



94th Birthday Celebration of Br. Harry Reynolds

During the course of our life there is always a certain personality who makes an impression on our lives. Invariably the person will be someone close to us like a family member or a teacher. Bro. Harold is a such a personality who has captured the hearts of students and teachers who were part of La Salle Klang (LSK) and St. Francis Institution, Melaka (SFI). (Continued)



For the 5th straight year since Bro Harold turned 90 years old, the former students, teachers and their spouse have been making the trip to Dasmaringas from Malaysia to attend the birthday of Bro. Harold. It has become a fixture in the calendar of these ex-students and teachers of both La Salle Klang and St. Francis Institution Melaka. Such is the impression that Bro. Harold has created in our hearts that we are so grateful and happy to share this special occasion with him. Bro Harold has impacted our lives in so many positive ways that we have many stories of his kindness, hospitality, magnanimity and most importantly his love towards us. (

Right from our younger days in school Bro. Harold has been an inspiration to all of us. His commitment towards the community especially the poor and sick, his ability to touch the hearts of students in need and his amazing work in ensuring the positive spirit and hope is simply beyond words. Till this day we are totally grateful for being a part of his life and he continues to speak in high esteem and pray for the well-being of his Old Boys and teachers of LSK and SFI. Such is the bond between Bro. Harold and us and we look forward to being with him in Dasmaringas during his birthday. During his stint in Malaysia, Bro. Harold taught in SFI Melaka(1951-1957,1977-1989), The Brothers' Juniorate in Pulau Tikus, Penang and La Salle School Klang which he fondly remembers as "those wonderful 37 years". (Continued)

The ever popular and highly respected Bro. Harold retired from teaching in Malaysia in 1989 just before his 65th birthday. He moved on to Philippines and continued to provide his teaching expertise which was much sought after for 23 years till May 2012 when he stopped teaching due to a fall. It cannot be denied that Bro. Harold has touched and enriched the lives of all those who have come into contact with him. His great sense of humour, compassion and love given to all irrespective of race, religion and background speaks volumes of his character. He is known as an excellent teacher, administrator and above all a good friend to his staff.

We will always remember Bro Harold for teaching our minds, touching our hearts and transforming our lives. We look forward to celebrating his 95th birthday in 2019 and in particular his 100th birthday and beyond. In this regard a special word of thanks goes to Bro Gus for obliging us and making all the arrangements at Dasmaringas for the last 5 years. We are simply awed by Bro Gus's passion and energy to do so many things at the same time whilst maintaining an eye for details. Bro Gus's amazing work towards the community is simply magical. We are very thankful to Bro Gus for taking such wonderful care of Bro. Harold and also for coordinating and assisting us in our trips to Dasmaringas, together with our very own dedicated coordinator Ms. Irene Tan (ex-teacher of La Salle School Klang). **(Surendran Menon)**





SJII Malaysia Friendly Sports Tournament in Singapore

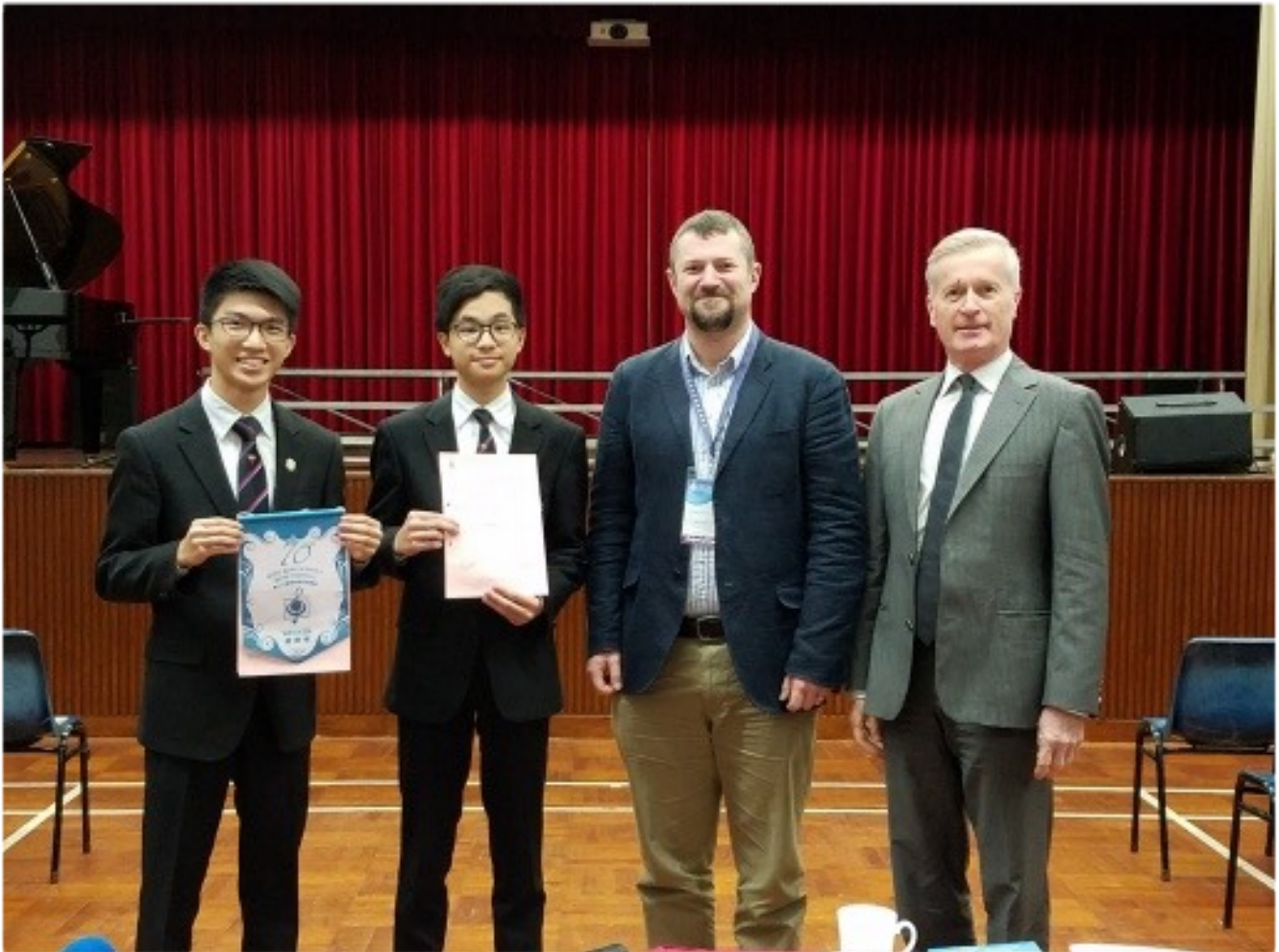
In the 9th of March, over 30 students from St. Joseph's Institution International Malaysia (SJIIM) travelled to Singapore for a friendly sports tournament with St. Joseph's Institution, Singapore (SJIS), St. Joseph's Institution International Singapore (SJII) and St Patrick's School (SPS) at SJII. We are proud to have been able to take part in this tournament; I am sure that I am speaking on behalf of all SJIIM participants that it was a special moment to see the debut of our green and blue kits on the field. It was a great opportunity for all of us to represent the school, and it is especially so for a Year 13 student like me.

For a young school like SJIIM, winning wasn't as important as the effort each and every one of our representatives put in as many of our 30 students had to play more than one sport. SJIIM athletes shone instead through each hustle for the basketball and each battle through a muscle cramp. (**Ying Xuan Eng, Y13**)

La Salle College Kowloon Senior Choir: 1st Place

The Music Team is pleased to announce that our Senior Choir captured 1st place in the Secondary School Choir Foreign Language Senior Competition (Second Division). The choir will join the Secondary School Choir Final Competition (N908F) on 23 March 2018 (Friday).

The Team would like to congratulate the Senior Choir and thank its teacher advisors Mr Wan and Mr Alfred Lam, conductor Mr Lam, and all old boy and parent supporters. (<https://www.lasalle.edu.hk/eng/home.php>)



Thai Young Brothers Gathering at La Salle Nakhonsawan



On 7 February 2018, all Thai young Brothers* from Chanthaburi, Sampran and Bangkok Community went to La Salle Nakhonsawan for our informal gathering and Br. Eugen Prapas' invitation to participate in the opening ceremony of 'School Academic Day 2018' on 8 February 2018. It was another important event and activity to promote our school for parents and people in that province.

There was an opening ceremony in the morning of 8 February 2018. This event allowed us to meet teachers and students. It was not easy for all young Brothers to get together because of our own responsibilities and mission in our assigned schools. We realized that this gathering and participation on that day made such a great impact to teachers and students in the sense of witnessing our Lasallian vocation and mission in Thailand. At the same time, many young Brothers also got chances to meet and talked to their own teachers in La Salle Chotiravi School, their former school where they studied for many years.

We, young Brothers also got chance to have such a great Futsal Match with teachers from La Salle Chotiravi School. It looked like a championship Match in front of many students at the Futsal Court in school. Our Brothers played very well and try to beat teachers but we lost it at the end of the game. Why?...There may be another friendly match in the future that we hope to win...that team.

We, young Brothers would like to thank Br. Eugen Prapas, Director and all Brothers in Nakhonsawan community (Br. Stephen Pichit, Br. Dominic Chamlong and Br. John Niran) for inviting us to participate this important event of the school. We experienced and learnt many things from this event. Thank you very much! (**Br. Sebastian Sripuk FSC**)

*Br. Frank Suriya, Br. Bendile Preecha, Br. Benedict Chaiwat, Br. Raphael Tanet, Br. Francisco Teerayut, Br. Johnny Perapong, Br. John Pongpat, Br. Sebastian Charoen, Br. Matthew Thawatchai, Br. Philip Bancha

News Notes

Save the Date. The inaugural awarding rites of the Inidivsa Manent of LEAD (which replaces the Letters of Benefaction) will be on May 19, 2018 at De La Salle University, Manila. Brothers Communities are encouraged to send representatives to witness the event. There will six awardees from across LEAD. Their names will follow in an official announcement.

Reminder. Community Directors who have not yet passed their C2 forms for 2017 (Supplement to the History of the House), kindly send them directly to the LEAD Administrator at sec_LEAD@lasalle.org

Congratulations. Congratulations to Br. Francisco Teerayut Chadang for recently completing his Master's degree in Educational Management at Ramkhamhaeng University. Congratulations also to Brothers John Pongpat and Benedict Chaiwat, both from Thailand, for completing their Diploma Program in the Teaching Profession this year.



Productivity

Stop Doing These Four Things That Sabotage Your Meetings

1. NOT DOCUMENTING DECISIONS

Lots of meetings end with a sentence like: “Sounds like we’ve come to a decision,” but is everyone clear on what that decision is, asks Kanfer Stewart... Instead, the meeting leader should conclude with, “Here’s the decision I think we’ve made. Is my description accurate? Can someone else describe the decision for the record?”



2. INVITING TOO MANY PEOPLE

When it comes to assembling participants, too many of us have “meeting FOMO,” says Kanfer Stewart. “When we invite people, we are not as thoughtful as we should be and often invite everybody because it’s easy,” she says. “Nobody questions meeting invites, and the only acceptable reasons to decline are if you’re out of the office, sick, or already booked.” Too many people can make a meeting unproductive

3. NOT TAKING GOOD NOTES

Taking notes in a meeting can be seen as an administrative role, and some organizations assign someone to the task. More often, though, teams fail to take meeting notes at all.

4. NOT ALIGNING WITH YOUR CULTURE

Meetings are a good way to deliver your company culture, but often they do not. If you value transparency but fail to send meeting notes, for example, you’re not in alignment. Meetings that don’t fit company culture are often due to a lack of processes and tools.

Read the entire article at: <https://www.fastcompany.com/40539497/stop-doing-these-four-things-that-sabotage-your-meetings>

Fraternally,

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