

Principal's Message



Dear Parents,

Being happy is about feeling good. Most of us are looking for the meaning of happiness. Many are struggling to find real happiness. Each person has their own perception about the meaning of happiness. Some think happiness is We prosperity. are happy when we get what we want. Happiness means everything, when one could get a higher position, or have lots of money to buy everything that one dreams of, or when one could eat delicious food, or when one could visit every country in the world. These may make life meaningful but it does not necessarily make us happy.

On the other hand, happiness is not always about money or everything that everyone can see with their sight. Some people say, happiness is the time when one could be with their families and spend quality time. The most important way to make our life full of happiness is when one could share their smiles from the bottom of their heart with the people around them. Aside this, one could always be happy by being thankful to the God that gives us the strength to face challenges in our life.

Christmas and New Year season is coming soon, and when the time comes some of us tend celebrate it luxuriously. What we need to remember is that the true Christmas spirit fills our hearts with compassion and our homes with joy. It is time to remind one another to share our love and happiness with others. How wonderful it would be to see our mothers and fathers smiling at us! Don't we feel great when our brothers, sisters, or even our best friends feel happy and able to spend time together during Christmas and New Year!

would like to take this opportunity to wish all of us Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! Always remember to make people around us feel wonderful with our smile. Please remember that as human beings we need each other. Though we have everything, Everything will be nothing if we have to live in Ioneliness. Once again, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all John Paul's School community. Shine and bright like a candle in the dark! Let us bring joy, love and happiness to all around us. Frederica M. Lalopua Principal

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> Education is not Preparation for life; Education is life itself. John Dewey

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Happy Independence Day



The celebration of Independence Day is of great significance to the people and history of Indonesia. On August 17, 1945, Indonesia declared its independence from Netherlands. On the morning of August 17, students, teachers and staff at JPS gathered to join ceremonies to raise the Indonesian flag.

The preparations for "Hari Merdeka" or Independence Day begin well in advance. The flag hoisting ceremony took place at the front parking area of the school at 8.00 a.m. A chosen number of High School students showed their marching skills and put up a colorful show to hoist The the Indonesian flag. ceremony was led by our dear Junior High & Senior High Principal, Mr. Alfonsus Harjono. Dirgahayu Indonesia Merdeka!







The school held celebrations on Monday 18th August after the Independence Day. There were decorations hung all throughout the school in red and white. Students from the entire school from Playgroup to Senior High School gathered for friendly competitions, festivities and celebrations. The challenges included sack races and a krupuk or cracker eating contest, where participants race to eat a giant cracker hanging from a string with their hands tied behind their back. One of the toughest and most entertaining was the Tug-of-war Competition. The objective of the celebration was to remind

people how hard it was for our national heroes to achieve Independence, shedding blood and tears along the way.





A big Thank you to everyone who joined our Open House! This school year's annual Open House took place on Saturday, September 20, 2014. We were pleased to open our doors to prospective students and their families. Student-led tours, informational presentations about the curriculum, student performances. teaching demonstrations, student bazaar of the High School students and faculty staffed booths on information were available throughout the day from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

We invited our own parents to join us. The Open Hose gives families the opportunity to tour our school and learn about our curriculum and what it means to be a student of John Paul School. It was a great way to meet our community and to find out more about our academic programs, learning activities, and skills taught at JPS.



There were many interesting activities and performances organized to showcase the knowledge and the talents of JPS students. Teaching Demo's for English, Science and Math were conducted by our expat teachers. Students showed their knowledge by presenting what they have learned. High school students demonstrated their entrepreneur skills by conducting a Bazaar.

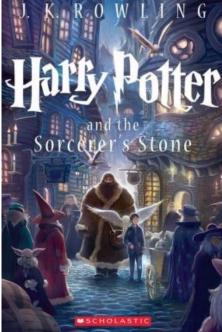
Parents want a school where their children will be appreciated. Parents want a school where their children's passions will be ignited and fostered. Parents want school that inspires a love of embraces learning, inquisitiveness and respects their child's individual gifts and talents. Parents want a school where they are a partner and are welcomed into the community. We hope that all took advantage of this wonderful opportunity to check out our school.





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BOOK WORM BUG

When Harry's parents die, he has no idea of his real heritage or his destiny. He is treated dastardly by his neglectful aunt uncle but from and the moment of his eleventh birthday, he is summoned to Hogwarts School of the Witchcraft and Wizardry where his training begins. The reader embarks on an adventure that continues through the very last page. 309 pages of entertainment filled with magic, sorcery, good vs. evil and a courageous protagonist, eleven-year-old Harry Potter.

Title: Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone Age range: 9 - 12 Years Author: J. K. Rowling Illustrator: Kazu Kibuishi, MaryGrandPre Publisher: Scholastic, Inc.



In an increasingly globalized and interconnected world, the importance of English cannot be overstated.

IN-SCHOOL

We at John Paul's School believe that English as a subject is crucial for our students to learn. For younger children, learning this language as soon as they can will help them with developing communication skills, basic math and basic reading. For older kids, having proper skills in English enables them to write more effectively and understand more complex literary pieces.

There is a high demand for communicatively competent Native-speaker teachers. They have the advantage of 20-plus years of immersive language acquisition before moving abroad to teach their language. Therefore, at JPS, Native-speaker teachers will always have an important role to play in English language education. Most fluent and natural use of language provide a model for our learners. Furthermore we provide your child with an environment rich in the language to build your child's literacy and skills in English.

Raising a Future Leader SEMINAR 2014



A parenting Seminar was held at the JPS auditorium on October 11, 2014 from I a.m. to 3 p.m. by Elizabeth T Santosa, M.Psi., Family, Educational & Child Psychologist. The seminar was open to all under the theme "Raising a Future Leader in the Globalization Era." Many parents attended.



We at John Paul's School recognize the importance of language and literacy in preparing children to succeed in school and later in life. We believe that preschool students greatly benefit from literacy programs such as The Happy Bookworm Day. The objective of the program is to get children to appreciate, talk about reading and involve parents to better bonding between them and their kids.

The Happy Bookworm Day is a fun activity that takes our students on an adventure through literature by understanding various award winning stories in class during Circle Time. The Happy Bookworm Day was held between 6th and 10th October 2014. During the week 5-7 parents from each class volunteered to read a story for their child and their friends. They read aloud story books and gave gifts to encourage. Students were enthusiastic to listen to various stories. The parents were very generous to spend their time at school leaving behind their busy schedule. Parents enjoyed and appreciated their involvement in school activities.

We thank moms and dads for their great cooperation! Let us meet next year with some more wonderful stories! Contributor: Rachel Vera Tandanu





The first fieldtrip of PG-KG was to Seaworld Indonesia a marine aquarium. The purpose of the visit was to broaden the knowledge of our kids about sea creatures and their habitat. On Monday, 15 September 2014 early in the morning kids departed school to Seaworld. This was a good opportunity for them to get to know many kinds of sea creatures and to seek answers on their curiosity about marine life.

Kids followed many activities there. Walking through the glass tunnel was a sensational experience because you could see the thousands of fish under the ocean without getting wet. Touch pool was another place where the kids could join in the Seaworld staff to feed. Shark feeding was another awesome attraction kids loved to watch. The fresh diets clearly attracted the sharks. They were frenzy and swam faster to reach the diet. The Main aquarium was the final attraction that the kids were waiting for. Animals inside the main aquarium were hand fed by divers. What a sensational experience! Unforgettable! Contributor: Ms. Sri Andriyani



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- I. Every day in every way I am getting better and better.
- 2. I am blessed by God and I, in turn, bless everything around me.
- 3. My school is wonderful, my teachers are marvelous and my class mates are terrific.
- 4. Studying comes easily to me and I love studying.
- 5. I have a perfect memory and I can recall with ease.
- 6. I love exercising and playing and I am full of zest and energy.
- 7. I can concentrate easily and I am immune to distraction.
- 8. I love and respect my parents and my brothers and sisters.
- 9. I realize that this is the age to study and prepare for the future and I am doing so sincerely.
- 10. I exercise regularly and eat properly.
- I understand that habits make a person and I develop good habits.
- 12. I love and respect my family, my community and my country.
- 13. I know that friends and friendships make a huge impact on life and hence I am careful in choosing my friends.
- 14. I love myself unconditionally.
- 15. I feel good about myself and my surroundings.

SMILING IS MY FAVORITE EXERCISE.









A great teacher knows that there is nothing more important than being in the life of a Student.

Bakti Harapan Bangsa Education Foundation awarded "5 Year Service Award" for K-12 teachers and staff who has dedicated to teaching, student learning or supporting teaching and learning at John Paul's School The Service Award aims to acknowledge the contributions made by these staff in the areas of collaboration, collegiality and loyalty throughout the years at school. The following staff were awarded the 5 Year Service Award on 18th Oct 2014. from L to R Ms. Kalis Wahyuni, Ms. Racheel Vera Tandanu, Ms. Siti Nur Aisyah, Mr. Martana, Ms. Susianti Aripin, Chairman of the Foundation, Ms. Sulinaty Aripin, Ms. Rebecca Yessy, Ms. Ethelinda E. Guy-Joco, Ms. Aditya Trisna Dewi. Congratulations!!





The annual JPS Festival was held on the 18th of October 2014 to celebrate the United Nations Day, that falls on the 24th of October each year. The Festival highlighted the unique cultures of Bataknese, Chinese and Filipino. The objective of the event was to celebrate the cultural diversity in school and to understand and appreciate the differences between these cultures.

JPS festival 2014 consisted of a costume parade contest, a cultural performance, music & dance competition and a world fest food bazaar. The activities organized began sharp at 8 in the morning and ended at 3 in the evening. First. PG-KG students paraded costumes from various countries and followed with a Parent and child costume contest. Afterwards, JPS Primary students proudly presented a spectacular performance that celebrates the Bataknese, Chinese and Fillipino cultures showcasing the traditional dances and songs that impressed everyone. More than 300 students were involved in these vibrant performances.

Then, in the afternoon, music & dance competition began. The competition was open for students of JHS and SHS in the surrounding area of JPS. Many student from other schools enthusiastically took JPS part. festival was concluded by the distribution of trophies certificates to respective winners by the Principals and the members of the foundation.







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Bersama Presiden Pilihan Rakyat





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Cambridge International School

We provide a quality education surrounded by the love and faith of Jesus Christ. Catholic education is complete education addressing the needs of the whole child - spiritual, academic, physical, emotional and social.

We welcome each family to our school and we believe that each child is a precious gift of God. We are a community of learners where students, teachers and parents are not only teaching each other but also learning at the same time. The school is a place where we not only talk to each other about what we do but it is also a place where we share and help each other.

Our top priority remains that of student achievement and growth. Our dedicated staff works diligently at providing the best possible learning environment for our students.