



ST. JOSEPH'S INSTITUTION INTERNATIONAL

# ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PROGRAMME

**ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**  
Prep 1 - Grade 6

**HIGH SCHOOL**  
Grades 7 - 12



*Enter to Learn,  
Leave to Serve*



## Our **Mission** Statement

Enabling students, within a Lasallian community, to learn how to learn and to learn how to live, empowering them to become people of integrity and people for others.



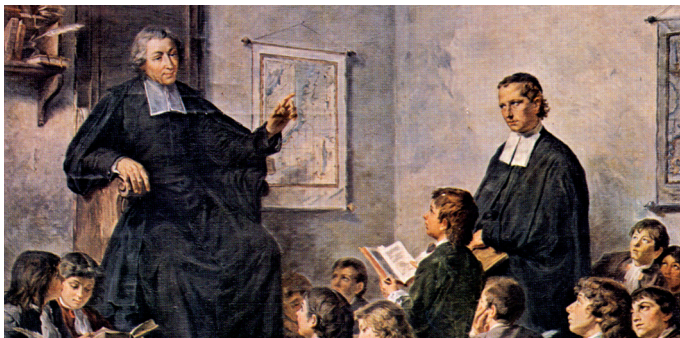




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## A SCHOOL OF THE DE LA SALLE BROTHERS

SJI International is part of the 341-year tradition and ethos of the De La Salle Brothers, who have been part of Singapore's educational history since 1852. Guided by St John Baptist de La Salle, Patron Saint of Teachers in the Catholic Church, the Lasallian mission extends to over 935,000 students in over 1,000 schools around the world - including the SJI family of schools in Singapore comprising SJI International and the national schools, St Joseph's Institution (Independent) and SJI Junior.

Provision for Catholic families at SJI International includes after-school catechism classes, daily prayers and weekly Mass in the school chapel, regular opportunities to attend the sacrament of reconciliation, and other celebrations to explore and deepen their faith throughout the liturgical year.

We are currently supported by a Brother President, one Lasallian Brother and a Campus Faith Coordinator on the teaching staff.

## BUILDING INTEGRITY AND CARE FOR OTHERS

Established in 2007, St. Joseph's Institution International offers a **holistic, values-driven** and **international** educational experience to a diverse student body of 40 nationalities rooted in the context of Singapore.

As a school with a Lasallian Catholic foundation, our community welcomes students, teachers, parents, friends and supporters of all faiths and cultural backgrounds. Our core **Lasallian values** are central to everything that we do: spirituality, mutual respect, internationalism, leadership, experiences and service. We strive to develop students who are intrinsically motivated to serve others and to give back to the community.

Today, we celebrate a community of 1,900 students across two schools on one campus. The **Elementary School** caters to expatriate children from pre-school Prep 1 - 2 and Grade 1 - 6 (ages 4 - 12); while the **High School** admits both Singaporean and international students in Grades 7 - 12 (ages 12 - 18).

## LASALLIAN VALUES

### SJI International Values

Spirituality



Mutual Respect



Internationalism



Leadership and Experiences



Service



### Lasallian Core Principles

Faith in the Presence of God

Respect for all Persons

Inclusive Community

Quality Education

Concern for the Poor and Social Justice

**(SMILES)**





*An annual lapathon is hosted by the Elementary Parents Support Group, with the proceeds going to the schools we support in Sri Lanka.*

## LEARNING TO SERVE OTHERS THE LASALLIAN WAY

Learning at SJJ International involves challenging and inspiring experiences inside, and frequently outside, the classroom that develop a genuine interest in the academic disciplines and encourage personal development.

Besides obtaining academic qualifications that open the doors to the best universities around the world, each student leaves school with a spiritual dimension, and passionate interests and hobbies developed through sports, adventure, music and drama activities, that nurture a sense of self-worth and life-long inspiration. A strong sense of moral responsibility is reflected through an active commitment to the service of other people, particularly the least fortunate.

Our dedicated teachers use a child-centred, active learning approach, and strive to support the maximal development of each student. Teachers communicate with students on an individual level while celebrating each student's unique learning style, encouraging them to think and to act rather than to simply respond to the situations they encounter. The learning environment requires intellectual creativity and active class participation, providing students with opportunities for self-discovery, inspiration, exploration, and experimentation.



*5-10 Cent Challenge*

***Service Learning:** From Prep 1, students are encouraged to participate in whole school service events, which support our chosen Global Initiative Programme with our charity of choice, the Lasallian Community Education Services in Colombo, Sri Lanka.*







Nestling in the lush greenery of the Thomson suburbs, our beautiful, large, landscaped campus is easily accessible by public transport and car. Our facilities are well-resourced and continuously improved. The Elementary School comprises 35 classrooms which have plenty of natural light and views over the grounds and gardens. In the Cecilia Creative Arts Centre there are 2 Music rooms, 4 practice rooms, 2 Art rooms, an ICT suite including a recording studio, a Multipurpose Room and a Chinese classroom. Students enjoy a weekly visit to our specialist library and eat in the Pavilion overlooking two large play areas. There is also a specialised nurse room and Administration area. All classrooms have installed LCD projectors and teachers have access to a range of IT including Mimio interactive whiteboards, visualisers, class sets of laptops, digital and video cameras.

*ICT suite*



*Library*



*The Lawrence da Silva Sports Complex boasts a variety of amenities ranging from Rock Climbing and Swimming to Ball Games courts, just to mention a few.*





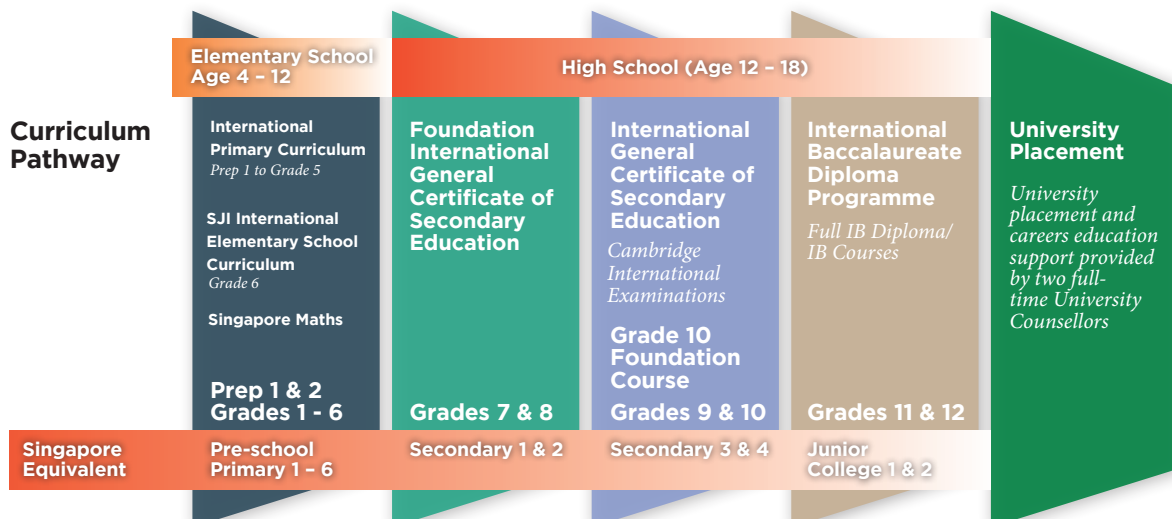
# INTERNATIONAL PRIMARY CURRICULUM

## CURRICULUM

The International Primary Curriculum (IPC) is a contemporary curriculum designed to meet the challenges of 21st-century learners. At SJI International, we have embraced the IPC because it offers a child-centred and challenging approach to teaching and learning, as well as subject specific learning goals, personal learning goals and opportunities for the development of international mindedness. IPC transforms learning by encouraging students to think differently, question differently and learn differently.



The IPC values the importance of acquiring skills in context and exploring the development of knowledge that is relevant to students in today's world. The units of study take on a thematic approach, weaving together a variety of subjects in an integrated and logical way. Our learners develop the skills to be enquirers, communicators and collaborators with their learning – developing a greater sense of themselves and others in the process. Through enquiry, students develop a deeper connection with their own nationality and culture and, at the same time, a growing understanding of the culture of others, and the challenges and wonders of the world.







## **Virtues: The Gifts of Character**

<b>Assertiveness</b>	<b>Integrity</b>
<b>Caring</b>	<b>Joyfulness</b>
<b>Cleanliness</b>	<b>Justice</b>
<b>Commitment</b>	<b>Kindness</b>
<b>Compassion</b>	<b>Love</b>
<b>Confidence</b>	<b>Loyalty</b>
<b>Consideration</b>	<b>Moderation</b>
<b>Cooperation</b>	<b>Modesty</b>
<b>Courage</b>	<b>Orderliness</b>
<b>Courtesy</b>	<b>Patience</b>
<b>Creativity</b>	<b>Peacefulness</b>
<b>Detachment</b>	<b>Perseverance</b>
<b>Determination</b>	<b>Purposefulness</b>
<b>Diligence</b>	<b>Reliability</b>
<b>Enthusiasm</b>	<b>Respect</b>
<b>Excellence</b>	<b>Responsibility</b>
<b>Flexibility</b>	<b>Self-discipline</b>
<b>Forgiveness</b>	<b>Service</b>
<b>Friendliness</b>	<b>Tact</b>
<b>Generosity</b>	<b>Thankfulness</b>
<b>Gentleness</b>	<b>Tolerance</b>
<b>Helpfulness</b>	<b>Trust</b>
<b>Honesty</b>	<b>Trustworthiness</b>
<b>Honor</b>	<b>Truthfulness</b>
<b>Humility</b>	<b>Understanding</b>
<b>Idealism</b>	<b>Unity</b>

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## **CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME**

### **(Underpinned by The Virtues Programme)**

The Virtues Project is used at SJI International Elementary School both as a vehicle to make the school values accessible for the children and as the basis of our Behaviour Policy. The Virtues Project is based on the beliefs and virtues valued by diverse cultures and world religions. Its mission is to provide empowering strategies that inspire the practice of virtues in everyday life. The Virtues Project enables us to address not only our Lasallian values, SMILES, but also to meet the personal development goals at the heart of the International Primary Curriculum.

(Please find more information on the Virtues Project here: [www.virtuesproject.com](http://www.virtuesproject.com))





# THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL **LEARNING EXPERIENCE**



## CASS

This programme is designed to give students opportunities for development beyond academics in areas such as personal responsibility, the building of self-confidence, acquisition of new skills and to encourage a balanced lifestyle. It also reflects the Lasallian ethos of our school "Enter to Learn, Leave to Serve." CASS stands for Community, Activity, Sport and Service. The explanations below summarise the big picture for each section.

### COMMUNITY

Volunteering within the school community offers the chance to make a difference to people's lives and to use your skills and experience to help your school community. You can use this opportunity to become involved in a project that you care about.

### ACTIVITY

There's a hobby or activity to suit everyone, so choose something you are really interested in. Developing a skill helps you get better at something that captures your imagination and gives you the confidence and ability to use this skill both now and later in life.

### SPORT

Doing physical activity is fun and improves your health and physical fitness. You may already participate in a number of these sports in or outside school.

### SERVICE

Volunteering within the local community gives you the chance to make a difference to the lives of local people, animals or the environment. There are many projects you might become involved with or you could start your own.







As a Lasallian Catholic school, pastoral care is central to our ethos and identity. Our Mission Statement calls for all of us in the SJI International Community to work together to enable our children to become people of integrity and people that show care and concern for others. The Patron Saint of Teachers and the school, St John Baptiste de La Salle, stressed the need for teachers to touch hearts. In following the lead taken by our Patron, we aim to ensure that our children feel that they matter, are highly valued and loved. We care for our children with the development of the whole person as a high priority. The foundation and inspiration for the care offered to our children come from a commitment to Gospel values. Our pastoral systems, through class teachers and our pastoral care team, aims to ensure that each of our children flourishes during their formative years with us.

Our classes are the centre of our work in pastoral care with class teachers enabling the establishment of a deeper relationship with each child and their family. The development of social and emotional skills takes place through the IPC units and explicit teaching of a Well-being curriculum. We work positively with our students, using the language of the Virtues as an integral part of the activities and processes that form our character education programme.







## Elementary School Academic Year

January to December

## Elementary School Holidays

February: One week

March/April: Two weeks

June/July: Six weeks for Summer holidays

September: One week

October: One week

December/January: Four weeks for Christmas holidays

## Elementary School Hours

Prep 1 and 2: 8.00am – 2.00pm (Monday to Friday)

Grades 1-6: 8.00am – 3.00pm (Monday to Friday)

## Elementary School Admissions

Children must be residing in Singapore with at least one parent who is in possession of an appropriate immigration pass. A child must hold a Dependant's Pass, Permanent Resident Pass\*, a Diplomatic Passport, or a Student Pass.

For details and enquiries, please contact:

**Elementary School Admissions**  
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**(65) 6871 5202**

*\*Singapore Citizens and Permanent Residents need to take an MOE-approved Mother Tongue language upon entering Grade 7 in the High School*

Age (based on age on 1st January)	Grade Level
4	Prep 1
5	Prep 2
6	Grade 1
7	Grade 2
8	Grade 3
9	Grade 4
10	Grade 5
11	Grade 6







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