



THIS MUCH I KNOW OF JOHNSONITES

21ST NOVEMBER, 2022

22ND DECEMBER, 2022

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NOVEMBER EXAMS

The first semester exams were held between 21st to 28th November. This was one of the assessments which tested the students' knowledge, understanding and application skills. This assessment constituted 40% of the final grade. Three IB style summative assessments were the remaining 60%.

The feedback was provided to the students by 7 th December. Students are expected to use the feedback for improving their grades.

FOUNDER'S DAY

SCIBIZ









This year to commemorate the Founder's Day we had an amalgamation of subjects through an annual event in the IB: Sci-Biz. Sci-Biz was an event of innovation, creativity, and competitiveness. It involved bringing product designs that were futuristic. The event was conducted as an Inter House competition. The four teams were Power Seekers (Raions), Fearless Players (Ace), Dream Makers (Canis), and Dynamic Dealers (Epaulaurds). Each team had four days to come up with an idea of the product, incorporating scientific theories and concepts, that was sustainable for the environment and presenting an idea that could be sold or placed for auction. The teams presented their innovative thoughts and offered the products for bidding.

The program was in two parts and each group discussed their bidding strategy to make optimum use of the cash provided to them (3 lakhs) by the auction house manager Mr.Aditya. Mr.Naresh conducted the bidding and brought sensation and excitement amongst the team members. Each team tried their best strategy to participate in the bidding process. Teams had priced their products using various pricing strategies to get the highest yield from the offered bid.





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During these four days, the teams had to brainstorm and create a prototype of their product, make a presentation, and come up with bidding strategies. Initially, there were a lot of disagreements among the group members on the ideas that could be successful. However, all the teams finally settled upon the idea that they found to be most feasible in terms of business. In the group, people were assigned roles to work Research specific areas like the and Development Manager, Product on Analyser, Bidding Strategist etc.



The event was judged by two of our Alumni Srujana and Vinth and the ICSE commerce teacher Mrs. Padmavathi

Overall, the experience was exciting, enriching and helped us understand how subject integration works in real life. The experience throughout the week also enabled us to imbibe several of our learner profile attributes.

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WORKSHOP BY DR. TERRY HUNT FROM UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA



We had a wonderful session with professor Terry Hunt from the University of Arizona. It was a brainstorming session for all of us to think upon our history, culture and old techniques. The professor briefed on the archeology and type techniques of transport of big statues sculpted only up to the upper part of the body each weighing 80 tons. We were asked to analyze the transport of such big statues without using any wheel or vehicle. To make our job easier we were given clues like 'the statues walked,'and we started thinking a lot on the same and thought that probably man carried the statues and dropped them, because the statues were facing towards the ground. Many of us came up with different ideas and lastly the professor explained the technique used to transport the statues- the statues were tied with ropes on each side and they started moving the statue with the help of ropes which depicts that , "statues are walking". The whole concept of the session was to think critically and analyze the situation based on the evidence, provided that the solution should be in accordance with the time or the era in which the technique is used. I thank professor Terry Hunt for inducing such analytical skills in us and developing an interest in history and our culture.

UNIVERSITY VISIT



On 8th December, the students of JIB were addressed by Ms. Erin Doby from Constructor University regarding the admission requirements and processes. It was an informative and detailed presentation on how and when to apply to universities. The session was extremely beneficial to us as we got a clear idea on how to decide and apply to universities in grade 12. Miss Erin Doby explained the entire process of applying to universities and the various admission requirements for Constructor University. She gave valuable insights into student life at Constructor University, the various clubs, and the opportunities that the university offers. The students also got to know about life in Germany and the numerous benefits of studying in Germany. This session with Erin Doby equipped students with the necessary information to guide them in the application process and prepare them for university life.

The students also had a session with Dr. Harish Tayyar Madabushi, a professor of AI technology at the University of Bath. Dr. Harish engaged the students with his session on how AI impacts various fields such as archaeology, medicine, business etc. The students actively participated in the interactive session. They expressed their opinions and asked questions regarding AI. The entire session was very lively and had great energy. Dr. Harish gave us a sense of what a career in AI had to offer. He spoke about his work as a researcher and a professor at the University of Bath. Dr. Harish interacted with the students and cleared their doubts regarding AI and its importance in future.

He also spoke about his life in the UK and the multiple courses the University of Bath offered. The students were informed regarding the cost, lifestyle, requirements and benefits of pursuing higher education in the UK.

Sessions like these equip students with the right information required to apply to universities. These sessions motivate students and guide them in the process of joining their dream colleges! We are grateful to the management for the sessions and thank the Universities (and the associated personnel) for their time and effort.

ADVISORY SESSION

Mr Pramod, Chemistry Faculty conducted an Advisory on the Learner Attribute-CARING.

The session was interactive with Sir giving examples regarding how a person can be caring towards others in the community. The session was carefully construed with humor to make it engaging.





PARENT TEACHER MEETING

The first Parent Teacher Meeting was held on 10th December. This was a good opportunity for parents to meet the teachers to know their child's progress and area of improvements. Parents were also appreciative of the efforts of the teachers.









MB Reporting:

The progress of the students in semester one was shared with parents via Managebac Reports. This is a narrative of the students academic performance in each subject. The reports also included subject comments which gave a detail of what content was taught in each subject. The report also summarised what grade the student achieved in each subject.

FILM CLUB:



Two Strangers Who Meet Five Times is a beautifully crafted short film by Marcus Markou that tells the story of two people who meet by chance at different points in their ives. The film is told in five chapters, each depicting a different encounter between the two strangers. The film is visually stunning, with breathtaking cinematography and a strong attention to detail in every shot. The performances of the lead actors are equally mpressive as they portray the subtle shifts in their characters over the course of the film.What really sets Two Strangers Who Meet Five Times apart, however, is its emotional depth. As the film progresses, we see the two characters go through various scenarios, one in which one person is racist towards the other due to which he gets rejected by that same person in a job interview and starts begging and when the person who rejected him looks at his state feels guilty and helps him by donating some money and in the final stage of their life when the person who helped this guy is ill gets taken care of by him. The way their interactions change over time is truly heart-wrenching. The film delivers a message of what goes around comes around. The film does an excellent ob of capturing the complexities of human relationships and the way they can evolve over time. Overall, Two Strangers Who Meet Five Times is a poignant and beautifully crafted film that is sure to leave a lasting impression on its audience. It is no surprise that it has won numerous awards and accolades, as it is a truly exceptional piece of cinema.

National Math Day







On 22nd December, the students of JIB were quided and supported by the math department to organise the Math day event. At Jib, the students planned and conducted various activities on the occasion of the mathematical genius -Srinivasa Ramanujan's birthday celebrated as national mathematics day. The gathering was addressed by the chief guest, Mr Anil Israel and the DPC, Mrs Vidhya Bhaskar. about math and its mportance. The students did a presentation on the life of Srinivasa Ramanuja and his work. Sreenidhi and Akhilesh explained some of the famous works of Srinivasa Ramanujan, such as Ramanujan's square and infinite series. The audience was engaged in activities such as making their magic square with their birthday. The students researched and presented the various applications of math in real life, for example, in solving crime etc. The students also conducted a quiz - mathemagic and immersed the audience with math facts and tricky questions. Hasika amused the audience with her own creative story to make trigonometry easy and fun to remember. The icing on the cake was the enthralling skit written and performed by students on math. With the witty and straightto-point performance, the students efficiently grabbed the viewer's attention. The most exciting event of the day was the treasure hunt. The grade 10 students of the audience were engrossed in finding the final clue. The event was possible because of the immense support, encouragement and guidance from the math department. This event was entirely student lead, which helped the students acquire skills like teamwork, collaboration and coordination.

SANJANAA MOLAKA

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION



Christmas is one of the most celebrated festivals in the history of Johnson Grammar School. And what better celebration than a fun afternoon filled with games, Secret Santa, Desserts, and more. On 22nd December 2022, we the students of Johnson IBDP celebrated Christmas in a very fun way! We started off the program by singing melodious carols including The Silent Night, We three Kings, and more! We were surprised by a very graceful flash mob by our peers. Surely, they had electric moves and grooves! Then, we proceeded to play a fun activity of Musical Chairs with many rounds and the ultimate winner being Ms. Mayura! That was really joyful and enthusiastic since we all danced through the entire activity. The next activity was the funniest of them all! It was the Secret Santa Reveal where we enjoyed guessing who bought us the lovely gifts. It was a very reminiscing moment for all of us since we all had written lovely memories of the semester with the person assigned to us. Lastly, we ended the program by sitting together and having lunch along with some delicious plum cake and laddus which brought the joy of being. What a wonderful climax to a very beautiful semester!

Merry Christmas and A very Happy New Year!

VISUAL ART







After Image a Polish Biographical Movie on Wladyslaw Strzeminki Directed by Andrezj Wajda

Visual arts classes are always fun, insightful, and unique. Our journey in art is never-ending yet challenging and fascinating. Recently, to learn art history, we watched the movie "Afterimage," which is a Polish movie based on the true events of one of the Polish artists. The movie mainly deals with "realism" and how politics impact art and vice versa. The core of the film is the passion that flourishes in the protagonist of the movie, the artist. The movie stands up to its name, "Afterimage," since it slowly unfolds like an image, like the dim, fizzy phantom visions we get when we stare at the light bulb for too long. The movie gives us a glimpse of the radical potential of an artist.

Afterimage is a biographical movie about the artist "Wladyslaw Strzeminski". The artist lost his job as a professor at a government art college in Poland during the USSR Regime. The artist struggled till his death to stand firm on his ideology which was beyond the politician's grasp. He had to secretly work to earn just enough to eat, but when his identity was discovered, he was fired from his job every time due to the political pressure from the government. Moreover in those times, they believed that "those who don't work don't eat". The movie shows how such an honorable artist dies abruptly due to the political intervention on artistic practice. The artist was a Soviet-era avant-garde painter who is admired by his colleagues and loved by his students. After World War I, he lost an arm and a leg but continued to live as an artist. The state bans all forms of art that promote depression and proceeds to believe only in socialist realist art that infuses enthusiasm among the people. The movie shows the struggle of artists across many countries where art falls foul of the government.

The movie is highly significant to understand how artists perceive because it expands on how to visualize life's movement through time. The artist was given two choices through which we can recognize art ethics. This film taught us about artistic practice, ethics, censorship, and political pressure on art. The film helps us understand that art is all about searching new forms for expression. We, the visual art students, truly learned a lot about realism and part of art history. It's something we will never forget as well.

MAGAZINE LAUNCH



22nd December, 2022 marked a significant and memorable day in the history of JIB because 'JIBzine': The First Edition was released. It is a completely student oriented initiative- the main aim was to create a platform for the students to express their creativity in the fields of literature, art and other things, while also allowing them to pen down their valuable experiences of the numerous events held at school.

After many months of tirelessly writing, editing and formatting, the Magazine Club was ecstatic when 'JIBzine' was finally available for the IB staff, students and parents to peruse through. The launch ceremony was graced by the COO and DPC ma'am who had supported the Magazine Club throughout the process. Ms Kavya had also contributed relentlessly to the making of the magazine.

We hope that the magazine is enjoyed, and the Club looks forward to making the next edition even better.

