

St. George's School

Bandar Seri Begawan, Brunei Darussalam



Celebrating our Past

Shaping our Future



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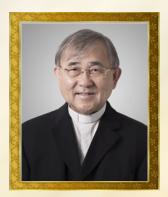
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President's Message



Distinguished members of the School Board, Principal, teachers, staff, students, parents of students, well-wishers and supporters, and especially, past and present alumni of St. George's School, Bandar Seri Begawan.

St. George's School was set up by Father Piet de Wit, a Mill Hill priest in 1937 in a modest house off Jalan Padang in the then Brunei Town. Within 4 years however, the school ceased to operate because the Second World War intervened.

After the close of hostilities, St. George's School resumed operations right up to 1953 when Father Delaney constructed new buildings for the use of the School. During this time, the school was named St. George's School after its generous benefactor Mr. George Ah Foot Newn.

The present set of school buildings date back to 1963 and were built by Father Delaney. Since then a succession of school principals and teachers as well as constant stream of students have been educated in the school. They are all part of the memorable history of the school.

If we are to think of some defining characteristic of St. George's School, what would that be? Surely we could point to the multicultural makeup of the school which has created a sense of camaraderie and belonging that transcends ethnicity, status and religion.

The school has engendered a strong sense of loyalty and commitment its alumni and staff. Many alumni continue to visit the school after periods of study and work abroad. Our teachers and staff are always happy to see them. It is good to reminisce and share what they have achieved with the education they received in St. George's School.

Our alumni are found in just about every honorable occupation and walk of life, in Brunei as well as in many countries beyond Brunei wherever their pursuit of a better life has led them. They show that the Georgian spirit is one of adventure, courage and dedication, as enshrined in the moto Honora et Labora.

This anniversary is a time to honour the many people who have been part of St. George's though these 80 years. We salute you: the early pioneers who have gone to their rest, the alumni who are still with us and the generation of those still in school today.

My special congratulations to everyone involved in this auspicious anniversary celebration. God bless you all. May you always be proud of your contribution to the venerable heritage which is now enriched and enhanced with the story of your individual lives.

Bishop Cornelius Sim
President, Board of Governers
St. George's School





Chairman's Message



As the Co Chairman of the Organising Committee, I am happy to be instrumental in this celebration of the SGS 80 years of achievements, a milestone which St Georgians can be proud of.

St George's School being one of the pioneering schools in Brunei has contributed towards the development of human capacity not only in Brunei but also

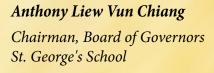
internationally as it has always welcome locals and foreigners alike who seek to be educated in their primary and secondary years.

The 80th Anniversary Gala Dinner at the Indera Samudra Grand Hall, the Empire Hotel & Country Club, Brunei, while celebrating the achievements of the past eight decades also seeks to raise funds for the following purposes: i) the purchase of new furniture and school equipment to replace old and worn out ones; ii) the upgrading of the ICT infra structure; and iii) to replenish the scholarship funds for the needy and excellent students.

I take this opportunity to thank our generous sponsors, past and present students and staff and well-wishers who had contributed in one way or another towards making this Celebration possible.

In conclusion, I would like to wish each and every St Georgian a happy 80th Anniversary and may SGS progress from strength to strength.

Honour and Labour.







Principal's Message



There is an old saying, "from a tiny seed grows a mighty tree'. Remarkable things can come from a small beginning. This is true not only of St. George's School itself, but, more importantly, of the many thousands of students who have passed through its doors over the last 80 years who have become successful in their careers and lives. Since its inception in 1937, the leaders of St. George's School have had their visions focused on its core values of educating and preparing each student for a life of purpose. Even though, back then, the school was a rented house with just a handful of students, the school has articulated that children must receive an education

that is holistic. The school continues to emphasize the development of self-worth, a thirst for knowledge and life-long learning, respect for other people and the importance of being gracious and contributing citizens of the countries where our students come from or their new-found countries of residence.

Reaching the 80th anniversary of anything deserves celebration - not just of the endurance of that institution but of the people who created, inspired and maintained it. When those 80 years have been full of success and achievement, recognition is due to all those involved. The theme "Celebrating Our Past, Shaping Our Future" is indeed significant and appropriate, and wholly befitting this occasion. The school's 80th anniversary is not only about celebrating the achievements in the past. It is also about acknowledging the importance of improving the present and grabbing opportunities to explore future challenges to ensure its continued existence. We will continue to prepare and equip our students with the ability to navigate the 21st Century Competencies for holistic education. To bring out the best in every student is the goal of our school, as stated in the school's mission that "St. George's School strives to provide opportunities for the overall integral development to its students through the process of effective nurturing and skills acquisition".

St. George's School also play a vital role in nation building through education, economic development and employment in the country. St. George's School will endeavor to continually contribute positively to the nation's quest towards achieving Brunei Vision 2035.

It has indeed been a long and enriching journey of 80 years. I urge our present and future teachers and students to keep the St. George's School's flame continuously lighted up for the next 80 years!

Janidi Jingan Principal, St. George's School



Programme

7:00 p.m. : Arrival of Guests

7:15 p.m. : National Anthem

: Presentation of the 80th Anniversary Logo & Documentary Video

: Welcome Address Mr. Anthony Liew Vun Chiang Chairman, School Board of Governors

: Welcome Song - SGS Students

: 80th Anniversary Message His Grace Bishop Cornelius Sim President, School Board of Governors

: Cake Cutting Ceremony

: Performance - SGS Divas

: Unity in Diversity (Cultural Performances)

- Chinese Ancient Chinese Wedding
- Filipino La Jota
- Malay Kayum Oh Ya Kayum
- Indigenous Ethnic Group Medley Etnik
- Nepalese Rangi Changi Baisa Ma
- Indian Semi Traditional Bollywood Dance
- Cultural Finale



: Dinner is served

: Lucky Draw #1

: Serenade - Guest Artist

: Lucky Draw #2

: Serenade - Kala Karwanamurthi

: Lucky Draw #3

: Performance - Pitch Perfect (Modern songs)

: Performance - Selected SGS Staff

: Dance Performance - Through the Years

• 60s - Kindergarten Students

• 70s - Primary and Secondary Students

• 80s - Primary and Secondary Students

• 90s - Primary and Secondary Students

• 2000 - Primary and Secondary Students

: Disney Medley - Primary and Secondary Students

: Grand Lucky Draw

: School Song

: Vote of Thanks - Mr. Janidi Jingan

Principal, St. George's School

: Grand Finale (Touch the Future)

10:00 p.m. : End of Programme



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Brief History

Fr. Piet de Wit was appointed as a resident priest in Brunei Town in 1937 to assist Fr. Crowther, MHM, who was the first resident priest in Brunei. Fr. Piet de Wit started the first Catholic school in a rented house owned by Mr. Kay in Jalan Padang, which also housed a chapel and the living quarters of the priest.

By 1941, a building to house the activities of the church had been constructed at Kumbang Pasang on the land donated by Mr. George Ah Foott. The school building by this time included a small chapel and living quarters for the resident priest. The priest was also the principal of the school.

During the Japanese Occupation of 1942-45, Fr. Piet de Wit together with the other priests were interned by the Japanese and sent to Batu Lintang, Kuching. The Japanese authorities used the church for their activities while the Anglicans used the school building for their services.

After the war, the school was re-established and managed by Mr. George Newn Ah Foott with his daughters as the teachers. The Mill Hill Missionary priests continued to come to Brunei from Labuan such as Fr. McCarthy, Fr. Ben Walsh and Fr. William Smit. It was Fr. Smit who gave the school the name St. George's School, after its founder and benefactor.

In 1953, Fr. Delaney was appointed as the resident priest. He was instrumental in constructing many buildings. He extended the school and constructed a new church. This building later became the Parish Hall. Fr. Delaney single-handedly taught the 12 Form One students in 1963.

The school building was rebuilt 1963. Fr. Conway was appointed to St. George's School from July 1964 to June 1965. Mrs. Paula Mah started teaching at St. George's School in January 1964. She was in charge of the Form Two students. It was also the time when the school uniforms patterns were chosen by the students and permission was granted by Fr. Conway. He was followed by Fr. Wolbers, who was appointed as Acting Rector and School Principal in September 1966. He also made the school uniform official.

The 12 students sat for the Sarawak Junior Exams in 1965 and scored 100% passes. This excellent performance was published in the Borneo Bulletin.

By January 1969, Fr. Jan Dekker was sent as temporary replacement when Fr. Wolbers left. During this period, Bishop Galvin appointed a layman, Mr. Guy Alwines, as Principal of St. George's School. Fr. Paul Tong was appointed Rector in August 1969. He was followed by Fr. Francis de Vries in 1970 and by Fr. Thomas Keogan.

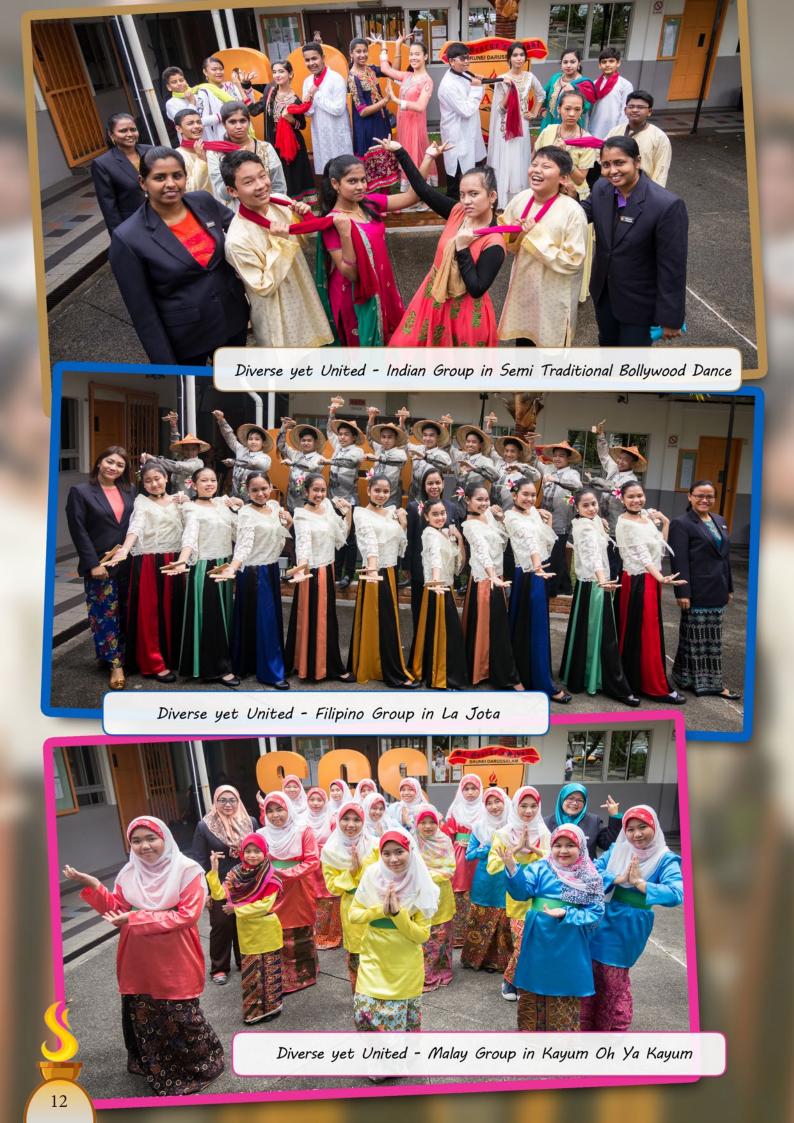
Fr. Jan Heuschen managed the school from 1972 and took over from Fr. Keogan who left in 1978. Fr. Heuschen was an excellent administrator, who was firm but friendly, demanding but generous. After working in Brunei for thirteen years, Fr. Jan Heuschen left in October 1984. Fr. Dunne took over for a short while until Fr. Peter Chiang was transferred to Bandar from the Seria Parish. In 1991 Fr. Chiang and Fr. McClorey had to leave Brunei. The departure of the last two foreign priests was a time of great trial with the burden of responsibility falling into the hands of the single local priest, Bishop Cornelius Sim.









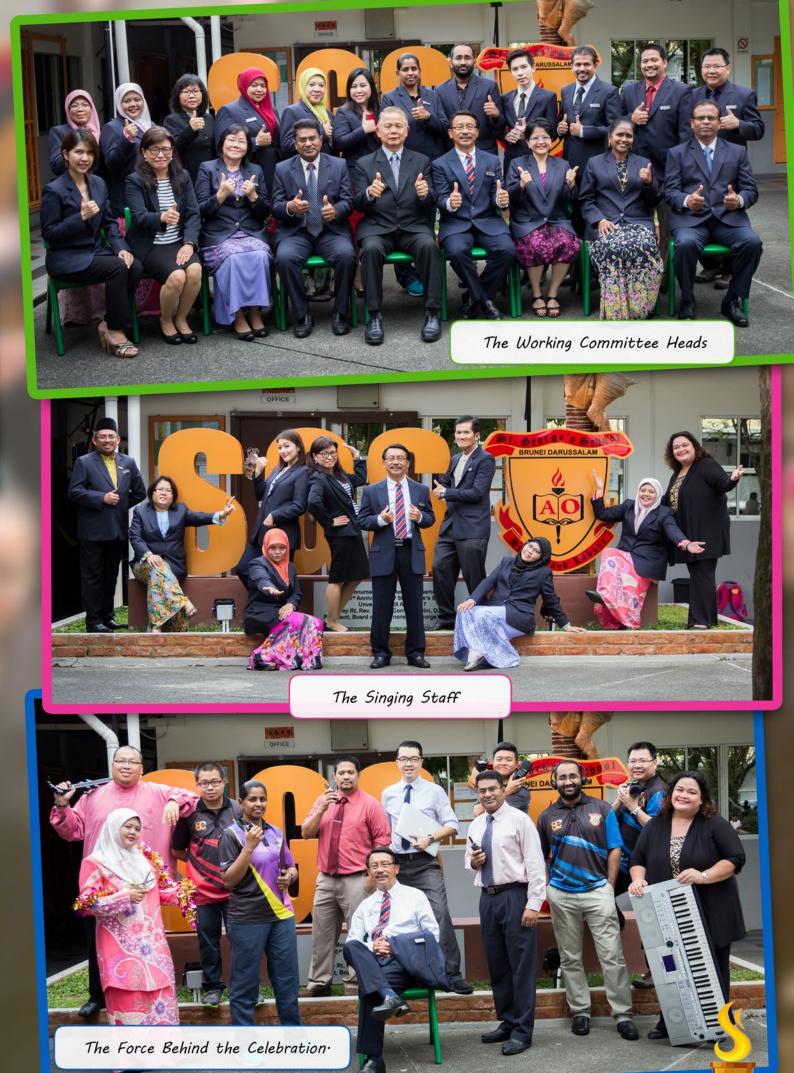
















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