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DEAN OF FORM 5 MESSAGE

SPORTS



photo by Kai Joseph

It is my pleasure to work with the students of Form 5, both in and out of the classroom. This is where the routine matters, where we prepare you for the real world! Regular attendance, punctuality, prepared for class and "locked in" to listen and learn - It is these qualities that will make you employable. To bump you up, above the rest, we expect students to balance their academics with a sport or club, embrace opportunities to lead or work in groups, and participate in community service projects.

As a school community we hope to provide you with the tools to handle stress and anxiety and look after your personal well being while figuring out how to manage a busy schedule. I look forward to working with the form 5 students of 2026-2027.



photo curtesy CIC Photography Club

This week, the SSFL season continued with the Saints claiming maximum points for the second week running

SUPER SMITH SCORES SEVEN

The saints' U13 team is on a ruthless path with Zachriel Smith at the forefront. Smith netted 4 times in the opening match in a 8-1 trashing of Success Laventille. Marique Bultler scored twice and Jose John and Issa Wellington scored one goal each. Smith followed up his four-goal haul with a hat trick against Diego Martin Central as the team claimed a 5-1 win. Issa Wellington added another goal to his tally and Amari scored his first of the season. On Saturday 3rd October the saints would host Woodbrook Secondary.

U14S DEFEAT ISPS AWAY

The U14 team took all 3 points in a 4-1 away victory against ISPS. Among the goals were familiar scorers, with Tariq Abdul, Liam Williams, Declan De Freitas and Rhys Ragoonanan all adding to their tallies. The team would be in action on Friday 2nd October, taking on Maple Leaf at home.

SAINTS SCORE SEVEN IN SPEYSIDE

The Saints flew to Tobago on the weekend to deliver a dominant 7-2 victory. Joseph and Hislop scored braces and McLeod, J. Thomas and Roberts all added a goal each. In the second half, goalkeeper Superville went off injured. We all wish him a speedy recovery. The team would travel south to do battle with Naparima College on Wednesday 27th September and host Hillview College on Saturday 3rd October.

stories by Osei Williams

TIGERS TAMED AT SERPENTINE ROAD



photo courtesy CIC Photography Club

The saints hosted St. Anthony's for matchday 3 of the SSFL SPORTT Premiership to write the next chapter in the rivalry dubbed, "The Battle of the Saints". Jaylon Manswel opened the scoring, heading in a Young set piece. In the second half, Jaylon Roberts doubled the lead after he headed in a McLeod corner. The match was put to bed when Jayden Thomas headed in the third. The stripes of the white and blue reigned supreme against the stripes of the tigers in the most recent outing of this intense rivalry. At the end of 90 minutes, CIC claimed all 3 points netting 3 headers and the saints seem headed for greatness.

NEW TERM – NEW CAST (OF PREFECTS)

As the fourth week of the term and midterms fast approaches, teachers and staff are sure to have their hands full issuing and correcting assignments. Fortunately for them however, the newly appointed roster of Lower 6 prefects are just in time to help! Carrying the trust of their peers and mentors alike, they'll use their initiative and leadership skills to aid staff in managing lower school.

story by John-Mark Lewis

Their names in alphabetical order are:

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| • Alex Jogie, | • Jeruel Solozano, | • Marquise James, | • Tony-Malek Lall, |
| • Cameron Darlington, | • Josh Sookwah, | • Mekhi Moore, | • Trey Jones, |
| • Christian Atteih, | • Joshua Oyesanya-Ryan, | • Sachin Lalwah, | • Tyrelle Hunte |
| • Daniel Heath, | • Jovanni Baker, | • Sharif Howell, | • and Zane King. |
| • Darrius Nicholas, | • Kevin Persad, | • Shuaib Sahadat, | |
| • Jaheim Letren, | • Liam Hosein, | • Steven Zhang, | |
| • Jelani Harper, | • Malik Sharbodie, | • Thristian Gowrie, | |

Please show them the necessary respect if and when you encounter them.



photo by Brandon DeSouza

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS TO MR. SAMPATH

Vice Principal (Ag), Mr. Sampath was treated to a birthday surprise by the upper 6 prefects on Wednesday. In a speech, he explained the reason he came to school on his birthday. "You guys are the reason why I am here. If God spares life November would make it 25 years that I would be in St. Mary's College as a teacher. I love every day. I love coming to school."

story by Jaylon Williams

SPOTLIGHT FEATURE

INTERACT CLUB



photos courtesy CIC Interact Club

This week's spotlight feature focuses on none other than the CIC Interact Club! This club started operating during last academic year and it continues to expand in membership. To gain some insight into what the club entails, we approached Rene Mohammed, President of the Interact Club, for a brief description.

Don't hesitate to ask questions or to join your peers in their social development should you be interested!

story by John-Mark Lewis & Jaylon Williams

"The CIC Interact Club is a service-oriented youth organization. It gives students opportunities to develop leadership skills, teamwork, and community service experience while helping people in their school and wider community." ~Rene Mohammed

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Our annual 5k is carded for ***Saturday 21st November*** at the college grounds for 4:30 p.m.

Registration details are as follows:

- CIC Student ~ \$120
- Non-CIC Student ~ \$135
- Adult Registration ~ \$150
- Add-onn Offical T-shirt ~ \$100

- Mid Terms are on the horizon! Be sure to stay on top of all your assignments, projects and practise tests to give yourself the maximum headstart possible ahead of end-of-term.
- As the house event season begins, try to be as involved as you can with your respective houses. Remember to use each event as an opportunity in building new skills, bonds and memories.
- SSFL Premiership fixtures for this week are as follows:

Wednesday 27th September - St. Mary's College vs Naparima College (*away*)

Saturday 3rd October - St. Mary's College vs Hillview College at CIC grounds



LITERATURE CORNER



This week's literature piece again comes from Saints' News Secretary and Upper Six student, John-Mark Lewis. If you're interested in Literature and would like to use one of your pieces to enrich our school's literary culture, send us an email at thesaintsnews0@gmail.com. John Mark's poem, entitled "What is this?" seeks to highlight the importance of a certain everyday object.

What is this?

"This tool... Why is it so precious?"

This tool that changes hearts,
Even after its wielder departs.

For it is what channels that which is rarely ever seen,
That which otherwise would endlessly teem,

This tool that shapes worlds both new and old...

With endless mist that persists until it all ceases to exist.

What is it?

What then is it?

"This tool... Who wields it?"

"This tool... Where may I find its work?"

This tool that takes the shape of its wielder's soul
No matter the nature or the potential of their goal,

Within men's hearts and minds it stays for a time,
Until the day comes that they may pave the way,

Inevitably falls to the fingertips of all.

At which point the tool has already twice proven its might.

So, what is it?

What thus, must it be called?

"This tool... When is it used?"

And how thus, must it be used?

When there are gaps to be filled,

When many feel weak-willed,

This tool sees its purpose fulfilled.

What then is it?

WORD OF THE WEEK

Introducing Word of the Week! Each week, this article will discuss a word that you may not have known, in the hopes that you can use it to improve your literacy and communication skills.

INTER-HOUSE UPDATE

Last Tuesday, all our houses gathered to discuss house activities for this academic year. Basketball will kick off the competition on Monday. Surely all the houses would strive to claim the titles of Lower and Upper School Basketball champions.

story by Jaylon Williams

		DEFINITIONS	EXAMPLES
W O R D	NOUN	any word or phrase with negative connotations or which is used to undermine or belittle a person or thing	Him calling me “normal” was a pejorative ; he meant to imply that I was mediocre.
	ADJECTIVE	a word or phrase with negative connotations or that intends to undermine or belittle a person or thing.	Using the word “interesting” to describe someone’s art without further elaboration can often be pejorative .

COLLEGE WHISPERS

While last Thursday naturally saw the celebration of Republic Day and therefore the closing of school for that day, certainly some of us couldn’t help but notice the rise in absence among both students and staff throughout that entire week... Many of those absent claimed to be sick during that week and though some sort of flu season seemed to be upon us since the first week out, certain among you surely need not be blamed for having your suspicions...