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Message From The Editor

Time flies.

We hear that phrase over and over again. A universal truth and especially so when you are surrounded by teenagers and young adults. I recall a weekend back in the month of May when my Facebook page was filled with photos and postings of former Sunway College JB students getting married, celebrating births of their first child and even second babies for some. Many of these students have graduated long ago but thankfully, the wonders of social media let us share in their joy.

Indeed, developments in information communication technology have made the education industry somewhat exciting, compared to the times when I was a student and during my early years working in the industry. The education landscape is no longer slow and uncomplicated like before. It is now dynamic and a lot needs to be done by institutions to "keep up".

I admit I was one of those teachers who were slow to embrace technology. I remember announcing loudly that the whiteboard is always better than using slides. I recall getting very angry when I saw mobile phones on my students' desks. My students must have thought I was a dinosaur, albeit a very petite one. I am wiser now of course, partly because I have witnessed the amazing things that can be done to enhance teaching using technology.

Technology in classrooms is not a cheap or easy investment though. There are many factors we need to consider, ranging from which gadget to use, to how will the teacher actually use it. But it is certainly something we look forward to. In fact, this year, a team of our Pre-University lecturers is piloting a project on using apps as part of their teaching. It is a whole new world of knowledge awaiting us and I believe, one that will reaffirm our vision of being the premier private college in the southern region of Malaysia.

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As Sunway College JB enters its second decade of establishment, it will be one of innovation, hope and anticipation. My colleagues and I look forward to exploring new methods of teaching and a renewed passion of educating our future generations.

So stay tuned.... and connected!

Ong Mei Mei

"If we teach today's students as we taught yesterday's, we rob them of tomorrow." – John Dewey

Sunway College JB 10th Anniversary Gala Dinner

30 October 2014



Fong Yock Lin, Maria
Joined 2004
"10 years ... of job satisfaction and great
team mates ..."



Lim Szu Chieh, Jeff
Joined 2004
"I feel extremely proud to be part of the JB
team - I have enjoyed every moment here."



How Pei Lin
Joined 2005
"It's been a great pleasure working here,
made even better with thoughtful and
supportive colleagues."



Md Hasani Bin Hassan Joined 2005 "Working in Sunway College JB is the best experience because I get to learn new things almost every day."

To commemorate the 10th anniversary of our establishment, a range of activities were carried out throughout the year. Student activities such as the Wall of Wishes Facebook competition, instant monthly lucky draws and a Health and Wellness Carnival were incorporated into the year-long celebration which culminated in a grand Gala Dinner.

Over 200 guests including staff, business associates and alumni attended the event. Among the highlights of the dinner were lucky draws and performances by the staff and students. Alumni from the various programmes also paid tribute and shared fond memories of their experience while studying at the College. It was a particularly memorable night for some pioneer staff as they were recognised for their long service with the institution.





Ong Mei Mei Joined 2005 "Working in Sunway College JB for me can be summed up in three words – Meaningful, Happy & Grateful!"



Joined 2005
"An enjoyable and friendly environment at the workplace...really proud that I'm part of this wonderful family."



Norhayanti Bte Mat Taib
Joined 2006
"It has been a great journey for me and I look forward to sharing many more moments together."



Ch'ng Phui Cheng Joined 2006 "I have enjoyed every minute of my work here in Sunway College JB. I thank God for this wonderful opportunity."

Stop Hunger Now

As part of its corporate social responsibility (CSR) efforts, the Sunway Group organised 'Stop Hunger Now', an initiative under the Community Aid, Reach-Out and Enrichment (CARE) project which is one of the pillars of Sunway Group's CSR efforts. Staff of the College together with colleagues from other Sunway subsidiaries came forward to volunteer in the meal packaging programme to combat hunger and benefit underprivileged communities.



Annual Ball 2014 – Around The World



Fun, thrills and excitement filled the night with a glamorous twist at the Berjaya Waterfront Hotel Johor Bahru. Staff and students of Sunway College JB came dressed in dazzling costumes, in a glittering array of colours to celebrate the theme. Members of the audience were entertained by performances from both staff and students, followed by exciting games and lucky draws. The evening culminated in a touching rendition of 'We Are The World' led by the College's Student Ambassadors which got the entire ballroom up on their feet.





Sunway College JB held its 5th graduation ceremony to celebrate the successful completion of yet another cohort of Diploma in Hotel Management, Diploma in Business Administration, Diploma in Information Technology and ACCA students. The ceremony was attended by family members of the graduating cohort as well as

members of the College's Board of Directors.





Health & Wellness carnival

The College organised an on-campus Health & Wellness Carnival which attracted over 500 visitors. A colouring contest for children, health screening packages, health and wellness educational and product exhibition ensured that there was something for everyone in the family. Many came forward to support the blood donation drive organised by Hospital Sultan Ismail, while the Nestle Bungee Trampoline was a favourite among the young and adventurous.









Sunway College JB organised its annual Sports Carnival, facilitated by the Student Relations Department. The event drew participation from teams representing the pre-university, diploma, degree and financial programmes and was a welcome respite from the confines of classroom learning. There was strong emphasis on team spirit and participants were encouraged to have a go, have fun and earn points for their respective teams.







Teacher's Day Celebration

Students took to their monopods (or better known as selfie-sticks) to honour their lecturers at this year's Teacher's Day celebrations. A photo contest aptly entitled 'My Teacher & I' saw students submitting photograph entries of themselves with their favourite lecturer via Instagram. Dedication cards carrying personal messages from students lined the wall of the campus courtyard while handmade roses were distributed by a group of students at a simple celebration which ended with a hi-tea reception.





The MUFY students brought classroom learning to a whole new level with the inaugural iPad pilot project. With the help of tablet apps, the students will be able to develop their capacities and skills to be more confident, creative and productive users of information and communication technologies.

A device was given to each student for a more personalised learning experience through a creative learning space, allowing them to produce their best possible work.



FROM KPM BURSARY TO JPA SCHOLARSHIP

We congratulate our successful KPM Bursary recipients on their successful university placement with JPA Scholarship!



Ruth Sim
KPM Bursary 2013
PHARMACY
Monash University, Australia
JPA Scholarship

Erin Lee Ziyi KPM Bursary 2013 MBBS Monash University Malaysia JPA Scholarship



Meera Darshini A/P Mogan KPM Bursary 2013 MBBS Newcastle University Medicine Malaysia JPA Scholarship



Bah Yi Rou KPM Bursary 2013 MBBS Monash University Malaysia JPA Scholarship



Celine Fong Mien Er
KPM Bursary 2013
MBBS
Newcastle University Medicine
Malaysia
JPA Scholarship



Joy Tong Yu Ning KPM Bursary 2013 MBBS University of New South Wales, Australia JPA Scholarship



Abigail Tan Er Qi
KPM Bursary 2013
SCIENCE
University of Melbourne,
Australia
JPA Scholarship



Ho Yi Hui KPM Bursary 2013 CHEMICAL ENGINEERING University of Queensland, Australia JPA Scholarship

ACADEMIC HALL OF FAME - AWARD WINNERS



Cambridge A-Levels
Outstanding Cambridge Learner Award
AS Accounting I AS Mathematics



Monash University Foundation Year Monash Excellence Award Economics Unit 1 | Economics Unit 2



Ng Shi Hao
Cambridge A-Levels
Outstanding Cambridge Learner Award
AS Computing



Cambridge A-Levels
Outstanding Cambridge Learner Award
Best Across 3 Cambridge A-Levels



Monash University Foundation Year Monash Excellence Award Chemistry Unit 1



Cambridge A-Levels
Outstanding Cambridge Learner Award
AS Mathematics



ACCA Qualification Malaysia Prize F7 – Financial Reporting



ACCA Qualification Malaysia Prize F9 – Financial Management

ACCA Alumni Lee Chong Chin

"It is undeniable that ACCA is one of the top accountancy qualifications recognised and highly valued by employers worldwide which means ACCA graduates are employable in almost every corner of this world. The ACCA qualification also provides us with complete flexibility in our career choice. We can work in any business sector be it the public or private practice in areas of financial services and having said that, I am currently working at one of the Big Four accounting firms in Johor Bahru.

Besides the advantage of attaining the ACCA qualification, the most important thing I wish to stress is the challenge faced by many - which is proficiency in the English Language. Fortunately for me, Sunway College JB's emphasis on delivering all lessons in English gave students the opportunity to be exposed to the language on a daily basis."

"I must say that looking back to my AUSMAT year, I feel like I did make the right choice in my choice of both the course and College. AUSMAT taught me how to think critically, not to rely on 'spoon-feeding' and taught me how to do referencing. I felt I have proven a point when I received the Special Course Award, in recognition of my outstanding performance and results for English as an Additional Language or Dialect (EALD) - that Malaysians can read, write and speak good English. Sunway College JB may be a small campus but I have met some of the coolest lecturers and spent good times with my friends. "



Australian Matriculation Alumni Chloe Yap Wen Ting



"When I first started, Sunway College JB had only been established for around 5 years. Many would have chosen other colleges with a longer history. However, Sunway was still my top choice as it is with no doubt, the best College in Johor – offering a variety of programmes from pre-university to degree level, with acclaimed student achievements. My time and memories during College years were precious and invaluable. Classes were enjoyable as the lecturers were always trying their best to make lessons interesting. Friends were fun and jovial to be with, and were always there when I needed support. There were ups and downs, but together, we were like a big family – aiding each other towards success."

Victoria University Bachelor of Business Alumni Krystin Law Su Ling

"Sunway College JB had already built its brand name and my brother and sister had also studied there prior to my joining. One particular reason that pulled me to College was the MUFY programme (Monash was my first choice of university), and seeing the excellent track record of its students and the prospects offered, I knew it was the right choice for me. My most memorable experiences at College would definitely be the co-curricular activities where I served as a Student Ambassador as well vice president of the Community Outreach Club. Under the guidance and mentorship of excellent advisors, I feel that the experiences as a whole have nurtured my leadership capabilities in addition to teaching me to give back to society."



Monash University Foundation Year Alumni Shahandyka Ozal Mohamed Kassim



"To the best of my memory, Sunway College JB has provided me with an excellent learning environment. My gratitude to the wonderful team of teaching staff who have helped me overcome my learning differences. With the help of the dedicated staff, I achieved excellent results for my A-Levels which enabled me to gain entry into UCL (University College London). I have just completed my undergraduate and masters' studies in Civil Engineering at UCL. I have secured a job with an Australian Engineering consultant firm in Singapore and I have also been accepted to pursue my PhD in UTM next year.

To the existing students, I encourage all of you to keep on learning and working hard, to keep Sunway's flag flying high, and together with other Malaysians, take our country to her next stage of development. "

Cambridge A-Levels Alumni Lee Zhi Jie

"I really had a great experience in Sunway College JB. A mish-mash of memories there that sometimes I just want to go back and relive those memories again. I couldn't have done it without the awesome people, my lecturers.

It was never about the facilities for me. It was about how much my lecturers sacrificed for me. They gave their time for me, even after work hours, they explained every single thing to me in detail. Even when I didn't understand, I would ask and ask till I did.

All my lecturers gave me something money couldn't buy and this is why I recommend Sunway College Johor Bahru."



Diploma in Business Administration Alumni Jason Gilbert Joseph



"I have truly grown since being a student at Sunway College Johor Bahru as I had the opportunity to learn from experienced lecturers who guided me along my way in pursuit of my Diploma in Hotel Management. The hospitality industry is booming and there are many avenues for us to explore career opportunities. For me, this industry is fun and creative, even though the working hours are irregular, but you will be able to meet great people with great laughs who make our lives sweeter and so much more interesting. An important lesson I have learnt - you can climb your way up the career ladder very quickly. If you work hard, acquire your qualifications, get on with customers and colleagues, and show initiative, very soon, you'll find yourself in a senior position, managing people and projects."

Diploma in Hotel Management Alumni Tan Zai Qi

"In 2009, I enrolled in the Diploma in Information Technology programme with one thing in mind, to study computers. I remember my first lesson during the course which was a subject called Computing Principles. It was extremely easy for me as it seemed that everything was common sense.

I would say, semester after semester, I learnt more and more. Learning at Sunway College JB was not a case of the lecturers feeding us with fresh and deep revelations in computing. Rather, it was us students having the initiative to discover for ourselves and knowing that lecturers were there to walk the journey with us."



Diploma in Information Technology Alumni Aloysius Ang Yu Chien

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