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SJIIM CELEBRATES ITS THIRD BATCH OF IBDP SCHOLARS



St. Joseph's Institution International School Malaysia (SJIIM) recently celebrated its third batch of International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP) Scholars through a Scholarship Awards Ceremony on 19 October 2018. The event was graced by the Brother President of SJI International Singapore, Br. Lawrence Humphrey as the Guest of Honour and notable guests such as Ms. Chew Gek Hiang who is the council member of the Tan Chin Tuan and Tan Sri Tan Foundation.



Guest of Honour - Br. Lawrence Humphrey

A time honoured Lasallian tradition that is also observed in its brother school, SJI International Singapore, the IBDP Scholarship Programme is a cornerstone of the Lasallian International School. The scholarship programme is now in its third cycle and has been supported by many organisations, well-wishers since its inception in 2016 and in particular, the Tan Chin Tuan and Tan Sri Tan Foundation who has been a significant benefactor of the initiative.



Mr. Dennis Tang presenting a Certificate of Appreciation to Ms. Chew Gek Hiang

Each of these scholars stood proud as they were called on stage to receive their Scholarship Award Certificates while being celebrated by SJIIM's Board of Governors, Principals, invited guests, teachers, parents and students. The presence of Br. Lawrence Humphrey as the Guest of Honour exemplifies SJIIM's unbriddled connection with SJII Singapore.



Tan Sri (Dr) Tan Chin Tuan SJIIM Scholars with Ms. Chew Gek Hiang

In his speech as the Guest of Honour, Br. Lawrence Humphrey congragulated the scholarship recipients and reiterated that as Lasallian Scholars, the honour should be worn with pride, distinction, responsibility and courage. He asked the scholars to appreciate the opportunity they have been given and challenged them to pass forward the generosity they have received in the future. The importance of this was further reiterated in his speech, stating "Next year we will be observing the 300th anniversary of the passing of De LaSalle, who died in 1719. In the face of the many difficult situations he encountered, De La Salle had the courage and the faith to overcome fear and what seemed to be insurmountable obstacles – all for the sake of the mission. You, too, as a Lasallian scholar, are called to touch hearts and change lives, especially for the Least, the Last, and the Lost, like De La Salle".



Beaming IBDP Scholars with Mr. Dennis Tang

An all-round enriching scholarship experience, the IBDP Scholars of this programme also had the opportunity to participate in a Lasallian Leadership Training Camp in the Philippines this year which focused on Lasallian Formation, Leadership Training and Service Work. This helped to prepare the school's scholars as Senior Lasallian Student Leaders to serve the school's community and the needy public on their return from the camp.

Dr. Nicola Brown who is the High School Principal of SJIIM was also beaming with pride at the school's latest scholarship awardees. She said, "We are proud of our latest batch of IBDP scholarship students and look forward to supporting them through their studies. They are already displaying an understanding of our values and expectation and I am sure they will be positive role models for our younger students."



Annisa and her family together with Ms. Chew Gek Hiang and Mr. Dennis Tang

The SJIIM IBDP Scholarship Programme is a unique outreach initiative of St. Joseph's Institution International School Malaysia. It offers a 2-year scholarship to pursue the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme in SJIIM. Applications are evaluated based on merit and means and all applicants are expected to be able to provide evidence of good academic performance and demonstrate active participation and leadership inservice & co-curricular activities.

Applications will open again in November 2018 for SJIIM's 2019/20 IBDP intake in August 2019. Interested applicants are encouraged to learn more about the programme by contacting the Scholarship Coordinator at: scholarships@sji-international.edu.my (mailto:scholarships@sji-international.edu.my)