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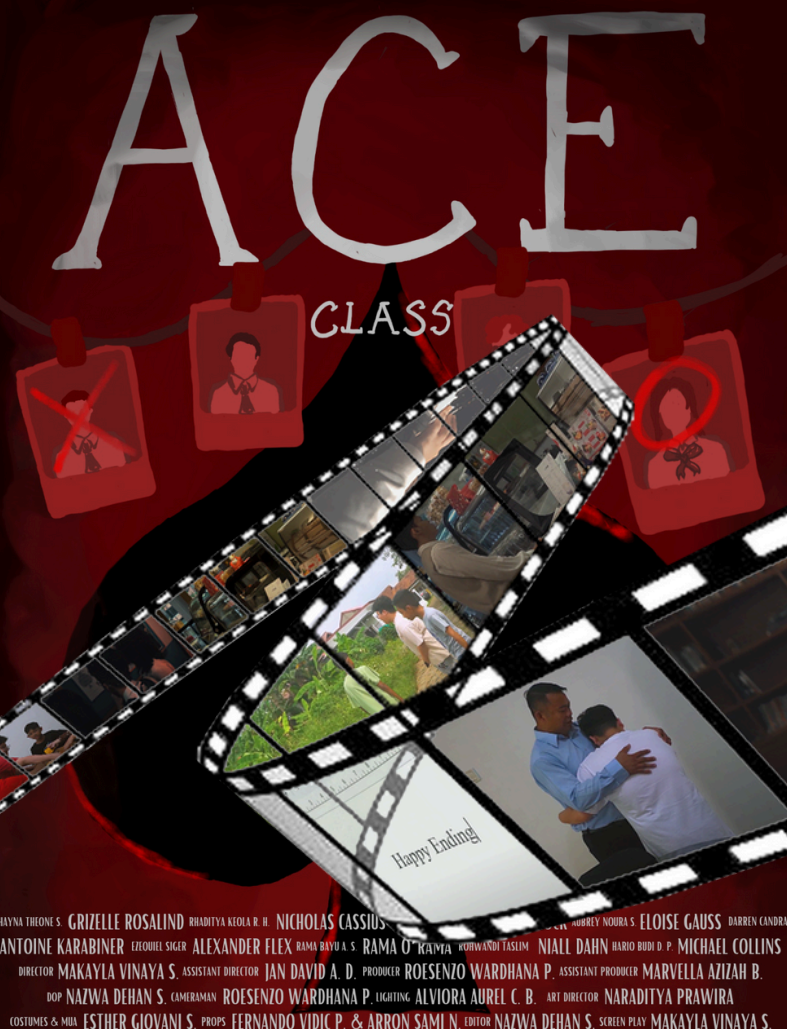
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## Welcome Back for Term 3: Meaningful and Inspiring



Welcome back to Sophos School Indonesia! The first day of Term 3 was marked by a very special and meaningful event: an inspiring seminar intended to inspire and enlighten our students. The day started with a warm welcome from our principal, who welcomed every single student in the school and expressed his aspirations for Term 3. He introduced our distinguished speaker for this seminar, who would be guiding inspiration and lessons to be learned for all students.

The theme of this workshop was to empower the student with the ability and insight into understanding what "sex education" is from the psychological and legal perspectives. Value judgments and ethics bordering on sexuality were therefore put across to the students, based on their age factor.



Our guest speaker, who was an expert in the subject, shared personal experiences, success stories, and inspiring messages, also encouraging students to show passion and dedication while approaching their goals. Students were given the opportunity to question and directly meet with the speaker, making the atmosphere dynamic and interactive.

There was also a Q and A session after the seminar where students shared their views concerning the seminar and the important points learned from the workshop. This discussion was led in order to enhance their understanding and motivate one another. The motivational message at the end was to get the students all psyched for the new semester. Remind each other to set up targets and work harder for better performance.

May this seminar be an inspiration to us all towards the infusion of positive energy in tackling the challenges that lie ahead. Happy learning; may we all be successful in Term 3!

## Preschool Field Trip 2024 Creating Meaningful Learning Experience in Kuntum Farmfield, Bogor

The concept of learning settings that are supposed to happen in a classroom context seems outdated, nowadays learning can be happening anywhere without boundaries as long as the environment supports the learning activity itself. Sophos Preschool tries to make the learning activity a more relatable experience for students by visiting Kuntum Farmfield, in Bogor.



This field trip provides invaluable learning experiences for preschool students, offering them hands-on opportunities to explore and discover the world around them. A visit to Kuntum Farmfield Bogor on Friday, 19 January 2024, is particularly enriching as it allows young children to engage with nature and learn about farm life firsthand. Therefore, this activity was followed by more than 70 preschool students from the Toddler to K2 class, some parents of the Toddler and Nursery class also participated during this event to support their child's learning process.

As located in BSD Serpong where the location is surrounded by technology, farm life seems unfamiliar, therefore we believe that visiting can be a lifetime meaningful experience for our students. At the farm, preschoolers can observe various animals such as cows, chickens, birds, and sheep, learning about their habitats, diets, and behaviours. They may have the chance to pet and feed some of the animals under supervision, fostering a sense of empathy and responsibility.



Additionally, children can explore the farm's produce, see crops grow, and understand where their food comes from.

Activities such as picking vegetables teach them about plant life cycles and healthy eating habits.

Through these experiences, preschoolers not only acquire knowledge about farms and agriculture but also develop important social skills, teamwork, and respect for the environment. Field trips to farms thus play a crucial role in early childhood education, nurturing curiosity and fostering a lifelong appreciation for nature and sustainable practices.

## Secondary Pramuka Overnight Camp 2024

**Mengasah Keterampilan dan Membangun Karakter Siswa di Telaga Rusa, Bogor**



Pada tanggal 5-7 Februari 2024, Sekolah Sophos Indonesia menggelar kegiatan Secondary Pramuka Overnight Camp di Telaga Rusa, Ciseeng, Bogor, yang diikuti oleh siswa SMP dan SMA.



Kegiatan ini dirancang untuk melatih dan mengembangkan keterampilan, kepemimpinan, kedisiplinan, dan kerjasama di lingkungan Sekolah Sophos Indonesia.

### **Hari Pertama: Pionering dan Kreativitas Memasak**

Perkemahan yang berlangsung selama 3 hari 2 malam ini dimulai dengan berbagai aktivitas kepramukaan. Pada hari pertama, para siswa diajak untuk terlibat dalam hasta karya dan pionering, yang bertujuan mengasah keterampilan teknis dan kreativitas mereka. Setelah itu, lomba memasak antar kelompok digelar, memacu kreativitas dan kerjasama para siswa dalam mengolah bahan makanan menjadi hidangan lezat. Malam harinya, kegiatan "Treasure Island" menantang siswa untuk menjelajah malam, melatih keberanian dan kemampuan navigasi mereka.

### **Hari Kedua: Refleksi Pagi dan Api Unggun**

Hari kedua diawali dengan "Morning Reflection," di mana siswa diajak untuk merenung dan memulai hari dengan semangat positif. Setelah itu, berbagai kegiatan olahraga dan outbound digelar hingga sore hari, melatih kebugaran fisik dan kerjasama tim. Pada malam harinya, acara puncak diisi dengan kegiatan Api Unggun, di mana setiap kelas menampilkan pertunjukan seni. Acara ini memberikan kesempatan bagi siswa untuk mengekspresikan bakat dan kreativitas mereka, serta mempererat rasa kebersamaan di antara mereka.

### **Hari Ketiga: Tracking dan Gotong Royong**

Pada hari ketiga, siswa melakukan tracking hutan jati, yang bertujuan menanamkan nilai-nilai Sophos seperti ketahanan, keberanian, dan kecintaan terhadap alam. Kegiatan ini diakhiri dengan operasi semut, sebuah aktivitas gotong royong untuk membersihkan area perkemahan, yang menunjukkan semangat kerjasama dan tanggung jawab sosial.



### **Manfaat dan Harapan**

Seluruh peserta aktif mengikuti semua kegiatan dengan antusias dan berhasil menyelesaikan berbagai tugas yang mengasah keterampilan, kepemimpinan, kedisiplinan, dan kerjasama tim. Secondary Pramuka Overnight Camp ini bukan hanya sekadar kegiatan pramuka biasa, tetapi juga pengalaman berharga yang mengajarkan siswa nilai-nilai penting yang akan berguna bagi kehidupan mereka di masa depan. Diharapkan kegiatan ini terus menjadi wahana efektif dalam membentuk karakter siswa dan memupuk semangat kebangsaan. Teruslah semangat dan sampai jumpa di kegiatan Pramuka berikutnya!

### **Salam Pramuka,**

Gugus Depan Sekolah Sophos Indonesia

## **“Fortune Year after Year!”**

### **Celebrating Lunar New Year 2575 Kongzili at Sophos School Indonesia**



The theme “Fortune Year after Year!” was chosen for the Lunar New Year celebration on 12 January 2024. This event was filled with meaningful and exciting activities. One of the highlights was cooking Chinese dishes, but the festivities also included a Class Decoration Contest, performances by primary students, and each student receiving a fortune cookie.

The dishes prepared by the students were not only shared and enjoyed together but also tasted by judges, who selected three winners from each level. The students not only satisfied their appetites but also learned how to present their dishes beautifully, making them look appealing and appetising.

The performances showcased a variety of talents. Students had been practising for weeks to perfect their acts, which included singing Mandarin songs, fan dancing, reciting Mandarin poetry, Kung Fu demonstrations, and a fashion show featuring traditional Mandarin clothing.

The lessons learned from the “Fortune Year after Year!” Lunar New Year celebration aimed to foster a spirit of tolerance among the Sophos Indonesia community and to enhance understanding of Chinese culture.



Through these activities, Sophos School Indonesia hopes to promote cultural awareness and appreciation, ensuring that our students grow with a broad understanding of the world around them.

Happy Lunar New Year  
May we all have a Fortune Year after Year!

## **Celebrating Young Talents at the Sophos Preschool Competition 2024**

The Sophos Preschool Competition is one of the most eagerly awaited events of the year. This vibrant event not only boosts the children’s fighting spirit but also provides a platform to hone various skills and abilities. Here are the highlights and objectives of the competitions held:





### Colouring Competition

The colouring competition was a delightful event where children could express their creativity with bright and cheerful colours. Given printed images, they were tasked with filling them in with appropriate hues. This competition aimed to hone their fine motor skills while teaching them about colours, shapes, and patience.

Congratulation for all winners:

- Nursery: Railene Tsabita Mufara
- K1: Arianna Otylie Rachman
- K2 Green: Ashalina Saira Anawal
- K2 Yellow: Ni Made Milena Darmawan

### Fashion Show Competition

In the fashion show competition, children had the opportunity to walk the catwalk in tourist-style clothing, showcasing their unique fashion sense. This competition was designed to boost their courage and confidence while allowing them to express their individual style.

Great job for all winners:

- K1: Risella Guinevere Prayogi
- K2 Green: Aqueensha Felicia Ovandi
- K2 Yellow: Rubina Arwa Hariananda

### Singing Competition

The singing competition invited children to showcase their vocal talents in front of their friends and teachers.

They selected a song from several options and performed it, which helped hone their motor coordination, rhythm, and self-confidence.

Well done for all winners:

- Toddler: Keavil Karula Sumakul
- Nursery: Reiner Ridwan
- K1: Arcana Maruli Zaneta Sihombing
- K2 Green: Shane Guardiocol Gifford
- K2 Yellow: Juan Rafael Pangihutan Lumban Gaol

### Athletic Competition (Agility)

In the athletic competition, children competed to demonstrate their physical abilities and speed. They engaged in activities such as flipping plates, jumping, rolling ropes, and throwing balls at targets, designed to improve their agility and coordination.

Congratulation for winners:

Toddler: Sachiana Xaviera Baskara

Nursery: Rahadian Isco Damario

- K1: Oliver Jayden Handityo
- K2 Green: R. Rahadian Neymar Abhicandra
- K2 Yellow: Kenneth Sky Melviano



### Spelling Competition

The spelling competition was a highly anticipated event where children's intelligence and linguistic accuracy were -

tested in a fun and educational manner. This competition aimed to enhance their vocabulary, spelling skills, and confidence in public speaking.

Here are list of winners:

- K1: Nayla Alia Putri
- K2 Green: Mahanugra Halim
- K2 Yellow: Gwyneth Angelevia Kanugrahan

### Vlogging Competition

The vlogging competition was a fun and creative event that allowed children to explore their imagination, hone their public speaking skills, and express their ideas through modern technology. Congratulations, Airlangga Halim as the winner.

The Sophos Preschool Competition was a resounding success, offering a range of activities that nurtured various skills in our young learners. Each competition was designed with specific objectives to help children grow, learn, and shine in their unique ways. Congratulations to all the participants and winners for their outstanding performances.

We look forward to continuing this tradition of excellence and providing more opportunities for our students to explore their talents and abilities. Here's to embracing creativity and fostering innovation in every child!



## Primary Overnight Camp 2024:

### Membangun Karakter melalui Kegiatan Pramuka



Pramuka, atau Praja Muda Karana, adalah gerakan kepanduan yang bertujuan untuk mendidik generasi muda menjadi warga negara yang bertanggung jawab, mandiri, dan memiliki jiwa kepemimpinan yang kuat. Kegiatan Pramuka tidak hanya mendidik dari segi keterampilan praktis, tetapi juga membentuk karakter yang baik melalui berbagai aktivitas yang menantang dan menyenangkan.

### Kegiatan Pramuka di Lower Primary

Kegiatan Pramuka di tingkat Lower Primary (SD kelas 1-3) difokuskan pada pengenalan dasar-dasar kepanduan dan pengembangan keterampilan dasar. Beberapa kegiatan yang sering dilakukan antara lain:

- Pengenalan Simbol dan Salam Pramuka: Siswa diperkenalkan dengan simbol-simbol Pramuka, Pengenalan Simbol dan Salam Pramuka: Siswa diperkenalkan dengan simbol-simbol Pramuka, seperti lambang Pramuka, serta cara memberi salam Pramuka.
- Permainan Kepramukaan: Melalui permainan, siswa belajar tentang kerjasama tim, kepemimpinan, dan -



tanggung jawab. Contoh permainan meliputi permainan ketangkasan, teka-teki kelompok, dan permainan alam.

- Kegiatan Kreatif: Membuat kerajinan tangan sederhana, seperti membuat simpul dan anyaman, untuk melatih keterampilan motorik halus dan kreativitas anak-anak.
- Pengenalan Alam: Mengajak siswa mengenal lingkungan sekitar, seperti mengidentifikasi tanaman dan hewan, serta belajar tentang pentingnya menjaga kelestarian alam.
- Kegiatan Kebersihan dan Kesehatan: Mengajarkan siswa pentingnya kebersihan diri dan lingkungan, serta cara menjaga kesehatan dengan benar.

### Kegiatan Pramuka di Lower Primary

Kegiatan Pramuka di tingkat Upper Primary (SD kelas 4-6) lebih menantang dan bertujuan untuk memperdalam keterampilan kepanduan. Beberapa kegiatan yang sering dilakukan antara lain:

- Latihan Kepemimpinan: Melalui kegiatan seperti pemilihan ketua regu dan pelaksanaan proyek kelompok, siswa belajar memimpin dan bekerja sama dalam tim.



- Kegiatan Pionering: Membuat struktur sederhana seperti tiang bendera, menara pandang, atau rak sepatu dari bambu dan tali. Kegiatan ini mengajarkan keterampilan teknik dasar dan kerjasama.
- Kemah Pramuka: Mengadakan kemah akhir pekan di alam terbuka untuk mengembangkan kemandirian, keterampilan bertahan hidup, dan kecintaan terhadap alam.
- Pelatihan Keterampilan Praktis: Memperdalam keterampilan seperti memasak di alam terbuka, membuat api unggun, dan teknik pertolongan pertama.
- Lomba dan Kegiatan Kompetitif: Mengadakan lomba keterampilan Pramuka, seperti lomba semaphore, lomba masak rimba, dan lomba pionering, untuk meningkatkan semangat kompetisi sehat dan sportifitas.

### Manfaat Kegiatan Pramuka

Kegiatan Pramuka memiliki banyak manfaat bagi anak-anak, antara lain:

- Pengembangan Karakter: Mengajarkan nilai-nilai seperti kejujuran, disiplin, tanggung jawab, dan kerja sama.
- Keterampilan Hidup: Membekali anak-anak dengan keterampilan praktis yang berguna dalam kehidupan sehari-hari.
- Kepemimpinan dan Kerjasama: Membantu anak-anak mengembangkan kemampuan memimpin dan bekerja sama dalam tim.

- **Kecintaan Terhadap Alam:** Membangun rasa cinta dan tanggung jawab terhadap lingkungan.

Dengan berpartisipasi dalam kegiatan Pramuka, anak-anak tidak hanya belajar keterampilan praktis, tetapi juga nilai-nilai kehidupan yang akan membentuk mereka menjadi individu yang berkualitas. Di Sekolah Sophos Indonesia, kami berkomitmen untuk terus mengembangkan program Pramuka yang menyenangkan dan mendidik, sehingga siswa dapat meraih manfaat maksimal dan tumbuh menjadi generasi muda yang unggul.

### **Salam Pramuka!**

Gugus Depan

Sekolah Sophos Indonesia

## **Family Project Term 3: Create Experiments for Family Experiences**



Tema Family Project Term 3 kali ini adalah "Create Experiments for Family Experiences" dilaksanakan pada 4-8 Maret 2024. Acara dimulai dengan sambutan oleh Kepala Sekolah yang memberikan pengantar, motivasi, semangat, dan antusiasme kepada setiap keluarga yang terlibat, menekankan -

pentingnya kebersamaan dan eksplorasi sains dalam lingkungan keluarga. Keluarga diajak untuk membuat eksperimen sederhana yang bisa dilakukan di rumah, dengan tujuan mengajarkan konsep dasar sains dan memupuk rasa ingin tahu anak.

Puncak acara pada 8 Maret 2024 akan diisi dengan dua bagian utama. Pertama, dibuka oleh pentas tari dari siswa yang tergabung dalam Rumah belajar (Rumbel) Tari Tradisional dilanjutkan oleh beberapa penampilan lain. Pertunjukan ini tidak hanya akan menunjukkan kreativitas dan bakat anak-anak, tetapi juga menekankan pentingnya kerja sama dan kebersamaan dalam keluarga serta komunitas sekolah. Tujuan dari Family Project ini adalah untuk meningkatkan kebersamaan keluarga melalui eksperimen sains, yang diharapkan dapat menghabiskan waktu berkualitas bersama dan memperkuat ikatan emosional. Selain itu, eksperimen sains dirancang untuk memupuk rasa ingin tahu dan semangat eksplorasi pada anak, serta meningkatkan keterampilan komunikasi antara orang tua dan anak.

Bagian kedua dari puncak acara adalah Parenting Session bertajuk "Penguatan Hubungan Orang Tua-Anak Melalui Permainan Terapi," dengan narasumber ibu Anastasia Satriyo, M.Psi., Psikolog, seorang ahli dalam bidang psikologi anak dan keluarga.





Sesi ini membahas berbagai teknik dan permainan terapi yang dapat digunakan orang tua untuk memperkuat hubungan dengan anak-anak mereka. Fokus dari sesi ini adalah memberikan beberapa strategi praktis yang dapat diterapkan dalam kehidupan sehari-hari untuk meningkatkan komunikasi dan pemahaman antara orang tua dan anak. Diharapkan parenting session kali ini dapat memberikan orang tua bekal yang diperlukan untuk meningkatkan komunikasi dan pemahaman dengan anak. Dengan melibatkan orang tua dalam proses belajar anak, diharapkan tercipta pengalaman belajar yang menyenangkan dan mendalam, serta memperkuat hubungan keluarga dan memberikan keterampilan yang berguna dalam kehidupan sehari-hari.

## Balinese Hindu Day of Silence Festivities at Sophos School Indonesia



Nyepi, the Balinese Hindu Day of Silence, is a special holiday celebrated in Bali to mark the New Year. The purpose of Nyepi is to achieve harmony through silence and reflection, a theme that can be beautifully embraced in our school community.

Nyepi encourages balance and peace by dedicating a day to quiet contemplation and resetting for the year ahead. At Sophos School Indonesia, this can foster a sense of community and inner harmony among students and staff. It provides an opportunity for everyone to pause, reflect on the past year, and set positive intentions for the future.

### Educational Sessions

- **Cultural Significance:** Teach students about the significance of Nyepi and its cultural importance to the Balinese Hindu community.
- **Concept Discussions:** Discuss the concepts of reflection, balance, and harmony, and how these can be applied in daily life.

### Day of Silence

- **Quiet Time:** Dedicate specific periods for silence during the day, including during the Term 3 Test, allowing students to experience the calming effects of quiet contemplation.
- **Reflective Practices:** Encourage students to engage in reflective practices such as journaling, mindfulness meditation, or silent reading.

By incorporating Nyepi into school activities, students can learn the value of silence and reflection, promoting personal and communal harmony. This celebration offers a meaningful way to embrace cultural traditions and emphasise the importance of peace and introspection.

We hope that this observance will not only enrich our students' understanding of Balinese culture but also instill in them a deeper appreciation for the power of silence and reflection in achieving inner peace and harmony.





# SECONDARY SOCIAL FESTIVAL

## Embracing Creativity and Fostering Innovation: A Report on the Secondary Social Festival 2024

From 26-28 February 2024, Sophos School Indonesia hosted the Secondary Social Festival, a three-day celebration filled with engaging activities aimed at embracing creativity and fostering innovation among students. This festival provided a platform for students to showcase their talents, learn new skills, and engage with various cultural and educational experiences.

### KOREAN DAY

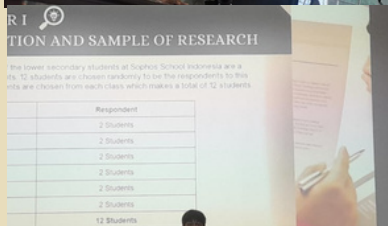
As part of the upper secondary immersion program to South Korea scheduled for October 2024, Korean Day was a highlight of the festival. The day began with an information session about Korea, offering insights into its rich culture and language. Through interactive sharing sessions, students learned basic Korean phrases and gained a deeper understanding of Korean traditions.

### LEARNING EXHIBITION

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### ENTREPRENEURSHIP DAY

Entrepreneurship Day allowed lower secondary students to apply their knowledge from life skills and entrepreneurship subjects. Students learned to start a basic business, manage capital, handle packaging, and market their products.







They also calculated profit and loss by opening booths and selling their products to fellow students. Each entrepreneurship group was judged in various categories, with the following winners:

- **Best Poster:** Grade 9B with the product 'Chocolate Milkshake'
- **Best Profit in Grade 9:** Grade 9B with the product 'Batagor'
- **Best Report in Grade 9:** Grade 9B with the product 'Egg Macaroni'
- **Best Report in Grade 8:** Grade 8B with the product 'Sostel and Ice Yakult'
- **Best Report in Grade 9:** Grade 9A with the product 'Fruit and Jelly Dipped in Chocolate'

### Sophos Film Festival 2024

Upper secondary students showcased their filmmaking talents in the Movie Screening event, where films produced by the students were shown to an audience of students, parents, and the entire school community. Tickets were sold for the screenings, and the films were judged in various categories. The winners were as follows:

- **Best Screenplay:** Grade 10A with the film 'Layangan Terbalik'
- **Best Editing:** Grade 11 with the film 'Happy Ending'
- **Best Ticket Selling:** Grade 10A with the film 'Layangan Terbalik'
- **Best Supporting Act:** Roesenzo Wardhana Putra in the film 'Titik Temu'

- **Best Acting:** Shayna Theone Saranga in the film 'Ace Class'
- **Best Cinematography:** Grade 10B with the film 'Ace Class'
- **Best Poster:** Grade 12 with the film 'Titik Temu'
- **Best Director:** Princessa Calysta Edrial with the film 'Titik Temu'
- **Best Picture:** Grade 12 with the film 'Titik Temu'

The Secondary Social Festival was a resounding success, offering students a chance to explore their creative and entrepreneurial skills. These activities not only enriched their learning experience but also instilled a sense of accomplishment and confidence.

We look forward to future iterations of this event, with the hope that it will continue to grow and provide even more opportunities for our students to shine. Here's to embracing creativity and fostering innovation for many years to come!

## Merajut Toleransi dan Kepedulian:

**Ramadhan 1445 H di  
Sekolah Sophos Indonesia**



Bulan Ramadhan merupakan bulan yang sangat dinanti oleh seluruh masyarakat muslim di seluruh dunia. Bulan suci penuh rahmat ini sering dijadikan momentum untuk meningkatkan rasa peduli, toleransi, dan silaturahmi antar sesama manusia.

Sejalan dengan hal tersebut, Sekolah Sophos Indonesia turut serta dengan mengadakan acara donasi dan buka puasa bersama, dengan harapan agar para siswa dapat merefleksikan makna peduli, toleransi, dan silaturahmi dari pembelajaran yang mereka dapatkan di kelas.

Pelaksanaan kegiatan ini berlangsung pada 4 April 2024, bertempat di ruang Montessori untuk TK, di masing-masing ruang kelas untuk jenjang SD dan di Auditorium lantai 3 untuk jenjang SMP dan SMA. Peserta kegiatan ini tidak hanya berasal dari komunitas di dalam sekolah saja, melainkan juga mengikutsertakan teman-teman dari luar sekolah. Peserta dari Sekolah Sophos Indonesia meliputi seluruh siswa, guru, staf akademik, dan non-akademik. Sedangkan peserta dari luar sekolah adalah teman-teman yang sedang berjuang untuk kesembuhan mereka dalam melawan kanker dan hemofilia dari Rumah Singgah Respon Cepat Badan Darurat Kemanusiaan (RC Badak) Provinsi Banten, serta petugas kebersihan yang ada di sekitar lingkungan Sekolah Sophos Indonesia.

Acara buka puasa bersama ini juga menjadi ajang unjuk bakat dan kreativitas siswa. Mereka menampilkan kebolehan dalam membaca Al-Quran, bernyanyi, menari, dan bermain musik sebagai kegiatan untuk menunggu waktu berbuka puasa. Kegiatan ini diakhiri dengan penyerahan tali kasih dari Yayasan Sophos Indonesia, yang diwakili oleh Bapak Budi Widodo, M.Pd selaku Direktur Akademik, kepada Pengelola Rumah Singgah RC Badak.

Sehari sebelumnya, telah dilakukan penyerahan paket sembako kepada para petugas kebersihan yang bertugas di sekitar lingkungan Sekolah Sophos Indonesia.

Tidak hanya itu, pada Rabu, 17 April 2024, Sekolah Sophos Indonesia juga turut mengadakan acara Halalbihalal yang dilaksanakan di ruang Auditorium lantai 5. Acara tahunan ini diharapkan menjadi bahan refleksi diri dalam memaknai hari yang fitri (suci) tidak hanya bagi siswa melainkan juga para guru dan staf sekolah Sophos Indonesia.



Seluruh rangkaian dan prosesi kegiatan Buka Puasa Bersama dan Halal Bihalal berjalan dengan baik. Sekolah Sophos Indonesia senantiasa berupaya untuk memperluas jangkauan penyebarluasan kebaikan, manfaat, dan makna untuk berbagi kepada sesama. Dengan semangat Ramadhan, mari kita terus merajut toleransi dan kepedulian demi menciptakan lingkungan yang harmonis dan penuh kasih sayang.

Semoga perayaan Ramadhan ini memberikan berkah dan kebahagiaan bagi seluruh keluarga besar Sekolah Sophos Indonesia dan masyarakat di sekitarnya.



## Spotlight on Academic Excellence

### The Cambridge International Primary and Lower Secondary Checkpoint Test

Sophos School Indonesia is committed to fostering academic excellence and ensuring every student reaches their full potential with International standard. One of the critical tools we use to achieve this goal is the Cambridge International Primary and Lower Secondary Checkpoint Test. Administered to students aged 7 to 11 and 11 to 14, these tests provide invaluable insights into their academic progress and guide us in tailoring our instructional strategies to meet their needs.

The Cambridge Lower Secondary Checkpoint Test is a standardised assessment covering essential subjects such as English, Mathematics, and Science. Developed by Cambridge Assessment International Education, these tests are conducted at the end of the Cambridge Primary and Lower Secondary phase, offering a comprehensive evaluation of student learning.

### The OxfordAQA International GCSE Examination

Upper Secondary level held the OxfordAQA GCSE Examination. This significant academic event provided an opportunity for students to demonstrate their knowledge and skills. The subjects taken included Mathematics Core, English as A Second Language, Biology, Chemistry, and Physics.

These core subjects formed the foundation of the students' academic studies, ensuring a comprehensive understanding of essential areas.

Additionally, the students also chose to take exams in Business, Geography, and Mathematics Further. These subjects reflected the students' interests in both the social sciences and advanced mathematical concepts, broadening their academic experience.

The results of these examinations will be released in August, providing the students with feedback on their performance and determining their next steps in their academic journey.

## Preschool Adventures:

### A Night to Remember at Sophos School's Overnight Camp 2024



Who says camp is only for older students? At Sophos School, even our preschoolers had the thrill of an Overnight Camp right on the school grounds! This eagerly awaited event, held on 16-17 May 2024, saw over 70 excited young campers embark on a journey of fun, friendship, and growth.

## **A Night of Independence and Fun**

Overnight camps provide a transformative environment for students, offering a unique blend of activities that foster personal growth and social development. This camp aimed to help students become more independent, confident, responsible, and disciplined while also practising their social skills. As the students embarked on this adventure, they were not only looking forward to a sleepover but also to a plethora of engaging activities.

### **Teamwork and Play**

The camp kicked off at 5 PM with a series of group games designed to build teamwork and cooperation. These games provided opportunities for students to collaborate in structured challenges, nurturing essential life skills such as leadership, problem-solving, and effective communication. Through outdoor sports, team-building exercises, and creative pursuits, the children learned to navigate social dynamics, respect diverse perspectives, and contribute actively to collective goals.

### **Bonfire Bonding**

One of the highlights of the camp was the bonfire session. This relaxed setting allowed students to gather around a campfire, share stories, laughter, and experiences. Engaging in this communal activity encouraged campers to step out of their comfort zones, interact with peers, and develop confidence in expressing themselves in a group setting. These experiences not only enhanced their independence and self-assurance but also instilled a sense of camaraderie as students bonded over shared moments under the starlit sky.

## **Reflective and Spiritual Growth**

Coupled with moments of reflection and spiritual connection during worship sessions, the camp activities created a holistic learning environment.



Students not only grew as individuals but also forged lasting bonds with their peers, fostering a sense of unity and belonging that extended beyond their time at camp.

### **Celebrating Success and Looking Forward**

We congratulate all our young campers for their enthusiasm and participation in the Overnight Camp. Their willingness to embrace new experiences and support each other is a testament to the nurturing environment at Sophos School.

This camp was more than just a sleepover; it was a milestone in their journey of personal and social development. We look forward to many more such enriching experiences that help our students grow into confident, responsible, and compassionate individuals. Here's to more adventures and unforgettable memories at Sophos School!



## Merayakan Cinta Kasih:

**Perayaan Waisak 2024  
di Sekolah Sophos Indonesia**



Waisak, hari suci agama Buddha yang juga dikenal dengan nama Visakah Puja, merupakan momen penting yang memperingati tiga peristiwa besar dalam kehidupan Buddha.

Tiga peristiwa tersebut adalah kelahiran Pangeran Siddharta di Taman Lumbini, pencapaian Penerangan Agung oleh Pangeran Siddharta di Buddha-Gaya (Bodh Gaya), dan wafatnya Buddha Gautama di Kusinara. Sekolah Sophos Indonesia turut mempersiapkan diri untuk menyambut hari suka cita tersebut dengan berbagai kegiatan yang edukatif dan bermakna.

Peringatan Waisak di Sekolah Sophos Indonesia bertujuan untuk menumbuhkan rasa kekompakan antara siswa dan guru, serta meningkatkan kreativitas dan pengetahuan tentang Hari Raya Waisak. Tema yang diusung pada perayaan tahun baru Waisak tahun ajaran 2023/2024 adalah, "Mari Mempraktikkan Cinta Kasih dengan Melakukan Fang Shen." Tema ini bermakna memberikan kebebasan kepada makhluk lain sebagai perbuatan mulia yang akan membawa kebahagiaan, kesehatan, dan umur panjang bagi kita semua.



### **Rangkaian Kegiatan Perayaan Waisak**

Pelaksanaan kegiatan dilakukan pada 27 Mei 2024, di lingkungan Sekolah Sophos Indonesia. Kegiatan diawali dengan menonton video di kelas masing-masing. Video tersebut menampilkan penjelasan singkat tentang Hari Raya Waisak dan kegiatan Fang Shen, yang disampaikan oleh siswa-siswi beragama Buddha. Melalui video ini, seluruh siswa dapat memahami makna dan pentingnya perayaan Waisak.

Selanjutnya, kegiatan Fang Shen dilakukan, yaitu melepaskan makhluk hidup (burung pipit) ke habitatnya masing-masing. Tujuan dari kegiatan ini adalah agar hewan-hewan tersebut dapat merasakan kembali kehidupan alam bebas dan bahagia karena tidak dikurung.

### **Menghargai Keberagaman dan Toleransi**

Perayaan Hari Raya Waisak di Sekolah Sophos Indonesia tidak hanya menjadi momen untuk merayakan tradisi Buddhisme, tetapi juga memberikan pengalaman belajar yang menyeluruh tentang nilai-nilai kebaikan, kedamaian, kebijaksanaan, serta meningkatkan toleransi dan penghargaan terhadap keberagaman. Dengan melibatkan seluruh siswa dalam kegiatan ini, diharapkan mereka dapat memahami dan menghargai perbedaan, serta menerapkan nilai-nilai cinta kasih dalam kehidupan sehari-hari.

Semoga perayaan Waisak ini menjadi langkah awal bagi kita semua untuk terus mempraktikkan nilai-nilai kebaikan dan cinta kasih dalam setiap tindakan, sehingga tercipta lingkungan sekolah yang harmonis dan penuh kasih sayang. Selamat Hari Waisak 2568 BE/2024! Mari kita terus mengembangkan cinta kasih dan kedamaian dalam setiap langkah kita.

## **Fostering Creativity and Bonding:**

### **The Joy of Family Toy-Making Projects**



In a fast-paced world filled with distractions, finding quality time to bond as a family can be a challenge. However, one timeless activity that not only fosters creativity but also strengthens familial ties is working together on a project. This term, Sophos Preschool introduced a delightful theme for the Term 4 Family Project: "Toys: Where Imagination Takes Flight", held from 27 - 31 May 2024.

The initiative encouraged parents and children to collaborate, bringing their creativity and enthusiasm to life by crafting toys from scratch.

Beyond the tangible outcome of a completed toy, the true value of these projects lay in the memories created along the way. Laughter, shared triumphs over challenges, and the joy of seeing a collective vision come to life are experiences that bind families together. These projects not only create lasting memories but also strengthen communication and understanding among family members.



The culmination of the project was marked by a vibrant preschool exhibition. For the children, this exhibition was more than just a showcase of their crafts; it was a moment of empowerment and validation. Standing tall, they confidently shared stories about their favourite parts of the project and what they learned along the way. Their voices, filled with innocence and enthusiasm, echoed through the room, capturing the hearts of everyone present.

As the exhibition unfolded, teachers and parents alike witnessed the growth and development of each child – not just in their artistic abilities but also in their communication skills and self-confidence.



The event fostered a sense of pride in accomplishment and encouraged children to express themselves creatively, laying a strong foundation for their future learning and personal growth.

Throughout the week, various activities were designed to enhance the project experience. Workshops on toy-making techniques, creative storytelling sessions, and collaborative games helped families bond and explore new ways to work together. These sessions were not only educational but also provided a platform for parents and children to connect on a deeper level.

The closing ceremony was a joyous affair, where families gathered to admire the colourful and imaginative toys created by their little ones. As families took photos and congratulated their children, the true essence of the preschool exhibition shone through – it was a celebration of creativity, curiosity, and the unwavering support of families who play an integral role in nurturing the budding talents of their children.

In the end, this family project at Sekolah Sophos Indonesia was a heartwarming reminder of the power of teamwork and the magic that happens when families come together to create something beautiful. It was a week filled with inspiration, learning, and, most importantly, love – a testament to the school's commitment to holistic education and community building.



## Celebrating Success:

### The Joyous Graduation Day of the Class of 2024



Graduation day is always a day of rejoicing, marking the end of an educational journey and the start of another stage in our pursuit of a better life and future. This joy was palpable as Sophos School Indonesia held the Commencement Exercises of the Class of 2024 on Tuesday, 11 June 2024, at the school's 5th Floor Auditorium. The ceremony was divided into two sessions: one in the morning for Preschool and Primary, and another in the afternoon for Lower and Upper Secondary. A total of 93 students graduated.

The event was celebrated with a theme adapted from the Batak culture of North Sumatra. Ulos, the traditional fabric of the Batak people, adorned the auditorium, creating a vibrant and cultural ambiance. Teachers and staff added to the festive atmosphere by draping Ulos over one or both shoulders.

For both the morning and afternoon sessions, the graduation parade began with three students performing the Tortor, the traditional dance of the Batak people. Preceded by flag bearers, the graduates entered the auditorium dancing the Tortor to the rhythm of upbeat Batak music, making for a unique and memorable entrance.

Following the selected students' opening prayer and the singing of the national anthem. Mr. Guntur Siboro delivered a brief message on behalf of the Sophos Indonesia Foundation. This was followed by the procession and the handing of diplomas to the graduates.



Student representatives then delivered speeches, expressing their joy at their achievements and their readiness to face the challenges ahead. Speaking on behalf of their classes were Aqueensha (K2 Green) and Sky (K2 Yellow) for Preschool, Angela (G6A) and Arvel (G6B) for Primary, Andrea (G9A) and Ghaisan (G9B) for Lower Secondary, and Eve and Dave (G12) for Upper Secondary.

The Parent Representatives' speeches added a heartfelt touch to the ceremony. In the morning session, Mr. Raymundus Gifford (Father of Shane, K2 Green) and Mr. Mohamad Rama (Father of Arfan, G6A) shared their motivating messages. In the afternoon session, Mr. Imral Sutardjo (Father of Nakendra, G9A) and Ms. Yuliana Dewi Ang (Mother of Jason, G12) expressed their pride and hopes for the future.

Following the parents' speeches, the graduates performed special numbers, showcasing their talents in music and dance. This was followed by a touching tribute to parents, where each graduate presented a letter or a flower to their parents, resulting in many joyful tears.

A highlight of the ceremony was the Lifelong Learning Award, presented to graduating students who have been with Sophos School Indonesia -

continuously from Kindergarten to High School. This year, the awardees were Shilo and Jason, who, along with their parents, received their awards from Mr. Budi Widodo, Director of Academics. This award signifies the school's gratitude to parents for entrusting their children's education to Sophos School Indonesia.

The ceremony concluded with prayers from teachers representing the various religions of Sophos students. Pak Paiman (Muslim), Pak Pilip (Christian), Pak Nuel (Catholic), and Pak Ariya (Buddhist) led the prayers, emphasising the school's commitment to inclusivity and respect for diversity.

The graduation ceremony was a testament to the hard work, dedication, and success of students, parents, administrators, teachers, and staff of Sophos School Indonesia. It was a day filled with joy, cultural celebration, and heartfelt moments, marking a significant milestone in the lives of the graduates and their families.







## THE 6TH SOPHOS SCHOOL PRODUCTION 2024

### Magical Spell Performance Through the Story of Aladdin: The Magical Journey

School is a dynamic environment where students have the opportunity to grow both academically and personally. Our approach is centred on recognizing and accommodating the diverse needs of each student, ensuring that everyone has the support and resources necessary to thrive. This commitment not only helps students achieve their academic goals but also encourages their personal development, helping them build confidence, resilience, and a lifelong love of learning, therefore the 6th Sophos School was held on 16 June 2024. In this nurturing setting, every student is not given the tools and encouragement to reach their full potential but also ways to express themselves. As a school we believe in providing a platform for students to showcase and nurture their unique talents and capabilities is a must. Thus to organise this event each production features different teachers serving as the designated individuals in charge (PIC), selected by chance. This dynamic approach empowers them to unleash their essential skills in communication, problem-solving and interpersonal relations. The recent chargehands of this year's school production were Bu Dinar, Bu Bintang and Bu Jenny.

Musical theatre inspired by the magnificent story, Aladdin: The Magical Journey, is a vibrant celebration of creativity and talent, bringing to life the enchanting tale of magic and adventure. The musical performance, featuring a colourful array of costumes, captivating set designs, and memorable songs, transforms The Grand Auditorium of Bunda Mulia University into the bustling streets of Agrabah. The Grand Auditorium of Bunda Mulia University was chosen after we meticulously inspect and survey the venues designated for school productions to ensure they meet safety standards. This year, to accommodate the parents of our students, we provided more than 800 seats.



It is essential to emphasise that the School Production is a collective endeavour involving the entire school community rather than the effort of a single individual. Gotong Royong, which is a famous term rooted in Indonesia, is truly reflected during the process of preparing Performance. The whole school communities were working as one team to prepare and serve each iteration of the School Production, Sophos School Indonesia aspires not only to enhance the narrative but also to elevate the overall quality. Regarding personnel, approximately over 40 students contributed as the cast to the School Production. However, nearly over 400 students from various grade levels participated, making it a substantial collaborative effort. Together they showcase their skills, to create a truly magical experience. This performance is more than just a show; it's a testament to the spirit of collaboration and imagination that thrives within our school community.

Our preparations for the school production commenced in the second semester of 2023/2024 academic year. It commenced with auditions to select the main and supporting characters, generating considerable interest among our student body. In anticipation of the event, we conducted weekly rehearsals, recording character voices for playback during the performance. Each class prepared distinct performances, necessitating tailored costumes. Students and teachers dedicated themselves to daily practices during the final weeks leading up to the school production. Furthermore, we conducted three comprehensive school-wide rehearsals to ensure the quality.

We are pleased to share that our recent school production was met with lots of positive feedback from the audience. The school administration is dedicated to continually improving and elevating every aspect of our performances, including storytelling, music, dance, and the overall production quality. The next school production is set to be an extraordinary and engaging experience. Thank you for your support, and we look forward to welcoming you again soon.





# WALL OF FAME

SEMESTER 2 2023/2024

Our students have made amazing progress this semester, displaying brilliance in a variety of subjects. Their hard work and dedication have shined through in both academic and non-academic achievements. As we celebrate these accomplishments, we take pleasure in our student's collective success, which reflects the spirit of development and achievement that characterizes our school community. Congratulations to all of our students on their exceptional achievements this semester; you clearly embody our school's dedication to excellence.

## Student Achievements

1. Nayla Alia Putri (K1), Arianna Otylie Rachman (K1), Arcana Maruli Zaneta Sihombing (K1), Adreena Farzana Farhat (K1), Ashalina Saira Anawal (K1), Almaara Edeline Malayeka (K2): *1st place at Lomba Tari Kreasi Nusantara Jenjang TK Jabodetabek 2024*
2. R. Rahadian Neymar Abhicandra (K2 Green): *First Place in Kyorugi pra Cadet Putra at Kejuaraan Nasional antar pelajar Ganesha Taekwondo Competition 2024*
3. Annastacia Pericita Kaunang, Diva Ayu Janeeta Abiyyah Sanjaya, Imanuelle D Y Angela Bombang (Grade 6B), Sibel Erdemli (Grade 6A): *1st place in Dance - Saint John's Cup 2024*
4. Byanca Auberta Fayola Maengkom, Dorothea Nichole Lie, Kaelynn Salim, Marianne Agnesia Benedie, Patrycia Loandini Mulyadi (Grade 5A): *3rd place in Dance - Saint John's Cup 2024*
5. Ragannu Aksara Rinaldiputra (Grade 6B): *2nd place in Chess - Saint John's Cup 2024*
6. Ezekiel Vanko Mangin (Grade 3B): *1st place in Spelling Bee - Saint John's Cup 2024*
7. Kirana Sabiya Makaila Hutagalung (Grade 6B): *3rd place in Story Telling - Saint John's Cup 2024*
8. Joshua Noel Gregory Ritto (Grade 5B): *1st place in Breaststroke & Freestyle (Boys) - APM Jayantara Swimming Sprint Challenge*
9. Tobyas Jayden Aescalapius (Grade 5B): *2nd place in Breaststroke & Freestyle (Boys) - APM Jayantara Swimming Sprint Challenge*
10. Grace Nathania Pinta Uli Purba (Grade 5B): *1st place in Freestyle and 2nd place in Breaststroke (Girls) - APM Jayantara Swimming Sprint Challenge*
11. Madeline Abigail Lie (Grade 4A): *1st place at Lomba Senam Putri Olimpiade Olah Raga Siswa Nasional (O2SN) Jenjang Sekolah Dasar Tingkat Kecamatan Serpong 2024*
12. Naranjana Srikandi (Grade 4A): *2nd place at Lomba Senam Putri Olimpiade Olah Raga Siswa Nasional (O2SN) Jenjang Sekolah Dasar Tingkat Kecamatan Serpong 2024*

13. Lynette Valeska Briona Setiawan (Grade 8A), Josephine Makayla Terisno (Grade 8A), Valerie Kalea Tanaya (Grade 7A), Ramiel Yusuf Putra Ademar Saragih (Grade 7A), Auldey Fitria Hassan (Grade 7A): *2nd place at Lomba Kreativitas Musik Tradisional in Festival dan Lomba Seni Siswa Nasional (FLS2N) Jenjang SMP Kecamatan Serpong 2024*
14. Josephine Makayla Terisno (Grade 8A): *3rd place at Lomba Renang in Olimpiade Olahraga Siswa Nasional (O2SN) Jenjang SMP Kecamatan Serpong 2024*
15. Alviora Aurel Cicilia Balah (Grade 11B): *1st place at Atletik in Olimpiade Olahraga Siswa Nasional (O2SN) Jenjang SMA Kota Tangerang Selatan 2024 and 2nd place at Atletik in Olimpiade Olahraga Siswa Nasional (O2SN) Jenjang SMA Provinsi Banten 2024*
16. Kenneth Harrison Hidayat (Grade 11A): *Best Directive and Best Delegate at Santa Laurensia MUN 2024*