



30<sup>th</sup> January, 2019

MIGS/ADM/JS/PS/2019-0043

Dear JS Parents/Guardians,

## RE: JUNIOR SCHOOL CAMP 2019

We are pleased to inform you of the venue and costs for our junior school camps that are scheduled to take place in February for all our students in Years 4-6. From the junior school camp experiences and feedback last year, our Year 5 & 6 students and parents highlighted that the camps have indeed enriched their children's learning and growth. Several parents have shared with us how their children had grown more confident and knowledgeable by the being outdoors and away from home with their teachers and schoolmates. Being in a different place, and a different routine, enables students to strengthen collaborative dynamics and gain new perspectives on themselves, their schoolmates and teachers and the world around them.

The junior school camps embrace our vision of "Discovering Potential, Learning to Care and Respecting differences". We championed the UNESCO principles of "Teaching and Learning for a Sustainable Future" last year in 2017-18. While we continue to make sustainable connections and prepare students to become better citizens and stewards of the Earth, this year we support the UNESCO 2019 "Year of Indigenous Languages". Our students will be celebrating the same with exploring and making deeper connections with the Malay language during few sessions in the camp.

*'The UN declared 2019 The Year of Indigenous Language (IY2019) in order to raise awareness of them, not only to benefit the people who speak these languages, but also for others to appreciate the important contribution they make to our world's rich cultural diversity.'*

*UNIYIL2019, United Nations: en.iyil2019.org*

We believe it is crucial to reinforce the sense of awe and wonder with which young children explore the world. Our **aim for the camp remains to:**

- support students' innate wonder and curiosity about the natural world
- inculcate a sense of respect and reverence for the world around us
- develop a willingness to learn from and serve the surrounding community
- appreciate different perspectives on ways of living together and using resources
- making real-life connections

We hope that our **students will be able to:**

- develop the skills of being able to work with others and strengthen teamwork
- practise their critical and creative thinking, and problem-solving skills
- cultivate the spirit of responsibility and independency
- explore ways to demonstrate social responsibility
- enhance leadership skills



Junior school camp is an extension of the school curriculum and is integrated into the outdoor learning experience. Students' attendance in the junior camp is hence compulsory. Teachers are planning and designing lessons *pre, while and post* the camp trip and given attention to put together an enriching curricular programme based on the connected itinerary. The learning outcomes will form 20% of the formative assessment for Term Two.

Safety of our students is of utmost importance during our Junior School Camp. Our students will be chaperoned by our team of teachers and a security officer. Students will need to abide by the junior school camp rules and regulations that will be conveyed to them, failing which they might be asked to leave as per our policies.

We will send more details and conduct year-level specific briefing session on the **14th of February at 3pm** for our Year 4-6 parents. Your attendance at this briefing will give a better understanding of what we have planned for your child during the camp, the activities they will engage in and also, how they will be continuously assessed.

Please fill in the Junior School Camp parent agreement on page 3 and return it to your child's Class Teacher latest by **Friday 8th February 2019**.

Year Group	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
<b>Date</b>	19 <sup>th</sup> -21 <sup>st</sup> February, 2019	19 <sup>th</sup> -22 <sup>st</sup> February, 2019	19 <sup>th</sup> -22 <sup>nd</sup> February, 2019
<b>Venue</b>	A Starters Camp @ Janda Baik, Pahang	An Eco-Conservation Camp @ Krau Wildlife Sanctuary, Pahang	Langkawi
<b>Duration</b>	3 days 2 nights	3 days 2 nights	4 days 3 nights
<b>Team of Teacher Chaperones</b>	5	4	3
<b>Security Personnel</b>	1	1	1
<b>Student Number</b>	41	31	25
<b>Total Cost</b>	RM1,000/- per student	RM1,000/- per student	RM2,400/- per student

**Note:** We spent time to make sure that the camp is cost-specific and lower than the previous years. Your earliest payment of the junior school camp fee will facilitate us to secure the best deals in hotel accommodation and flight ticket booking.

Thank you for your continuing support in our school programmes and your assistance in our mission to serve our students with their best interest and learning experiences at heart.

Please reach us during school during school hours (7.30 am – 4.00 pm), for any queries or clarification.

Best regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Joanna Johami', with a large, sweeping initial 'J'.

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## JUNIOR SCHOOL CAMP PARENT AGREEMENT

Student Name:	
Class:	Year 4 ____
Location of Trip:	A Starters Camp@ Janda Baik,Pahang.

I/We understand that the Mutiara International Grammar School Junior Camp will take place on the following dates: -

Outbound Date	Departing from MIGS	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> February 2019
Inbound Date:	Arriving at MIGS	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February 2019

I, parent/guardian, of the student named above hereby agree with the policy stated below.

- I. I give consent to my child attending the Junior School Camp.
- ii. I understand that it is my responsibility to ensure that my son/daughter arrives at MIGS on time and is collected from MIGS promptly after his/her return to MIGS.
- iii. Should my son/daughter infringe on any of the rules of this Junior School Camp which will be explained by the teachers and which he/she and I shall fully understand and accept, whether this infringement be of a minor or more serious nature, I accept that he/she shall be sent home early. Should this situation arise, I will cover the entire cost of the additional transport necessary.
- iv. I understand the staff/chaperones from MIGS will exercise their utmost care throughout this Junior School Camp and that MIGS cannot assume liabilities for accidents, illness, or disease, and loss of valuable items.
- V. I also understand that my son/daughter may be given some 'free time' at some stage during the trip and that during this time my son/daughter must obey all rules as explained to them.
- Vi. Time will be set aside at least once a day for my child to call home and I will respect this schedule.
- Vii. I authorise MIGS to secure medical attention for the student named in this form as is deemed necessary.
- Viii. The deposit and full payment for this Junior School Camp shall be payable by the date stipulated in the invoices.

Name of Parent/Guardian:	
Signature of Parent/Guardian:	
Date:	

**Kindly return this completed form to your child's Class Teacher by Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2019**