrase, It means three things. That you embrace anything that happens to you and It will happen regardless of what you do and creates a mindset of idleness. By believing that there is always a choice, it invites possibility and

opportunity into the table.

I've made a lot of amazing memories in Chatsworth: the energetic conversations with friends and teachers alike, the many music performances, dancing to Bollywood songs and my antics of slav squatting in every corner of the Bukit Timah campus. I'm gonna sorely miss everyone dear to me here.



I lived, laughed and learned here and I can say without a doubt that throughout those years Chatsworth has truly become a second home to me.

been very important to me as I have grown and learned a lot about life. My memories start back in Orchard days at lunch time when our whole grade

The friends that I have met along the way are some of the realest, most down to earth people I have met in my life.



Though I've had my fair share of ups and downs throughout the years, I am glad I have always been a part of a supportive, positive community to help me get to where I am today.







Thank You and Good luck Ms Saxena Welcome and Good Luck Mr Hudson

IB DPC



After spending 14 wonderful years with Chatsworth, I have decided to move on for other challenges and opportunities in my life.

It has been a pleasant journey and I will carry fond memories from Chatsworth. I am proud of seeing the growth of our students during these years and having the opportunity to work with such a diverse set of colleagues, whom I have enjoyed working with thoroughly. Spending a significant part of my life with Chatsworth, whatever I do from now or wherever I go to, Chatsworth will always remain in my heart and memories.

It has been a pleasure to be a part of student journey in some way or the other. Seeing them all succeed in their lives will always be a joy for me. Wishing our students all the best for their future endeavours.

It has been wonderful working with all the staff at Chatsworth through all our highs and lows, we have been a great team. I thank Mr. Hudson and welcome to the new role as DPC. I am sure Mr. Hudson will take the team to greater success. Wishing you all the best for the future results.

- Ms Saxena

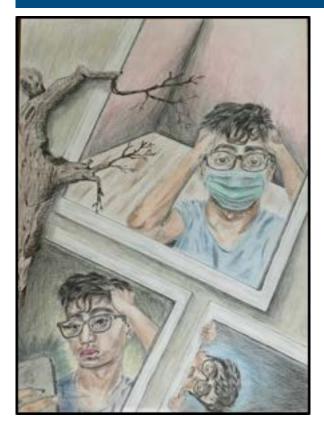


Since 1998, the Emerald Hill location has been home to our Orchard main campus catering to students from Kindergarten to Year 13. As a centrally located location and one that has been designated as a historic site, redevelopment plans by the local authorities are afoot. As we bid farewell to our beloved Orchard campus in June 2020, we know that Orchard will always hold a special place in many of our hearts. Thank you to each and every member of our community - past and present for the wonderful 22 years of memories.

Thank you every one for keeping us safe and protected during these difficult times. You are the real champions!



Shreshth depicts himself being isolated in several rooms with each room showing different emotions he has had during this circuit breaker. The painting narrates his emotions perfectly.



My artwork shows my personal experience of the circuit breaker period. I portray myself from an outsider's perspective as they "look into my life". One of the windows depicts me wearing a mask and grabbing my hair. This shows anger or frustration that I experienced as I am not allowed to go outside or meet my friends. The red background and the mask is also a symbol for the dangers of the virus. This shows that despite my frustration, I understand the dangers of the virus and that it is important to be socially responsible. In another window I depict myself looking at my phone in shock.

The virus has spread at an alarming rate causing many shocking and depressing headlines. The murky green background creates a sickening and lethargic mood, complementing my message. Lastly, I have depicted myself peaking outside in the bottom corner. This was done to convey the feeling of timidness. As the virus can be transmitted easily, this has led to a feeling of paranoia when going outside I have also painted a dead tree on the outside. This is a symbol for the "outside" world as many people are dying, the world economy is crashing and work, schools, and leisure activities have closed.

The Phoenix Times



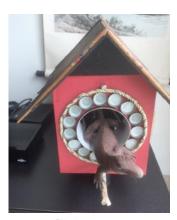
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MYP2 Design Project

During the conversations planning for the HBL period Chatsworth Bukit Timah Campus design teachers faced real dilemmas about what would be possible for students working at home and with often limited resources. We had to plan completely new units of work to adapt but it was important for us to try to get students away from computer based learning and into more hands on creative thinking and also emphasising being resourceful. One of the successful design projects in HBL was the year 8-1 class trying to make a birdhouse out of found/ recycled materials. The students were able to link their designs with their

home country if they wished. Some very high quality birdhouses were made by students in 8-1 and photographs as evidence are provided. - Mr Thomas

