



# "Success is the perfection of detail"

Sunday January 14, 2024.

Dear HSS Stakeholders,

In our first week back at HSS, we witnessed a vibrant return to learning and engagement. From enthusiastic classrooms to dynamic and re-energized devotion last Monday, it is clear that our HSS community is ready for a year filled with curiosity, collaboration, and accomplishment. Here's to a successful start and the promising weeks ahead!

- 1. **Ready, Set, Maths!** Led by Mr. Gallimore and Mr. Keith, this initiative aims to boost the competitive edge of our S1-S3 students in Math Education. Extra lessons during lunch breaks and after-school will be provided, starting this week. If you want your child to participate, please contact dkeith@heinz.school.
- 2. **Junior School Music Program** Exciting news for music enthusiasts! Our music education program has undergone a revamp. In-school music classes will now be twice weekly at a subsidized rate of \$5,000.00 per term. Additional after-school classes on Mondays & Wednesdays (2:30-4pm) are available for \$30,000.00 per term. Led by the talented Mr. Green, the program also includes a Saturday Band Camp on campus from 12:30pm-2:30pm at a daily rate of \$3,000. Classes start this week.
- 3. **Robotics Club** Led by Mr. Keith, our Robotics Club promises an educational and enjoyable experience fostering cognitive and spatial growth. Only 10 spots are available, so if you're interested, sign up quickly!
- 4. **HSS Performing Arts** This term, dive into the world of performing arts at HSS! Auditions for the JCDC competitions and our in-house Easter Play are approaching. Get ready to showcase your talents!
- 5. HSS Choir HSS Choir: Harmonize and Elevate Together! 1 Great news, HSS family! Our school choir, a resounding success from last term, is expanding! If you have a passion for singing and want to be part of this incredible ensemble, we invite you to join! How to Join: Contact our dedicated team lead, Miss Ellis, at rellis@heinz.school. Beyond creating beautiful music, our choir will play a vital role in enhancing our weekly devotions.

\*\*\*Exam marathons for PEP, CSEC & CAPE have begun and will continue each week. Please contact your class or form teacher for additional information.





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#### Student Spotlight: Julieta Bueno Takes the Lead in Language Education

We are thrilled to announce a new addition to our teaching faculty at Heinz Simonitsch School! Julieta Bueno, a sixth form student, is stepping into a part-time role to share her passion for language and culture with our Junior school students. Julieta brings a fresh and dynamic approach to language education. Her dedication to fostering a love for languages aligns perfectly with our commitment to providing a rich and diverse learning experience. Join us in welcoming Julieta Bueno to our teaching team, as we look forward to an exciting and enriching language program under her guidance!

## **Upcoming Events: Save the Dates!**

- **January 15**: General devotion begins 8:15am.
- January 12th: Indulge in delicious treats at the HSS Fun Food Sale, and don't miss the HSS Breakfast Sale on January 16th to kick off your morning with a smile!
- **January 18th:** The HSS Parenting Priorities Webinar #2 will address cybersecurity concerns and best practices.
- January 19th: HSS Blood Drive on campus.
- January 24th-26th: HSS Parents and Teachers Conference for S3-S6 class groups.
- **January 27th:** Join us for the HSS Parenting Priorities Webinar #1, a virtual vision boarding session for parents and students.
- **January 27th:** Come and participate in HSS Club House, a fresh monthly addition tailored for our young learners aged 3-6 years. All children are invited to enjoy a day of arts and crafts along with structured play.

### Friendly Reminders:

- 1. **Campus Etiquette:** Kindly refrain from blowing horns and **speeding** on campus to maintain a peaceful learning environment. Please also ensure you not blocking the driveway while your child is entering or exiting your vehicle.
- 2. **Timely Tuition Payments:** Please note that late tuition fees incur a 10% penalty, which must be settled for financial clearance.
- 3. **Parents Conference for S3-S6:** If you plan to attend the upcoming Parents Conference for students in S3-S6, appointments are required for a smoother and more personalized experience.
- 4. **PE Gear Requirement:** For active participation in Physical Education activities, students are <u>required</u> to wear the school's designated PE gear. Please coordinate the purchase of these items through the school office.





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### Prayer for the week:

Heavenly Father,

As we embark on the second week of this new academic year at Heinz Simonitsch School, we lift our hearts in prayer, seeking Your guidance, wisdom, and blessings. Lord, we are grateful for the gift of education and the opportunity to shape young minds within the walls of our institution. May Your grace be upon each student, teacher, and staff member as we navigate the journey of learning and growth together.

Grant us, dear Father, a deep sense of commitment to the principles and values that define us as a school. Help us prioritize integrity, compassion, and excellence in all that we do. In moments of challenge, instill in us the strength to overcome obstacles and the resilience to emerge stronger.

We pray for a spirit of collaboration to flourish within our school community. May our interactions be marked by understanding, respect, and a shared commitment to the greater good. In working together, may we create an environment where every individual feels valued and supported.

Lord, instill in us a strong work ethic, recognizing that through diligence and perseverance, we can achieve remarkable things. May our endeavors be fueled by a passion for knowledge and a desire to make a positive impact on the world.

As we navigate the complexities of education, Lord, we ask for Your presence to be felt in every classroom, office, and common area. Guide our thoughts and actions, and may Your light shine through our collective efforts.

In Your infinite wisdom, bless our students with the curiosity to explore, the courage to question, and the discipline to apply themselves diligently. May our teachers find fulfillment in their noble vocation, and may the support staff feel the significance of their contributions to the school's thriving ecosystem.

Lord, we commit this academic year into Your hands, trusting that with Your grace, it will be a time of inspiration, achievement, and meaningful connections. May we continually strive for excellence and, in doing so, honor the potential that lies within each member of our school community. In you holy name we pray, Amen.