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SOUTHVILLE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL AND COLLEGES

SOUTHVILLE HOSTS INSPIRING TEDxSISC YOUTH EVENT: *"Our World, Entangled"*

Southville International School and Colleges (SISC) once again proved its commitment to excellence and innovation as it hosted the much-anticipated **TEDxSISC Youth 2025**, a TED-licensed event independently organized by the Southville community under the TEDx Youth platform.

Held on campus, this year's TEDxSISC Youth carried the compelling theme **"Our World: Entangled,"** highlighting the interwoven nature of our ideas, experiences, and connections. The event created a platform for "Ideas Worth Spreading"—TED's core mission—through a series of powerful talks, performances, and interactive moments that inspired and empowered attendees from across the Southville community.

This extraordinary event was organized by the IB 1 students, with outstanding leadership from **Hyeyeon "Rosa" Shin**, who served as the head of the organizing team. Their dedication, creativity, and collaborative spirit brought TEDxSISC Youth to life, proving the incredible capabilities of Southville's young leaders.

Vision

Southville International School and Colleges is recognized nationally and globally in the delivery of international education to develop lifelong learners, excellent in academics and values, and movers of society who will make a difference in the 21st century.



Mission

SISC is committed to develop lifelong learners who are equipped with the 5Cs (Competence, Character, Commitment to Achieve, Collaboration, Creativity, and Innovation) through data-driven and technology-enhanced educational programs to ensure student success in the 21st century.

TEDx Youth events are known for being dynamic, creative, and youth-driven, and TEDxSISC Youth was no exception. It featured a diverse lineup of thought leaders and changemakers, including:

- **Danielle del Rosario**, advocate and storyteller
- **Jodi Sta. Maria**, award-winning actress and psychology graduate
- **EJ Obiena**, Olympian and world-ranked pole vaulter
- **Kimoon (Martin) Kim**, international youth leader, SHS, SISC.
- **Dr. William Yu**, scientist and environmentalist

With special performances from **Mikaela O'Connor** and the talented group **Block 10**, composed of **Hannah Grace Nixon**, **Angel Heart Teng**, **Siyoun Kim**, **Hans Abella**, **Tyrone Nebiar** and **Yuta Iwai**. The day was a vibrant mix of intellect, inspiration, and artistry.

Beyond the talks, **TEDxSISC Youth** also showcased the very essence of **Southville's 5Cs—Competence, Character, Commitment to Achieve, Collaboration, and Creativity/Innovation** — as students, faculty, and staff came together to plan, organize, and execute the event with professionalism and heart.

From the opening ceremony to the final talk, the event was a powerful reminder that our stories are connected, our voices matter, and our ideas—especially those of the youth—can truly shape the future.

As one of Southville's flagship intellectual events, TEDxSISC Youth 2025 not only gave the spotlight to brilliant minds and bold hearts but also strengthened the Southville community's role as a global thought leader in education, innovation, and youth empowerment.



CELEBRATING THE ACHIEVEMENT OF DEPUTY PRINCIPAL JUNESSA “NESSIE” LUMBRES

We are proud to share a wonderful achievement of our **Deputy Principal, Ms. Junessa “Nessie” Lumbres**, who has been invited by the Accrediting Commission for Schools, **Western Association of Schools and Colleges (ACS WASC)** to serve as a **Visiting Committee Member** for an international accreditation visit.

Ms. Lumbres was part of the accreditation team visiting **Ivy Collegiate Academy** in Taichung, Taiwan, a comprehensive school serving Grades 7-12. The mid-cycle accreditation visit was last **April 14-15, 2025**, and was conducted in-person.

This prestigious invitation is a recognition of Ms. Lumbres' expertise, leadership, and commitment to quality education. Her appointment not only reflects her personal and professional excellence but also reinforces the high standards upheld by Southville International School and Colleges (SISC).

SISC has been an accredited WASC school since 2000 and proudly earned another full six-year accreditation in 2024 — the longest term granted to schools outside the United States. This milestone affirms our continued dedication to delivering international-quality education and academic excellence.

We extend our heartfelt congratulations to Deputy Principal Nessie Junessa Lumbres for this significant honor. Your passion and leadership continue to inspire and uplift our school community!



JENICA TRIUMPHS ON THE GLOBAL STAGE IN MUSIC AND ACADEMICS!

Southville proudly celebrates the incredible achievements of **Jenica Beatriz Roque**, whose talent, discipline, and brilliance have earned her accolades in two prestigious international competitions—proving that excellence knows no bounds.



At the **Vietnam International Piano Competition and Festival 2025 – Final Round** in Hanoi, held from **April 3–7**, Jenica captivated the audience with her artistry and poise, earning:

Second Prize – Theme-Based Category, Piano 4 Hands
Honorable Mention – Theme-Based Category, Chopin B
Honorable Mention – Open C Category

But the stage gets even grander—Jenica has been invited to perform at the **American Virtuoso International Music Competition Winners Concert** this **October 2025** at the iconic **Carnegie Hall in New York City**, a dream venue for musicians around the globe. She holds the distinction of being the youngest Philippines-based Filipino to receive this honor.

In addition to her musical triumphs, Jenica also excelled in the academic arena, earning a **GOLD Award – Science International Math and Science Olympics**.

Jenica's journey is a powerful reminder that when passion meets perseverance, greatness follows. Your Southville family beams with pride—continue to dazzle the world, Jenica, with your brilliance and heart

MONARCHS MAKE THEIR MARK AT THE HIPPO INTERNATIONAL ENGLISH LANGUAGE OLYMPIAD 2025

We proudly celebrate the remarkable achievements of our young Monarchs who triumphed in the **Hippo International English Language Olympiad 2025 (Preliminary Round)**—an esteemed global competition that challenges students to demonstrate their mastery of the English language.

Through their eloquence, critical thinking, and communication skills, our students from Grades 1 to 6 earned distinctions of Gold, Silver, Bronze, and Merit, proving that age is no barrier to excellence.

These students did not just compete—they excelled, turning every question and essay into a stepping stone toward global competence and confidence.

GOLD



ZAMARA LANTIN
(Grade 2)



QUEEN LALVANI
(Grade 2)



AARIANA MITTAL
(Grade 2)



JAHAZIAH MISCHA OCHOA
(Grade 3)



JOSHUA BRAKMORE-CANTERBURY
(Grade 3)



RONN ELIJAH LIM
(Grade 6)

SILVER



ZOIEA JAZAA DIMAKUTA
(Grade 1)



MATHEA CLAIRE ABE
(Grade 1)



FELIPA RODRIGUEZ
(Grade 1)



JOAQUIN ABUEL
(Grade 2)



DANIEL CHO
(Grade 2)



ISAAC KAISER
(Grade 2)



LAVYAA ASWANI
(Grade 2)



ARAM JO
(Grade 2)



SEBASTIAN SARMIENTO
(Grade 3)



GIANNA WILLOW BAUTISTA
(Grade 3)



SAMANTHA SKYE MARIBAY
(Grade 4)



MA. ISHABELLA LEE
(Grade 4)



XYROSS KAYE CARPIO
(Grade 4)



SIENNA LIME MIRACLE POSTRADO
(Grade 5)



JENICA BEATRICE ROQUE
(Grade 6)

BRONZE



VITO ALFONSO DE JOYA
(Grade 1)



ELIJAH JONATHAN LABRADOR
(Grade 1)



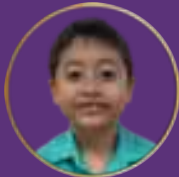
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(Grade 1)



LAURIE OLIVIA FERNAL
(Grade 1)



RAOUEL RYLAND MACAPAGAL
(Grade 1)



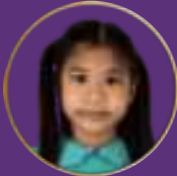
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(Grade 1)



ANTON ORFALAS
(Grade 1)



KENZOU SUGANUMA
(Grade 1)



AMIRA LIANNE PALAO
(Grade 2)



AMAYA RAJ
(Grade 2)



DASHIELL RANARA
(Grade 2)



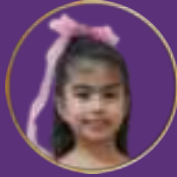
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ALEXANDER JAY BIAGTAN
(Grade 2)



FATIMAH DOMKI
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SARA HOSSEINZADEH AMIRI
(Grade 2)



DANA ALEXANDRA ANG
(Grade 2)



CALEB D'ARAN
(Grade 2)



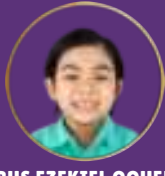
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LLYR CARLOS
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SOO YEON KIM
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ZYRRUS EZEKIEL OQUENO
(Grade 3)



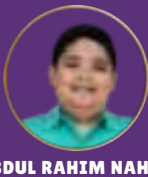
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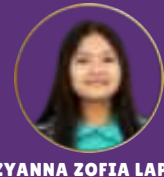
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JULIAN MARIUS HERMANOS
(Grade 5)



ONADEE WEERASINGHE
(Grade 5)



ZYANNA ZOFIA LAPITAN
(Grade 5)



ELMER VICENTE CODILLA
(Grade 6)

MERIT



SUKHRAJ GILL
(Grade 1)



VIKTOR FRANCO CHUA
(Grade 1)



QUEEN DEE OH
(Grade 1)



KESSLER LUKAS DONG
(Grade 2)



XANDER JOSEPH DELA TORRE
(Grade 3)



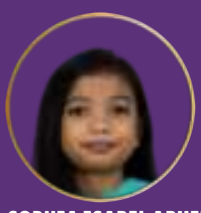
BLAIRE ANTONETTE PERFECTO
(Grade 3)



ZHANGRYL THERESE LIE MACARAEG
(Grade 3)



ALEZANDRE FERNANDEZ
(Grade 4)



SOPHIA ISABEL ABUEL
(Grade 4)



CRISJANDRA FERNANDEZ
(Grade 5)



CHAEHYEON KIM
(Grade 5)

To our awardees — your success is a testament to your discipline, creativity, and love for learning. Through words, you’ve expressed ideas, challenged norms, and connected with the world beyond our walls.

You haven’t just reached a milestone—you’ve set the bar higher for what young minds can achieve.

Keep using your voice to make a difference. The world is full of opportunities waiting for those who dare to speak with purpose.

Bravo, Monarchs! Your journey of excellence continues.

SISC INVESTORS DOMINATE STOCK TRADING CHALLENGE

Senior high school students from Southville International School and Colleges (SISC) took the top three places in the final ranking of the Southville Global Education Network (SGEN) Stock Trading Challenge 2025. **Jassley Fatima Espiritu** of **International Baccalaureate (IB) - 1**, **Jisoo Lee** of **IB - 2**, and **Daniel Benileo Baniqued** of **Gr. 12 – Service** placed first, second and third, respectively, in the individual competition for the best performing portfolio.

From an **initial investment of Php 10,000.00**, **Espiritu** had a return of **9.65%**, **Lee** netted a **2.76% increase**, and **Baniqued** showed a **1.08% profit** in the contest featuring young investors from **SISC, Southville International School Affiliated with Foreign Universities, South Mansfield College, Stonyhurst Southville International School – Batangas, Stonyhurst Southville International School – Malarayat** and **Asian SEED Academy of Technology (ASAT)** engaging in real-time, hands-on trading in the Philippine Stock Exchange.



DANIEL BENILEO BANIQUED
(GRADE 12)



JASSLEY FATIMA ESPIRITU
(IB 1)

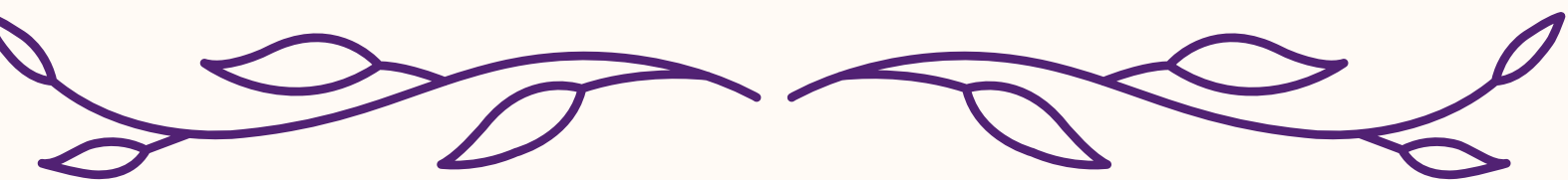


JISOO LEE
(IB 2)

MAY 12 IS A HOLIDAY

Malacañang has declared **May 12, 2025, Monday, a special non-working holiday** throughout the country to allow Filipino voters to participate in the national and local elections.

There will be no classes, and offices will be closed in SISC on this day. Regular classes and office work will resume on May 13, 2025, Tuesday.




Erratum:

We would like to correct an error in last week’s SPB. It was previously announced that Jimena Quillope of Grade 8 – Justice won Silver in the Grade 8 Girls Karate Kata event.



The correct recognition is:

 **Jimena Quillope – GOLD, Grade 8 Girls Karate Kata**

Congratulations, Jimena, on your outstanding achievement!

We also extend our warm congratulations to **Asher Derrick De Guzman** of **Grade 2 Euclid** for winning the **Silver Award** in the **Philippine International Mathematical Olympiad (PhIMO)**!



Your passion for math and dedication continue to inspire—way to go, Asher!



MONARCHS-MOMENTS

STAR CAMPUS

“ SK Aqua’s Star gazing at Monarchs Football field! ”



MONARCHS MOMENTS

MUNICH CAMPUS

“ Honoring Excellence: Congratulations to our Munich students recognized at the Honors Assembly! 🌟 ”



Honor's Assembly

MONARCHS MOMENTS

LUX CAMPUS

“ Monarchs put their Math, English, and Science skills to the test in the **Standards Based Assessment.** ”



MONARCHS MOMENTS

IB CAMPUS

“ IB 2 students have officially begun their May 2025 External Examinations, marking the culmination of two years of hard work and dedication. The exam period will run until May 21. ”



VALUE OF THE WEEK

• ***Treating Others the Way One Wants
to be Treated***

by: Nathan Vance (6-Courage) & Mikaela Oona Belen (3-Kaizen)

Treating others the way we want to be treated means being kind, respectful, and caring to everyone. If we like it when someone is nice to us, listens to us, and helps us when we need it, then we should do the same for others.

Even when it's hard—like when someone is mean or we're having a bad day—it's still important to try to treat people kindly. It helps us make more friends and makes our school a better place for everyone.

When we follow this rule, we help spread kindness everywhere we go!

When I think back to Fourth Grade, I remember that I wasn't very nice. I was often disrespectful, and I didn't treat my classmates fairly. However, I eventually realized that my behavior wasn't right. I learned the importance of treating others the way I wanted to be treated. Since then, I have worked hard to show kindness and respect to everyone around me!



The value of the week means that if you treat someone kindly, they will probably be kind to you too! But if you're mean to someone, they might be mean back. I wouldn't want that—would you? It's important to treat others the way you want to be treated so that everyone can be nice to each other in the world and at our school! That way, we could all live in a peaceful and happy world.

If we were all mean to each other, everyone would feel mad and sad. Our school—and even the whole world—would be a big disaster! That's why we should all just be kind.

Some examples of being kind are helping classmates with their homework, helping your parents with chores, or even something simple like saying "good morning" or "good afternoon." A small act of kindness can make someone's day better—and they might pass it on too!

So always be kind, and kindness will come back to you!



SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL LEARNING (SEL) CORNER

9 VALUABLE PRINCIPLES THAT WILL MAKE YOU TREAT PEOPLE BETTER

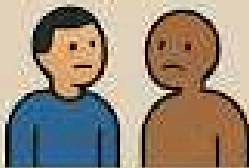
How you treat others is how you invite them to treat you.



1. Instead of judging people by their past, stand by them and help them build their future.



2. Treat everyone with kindness – not because they are kindhearted, but because you are.



3. Don't try to make yourself great by making someone else look small.



4. Remember, everyone has a story.



5. Never look down on someone unless you are helping them up



6. Never look down on someone unless you are helping them up.



7. Appreciate those who have supported you,

8. Appreciate those who have supported you, forgive those who need you, help

STARS, HEARTS, AND LAURELS: ALUMNI ACHIEVERS SPOTLIGHT

Welcome to our **"Alumni Achievers Spotlight"** – a dedicated corner where we celebrate the remarkable accomplishments of our former students. Our alumni have gone on to achieve great success in various fields, serving as a source of inspiration for current students and parents alike. In this space, we will share their inspiring stories, achievements, and the valuable lessons they've learned on their journey from our school to their dreams. Join us in celebrating the excellence of our alumni and discover the limitless possibilities that await our current students.



Congratulations to our very own homegrown Monarch, **Winwyn Marquez** — **from Preschool to High School**, and later as a student in our College of Education's Teaching Certificate Program — for being crowned 1st Runner-Up at Miss Universe Philippines 2025!

Your poise, grace, and brilliance on the national stage embody the true spirit of a Southville alumna. From the classroom to the crown, you inspire us all with your heart, strength, and unwavering dedication. We are incredibly proud of you, Winwyn!



HEART HEALTH

Cardiovascular diseases (CVDs) are the world's leading killer, causing 1 in every 3 deaths. In the Philippines, cardiovascular diseases are also the number one cause of death, with an estimated 50,000 dying every year. The cause of heart attacks and strokes are usually the presence of a combination of risk factors, such as tobacco use, unhealthy diet and obesity, physical inactivity and use of alcohol.

STEPSS Towards a Healthier Heart

S	STAY ACTIVE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do a moderate intensity exercise at least 2.5 hours a week Join in Interval Walking Training. 	
t	TAME UNHEALTHY HABITS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quit smoking. Avoid secondhand smoke. Drink moderately. 	
e	EAT RIGHT <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Choose a healthy and balanced diet. Focus on vegetables, fruits and whole grains. 	
P	PRIORITIZE WELLNESS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Manage blood pressure, blood sugar, and cholesterol levels. 	
S	SUSTAIN HEALTHY WEIGHT <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keep BMI below 25 to avoid lifestyle diseases. 	
S	SLEEP WELL & STRESS LESS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sleep problems such as snoring and sleep apnea may indicate a heart problem. 	

**"Healthy Choices, Stronger Heart,
Take the STEPSS to Do Your Part!"**



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Kindly scan the QR code.

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