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This edition is dedicated to the Class of 2020. In addition, you will find AP Examination information, the online graduation plans, and a special farewell to our departing teachers.

Please remember to stay socially distant and reach out if you have any questions or concerns.



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April '20	6	7	8	9	10	10	School holiday
нѕ	13	14	15	16	17	20	School holiday
Blue = Day 1 Green = Day 2	20	21	22	23	24	21	School resumes
	27	28	29	30		May 1	School holiday (substitution day for 13 April)
May 120					1	4	Coronation Day - School Closed
May '20	4	5	6	7	8	5	Teacher PD - School Closed
нѕ	11	12	13	14	15	6	Visahka Bucha Day - School Closed
Blue = Day 1 Green = Day 2	18	19	20	21	22	28	HS Graduation/Promotion ceremonies (virtual)
	25	26	27	28	29	29	End of the Year/Student Dismissal at 11:30 am
June '20	1	2	3	4	5	1,2,4,5	Substitution holidays for Songkran week (substitution days 14-17 April)
	8	9	10	11	12	3	Queen's Birthday
	15	16	17	18	19	8-26	Summer School - cancelled
	22	23	24	25	26		
	29	30					

HS Online/Virtual Graduation



Congratulations Class of 2020 From the High School Faculty



FAREWELL to SENIORS



Mr. Ted

Well Seniors, here you are! You've spent 12 years wanting to be right where you are. It went by quickly didn't it? Last year, you felt like it was taking forever, and now your Senior Year just whistled by! That's your first lesson for your adult life: it goes by quickly! That quote from Smash Mouth is true -- "The years start coming and they don't stop coming..." Truer words were never spoken. So what can you do? I have two pieces of advice:

1. Enjoy it! If you're unhappy, make changes until you are happy. And happiness is not about material things or having cool stuff or making lots of money. It's about being with people you love and care about. It's about making

time for family and friends. You'll most remember the friendship and love you share with people you value.

2. Do your best at everything you do. Don't accept anything less than your best effort in what you choose to do. If you are going to be an engineer, be the best engineer you can be. If you're going to be a husband or a wife, be the best husband or wife you can be. If you do your best, you'll have no regrets, even if you fall short from time to time.

You'll be my age before you know it, so make sure you have some great memories to look back on. Best wishes to you all, and I hope our paths cross again!



Best wishes class of 2020! It was a delight to get to know so many of you. You're a smart, positive, resilient, talented, caring group with tremendous ability. Enjoy the next chapter in life and take advantage of all the opportunities available to you. Don't take the safe road just because or do what others are telling you to do; follow your heart and your passion and take some risks.



Mr. Jon

"Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things you didn't do than by the ones you did do. So throw off the bowlines. Sail away from the safe harbor. Catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore. Dream. Discover. " - Mark Twain

畢業是一段新的旅程,新的開始,希望你們帶著老師的祝福,走向人生的另一條道路。在 這條路上相信你會竭盡所能攀登高峰,但是向著高峰攀登的過程,才是真正重要的,你必 須要全心投入,專注於眼前的每一個步履,一步一腳印,步步都要懂得感恩。

新的旅程中要記得播下愛的種子,用心耕耘,你的莊稼地才不至於貧脊荒蕪。我不是完美的老師,只是幸運曾經守候你們的成長,期待不只是過去,也是未來,我們都能迎向前方 ,遇見更好的自己。



Ms. Jane



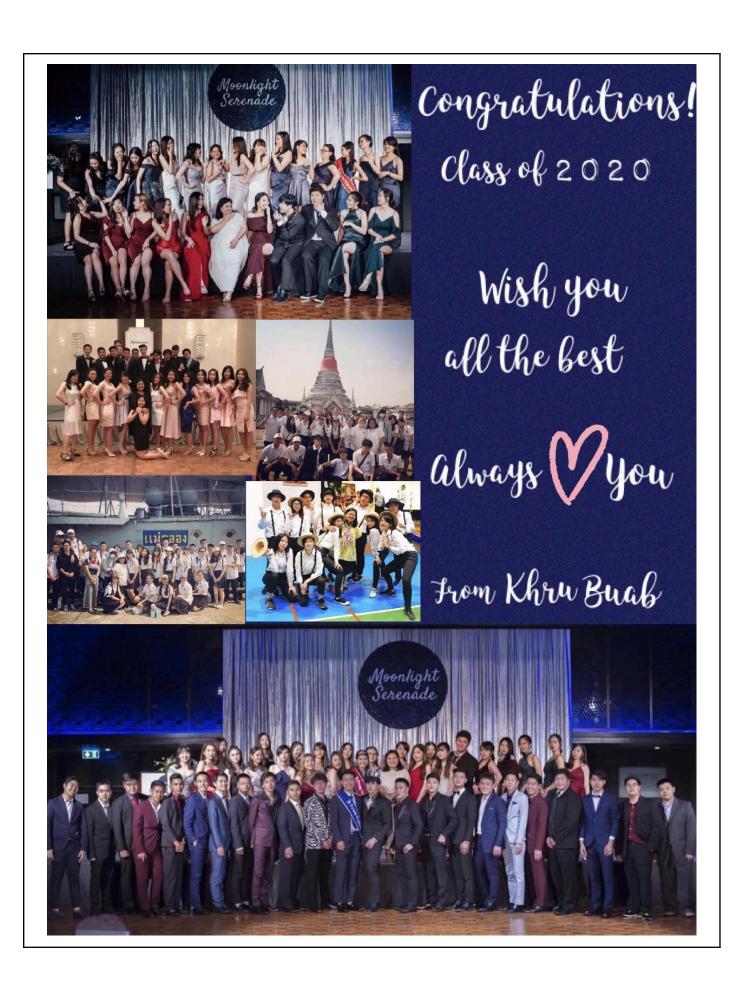
Dear Seniors,

Congratulations! Although we are suffering from Covid-19, we will always remember that at this moment in history, everyone's heart is still bound together.

I am very happy to meet many 12th graders this year. Your creative, lively, cheerful and positive spirit made a deep impression on me. I believe you will also have a complete and meaningful life in the future. There may be many changes in the future so please always remain flexible and don't be afraid to adjust yourself at any time. As you leave TCIS, I offer you not only my congratulations but also my hope for the future. It is a future you must create with your hands, your intellect, and your willpower. May you succeed!

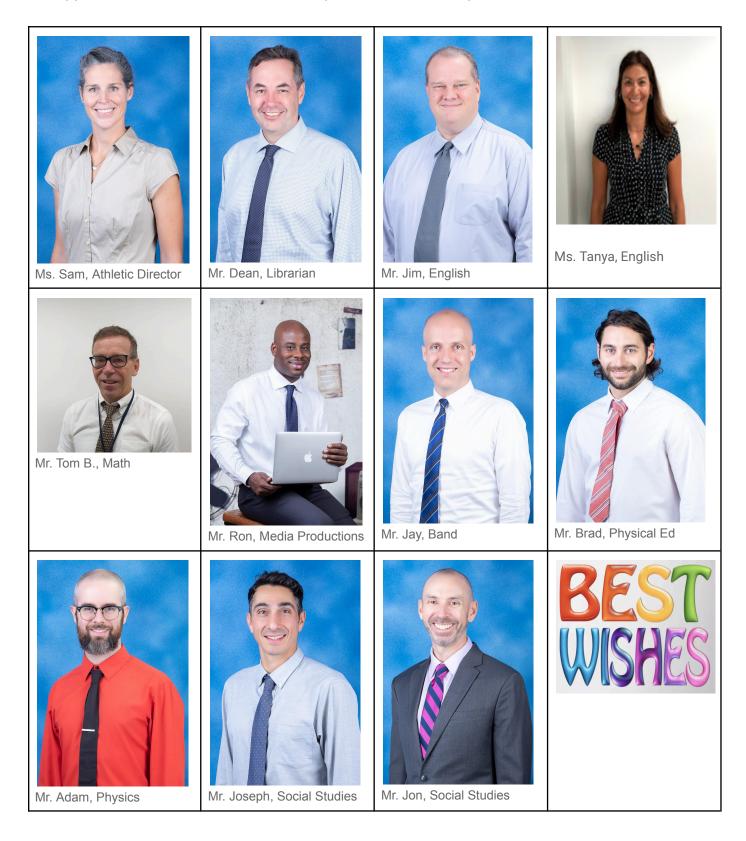
祝福畢業快樂. 前程似錦!





Departing High School Teachers

The end of the school year marks a time of transition for several high school teachers. With thanks and appreciation, we wish them well as they move into the next phase of their educational career.





Do you wonder what teachers do in their spare time? Mr. Jay tapped into his creativity during this time of social isolation and produced an album of music titled, "Time Machine". Visit the link to learn how you can access his music.

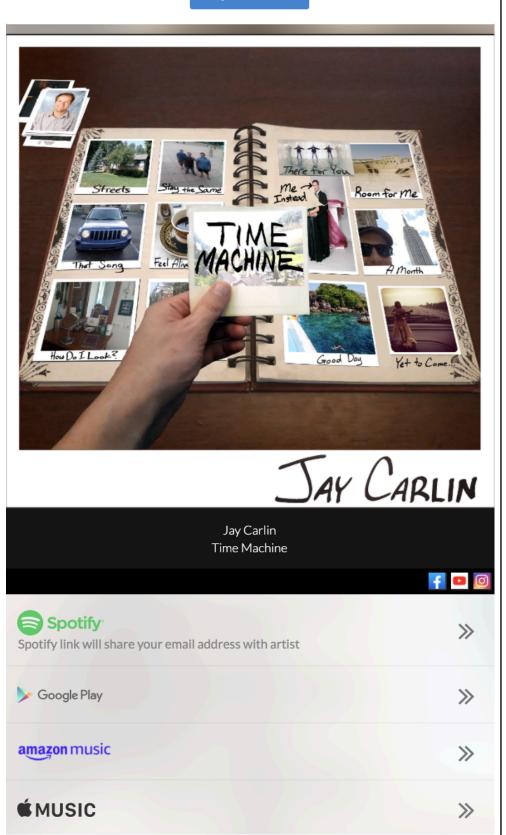
"Time Machine" by Jay Carlin

Once you go to the link, at the bottom of the page, visitors can click which service they would like to reserve / listen to the album on: Spotify, iTunes, Google Play, or Amazon. Spotify is for streaming only, but the other three have both streaming and purchase options.

Thanks for sharing your creativity with us Mr. Jay and for all the many opportunities you have provided for the students of the TCIS.

JAY CARLIN

🗪 Talk to me



AP Exams (College Board)





Mon May 11 (2)	Tues May 12 (1)	Wed May 13 (2)	Thurs May 14 (1)	Fri May 15 (2)
	Calculus AB & BC (session 2)	Phys 2 (session 1)	Chemistry (session 2)	
	Exam @ 1 am Wed	Exam @ 11 pm	Exam @ 1 am Fri	
			Physics 1 (session 3)	
			Exam @ 3 am Fri	
Mon May 18 (1)	Tues May 19 (2)	Wed May 20 (1)	Thurs May 21 (2)	Fri May 22 (1)
Chinese (session 1)	Psychology (session 2)	English Language (session 2)	Macroeconomics (session 3)	Comparative Govt (session 1)
Exam @ 11 pm	Exam @ 1 am Wed	Exam @ 1 am Thur	Exam @ 3 am Fri	Exam @ 11 pm
Biology (session 2) Exam @ 1 am Tues	Japanese (session 3) Exam @ 3 am	Microeconomics (session 3)		Statistics (session 2)
	Wed	Exam @ 3 am Thur		Exam @ 1 am Sat







FUTURE SAT Test Dates

Planning Ahead



Register here

2020-21 International SAT Administration Dates (Anticipated)

SAT Date	SAT Subject Test Available?
August 29, 2020	Yes
September 26, 2020	No
October 3, 2020	Yes
December 5, 2020	Yes
March 13, 2021	No
May 8, 2021	Yes



Students applying to universities in Taiwan are advised to take the SAT and Subject Tests during their Grade 11 year in order to have all testing requirements completed by August, 2020. Please contact Mr. Tony should you have any questions.

High School Art Happenings

Online Learning Highlights



Advanced Art

Students from Advanced Art were set up with supplies including paper, media and microwave popcorn prior to leaving campus. For the past month, students have been working on a popcorn based composition. Students were encouraged to play with textures and create dynamic compositions that had movement and balance. Students were also encouraged to be experimental with their color schemes.

Left: Image by Arly, watercolor on paper



Art 1

Art 1 students were also sent home with materials and continued on with their Non-Objective Compositions. Students selected their compositions by using viewfinders in magazines. Then, they had to scale their work, do preliminary drawings and decide their color schemes. Once they had a direction, they watched a color pencil tutorial and started applying their Prismacolor. Students had to add details and create highlights.

Left: Image by Eve, Prismacolor on paper



Graphic Design

Students in Graphic Design have also continued with their creations. Students recently completed a "What Happened to Jane/James?" project. Students had to come up with their own storyline and decide who their character would be and create a composition that hinted at a recent occurrence. Students were encouraged to use their choice of tools to manipulate their compositions as well as to utilize items from around their houses as props.

Left: Image by Punt







The Library Bulletin May. 2020

Library Information

Asian Literature

Classics in the Library

Digital Wellbeing

It's not quite all doom and gloom for library patrons. While physical branches may have shut down, many libraries still offer a wealth of digital content for those who have internet access elsewhere. Card holders can take advantage of ebook loans and streaming programs offered by their local libraries. In general, libraries have also become much more forgiving about item return dates and library card expirations.

Some libraries have started offering even more robust online offerings, from upping the allotment of streaming media rentals to hosting online reading sessions. On March 24, the Internet Archive announced it was creating a "National Emergency Library" by suspending wait lists for the 1.4 million books in its digital lending library. The

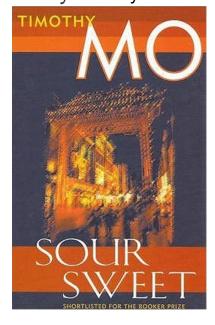
organization says the suspension will remain in place until June 30, or the end of the US national emergency, whichever is later.

"We cannot create a sense of normalcy for them," Salazar says. "But we can use this new reality to offer something different. That's what we're working on. Many of us are challenged, but we're coming up with good, creative ideas."



Sour Sweet

by Timothy Mo



Shortlisted for the 1982 Booker Prize, this novel explores the clans and conflicts of Soho's Chinatown, where the Chen family arrive and want to succeed as restaurateurs in the 1960s. No family can survive for long without encountering the Triads. By the author of "The Redundancy of Courage".



This column will focus on classic books that are in the library

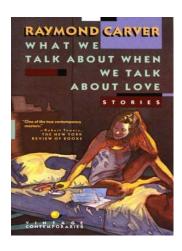
What We Talk About When We Talk About Love

by Raymond Carver

In his second collection, Carver establishes his reputation as one of the most celebrated and beloved short-story writers in American literature—a haunting meditation on love, loss, and companionship, and finding one's way through the dark.

"It ought to make us feel ashamed when we talk like we know what we're talking about when we talk about love."

"That's all we have, finally, the words, and they had better be the right ones."







The Library Bulletin

This column will offer recommendations for

Podcasts

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The Guardian Books podcast

The Guardian Books podcast is a weekly look at the world of books, presented by Claire Armitstead, Richard Lea and Sian Cain. In-depth interviews with authors from all over the world, discussions and investigations make this the perfect companion for readers and writers alike

What to Read While Self-Isolating



Glenn Patterson

As the coronavirus dominates headlines and more people self-isolate, Sam Jordison, the person behind the Guardian's Reading group and Tips, links and suggestions blog, talks to Claire and Sian about reading while stressed and whether this is the time to go for dystopias or comforting reads.

Science

Essential Books About Pandemics



As the world grapples with the coronavirus outbreak, these works remind us that humans have faced deadly plagues for millenniums.



By Tina Jordan

If you're looking for context, history or scientific information about the spread of disease, these books are a good place to start.

7 Essential Books about Pandemics

Staff and Student Shout Outs

Recommendations for books from readers in our TCIS community.

Mr. Jim In the Garden of Beasts:
Love, Terror, and an American Family in Hitler's Berlin

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There have been a lot of books written about the slave experience in the Americas but here is a story with some different content. Esi Edugyan's third novel Washington Black is about a young slave on a plantation in the Barbados who is released from his horrible owner to serve an independent scientist. He quickly develops skills that make him an invaluable contributor to the scientific world and leads him to far-flung adventures that takes him to Virginia, the north pole, Nova Scotia, England and other places. Although he does not remain a slave, varying degrees of racism are encountered everywhere he goes and affects all aspects of his life. The novel is a mixture of adventure, history, social commentary and philosophy. It doesn't just stay with the cliches of

commentary and philosophy. It doesn't just stay with the cliches of the slave experience but opens the reader up to a world full of contradictions and grey areas that only a well-researched and incredibly intelligent author could devise.





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