

Principal Newsletter



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Dear Parent

What a week we have had! The school is very proud to announce that we have had great student success in the **Penang Schools' photography competition** and two of our star sporting students, won special awards at the **Sports Excellence Awards Ceremony** organised by the Penang state education department.

Penang International Schools' Photography Competition

Accolades and congratulations were in abundance for GIP students at the Penang International School's Photography competition on Saturday, held at the Seri Tanjung Pinang. 19 of our students had their work exhibited which accounted for 32 of the photos open to public viewing, with most of the photos exhibited being from GIP. The organisers and key sponsors, Eastern and Oriental Berhad (E&O) and TEG Media, together with Canon spoke highly of the school's positive contribution and support for this community event – the first of its kind here in Penang.

Out of the eight awards, five went to GIP students and the results are as follows:

1. Effie Chew Chen Yu (1st Runner Up – Junior Category – “Happy at Ease”)
2. Pennie Lim (Champion – Junior Category – “Youth”)
3. Goh Jia Jian Jared (2nd Runner Up – Junior Category – “Amazing Spider Prawns”)
4. Choo Pei Yee (1st Runner Up – Senior Category – “Reflection”)
5. Effie Chew Chen Yu (Winner of the online voting competition – “I can see a Rainbow”)

Each of the winners was awarded a certificate, trophy and also were given a cash prize for their achievements.

All the exhibited photographs have been enlarged to A2 size and will form part of our own photography competition and exhibition in December (more details will follow soon). Well done also to the following students who had their work displayed:

- Enrika Khaw Wye Zen
- Ummikha A/P S.Pirithivaraj
- Isabelle Choong En Xin
- Lau Zixi
- Tan Shi Shuen
- Khong Ziv Hale
- Loh Ivy

- Joshua Ian Mathews
- Poh Vernice
- Poh Shi Ying
- Loh Yong Xu
- Chang Yie Thung
- Lim Yin Shiang
- Choo Jia Hao
- Jason Ong Zhi Xian

The success of all our students will be celebrated in international week assembly. Well done to everyone who contributed and took part. We can build on this success next year and we look forward to our own GIP Photography competition and exhibition in December. We are currently exploring the possibility of being able to create calendars, mugs, t-shirts, key rings etc., using the student's photographs and hopefully being able to have this in place so that they can be ordered and purchased for presents throughout the year.

PLEASE SEE ATTACHED FILE WITH THE WINNING PHOTOS

GIP Sporting accolades for Farah and Melissa



It was another proud day for GEMS on Tuesday 31 October as two students received recognition for sporting excellence at the Sports Excellence Awards Ceremony organised by the Penang state education department. **Melissa Choong** and **Farahdini bt Mohd Azizi** (above) made GEMS proud as they went up to receive their awards. Melissa represented Penang in the MSSM track and field championships whilst Farah represented Penang in the MSSM golf championships. Melissa also received awards for representing Malaysia and winning 3 gold medals and the 'best athlete award' in the MSSM-LAWA-SSSC Little Athletics Championships between athletes from Malaysia, Australia and Singapore. Fantastic achievements – many congratulations to them both!



Melissa and Farah receiving their awards

Other News

Year 8.1 assembly

On Wednesday, there was a highly entertaining assembly but at the same time, with a serious message about the future of our oceans and in particular, the worrying state of our fish species which are becoming at risk due to overfishing and pollution. Great performance 8.1!



Great performance and message from class 8.1

Year 6b Assembly

This morning (Friday) 6b produced a very entertaining and instructive assembly on the human body – the science topic which they have been studying. At the end, there was a great quiz on the information they covered for all the KS2 students to answer. They did well and came up with a funny way of showing whether a student got the right or wrong answer! 🙌👎 Great fun 6b!!!



Year 6b assembly on the human body and singing and dancing to 'dem bones, dem bones'!

Staff training

Last week the teachers were busy too training for the implementation of iSAMS an educational management web based software system to help us manage the school much more efficiently and to help us communicate information and student progress to parents in different formats.



Staff training this week

REMINDERS:

- **Week beginning Monday 6 November:**
International Week
- **Wednesday 08 November:**
PSG Committee Meeting 2 p.m.
- **Friday 10 November:**
International Assembly 1.15-2.25 in the MPH.
- **Tuesday 14 November Parent Focus Group (PFG)**
meeting for all parents:

**‘School-Parent Partnership at GIP and meet the Senior
Leadership Team’**

Have a great weekend!

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Principal