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# NEWS LETTER

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### SLC

Conventionally, parent-teacher meetings have been the key method of parent-teacher communication on students' academic progression. At VIS, we have adapted a Student-Led Conference (SLC) that communicates their understanding on topics they have learned in school and are evaluated by parents themselves. Our recent Term 2 SLC is momentous in more ways than one. Our students demonstrated their knowledge and calibre in various types of presentations by show-casing their participation in the SLC which had definitely overwhelmed the parents in awe!



### Art Galore

Visual expression through art is a creative playground for every child to discover and endeavour. Various themes coupled with the contemporary art approach allow students to be exposed to a good array of skills and techniques hence emerging their cognitive and motor skills. Our VIS Art Galore was a platform for our students to showcase their art experiences and discourses that satisfy their curiosity in various activities like drawing, painting, clay modelling, collage making, origami, block printing, handicrafts and many more. This is holistic education extending the depth of visual arts and creativity.

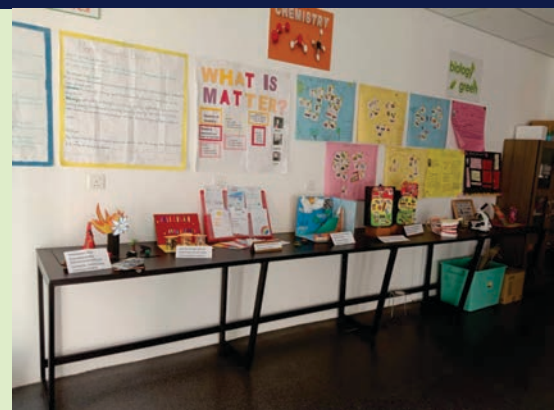


## SCIENCE EXPO

“Science begins with wonder, scientific temperament and rational thinking”.

March 14th was an innovative and experimental day for all the students as we had the Science Exhibition across all the grades. Science always reveals a new truth, a new discovery, an unknown reality. It keeps growing and can never be dull and boring. Science exhibition at school develops a scientific spirit and curiosity in a student which in turn forces them to think and creatively find solutions to the challenges. Inspired, encouraged and motivated by the teachers and parents, the budding scientists of VIS displayed different models and experiments with great enthusiasm and excitement.

It is rightly said, “Today's Science is tomorrow's technology”. Kudos to the students and teachers.



## ICT Exhibition

VIS students never fail to shine when it comes to showing off their creative skills. On the SLC day, students showcased their 'creative innovations' such as laptops and computers using recycled materials in the ICT lab. Year 3 and 4 students proved that their strong teamwork was fruitful in completing their project and eventually brought out the best in each student to perform splendidly.

“It's not a faith in technology. It's faith in people.”  
Steve Jobs, Co-founder of Apple.



## YOGA MANIA

Yoga strengthens the body, declutters the mind.

Yoga in the morning, 'Surya Namaskar' or also known as the Sun Salutation provides external and internal relief by regulating the activity of all organs of the body and protects the body and mind from daily stress. Every week, VIS students take part in a series of Yoga exercises to promote strength and balance.

This also involves regular practice of body activities and the correct methods of breathing. Various postures of yoga, along with mental and physical strength, create a sense of goodness. Simultaneously, it improves a student's intellectual and concentration levels while keeping the emotions stable.

The little Yoga class with a big heart!



## Can We Go to School? - By, Ms. Zarith.



In light of the recent Covid-19 pandemic, schools, colleges, universities, offices and cafes in Malaysia are forced on lockdown. This drastic change began last week when the whole nation had been hit with a hike in positive coronavirus cases and deaths.

My morning routine of walking into school, greeting colleagues, interacting with students and receiving warm hugs from toddlers have changed into virtual experience. Physical classrooms are replaced with google classrooms; instead of walking down the

corridor to get to my next class, now, I am shuffling between windows on my laptop to greet and have discussions with the students. In the attempt of implementing the new teaching and learning method through an online platform, video conferencing and Whatsapp have become crucial communication tools for VIS staff to acquire technical and emotional support as to maintain absolute sanity.

After a week of being cooped up, students are eager to resume normal school routine, participate in outdoor physical activities and are anticipating social time with peers. On the other hand, teachers are also starting to lose their morale. Take this for an instance, alternating between two roles simultaneously, I sometimes need to put on two hats at once; a teacher in my virtual classrooms and a chef all at the “convenience” of my 120 sq.ft. kitchen to keep up with the teaching schedule, and to fill the rumbling stomachs of my own two kids. How ironic? Work-life balance has become a challenge now.

With all the hype about 'future teaching' and the effect of the current crisis, are we ushering the ever so popular e-learning as an essential in education?



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