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SSB OPEN DAY 2012

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SSB IS THE BEST!



From the Director of Studies Desk...

Dear Parents

I am pleased, on behalf of Sekolah Sri Bestari, to write this newsletter, to update you on events and progress. What has been increasingly apparent to me in Sri Bestari this year, is the amazing number of activities which go on almost every day, both in and beyond the classroom. Only yesterday, the whole of the Primary School (with the exception of Year 6 who are taking their UPSR examinations) went on educational visits, to Kidsmania, a manufacturing factory, and the Malaysian Airforce Base in Sungai Besi. Today is Canteen Day, and the Secondary Clubs are providing a mouth-watering array of foods and drinks for the whole school to enjoy. The "Tree of Hope" is in full swing, as part of the preparations for the Rise and Run charity run, and today we also have a "Fun With Science" activities programme for Primary, run by an external organisation.

I spend as much time as I can talking with our students, and listening to what they have to say about our school. Students often tell me they think a lot of meaningful learning goes on outside the classroom, as well as inside. This is music to my ears, because I firmly believe that a good school should provide as many opportunities as possible, for students to develop skills and learning experiences both in and beyond the classroom. But all these activities do not happen without the dedication and enthusiasm of the teachers, who are prepared to give so much of their time and energy, often outside school hours, for the benefit of our dear students. So a sincere "thank you" to them, from the management team.

Last Saturday morning, the Parents Association held its AGM at the school. The Parents Association Committee are to be commended for their unswerving efforts to support the school. The PA Carnival earlier this year was an amazing feat of organisation, and was a resounding success. However, the turnout for PA meetings, and indeed other important meetings held by the school, are usually poorly attended, and it is a great pity that more parents cannot find the time to attend, busy though you all are.

As part of the school's drive to get more parents directly involved with the school, I proposed at the PA AGM that the Parents Association become a Parent Teachers Association. It is our wish that parents and teachers will be able to forge closer links, for the benefit of the students. The school can only contribute so much toward a child's education. We need the parents support and involvement too. Positive parent involvement raises student success. When parents are involved in their children's learning, their children do better in school. Parent Teacher's Associations are very much the norm these days, and a good proactive PTA is considered to be one of the main catalysts for school improvement and for student success. The new PTA will kick off in January, so I do hope that we shall be seeing more of you at key meetings, PTA meetin and events like Report Card Day, at school.

Secondary School

A reminder that the next Secondary Report Card Day, for Forms 1,2 and 4 is on Thursday 8th November, from 8am to 1230. We hope that all parents of students in those years will be able to attend. The Heads of all three schools are pleased to meet parents to discuss their child's progress at any time, but this should be done through an appointment, either by email or by phone.

One way in particular, that you can help us, is by ensuring that your child arrives on time every day. There has recently been an increase in the number of late arrivals. Punctuality is very important, if the school is to function properly. You are encouraged to ensure that your child wears their ecard to school every day, and that it is in good condition. Another big help is to keep a watchful eye on homework, and try to ensure that a regular time is set aside, for your child to study/revise/do homework.

Attendance for all exams and tests, whether internal or national, is essential, if the student is to have a good transcript record. Please refer to the school's policies on acceptable reasons for non-attendance, which are strictly adhered to.

The school will be organising a range of Post PMR activities for all form 3 students. There will be introductory lessons to form 4 subjects and many other interesting and exciting programmes. Attendance is compulsory, and we request that you support us by ensuring that your child is a regular attender during that period.

We are planning for 2013, and parents have been asking about the process for students being promoted. The following chart explains the process:

Promotion to Form	Minimum requirement	Details
1	UPSR + Placement Test + Interview Session	No streaming in Form 1. Five classes are available
2	IPBS + (Mid-Year + Final Exam) = 90% + 10% Co-Cu performance	Streaming of Classes: CEKAL and CEKAP Subsequent classes: CERDIK, CERDAS and CEMERLANG (In no particular order)
3	Mid-Year + Final Exam = 90% + 10% Co-Cu performance	Streaming of Classes: CEKAL and CEKAP Subsequent classes: CERDIK, CERDAS and CEMERLANG (In no particular order)
4	Minimum of 5 Grade C in PMR*	4 classes are available (110 places) Package 1: Pure Science Package 2: Business Package 3: Business & Technology Package 4: Vocational

Students who do not obtain the minimum requirements as set out above, can appeal for enrolment under conditional acceptance, but it depends on availability, and good disciplinary record.

Primary School

- The post exam activities for the Year 6 pupils will be from 17 September to 9 November 2012. The schedule will be emailed to all Year 6 parents.
- Final exam will be from 16 – 19 October 2012 as stated in the school planner. Any requests to sit for the exam before and after the dates stated in the planner will not be entertained
- Class teachers will be discussing the pupils' progress report with parents during the final report card session, and the assessment tools used.
- The theme for the musical performance this year is Jungle Wonders. The performance will be held on 3 November 2012. Please help us by ensuring that your son/daughter arrive at school on time every day.

...and finally.....

There are a number of innovations being planned for next year. These include a general upgrade of existing buildings and our IT infrastructure, the introduction of a foreign language and additional sports. Our timetables in both primary and secondary are being restructured, to allow for longer periods, keeping existing short periods (30-40 minutes) to a minimum. This allows teachers to expand classroom activities, and gives students more time to focus on tasks, and learn better. We are also discussing the introduction of UK syllabus (Cambridge) courses for a small number of classes in Primary Years 1, 2 and 3, commencing September 2013, which would run parallel to the National streams. Secondary Cambridge classes would follow soon after. We will keep you updated, as our plans progress.

There are still a limited number of places available for the International Club/Interact Club joint study tour to Bali, from 9th to 12th November. The inclusive cost is RM1900, and if any parents are interested, I have details and application forms available on request. Payment needs to be made by the end of September.

My door is always open, and I am always very pleased to meet with parents to discuss their child's progress, or indeed any issues related to the school.

With kind regards

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Interesting On Going Exhibitions

Kindergarten

Theme : Dream Land

- Dinosaur Land
- Scientific Land
- Water World
- Chocolate Land

Primary

Science

Human Innovation in Action

Technology in the making, modification, usage and knowledge of tools in order to solve problems and achieve goals or perform specific functions.

Art

Theme : 3Rs (Reduce, reuse and recycle)

Secondary

- Making lip balm / lip gloss
- Growing rock candy
- Matchstick Speedboats
- Paper Chromatography
- Math Games

Heart in Art, Create & Craft

- Quick Batik Printing
- Face Painting
- Friendship Band
- DIY Brooch
- Cooking Demo



SAMBUTAN HARI GURU 2012

Pada 16 Mei 2012, sambutan Hari Guru peringkat sekolah telah diadakan. Acara sambutan bermula pada pukul 8 pagi dengan didahului bacaan doa oleh Tuan Haji Wan Ali Saifuddin. Acara seterusnya adalah ucapan dari ketua pengawas sekolah menengah. Seterusnya, Pn Roslina Alias membacakan perutusan daripada Ketua Pengarah Pelajaran dan perutusan daripada Menteri Pelajaran Malaysia dibaca oleh Encik Fauzi Ayob serta ucapan daripada Mr Christopher Frankland (Director of Studies).

Acara diteruskan dengan bacaan ikrar yang diketuai oleh Encik Ab. Wahab Hassan dan nyanyian lagu 'Kami Guru Malaysia' dan lagu tema iaitu 'Guru Inovatif Melonjakkan Transformasi Pendidikan Negara' oleh semua guru. Guru-guru kemudian diberi cenderahati oleh Mr Christopher Frankland mewakili pihak Land & General Berhad sebagai tanda terima kasih kepada semua guru-guru atas jasa dan bakti yang telah diberikan cerderahati dari.

Guru-guru kemudiannya dihiburkan dengan pelbagai persembahan daripada pelajar-pelajar sekolah rendah dan menengah. Majlis sambutan ini berakhir pada pukul 10pagi.

Selepas rehat pagi menengah rendah, sambutan Peringkat Bahagian Menengah telah berlangsung di konkos sekolah menengah yang diaturkan oleh para pengawas dan perpustakaan. Pelbagai acara telah disusun untuk guru-guru antaranya ialah permainan tele-match. Para guru amat seronok dan gembira sepanjang tele-match itu diadakan. Acara diakhiri dengan pemberian hadiah kepada pemenang permainan tele-match dan cenderahati kepada guru-guru daripada pelajar. Acara sambutan pada kali ini tamat pada pukul 1.45 petang.



MAJLIS BERBUKA PUASA BERSAMA ANAK-ANAK YATIM RUMAH KASIH HARMONI



Pada 10 Ogos 2012 bersamaan 21 Ramadhan 1433 Hijrah, Sekolah Sri Bestari telah menganjurkan Majlis Berbuka Puasa untuk anak – anak yatim dari Rumah Kasih Harmoni, Paya Jaras. Majlis itu telah dimeriahkan lagi dengan kedatangan pelajar, ibu bapa dan juga guru Sekolah Sri Bestari.

Tetamu Kehormat yang telah hadir pada hari itu adalah Encik Lau Gay Teck Pengarah Urusan Land & General Berhad, En K C NG, Pengarah Lang Education Sdn Bhd, Tan Sri Dato' Dr. Asiah Abu Samah selaku pengerusi lembaga pengelola Sekolah Sri Bestari dan juga Datuk Sharifah Maimunah selaku ahli lembaga pengelola Sekolah Sri Bestari.

Bacaan doa oleh Tuan Haji Wan Ali Saifuddin untuk memberkati majlis yang penuh keberkatan itu. Selesai bacaan doa, majlis diteruskan lagi dengan ucapan aluan dari Ketua Bahagian Rendah iaitu Puan Normah Hashim selaku wakil Sekolah Sri Bestari untuk mengalu-alukan kedatangan anak-anak yatim ke majlis itu.

Bagi meraikan majlis tersebut, anak-anak yatim yang diraikan telah menerima sumbangan dari pihak Lang Education yang disampaikan oleh Encik Lau Gay Teck. Kakitangan Sekolah Bestari juga telah berbesar hati menyampaikan sumbangan kepada anak yatim yang disampaikan oleh Encik Chris Frankland selaku ketua pengajian Sekolah Sri Bestari. Turut hadir untuk menyampaikan sumbangan pada hari itu adalah Encik Izwan Ali selaku wakil dari Bank Simpanan Nasional. Diharapkan kesemua sumbangan yang telah diberikan dapat memeriahkan sambutan Hari Raya anak-anak yatim dari Rumah Kasih Harmoni pada tahun ini.

Seterusnya, telah dimeriahkan lagi dengan persembahan nyanyian lagu-lagu berunsur kerohanian dari pelajar sekolah menengah dan juga nyanyian nasyid dari pelajar sekolah rendah. Selepas itu, kesemua tetamu yang hadir serta anak-anak yatim telah berbuka puasa bersama-sama. Kesemua tetamu juga telah mengerjakan solat maghrib berjemaah seterusnya solat tarawikh dan juga solat hajat bagi memohon pertolongan dari Allah bagi pelajar-pelajar Sekolah Sri Bestari yang akan menduduki peperiksaan UPSR, PMR dan juga SPM. Solat jemaah telah diimamkan oleh saudara Ameerul Qayyum bin Sollihin dan juga Encik Saadun bin Jaabar.

Majlis telah berakhir pada jam 10.00 malam. Diharapkan majlis yang penuh keberkatan ini telah mendapat seribu rahmat dari Yang Maha Esa dan juga jutaan tahniah kepada kesemua pihak yang telah menjayakan majlis ini.



LAPORAN SAMBUTAN HARI KEMERDEKAAN PERINGKAT SEKOLAH MENENGAH

Sambutan Hari Kemerdekaan Bahagian Menengah Sekolah Sri Bestari telah diadakan pada 27 Ogos yang lepas. Tema sambutan Hari Kemerdekaan pada tahun ini ialah 'Janji Ditepati'. Sambutan Hari Kemerdekaan pada kali ini telah dianjurkan oleh Persatuan Geografi dan Sejarah Sekolah Sri Bestari.

Majlis Sambutan Hari Kemerdekaan ini bermula pada pukul 11.00 pagi. Majlis dimulai dengan ucapan alu-aluan pengerusi majlis dan seterusnya majlis perasmian oleh Puan Rosnah, Ketua Bahagian Menengah Sekolah Sri Bestari. Seterusnya, semua pelajar dan guru dipertontonkan lakonan babak rundingan kemerdekaan oleh pelajar-pelajar Persatuan Geografi dan Sejarah. Seterusnya, majlis diteruskan dengan persembahan nyanyian lagu 'Jalur Gemilang' yang juga dipersembahkan oleh pelajar-pelajar Persatuan Geografi dan Sejarah.

Acara kemuncak sambutan Hari Kemerdekaan pada tahun ini adalah acara melekatkan Jalur Gemilang pada kereta semua guru. Acara ini disempurnakan oleh Pengarah Pelajaran Sekolah Sri Bestari, En. Chris Frankland. Lagu-lagu patriotik diperdengarkan sepanjang acara tersebut dijalankan. Majlis Sambutan Hari Kemerdekaan tamat pada pukul 1.10 tengah hari.

SEMINAR PMR 2012 SEKOLAH SRI BESTARI BANDAR SRI DAMANSARA

Di sepanjang bulai Julai 2012 yang lalu, Sekolah Menengah Sri Bestari telah mengadakan Seminar PMR bagi pelajar-pelajar tingkatan 3. Berikut merupakan tarikh-tarikh seminar bagi subjek-subjek yang terlibat:-

- 3 Julai 2012 : Geografi
- 4 Julai 2012 :Sejarah
- 5 Julai 2012 : Matematik
- 10 Julai 2012:English
- 11 Julai 2012: Bahasa Malaysia
- 19 Julai 2012: Sains
- 20 Julai 2012: Pendidikan Islam



Seramai 130 orang calon PMR 2012 yang terlibat dalam seminar ini. Seminar dijalankan di dewan sekolah. Penceramah-penceramah yang pakar dalam bidang masing-masing dijemput dari pelbagai sekolah untuk memberi tips-tips berkenaan persediaan PMR. Seminar yang berlangsung selama 2 jam 30 minit itu serba sedikit dapat membantu pelajar melihat sejauhmana persediaan yang telah mereka lakukan. Disamping membincangkan strategik menjawab soalan.Seminar yang bermula pada 2.30 petang itu berakhir pada 4.30 petang dengan penyampaian cenderamata kepada penceramah jemputan. Semoga dengan adanya seminar seperti ini mampu memberi input positif kepada semua pelajar



Happenings at Primary



SWIMMING GALA 2012

The sport of swimming has come a long way from its inception to the way the world views it today. Changes have been made to the rules, and advancements in swimming technique have been made throughout history. Although humans have been swimming for thousands of years, swimming only became a competitive sport in the early 1800s. Today, swimming is the third most-watched sport in



Swimming Gala of Sri Bestari School was held at SD Club from 8.15a.m to 12.30p.m on 6th July 2012. This is our annual event. It was officially launched by Mr. K.C.Ng, the Director of Lang Education & Chief Financial Officer of L&G Bhd. There were six events in this Swimming Competition-Front Crawl 25 Meters (Boys and Girls) , Front Crawl 25 Meters with Board (Boys and Girls below 8 years old), Breast Stroke 25 Meters (Boys and Girls), Free Style 50 Meters Open (Secondary Boys and Girls), Breast Stroke 50 Meters Open (Secondary Boys) and 4×25 Meters (Boys Junior and Girls Junior). All the participants were from Primary Section and Secondary Section. Swimming Ended with Prize Giving Ceremony and School Song.



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Minggu Akademik Dua 2012

Minggu Akademik Dua 2012 telah dilancarkan pada 20 Julai 2012 yang telah dirasmikan oleh Ketua Bahagian Rendah Puan Siti Normah Hashim dan Director Of Studies Mr Chris Frankland.

Minggu Akademik Dua bertemakan "Hargailah Warisan Budaya Kita " bertujuan untuk memberikan kesedaran tentang adat resam , nilai budaya dan warisan negara Malaysia dikalangan murid.

Pelbagai aktiviti telah dijalankan yang melibatkan perkembangan fizikal, jasmani dan rohani bagi melahirkan anak-anak Bestari yang berketrampilan dan kreatif dalam pelbagai bidang merangkumi aspek bahasa ,seni, budaya, dan agama . Antara aktiviti yang dijalankan ialah persembahan drama, nasyid, pertunjukan pakaian tradisional, kuiz, dan lain-lain.

Minggu akademik dua telah berakhir pada 16 Ogos 2012. Semua aktiviti berjalan lancar dengan kerjasama yang diberikan oleh semua guru sekolah rendah.

M a t h s & S c i e n c e c a m p 2 0 1 2



Date : 21 j u l y 2 0 1 2

Time : 8.15—1.30

Venue : p r i m a r y c o n c o u r s e

P a r t i c i p a n t s : a l l y e a r 6 p u p i l s

News from Manjaria Bestari



It is coming to the end of the year again. The parents and children are looking forward for the coming Manjaria Graduation and Concert Day. Through out the year the children have been learning the different steps in dancing, hands movements and singing during Music and Movement lessons. Now is the time to put all they have learnt together into a musical play, "Alice in the wonderland".

Introducing the dance steps and talking about the musical play help to get these little children interested in story books. The children will talk about the characters in the books which they enjoy to read with their friends. Through these activities the children are encouraged to read and understand the story.

6th July 2012 - Water Play

For this water play session, the teachers set-up the pools at the school playground. The children were very excited to see the pools early in the morning. The teachers had a hard time to keep the children from going to the pools before the session.

The children had a fun and enjoyable time playing with their friends. They moved from one pool to another.

10th July 2012- Story Telling and Rhyme Competitions

The 6 years old children from Anggerik and Teratai Classes did the Story Telling Competition and the 5 and 4 years old children from Mawar and Kemboja Classes respectively did the Rhyme Competition at the Primary Concourse.

The winners for the Story Telling Competition are Aliya Iqlima Fluck, A M Vishwa Makaswaran, Soo Ee Lynn, Mohinh Murali and Wong Hwan Jie.

The winners for the Rhyme Competition are Suchietah Arunasalam Ramesh, Devina Ramm Vellautham, Cinta Strawberry Abadi (4 years old), Sivadarshini Sivakumar and Johan Nazri.

13th July 2012 – Dream Land

The school organized this project work activities for the children to learn while they are having fun. In this project work, there were 4 different types of Dream Land which in fact reflect the time line; Dinosaur Land during the olden days, Chocolate Land during the fantasy of movies, Scientific Land during the modern inventions like now and finally Under The Sea where in future humans will have to stay.

The children have to imagine that they went through a tunnel and they entered the Dream Land. There were different types of activities and craft works for the children to do and play at the individual land. The children moved from one land to another and the teachers were at the different lands to facilitate the children's activities.

The children can pretend to be a robot at the Scientific Land. They can even pretend to ride on the dinosaurs. The children had fun eating chocolates at the Chocolate Land. They also had fun playing Sponge Bob game at the Under The Sea.

The children had a small dairy each for them to paste or write down what they like about that land which they had visited.

14th July 2012 – Open Day

During the Open Day, the winners from the Story Telling and Rhyme Competitions preformed on the Primary stage and received their prizes.

Some children were selected to act-out a drama, "The Old Woman Who Lived In A Shoe" on stage. They were very impressive and did very well on the stage.

31st July 2012 – Birthday Party

At the end of each month, the school organized a birthday party for the children who were born on that month.

9th August 2012 – Photo Session

A professional photographer came to school to take the 6 years old children's graduation photographs and also the children's class photographs with their teachers.

30th August 2012 – Hari Raya and National Day Celebration

The children were invited to come to school in any types of tradition costumes or clothing. The children coloured their own Malaysia flags and paraded with their flags to the Primary school. The children also did a fashion show on stage and the best dressed boy, Lim Zi Siang and the best dressed girl, Yasmeeen were given a prize each.

This year we only have two children who were born in the month of August and we celebrated their birthday together with our National Day celebration. To instill the love of our country, Malaysia, Manjaria organized a Colouring Contest which help the children understand the term; "Satu Malaysia".

Some parents brought Hari Raya goodies for this celebration.

At the end of the day, the children did finger printing to form Malaysian flags for display at the school.

5th September 2012 – Water Play

The school bus took the children to SD club for this water play session. In fact all the children are accustomed with the swimming pool and the routine at the pool. They knew what they must do before going in to the pool and how they must behave in the pool.



NOTE.....



Chief Editor

Cik Noor Azamima Mohd Amin

Everything You Do

*I appreciate everything that you do,
Very helpful and thoughtful too.
From the beginning, you've been there for me,
When I was down, you were strong like a tree.*

*You offer so much, a heart that is kind,
Thinking to help others, in your beautiful mind.
Your qualities combined, are extremely rare,
You wake up each morning, with a smile and care.*

*Everything you do, I respect and praise,
You're a wonderful person, you always amaze.
Wish to say thank you, deep in my heart,
For so many lives, you're a big part.*



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