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Welcome Address

# Message From the Head of Boarding

**Mr David Hughes**
Head of Boarding



**Dear Boarding Community,**

October has been another busy month in Boarding, albeit punctuated by a brief hiatus for many, in the form of a half term break, providing a chance to head home for some well earned rest and family time.

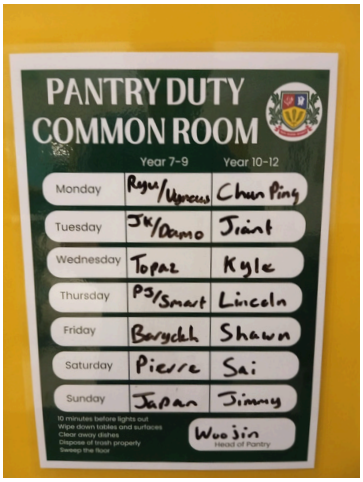
We are constantly looking for ways to improve life for the boarders and this month we have been working on lots of small projects.

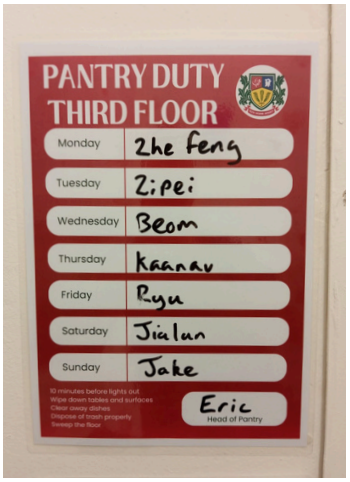
In October we saw the arrival of a new basketball hoop, carefully constructed and installed by our facilities staff.



We also welcome upgrades to our water heating system on the first floor of both the boys and girls houses, with some further upgrades to come to ensure plenty of hot water, and good water pressure.

The introduction of Pantry duties across each floor and Hall has also been a success. Helping our boarders develop the life skills that will serve them so well in the future. A big thank you should go to Matron Katijah, who has diligently been guiding our younger boarders during these duties.




We have also reviewed the laundry system and have now agreed a next day delivery with the vendor, a significant improvement on the previous two day turnaround.

Although the majority of our boarders went home. The half term break was busy here too, with lots of activities for those students who remained onsite. It provided a wonderful opportunity for those boarders to mix with some less familiar faces and engage in a range of activities from the artistic to the gastronomic to the adventurous. We will aim to provide a similar experience in the next short break, although please note that Boarding will be closed during the December holidays.

As ever please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions or concerns, or if there is anything you would like to share. We understand the value of the relationship between boarding and home, and we look forward to working with you and your children throughout the rest of the year.

**With very best wishes,**
**Mr Hughes**

## Puzzle or Two

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Can you find our Year 7 and 8 Boarders?

- KAH NUO
- PJ
- PLUEM
- SMART
- KHUNNATHAM
- MING JUN
- SEAN
- VYNCUS
- HIKARI
- LYNN
- ZISHAN
- BONUS
- ELSA
- MAMUANG
- MIN FONG
- PAM
- SOPHIE
- ZIYING

# Half-Term at Boarding

While most boarders headed home for the half-term break, some stayed at POWIIS to enjoy a fun-filled holiday with friends. From arts and crafts and bowling to BBQs and cooking sessions, the break was packed with activities that offered opportunities to try new things, develop different skills and make lasting memories.

**Art Workshop**

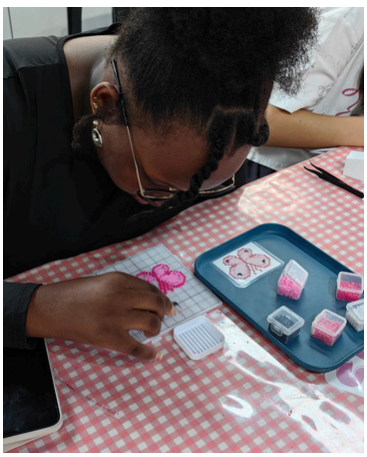












**Go Karting**























**Bowling Trip**














With the school canteen closed during the holidays, mealtimes became a special treat too, with delicious options including buffet dining and other tasty meals to enjoy together.

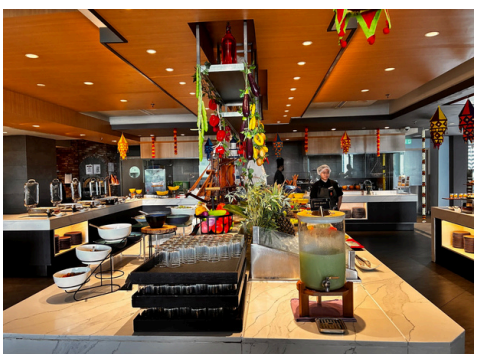














**Blini Cooking Session**





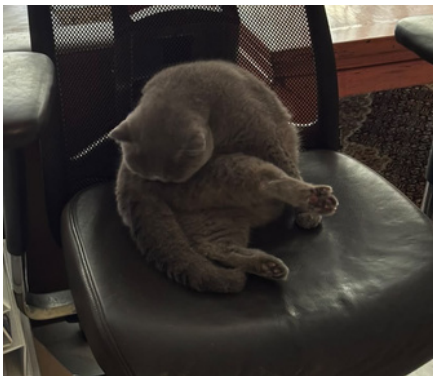

## Photos from Home

During the one week holiday, the majority of boarders went home or met with their families, some even enjoyed short trips together. Here are some of our boarders moments and experiences during the break, from their point of view!









## Meet the Boarding Council

Saish (Y11)



Hi, I'm Saish, a student at POWIIS in Penang, Malaysia. I'm part of Leo Club, used to do WSC, and I'm lucky enough to be the ball president this year, which mostly means I get to work with a great team to pull off a night everyone enjoys.

Outside of school stuff, I'm happiest on a stage or with a guitar in my hands. I act in school shows and play in a handful of bands.