



AIS SCHOOL VISION

For our students to become confident, capable and socially aware global citizens who contribute meaningfully to the communities in which they choose to live and work.

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Jakarta Bytes, 25th April 2025

ANZAC Day Dawn Service

The Australian Independent School Indonesia Community were well represented at this morning's Dawn Service at Menteng Pulo War Cemetery with over a dozen families attending. The service was very moving and Aiysha, our Primary Captain and Bo in Year 10 laid a wreath at the memorial on behalf of the AIS Community



ANZAC Day Assembly

AIS hosted an ANZAC Day Assembly this morning which allowed our wider school community to learn more about this very important day for all Australians and New Zealanders. Our guest speaker was Lieutenant Commander William Liang, who is a commissioned officer of the Royal Australian Navy posted here in Jakarta. LC Liang is Australia's representative at the Indonesian Navy's Command and Staff course.

Dylan from Year 12 read the ANZAC Requiem, Tahlia from Year 10 read Flanders Field, Emma from Year 11 read the Reading for Those Buried on Foreign Soil and Violet from Year 11 read the Ode of Remembrance.



Term 3 Enrolment Intentions

This is a request that any families who know they'll be leaving AIS at the end of the term notify our Admissions Department. This information is important for us as we are processing new enrolments for Term 3 and begin to discuss staffing for 2026.

As per our Admissions Policy, Refundable Notice Deposit will only be given when written notification is to received by the Finance Department one calendar month (30 days) prior to the last day of attendance. As Term 2 ends on Friday 20th June, the school will require written notice no later than Tuesday 20th May.

High School Sports

Good luck to our Senior Boys Basketball Team who are playing in the final of the SPH School even this afternoon. Good luck to both our Junior Girls & Boys Soccer Teams who are playing in the finals tomorrow at SPH LV & Global Jaya

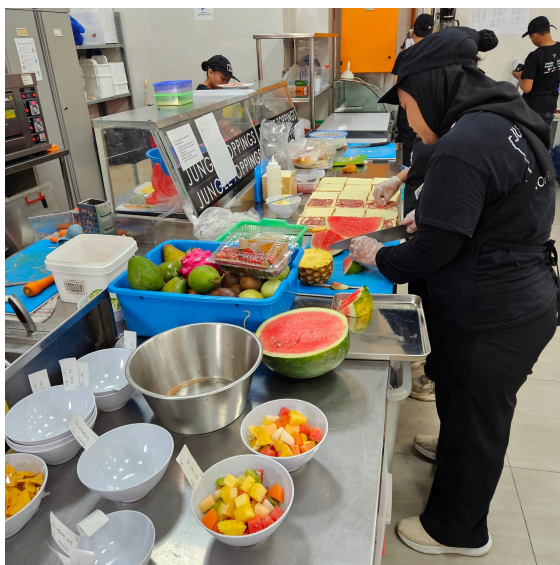
New Playground Open

It's been great to see the students enjoying playing on our new playground equipment situated on the small field near the canteen. I've enjoyed watching students from Year 1 right up to Year 12 enjoying the new equipment.



Jungle Topping Canteen

Please click [here](#) to order snacks and lunches for Term 2 Week 2. Below are some photos that I took during the week. I'm so happy to see the JT staff using fresh ingredients every day as they prepare snacks and meals for our students. The ANZAC biscuits and meat pies served today were a real treat too.



Voting in the Australian Federal Election - Reminder

A reminder that the Australian Embassy Jakarta will be open for voting for the Australian Federal Election from 10:00am - 4:00pm on 23rd - 25th April and 28th April to 2nd May. The Australian Embassy Jakarta will not be open for in-person voting on Election Day, Saturday 3 May, 2025. Appointments are not required to vote, however you will be required to bring photo identification such as a driver's license or passport to enter the Embassy.

For further information please visit the [Australian Embassy Jakarta site](#) or the [Australian Electoral Commission](#) website.

Upcoming Dates

Week 3	
Monday 28th April	0800. PnF Welcome Back Morning Tea
Thursday 1st May	Labour Day Public Holiday
Friday 2nd May	0805. PS Assembly 0900. PnF Meeting 1730-1900. AIS Primary Idols
Week 4	
Monday 5th May	1700. Year 10 Senior School Information & Subject Choices
Thursday 8th May	1700 - 1900. AIS Mini Film Festival
Friday 9th May	0805. PS Assembly 0900 - 1100. PnF Mothers Day Stall
Week 5	
Monday 12th May	Vesak Day Public Holiday
Thursday 15th May	0910. HS Assembly 1000 - 1100 PnF Cake Stall
Friday 16th May	0805. PS Assembly
	Walkathon will take place in Term 3. Date TBC
Week 6	
Monday 19th May	AIS PS Soccer Gala Day (TBC)
Monday 19th - Friday 23rd May	Yr 7 - 10 Assessment Week
Friday 23rd May	0805. PS Assembly
Week 7	
Tuesday 27th May	Pejaten's Got Talent
Thursday 29th May	Ascension of Jesus Christ Public Holiday
Friday 30th May	PS Assembly
Sunday 1st June	Pancasila Day Public Holiday

PS = Primary School. HS = High School

2025 AIS Jakarta Calendar

Please [click here](#) to access a pdf version of the 2025 AIS Jakarta School Calendar

Craig Eldred
Principal

PnF April NewsLetter

Please [CLICK HERE](#) to read the Parents n Friends (PnF) Association News.

PnF

PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

It's been another fantastic week at AIS!

On Tuesday, ten of our Primary student leaders from Years 3 to 6 participated in a *Student Leadership Conference* hosted by NAS. The students engaged with fellow young leaders from ACG, NJIS, and NAS through a range of collaborative activities. They began the day with team-building games before attending a thought-provoking session led by Retno Hapsari from XS Project—an inspiring initiative dedicated to breaking the cycle of poverty for Jakarta's trash picker families through education, healthcare, and environmental responsibility.

Our students then joined small mixed-school groups to design their own 'ideal towns,' using the UN's 17 Sustainable Development Goals as a guide. Their creative ideas included reducing pollution, ensuring access to education, and providing medical care for all. It's inspiring to think about how these young leaders will bring their ideas to life as they continue to grow!

Earlier in the week, we held a beautiful *Kartini Day Assembly*. Thank you to Ibu Nada and Pak Yohan for leading such a meaningful celebration, and to all our students and staff for participating so enthusiastically.

Wednesday brought delicious treats with the *Easter Bake Sale*—a big thank you to our wonderful PnF team for their efforts in making it such a fun and successful event.

Today, we commemorated *ANZAC Day* with a thoughtful and respectful assembly led by our senior students.

Looking ahead, students have been rehearsing for next week's *AIS Idols*—we can't wait to see their talents shine on stage!

Have a great weekend,

Ms. Sinead Smith

Deputy Principal Primary

AIS Primary Kartini Day Celebration 2025

On Monday, April 21st, AIS Primary proudly celebrated **Kartini Day**, a meaningful occasion that honors Raden Ajeng Kartini, a pioneer of women's rights in Indonesia who championed education and empowerment for women.

The heart of the celebration was the **Kartini Day Assembly**, filled with color, culture, and creativity. It opened with a stunning traditional-contemporary Javanese dance performed by students from the Indonesian Traditional Dance CCA. This was followed by an inspiring short play about Ibu Kartini's life and legacy, presented by Year 5 and 6 Indonesian curriculum students.



Music added a powerful and emotional touch to the assembly as students from across the school joined in singing Indonesian songs in the short play. Preschool to Year 2 students performed the patriotic song *"Ibu Kita Kartini"*, Year 3 and 4 sang the uplifting *"Laskar Pelangi"*, and Year 5 and 6 touched hearts with their performance of *"Lihatlah Lebih Dekat"*. It was a truly moving and meaningful assembly. ***Kerja yang bagus, semuanya!***



The celebration continued beyond the assembly with a vibrant **Kartini Day Market** organized by the **AIS PnF**, featuring stalls selling *Batik*, *Kebaya*, traditional accessories, and Indonesian home décor. A big thank you to the PnF team for creating a beautiful space to explore and appreciate Indonesian culture.



To top it all off, students in **Years 1–6** had the exciting opportunity to take part in a **Balinese Kecak Dance Workshop**, led by professional dancers from **Sanggar Pregina Agung**. Through rhythmic chanting and expressive movement, students gained hands-on experience of this iconic Balinese art form. Thank you, **Bli Alit and Bli Pande** for such a joyful and engaging workshop!



Thank you to all the parents for your wonderful support and enthusiasm. What an incredible day of culture, learning, and unity!

Warm regards,
Ms Nada & Mr Yohan

HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Welcome to High School News

This week we have been busy behind the scenes getting ready for the camps at the end of the term. Staff are preparing to lead the camps and our excellent administrative team has been organising plane tickets and visas as necessary. Unfortunately the deadline for late entries to camp has now passed and so any students who are not currently signed up and paid will not be able to attend the camps this year.

The playground equipment that has been installed outside the canteen has finally been open for play at break time and lunchtime and it has been lovely to see so many of the High School students from Year 7 right up to Year 12 enjoying themselves and playing on the equipment.

Today we commemorated Anzac day together as a school community, many thanks to the parents who were able to attend and help us to mark this important occasion. I welcomed the opportunity to hear students, visitors from the Australian Embassy and staff reading and explaining the significance of the day. It feels necessary and very timely to remember the sacrifice made by so many. Many thanks to Emma, Dylan, Violet and Tahlia for reading during the assembly.

Next week we will be sharing details of the end of semester assessments for Years 7 to 11. These assessments will be taking place in week 6. Years 7 to 10 will have assessments in English, Humanities, Indonesian, Maths and Science. Year 11 will have assessments in each of their six subjects. These assessments help us to see how well the students have understood the topics that have been taught this semester and help us to see how we can best support the students to make progress going forward. You might find these resources helpful when supporting your children to prepare:

- <https://www.learningpotential.gov.au/the-whole-of-house-approach-to-stress-free-study>
- <https://www.goodschoolsguide.co.uk/curricula-and-exams/revision-top-ten-tips-for-parents>
- <https://www.tutero.com.au/blog/tips-to-support-your-child-during-exams>

Year 12 will not have assessments during this week as their mock examinations will be taking place at the beginning of Term 3.

Please remember that next week we will be marking Labour Day and the school will therefore be shut on Thursday.

Dr Beth Ashfield
Deputy Principal and Head of High School

Wellbeing @ AIS

We are excited to implement PULSE by Linewize, a wellbeing app designed to support and monitor the emotional health of our students in High School. PULSE offers weekly online check-ins through its digital platform, allowing students to reflect on how they're feeling and to reach out for help or support if needed. This simple, student-friendly platform provides us with valuable insights into student wellbeing, enabling us to identify trends, respond proactively to emerging concerns, and tailor support where it's needed most. Our goal is to foster a caring, responsive school environment where every student feels seen, heard, and supported.

Ms. Linzi

Year 11 IB Visual Arts "Hit The Road Running"

In the first week of Term 2, we actively took our Y11 IB Visual Art students to JIS to view their **"LAUNCH" AP/IB Art Exhibition.**



Due to the Y12 IBDP Visual Arts students being in Lombok, the Y11 students represented themselves during our visit to JIS. Nonetheless, JIS's AP Art/IB Visual Arts Teacher, David White, was very welcoming, guiding us through the current exhibit and explaining each student's artwork, process, and themes. With a larger pool of IBDP Visual Arts students, JIS had numerous works to explore, which inspired our students.

The main goal of these visits is to **foster connections** and **spark creative growth**, motivating students to develop **curiosity, creativity, and confidence** as independent, **critical-thinking** visual artists.

Mr. Tal
Visual Arts Instructor



Artwork by JIS IB/AP student's

Year 12 Biology Camp

Our Year 12 Biology, ESS, and CAS camp to Lombok proved to be an exciting and memorable experience for staff and students alike. Students immersed themselves in diverse ecosystems, studying both beach and jungle environments. A key focus was on developing practical skills, with students undertaking statistical analyses of collected data, directly applicable to their IB Internal Assessments.

The adventure included a memorable trek through the jungle, even braving the rain, and measuring shell sizes across different habitats to understand ecological variation. Beyond the academic focus, students embraced the local culture. A white-water rafting experience provided an exhilarating break, while a bonfire on the beach fostered camaraderie. An eye-opening "poverty game" with local students offered valuable social insight, and creative expression was explored through a visit to a craft market where students crafted postcards from recycled bamboo. Throughout the trip, students savoured the delights of the local cuisine, further enhancing their cultural immersion.

Mr. Mark

Pejaten's Got Talent (PGT)

Don't Miss Your Chance to Shine! Pejaten's Got Talent Auditions Closing Soon!

Hey talented AIS High School students! Just a friendly reminder that auditions for **Pejaten's Got Talent** are still open, but the deadline is fast approaching!

This is your opportunity to showcase your amazing **music, dance, cultural talents**, and more on the big stage on **May 26th, 2025!** Don't let this chance to share your passion and wow everyone pass you by.

Remember these important points when submitting your audition:

- **Introduce Yourself:** Start your video by clearly stating your **name and grade level**.
- **Keep it Real:** Your audition must be a **single, unedited video** – no post-production magic needed!

- **Solo or Group:** Whether you're a solo star or part of a fantastic group, we want to see your performance!

Don't be shy! Take the leap, gather your courage, and show the Pejaten community what you've got!

The new deadline for all audition submissions is now April 29th, 2025! Make sure to submit your video through the Google Form:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd8mdRtsUWHF-cc3zscuN4MEhX-NcRwiGEePNvKowsuobHGUQ/viewform>

We're eagerly anticipating all the incredible talent you have to offer. Get your auditions in before the deadline – your moment to shine awaits!

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to –

Mr. Anand - anand.das@ais-indonesia.com

Ms. Michelle - michelle.christiawani@ais-indonesia.com

Mr. Anand

HS Music Teacher

Careers & University Information

University Fairs: A Gateway to the Best-Fit University

University fairs and expos are a goldmine for students exploring their post high school options. They offer face-to-face conversations with admissions representatives, letting you ask specific questions about their programs, how's their campus life, and even scholarships. These events may also introduce you to universities you may not have considered—some might end up being the perfect fit. So bring a list of questions, take notes, and collect contact info for future follow-up. Whether you're just starting your search or narrowing down choices, university fairs are a smart, impactful step toward your ideal university match.

International Education Expo 2025

Date: Sunday, 27 April 2025

Time: 13:00 - 18:00 WIB

Venue: Pullman Thamrin Jakarta

Register here: <https://sunniescr mrebornv2.suneducationgroup.com/public/reg/EVENT.0924.77>

Mr. Jeremias Sampang, Jr.

University and Careers Counsellor

Japanese Overseas Educational Services (JOES)

JOES is a non-profit organization that was founded by major Japanese corporations with the support of Japan's Ministry of Education and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs about 50 years ago.

Ther remit is to assist Japanese families with their educational needs while they are posted overseas and, on their return to Japan. More than 80,000 Japanese children are now living overseas with their parents throughout the world. More details can be found at their website; <https://www.joes.or.jp/introduction>

The JOES will be holding a school fair at Japanese school in Jakarta. At the school fair, Japanese students and their parents will have the opportunity to meet teachers from Japanese junior and senior high schools that accept many returnee children, and not only will they hear presentations about the school, but they will also have the opportunity to talk to the teachers directly and ask them questions.

This fair is open to all Japanese students and their parents who are interested in transferring to a school that accepts many returnee children after returning to Japan.

Below are the details of the school fair:

Wednesday, 14th May 2025, 8:40 - 13:00 p.m. (Doors open at 8:00)

Japanese School in Jakarta

Website: <https://www.jjs.or.id/>

Please find enclosed the flyers for the school fair (in Japanese).

→ https://www.joes.or.jp/cms/joes/pdf/kaigai/kaigai2025_flyer_jrt.pdf

→ https://www.joes.or.jp/kojin/kaigai_setsumeikai

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