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IMPLEMENTATION OF INTEGRATED PROGRAMME (IP) ON TRACK

Victoria School and Cedar Girls' Secondary School to accept first Secondary 1 IP students next year, with all other new IP schools accepting their first Secondary 1 IP students in 2013

1. Victoria School (VS) and Cedar Girls' Secondary School (CGSS) will be offering the IP to Secondary 1 students in partnership with Victoria Junior College (VJC) from 2012.

2. Methodist Girls' School (MGS), St. Joseph's Institution (SJI), Catholic High School (CHS), CHIJ St. Nicholas Girls' School (SNGS), Singapore Chinese Girls' School (SCGS), and Temasek Junior College (TJC), are also on track to start their Secondary 1 IP intake in 2013.

3. To build ladders and bridges across the education system, IP schools (including TJC) will continue to offer entry into their IP at Secondary 3. VS and CGSS will also offer Secondary 3 entry into their IP starting from 2013, SJI and MGS from 2014, and CHS, SCGS, SNGS from 2015. Entry will be determined by merit.

4. The respective start dates for Secondary 1 and Secondary 3 IP intakes are summarised in the following table:

School	JC Partner	Sec 1 Start Date	Sec 3 Start Date
Victoria School	Victoria Junior College	2012	2013
Cedar Girls' Secondary School		2012	2013
Methodist Girls' School	Anglo-Chinese School (Independent)	2013	2014
St. Joseph's Institution	Extend upwards to Years 5-6	2013	2014
Catholic High School	New Government JC	2013	2015
CHIJ St. Nicholas Girls' School		2013	2015
Singapore Chinese Girls' School		2013	2015

School	JC Partner	Sec 1 Start Date	Sec 3 Start Date
Temasek Junior College (Extend downwards to Sec 1-2)	Temasek Junior College	2013	Sec 3 intake already in place

5. As part of its IP, SJI will convert to a 6-year school, with its JC section offering the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP). MOE has also approved SJI's request to commence its first JC1 intake in 2013 with a cohort of around 80 students, before gradually scaling up to its full cohort size in 2017. From 2013, the JC1 places at SJI will also be open to 'O' level students from all secondary schools via the Joint Admission Exercise.

6. More details on the IP and the application procedures are available in the Secondary One Posting Booklet and the respective schools' websites.

Background

7. The IP was introduced in 2004 to provide academically strong students with an enriched curriculum beyond academic content. It allows these students to proceed to JC without taking the 'O' levels, so that they can use the time to engage in broader learning experiences.

8. Given that the initial batches of IP graduates have performed well, MOE announced in September 2010 that seven more secondary schools will introduce the IP. Temasek Junior College will also extend its existing four-year IP to a six-year programme that starts in Secondary 1.

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