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We are very happy to share that TJC Class of 2020 has achieved excellent results at the 2020 GCE A-level exams! They have obtained the best set of results in many years in terms of value-addedness or overall grades. Whether they are JAE or IP students, the Class of 2020 has clearly outdone themselves. We are heartened that most of our students have been offered the university courses of their choice and many have received scholarships. Among them are Marie Ann Lise Tan (CG19/19), Tang Yu Han Brandon (CG13/19), Bethany Chong Yu Lin (CG13/19) and Muhammad Arsyad Bin Mohamed Shahril (CG13/19) who have been awarded the Public Service Commission (PSC) Scholarship.

Despite the COVID-19 pandemic, they have shown much resilience, tenacity and grace, in adapting to the many challenges thrown in their way, from Home-Based Learning to Safe Management Measures to having many major events derailed. They have indeed risen above these challenges, and shown much hard work and even more heart work.

We applaud this cohort for their bravery and team spirit, in the way they sustained their CCA and community outreach commitments, continued to hone their leadership development and encouraged one another. They truly embody *One Team, One Dream, One Temasek!*



The College thanks all staff for working so closely alongside our students, and alumni and parents for their love and constant support. Congratulations, Class of 2020 and we are so proud of you!



Annual Yearbook

The annual College Yearbook, aptly titled #TJTogether, chronicles the challenges of the pandemic-hit 2020 and how our staff and students remained resilient and rose to overcome these difficulties. This is also the College's first-ever digital Yearbook, as we continuously make good strides in our move towards a greener future. You can read the contents from our website: www.temasekjc.moe.edu.sg



IP Induction and JC Orientation

We were delighted to welcome the new IP1 and JC1 students to the TJC family during the IP Induction from 7 to 8 Jan 2021 and JC1 Orientation Programme from 29 Jan to 5 Feb 2021 respectively. The theme for this year, "Infinity: Our Journey to Discover", represents the endless possibilities and opportunities that we can provide our students here in TJC, despite the global situation we are currently in. The planning team ensured an effective and enjoyable programme for our students, taking care of the Safe Management Measures (SMM) while not diluting the essence of the programme's elements. Our students enjoyed the orientation very much and it allowed them to experience the fun and vibrant learning environment in TJC.



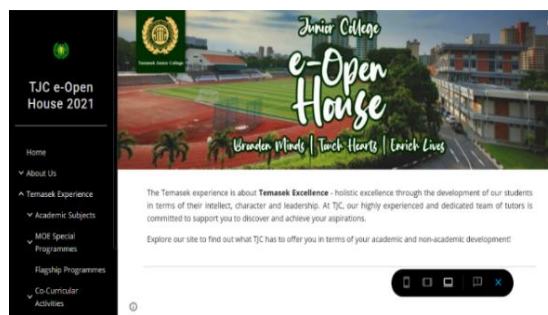
IP and JC Commencement Ceremony (IP - 13 Jan and JC - 8 Feb)

The IP and JC seniors welcomed their IP1 and JC1 juniors respectively to the TJC family by giving them personalised welcome cards. The seniors took time and effort to pen down their heartfelt advice to their juniors such as sharing their favourite memory in TJC and how to overcome the challenges for the year ahead.



E-Open Houses

TJC launched an e-Open House for Joint Admission Exercise students and their parents on 9 Jan. The College also held 'live' sample lessons, focusing on our varied areas of strengths – STEM, the Humanities and our 3 Special Programmes (Humanities Scholarship Programme, Music Elective Programme and Chinese Language Elective Programme). Similarly, the College launched the Integrated Programme e-Open House on 17 Apr. We went 'live' on YouTube with a presentation. Our newly launched Google Site featured exciting IP programme offerings and highlights of students' campus life, and we hope that many talents will continue to join our TJC IP. You can visit the Google Site here: <https://sites.google.com/temasekjc.moe.edu.sg/tjcipe-openhouse2021/home>



Go Green Week (21 Jan to 3 Feb)

Go Green Day took a different form in 2021 due to the pandemic. Instead of collecting old clothes and newspapers from the neighbourhood, the College conducted an in-house collection drive for old paper, fabrics and plastics. We are pleased to announce that we have collected 865kg of paper and 2,876 kg of fabric, raising a total sum of \$1,122.96. The funds have been equally donated to our two beneficiaries: Lions Home for the Elders and Assisi Hospice. In addition, we have also collected 15kg worth of plastics. These plastics were donated to Magorium Private Limited, a technology company, and would be used for experimentation on converting plastics into a new material for road construction.



Games Day (3 Feb)

The College Games Day was successfully organised and students took part actively in many meaningful activities, playing arcade-like games such as shooting of mini-basketballs, darts throwing, traditional games such as Chapteh, and many more.

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Total Defence Day

To commemorate Total Defence Day, our upper IP students participated in a sharing session with former TJCians who were awarded the NSF of the Year 2020. 2SG Ng Yan Jie Keith and 3SG Pung Feng Yi from the 2017 batch shared their experiences in NS and some unforgettable memories of their NS days. Our JC students had a dialogue session with personnel from the RSAF (Republic of Singapore Airforce) on 17 Feb. Ex-TJCian and UAV pilot, LTC Low Jun Horng, and LTC Ho Sen Kiat (Dy Comd, Paya Lebar Air Base) shared with students the importance of Total Defence especially in times of crisis. The students were also made aware of career opportunities in the RSAF.



IP Sabbatical Week (8 to 12 Mar)

In line with our belief that every student has talents to be developed and nurtured, the IP Sabbatical Week was specially designed to enrich students' learning through a range of holistic development activities that complemented and extended students' learning beyond the typical school curriculum. Amongst a range of exciting and engaging activities, students learned about biology/chemistry/physics concepts through watching teachers demonstrate science principles with liquid nitrogen and participating in hands-on ice-cream making sessions, learned the basics of philosophical thought, attended a talk by getai actress Lau Leng Leng to develop their understanding of Chinese culture and honed their speaking skills through debating and drama programmes.



Student Lounge

Based on suggestions from students, the College opened the Student Lounge in Term 1 in collaboration with the 44th Students' Council. Located under LT1, the Lounge is a comfortable

area open to students for interaction, studies, and to enjoy leisurely breaks in between classes. Since its opening, students have enjoyed playing the Nintendo Switch games (limited play time, of course!) and Foosball. Many of them are also looking forward to the addition of board games and chess sets in the near future.



Career Dialogues organised by alumna Dr Tan Lai Yong

Dr Tan Lai Yong, one of TJC's favourite sons, initiated a series of career dialogues to help students make informed choices about their careers by inviting esteemed speakers to share about the future of their respective careers. One such dialogue that focused on Law took place on 6 Mar where some of our Talent Development Programme (TDP) students interacted with our College Advisory Committee member, Mr Lok Vi Ming, Senior Counsel and Managing Director of LVM Law Chambers and learnt about the Law profession.



Careers, Scholarships and Higher Education (CSHE) Day (10 Mar)

The Careers, Scholarships and Higher Education (CSHE) Fair took place on 10 Mar. The Fair officially opened with Mr Gaurav Keerthi, Deputy Chief Executive Officer of Cyber Security Agency of Singapore (CSA), delivering a keynote address on 'Future of Work'. The Fair took a blended approach, customised to students' needs. Students attended different modules that covered key areas such as interview skills, personal statement writing, scholarships, higher education, and careers. They also listened to sharing on studying in overseas universities by former TJCians, Dr Andy Tay (CG01/07), Jeremy Jude Seow (CG01/11), Jordan Chen (CG27/13), and Yuki Chong (CG16/15). The CSHE Fair definitely will stand our students in good stead for the future.



Partnerships/Internships with External Organisations

To support our students in the pursuit of their passions, we have partnered with leading industry experts to inspire and stretch our students through internships and job-shadowing opportunities locally and overseas. We aim to further increase the plethora of opportunities and places available for our students and would like to invite you to come on board for these two platforms – the Temasek Internship Programme (TIP) and Wonder. Observe. Weave! (WOW!).

a. Temasek Internship Programme (TIP)

TIP provides promising JC1 students the opportunity to immerse themselves in careers that they are interested in. Through this internship held during the Nov-Dec school holidays, students gain valuable first-hand experience of their chosen careers. They are mentored and nurtured by leading practitioners in their respective fields, many of whom are alumni of the College. The agencies involved represent a broad spectrum of careers and specialities including architecture, bio-technology, law, social work, theatre, infocomm technology, the media, veterinary sciences, and many others.

b. Wonder. Observe. Weave! (WOW!)

WOW! is a four-week attachment for every student in the IP in January of their IP5 year. Each student signs up for an attachment of his/her choice and works with external mentors from different organisations that include university laboratories, research institutes, companies and social enterprises, amongst others. Students are engaged in a diverse and exciting range of roles and responsibilities, from event planning, to conducting research, to making presentations and creating mobile applications. A full list of our partners can be found below:



We warmly welcome anyone who is interested in partnering with us to provide suitable opportunities for our students in 2022. If you have further queries on TIP and WOW!, please contact the following staff :

For TIP: Mr Tan Teck Joo at tan_teck_joo@moe.edu.sg

For WOW! : Mr Marcus Goh at goh_chengwei_marcus@moe.edu.sg

You can also provide us with your details via the following QR code or link : <https://forms.gle/GsZBzytpnCGu9o8V9>



Temasek Alumni Mentoring Programme

The Temasek Alumni Mentoring Programme for our JC1 students under the Talent Development Programme (TDP) sees about 40 alumni this year, all outstanding in their respective fields, coming forward to provide mentorship for our students. We are grateful to them and are confident that the students will find this mentoring enriching and beneficial as they chart

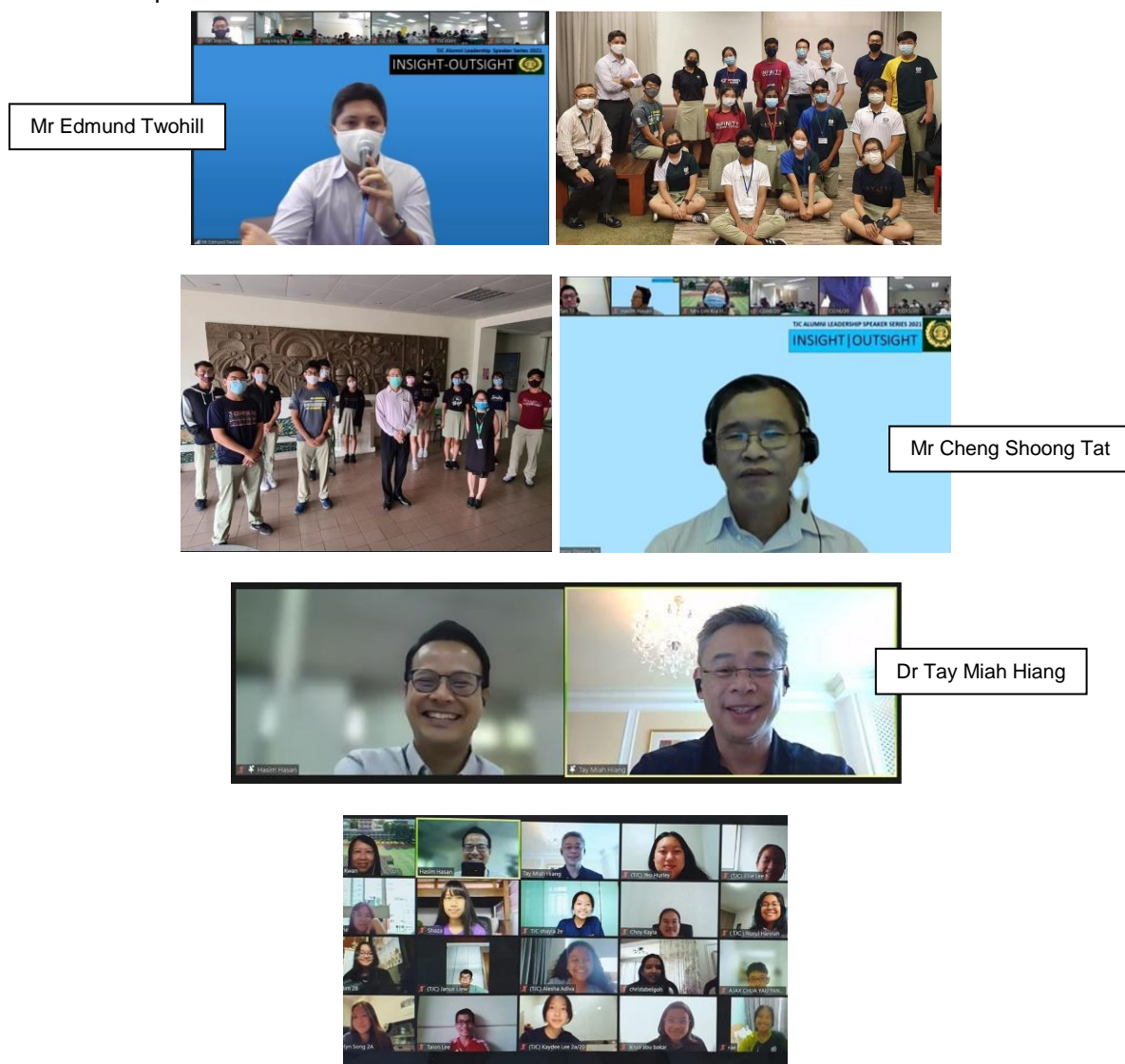
their paths for the future. The number of alumni mentors is set to grow and more students will have the opportunity to be mentored by ex-TJCians. If you are interested to be an alumni mentor, please provide us with your details at the following QR code or link:



<https://forms.gle/7ud6ZKjPfCZTx8389>

Insight | Outsight

In the 5th edition of Insight | Outsight: TJC Alumni Leadership Speaker Series, our illustrious alumni, Mr Edmund Twohill (Class of 2002), Mr Cheng Shoong Tat (Class of 1978), Dr Tay Miah Hiang (Class of 1986) and Prof Dorcas Quek (Class of 1999) shared their leadership journeys with our students. Our current students benefitted by developing fresh insights and outsights as they listened to and interacted with the guest speakers. In addition, after Prof Quek's sharing, student leaders from Pusat Tingkatan Enam Belait (Brunei) and Thang Long High School (Vietnam) joined our student leaders in a session where they networked and exchanged insights on leadership.

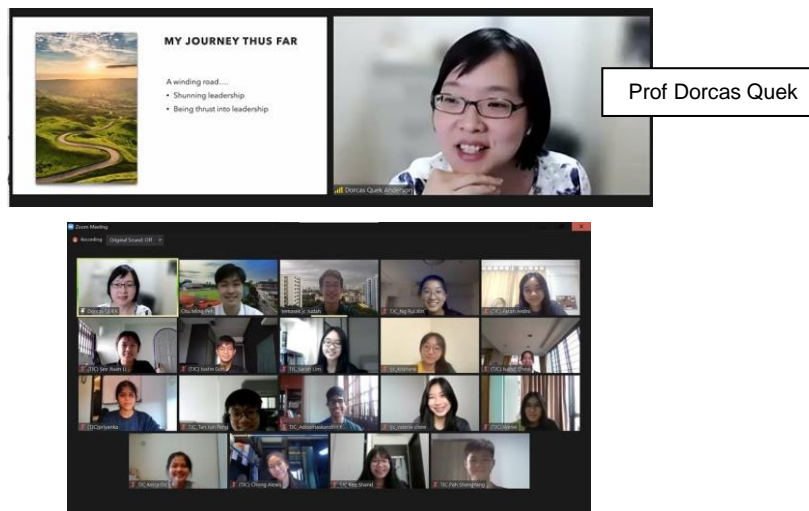


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Students' Council (SC) Induction Programme (26 to 28 Mar) and Investiture (IP – 20 Apr, JC – 21 Apr)

We would like to congratulate the newly elected councillors of the 45th Students' Council (SC). They attended the SC Induction Programme from 26 to 28 Mar. Organised by the 44th SC who were the facilitators and mentors to their juniors, this non-residential programme sought to help the participants acquire the experiences and skills expected of a student leader through character-building exercises and team-building activities.

The SC Investiture marked the handing over of the 44th SC to the 45th SC. The motto "Betterment Through Dedication" aptly captures the essence and aspiration of the SC. Conducted virtually, students and staff viewed the event during their Guidance lessons and shared this meaningful experience with the SC. The format retained both the spirit and symbolism of the Investiture, while providing a voice to both the out-going and in-coming Councils. The College would like to thank the 44th SC for its strong leadership and celebrate its successful term amidst trying times. We look forward to strong and visionary leadership from the 45th SC.



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43rd College Day Celebration (22 May)

The College celebrated our 43rd College Day on 22 May to recognise outstanding students in various areas - academic, CCAs, VIA and holistic achievements. This year, we celebrated not just our stellar A-Level results but also affirmed the many successful efforts and endeavours of our College community amidst the challenges in 2020. Our College Day Award Ceremony took a blended approach. A small scale ceremony was held on 29th April at 4.30pm where Dr Mohd Maliki Osman, Second Minister for Education, graced the occasion as the Guest-of-Honour. The recorded proceedings of Minister's speech and presentation of pinnacle awards and staff awards to recipients was featured on 22nd May at 10am as part of the virtual College Day Award Ceremony. You may view the e-celebration at <https://www.youtube.com/temasekjuniorcollege>



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Thank you for your support as we work in partnership to provide the best educational experience for all students in TJC!

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