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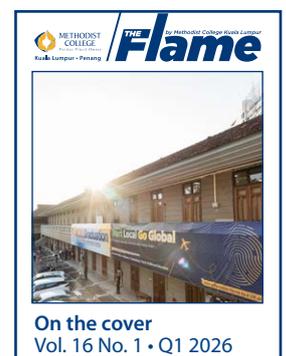
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CEO FOREWORD

Welcome to MCKL's illuminating 'Flame' newsletter, our first quarter of 2026. Happy New Year.

"Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven." – Matthew 5:16

This quarter, we proudly celebrated the achievement of over 500 students from MCKL KL and Penang Campus during the recent graduation ceremonies, respectively. We celebrated the individuals who have embraced knowledge, embodied perseverance, and **stepped forward with purpose**. But graduation is not merely the end of a chapter; it is the beginning of a journey to influence the world for the better.

This quarter we also saw the achievement of two Penang Campus students who achieved Top in the World and Top in Malaysia scores in the Outstanding Cambridge Learners Award 2025, in Psychology and Physics, respectively. We also learn about our Diploma students on field trips that make their learning come alive beyond the classroom

walls. From the halls of justice to the corridors of financial institutions and industry factories, these experiences allow our students to connect theory with practice, deepen their understanding, and envision their future professional pathways with greater clarity and confidence.

Achievement is meaningful, but its true worth is revealed in how it shapes lives beyond our own. At MCKL, we hold firmly to the belief that excellence is not inward-looking, it is expressed through compassion, integrity, and service to others.

As we step into this new chapter, we are reminded of the exhortation in **Philippians 2:4: "Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others."** This spirit of selflessness continues to define who we are as a community. It is reflected in the dedication of our students, the commitment of our staff, and the shared purpose that binds us together.

As we look ahead to 2026, our hope is not merely for greater milestones, but for deeper impact. We aspire to

see our students grow not only in competence, but in character, not only in ambition, but in compassion. May the year ahead be marked by bold initiatives, meaningful partnerships, and a renewed commitment to shaping servant leaders who will make a difference in Malaysia and beyond.

May we continue this journey with steadfast faith and conviction, trusting that every act of integrity, every effort to uplift another, and every step taken in humility contributes to a greater harvest. For as 1 Corinthians 15:58 reminds us, "Stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labour in the Lord is not in vain."

Together, may we press on, purposeful, faithful, and committed to being a light that shines brightly in our community and beyond.

Yours sincerely,
Dr Chua Ping Yong
Chief Executive Officer,
Methodist College Kuala Lumpur

MCKL College (Penang, Pykett Campus) Celebrates Students' Achievements in **Kuiz Kimia Kebangsaan Malaysia (K3M) 2025**

MCKL College (Penang, Pykett Campus) proudly celebrates the achievements of our students in Kuiz Kimia Kebangsaan Malaysia (K3M) 2025, a prestigious national-level Chemistry competition.

K3M is an annual Chemistry quiz organised by Institut Kimia Malaysia (IKM) in collaboration with participating schools nationwide. Open to upper secondary and pre-university students across Malaysia, the competition aims to assess students' understanding of Chemistry, cultivate interest in the subject and promote excellence in Chemistry education.

Participants are recognised based on their performance, with students scoring 90 – 100 marks receiving the Cemerlang Award, those scoring 70 – 88.5 marks awarded the Kepujian Award, and those scoring 50 – 68.5 marks receiving the Merit Award.



The award winners with Dr Gerard Boey (Principal cum Academic Dean of MCKL College (Penang, Pykett Campus)) and Ms Tan Zhi Ning (advisor)



Seah Ping Loon (left) and Ng Jing Jia (right) receiving Kepujian certificate from Principal, Dr Gerard Boey



A major highlight of K3M is the distinguished Top Scorer Award, presented to students with the highest scores nationwide. These top scorers are shortlisted for training and participation in the International Chemistry Olympiad (IChO).

MCKL College (Penang, Pykett Campus) has an outstanding track record in this competition. Our students, Wong Ching Shuen and Khoo Jing Shan, achieved the prestigious Top Scorer Award in 2023 and 2024, respectively. This honour is awarded to only a small group of the nation's best students, with just 5 recipients in 2023 and 6 in 2024. Both students were invited to attend Malam Kimia and received a certificate along with a cash prize of RM 300 for their exceptional performance.

In 2025, our students continued to shine with a total of 18 award recipients: 3 Kepujian Awards and 15 Merit Awards. To celebrate this achievement, an Awards Ceremony was held at the MCKL Pykett Campus. Certificates and awards were presented by Dr Gerard Boey, Principal of MCKL College, to the students and their teacher advisor, Ms Tan Zhi Ning.

MCKL College remains committed to nurturing excellence in STEM education and empowering our students to reach national and international platforms through academic excellence and passion for learning.

Congratulation to all Students

Kepujian

Seah Ping Loon
Cheng Xiao Thung
Ng Jing Jia

Merit

Cheah Ji Qing
Chew Wei Tong
Joseph Lim Wee Ern
Justin Tan Jin Yi
Khor Ly-Hann
Genie Ong Xin Ling
Tan Shao Chean
Glenn Liew Yee Xiang
Manisha Manickam
Cheng Khai Liang
Khoo Shino
Tan Yi Yuan
Chuah Ee Chao
Mah Yi Xin
Mak Wei Sheng



Learning Diplomacy, Dialogue, and Global Perspectives Through Model United Nations

For Muhammad Uwais, Model United Nations (MUN) is more than just a conference, it is a powerful platform for dialogue, growth, and global connection. At its core, MUN is a simulation of the United Nations General Assembly, where students take on the roles of country representatives to debate international issues and work collaboratively towards drafting resolutions.

Uwais' journey with MUN began during his high school years when he served as the captain of the debate team. He was first introduced to MUN through his mentee, a moment that would later come full circle. Over time, their roles reversed, with his former mentee becoming his guide and coach in navigating the complexities of MUN, a reminder that learning is often mutual and ever-evolving.

Reflecting on his most recent conference, Uwais shared that one of the most meaningful changes in his approach was engaging in active discussions about his committee topic well before the conference began. Tasked with addressing the sensitive issue of capital punishment, he sought perspectives from peers and lecturers at college in the days leading up to the event. These conversations exposed him to a wide range of viewpoints, helping him develop a more nuanced understanding of the topic and enabling him to participate more thoughtfully and confidently during committee sessions. Among the many experiences at the conference, two moments stood out as particularly impactful. The first was receiving candid feedback from the chairs, whose



encouragement and constructive criticism provided both humility and motivation. The second came after the closing ceremony, during heartfelt conversations with award recipients who openly shared their preparation strategies and personal growth journeys. Their generosity in offering advice left a lasting impression and inspired Uwais to continue striving for improvement.

Equally memorable were the connections formed beyond the committee rooms. During the opening ceremony, Uwais met fellow delegates representing countries such as Bhutan, East Timor, Taiwan, and Canada. Despite their diverse backgrounds, these differences became the foundation for meaningful friendships. Over just four days, strong bonds



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were formed, making the emotional farewells on the final day a testament to the lasting impact of shared experiences and mutual understanding. When asked about his key takeaways, Uwais emphasised the importance of embracing the experience wholeheartedly. For first-time delegates, his advice is to have fun and not be intimidated. Model UN provides a safe and supportive environment to develop public speaking skills, engage in debate, and collaborate with others. He believes that

meaningful impact does not come from being the loudest voice in the room, but from being a thoughtful and well-prepared one.

For his teammates, Uwais offered a more challenging reminder: preparation is never truly complete. Delegates must be ready to articulate their country’s stance, historical context, and future direction at any moment. Representing a nation requires a deep and balanced understanding of the issues at hand, and success comes from continuous research, critical questioning, and constant refinement of one’s perspectives.

Through Model United Nations, Uwais has gained far more than conference experience, he has learned the value of diplomacy, empathy, and lifelong learning, lessons that will continue to shape him long after the conference ends.

MCKL Diploma Students On The Move



MCKL Business Department

Diploma Students Visit the Palace of Justice



Diploma students from the Business Department of Methodist College Kuala Lumpur (MCKL) participated in an educational visit to the Palace of Justice, Putrajaya, accompanied by three facilitators from the Tertiary Department. The visit aimed to deepen students' understanding of the legal frameworks that influence and regulate business activities in Malaysia.

The programme began with a briefing in a Court of Appeal courtroom, where court officers provided an overview of key legal concepts, including the sources of Malaysian law, the court hierarchy, conflict of laws, and the principles of equity and fairness. These foundational concepts are essential for business students as they relate closely to corporate governance, marketing ethics, digital business compliance, and financial technology regulations.

Students were also guided through the Court Library, which houses an extensive collection of law reports and legal commentaries. This exposure helped students appreciate the role of legal research in interpreting regulations and understanding policy requirements. A subsequent visit to the Judicial Museum offered insights into the historical evolution of Malaysia's judiciary and its continued commitment to justice.

The visit concluded with the presentation of judicial souvenirs for the MCKL Library, marking a valuable learning experience beyond the classroom. This field trip enhanced students' legal awareness and reinforced the importance of legal literacy within the business profession.

MCKL Diploma in Financial Technology Students Visit

BNM Museum for Financial Insights

Business Department students from the Diploma in Financial Technology programme at Methodist College Kuala Lumpur (MCKL) participated in an educational field trip to the Bank Negara Malaysia (BNM) Museum and Art Gallery, organised to enrich their learning experience for the Personal Financial Planning subject.

During the visit, students explored four levels of exhibits covering financial literacy, consumer financial protection, monetary history, economic development, and Malaysia's evolving financial ecosystem. Exhibits on currency evolution, budgeting, inflation, credit management, and financial regulations provided practical context to the concepts taught in Personal Financial Planning.

The museum also highlighted the critical role of Bank Negara Malaysia in promoting financial stability and responsible financial behaviour. This exposure helped students understand how personal financial decisions are influenced by national policies, regulatory frameworks, and the broader financial environment.

A short sharing and reflection session was conducted at the end of the visit, allowing students to summarise their key takeaways and relate them to essential financial planning topics such as savings, investments, risk management, and the use of digital financial tools.



The field trip offered a meaningful learning experience beyond the classroom, strengthening students' understanding of personal financial planning and its real-world applications.

MCKL Diploma Business Students Visit Pet World Nutrition Factory



Diploma students from the Business Department of Methodist College Kuala Lumpur (MCKL) participated in an educational field trip to Pet World Nutrition Sdn. Bhd., Shah Alam aimed at enhancing their learning in the Supply Chain Management and Business Process Management courses.

During the visit, students gained first-hand exposure to the operations of a modern manufacturing facility, observing key processes in production, quality control, inventory management, and logistics. The experience allowed students to understand how supply chain and business process principles are applied in real-world business settings, from raw material sourcing to product distribution.

The visit also included interactive discussions with factory staff, who shared insights on operational challenges, efficiency improvements, and best practices in managing workflow and resources. Students were encouraged to reflect on how these practices relate to their coursework, bridging the gap between theoretical concepts and practical applications.

The factory visit provided a meaningful learning opportunity beyond the classroom, reinforcing students' understanding of operational management, process optimisation, and the critical role of supply chain efficiency in business success.

MCKL's Brightest Cambridge Learners Igniting Success on the Global Stage

Two Cambridge A-Level students from MCKL College (Penang, Pykett Campus) were recognised for their exceptional achievements at the Outstanding Cambridge Learner Awards Malaysia (OCLA) held at Dwi Emas International School, Shah Alam.

Organised by Cambridge Assessment International Education, the OCLA recognises exceptional achievements of students in Cambridge examinations globally. These awards, including the coveted 'Top in the World', 'Top in Country', 'Best Across', and 'High Achievement', celebrates and acknowledges the success of high-performing Cambridge learners.

MCKL has been committed to the nurturing over 174 high achievers since 2013, and this legacy was reaffirmed with the consecutive accolades of 'Top in the World' and 'Top in Malaysia' attained by its students. This year's OCLA witnessed the presentation of two awards providing further testament to the college's unwavering dedication to academic excellence.

The focus for this round of OCLA was on Penang Campus. Since its inception in 2022, the Penang campus has steadily built a strong record of academic excellence. In just three years, the campus has already produced five Outstanding Cambridge Learner Awards recipients, underscoring MCKL's continued commitment to nurturing high-achieving students across all its campuses.

Among the distinguished recipients was Cheng Xiao Thung, a standout student recipient of the MCKL Merit Scholarship. Cheng Xiao Thung achieved Top in the World for AS Level for Psychology.

"I chose MCKL College (Penang, Pykett Campus) because the programme has a strong reputation for producing high achieving scholars and maintaining



a high academic standard. The environment felt very focused, aligning with the way I study. I believe it was one of the main reasons for my high achievement. Another key reason was my psychology lecturer who shaped my experience and deepened my passion for the subject, which made the classes both motivating and memorable."

Another outstanding achiever, Seah Ping Loon, earned the Top in Malaysia award for AS Level Physics. Reflecting on his journey, he expressed deep gratitude to his Physics lecturer, whose dedication and encouragement played a pivotal role in helping him reach this milestone. Inspired by his passion for the sciences, Ping Loon plans to further his studies in Chemical Engineering at The University of Hong Kong (HKU) in the coming years.

In total, MCKL celebrates six Outstanding Cambridge Learner Awards winners for 2025, a remarkable achievement that reflects the college's enduring pursuit of academic excellence. These recognitions not only highlight the dedication and resilience of its learners but also reaffirm MCKL's commitment to cultivating an environment where students can thrive. As the college continues to grow its legacy across campuses, it remains steadfast in nurturing excellence for life and empowering future generations to achieve even greater milestones.

Deuce or Duty?

Balancing Books and Backhands

Methodist College Kuala Lumpur (MCKL) alumnus Inoue Terumasa is well known on campus for his ability to balance academic commitments with a demanding sporting life. During his time at MCKL as an American Degree Transfer Program (ADTP) student, Inoue consistently demonstrated discipline, focus and passion, both in the classroom and on the tennis court. Today, he is continuing his academic journey at Chowan University in the United States, pursuing a degree in Sports Science and Kinesiology, while actively advancing his tennis career at a competitive level. Before he left MCKL, our Student Affairs' team had a small chat with him to understand further how he made it happen.

1. How do you structure your typical day to manage time between academics and tennis training?

Typically, I will be done with my classes by 4 P.M. then I will head directly to my tennis training from campus. I will train for about two hours then head to the gym or do fitness



workouts, in the evening after that I will get studying and assignment work done.

2. What specific steps do you take to maintain energy and mental focus for both demanding studies and training?

I make it a point to have my meals at regular times each day. I also do my best to get at least eight hours of sleep each night, although this can be challenging at times, as I often complete my academic work late at night and still need to wake up early to commute to college.

3. Who or what is your most essential support system or

scheduling tool for keeping everything on track?

At the beginning of each semester, I try to inform my lecturers and classmates about my passion for tennis, so they are aware of my commitments beyond academics. I take the time to explain my situation in detail and keep them regularly updated on my tournament schedules to assure them that I can manage my academic responsibilities. My friends support me by sharing class recaps, highlighting key points from lessons such as test tips, and reminding me of upcoming deadlines. Meanwhile, my lecturers have been very understanding, offering deadline extensions



when I am competing in tournaments and arranging make-up exams whenever test dates clash with my competition schedule, allowing me to complete assessments when I am back on campus.

4. When studies and tournaments conflict, how do you decide what to prioritise, and what’s the hardest sacrifice you have made?

My ambition has always been to secure a scholarship at an American university. However, at the beginning of the year, my chances seemed uncertain after a series of setbacks the year before, including surgery and a tendon tear that cost me nearly an entire year. With 2025 being my final

opportunity, I focused heavily on tournaments early in the year to improve my ranking and strengthen my chances of receiving a scholarship. Once I achieved my target ranking, I shifted my focus back to my studies, as maintaining a strong GPA was essential for university acceptance. The biggest sacrifice I had to make was missing out on much of the “college life”, as training commitments often meant skipping social activities with friends. While this was challenging, it was a necessary sacrifice in pursuit of my long-term goals.

5. What’s your routine for mentally switching gears— for example, moving from

the tennis court straight to studying?”

During tournaments, when I need to study, I usually train first before focusing on my academics. After training, I shower and use that time as a mental reset before starting my studies. I make an effort to get into studying quickly, but because training and matches take a significant mental and physical toll, I am careful not to overexert myself. I typically limit my study time to a focused two-hour session before stopping for the day. If there is a café near the hotel where I am staying, I will study there instead, as the fresh air and change of environment help me concentrate better and avoid distractions.

Academic Staff Participate in Training on Rethinking Assessment in Higher Education



Academic staff with the trainer, Dr Vivien Ting, during the professional development training.



Dr Vivien Ting sharing insights on OBE-aligned assessment during the training session.

On 4 December 2025, academic staff of the College participated in a professional development training titled “Rethinking Assessment in Higher Education: Concepts, Challenges, and OBE Alignment.” The training was conducted as part of the College’s ongoing efforts to enhance teaching, learning, and assessment practices in line with Outcome-Based Education (OBE), Outcome-Based Assessment (OBA), and Outcome-Based Grading (OBG).

The session emphasised the importance of aligning assessment tasks with clearly defined Intended Learning Outcomes (ILOs) to ensure coherence between curriculum design, teaching strategies, and assessment practices. Participants explored how OBA enables meaningful measurement of student achievement by focusing on evidence of learning rather than solely on examination performance.

In addition, the training highlighted the role of OBG in promoting transparency, fairness, and consistency in evaluating student performance. The use of clear assessment criteria and rubrics was discussed as a key mechanism to support reliable grading practices

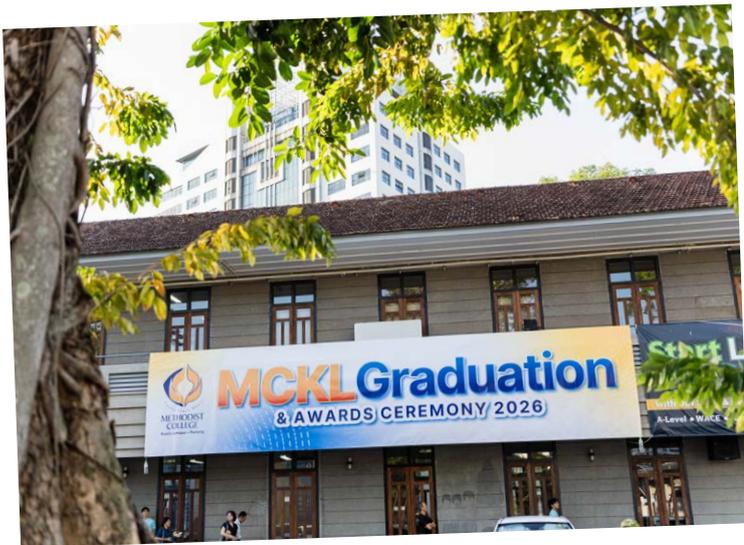
and constructive feedback aligned with learning outcomes.

The training provided an important platform for academic staff to reflect on existing assessment practices and identify areas for improvement. It also reinforced the role of assessment not only as a grading mechanism, but as a key tool for enhancing student learning and supporting continuous quality improvement.

Overall, the session strengthened academic staff’s understanding of the interrelationship between OBE, OBA, and OBG, and their role in supporting quality teaching and learning. Through initiatives such as this, the College continues to reaffirm its commitment to professional development, continuous improvement, and student-centred education.

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Two Campuses, One Shared Milestone: MCKL Graduation Ceremony 2026



On 24 January 2026, over 170 students from Methodist College Kuala Lumpur's Pykett Campus celebrated the culmination of their hard work and perseverance as they walked the graduation stage. A week later, on 7 February, more than 350 graduates from the KL Campus marked their own moment of triumph at Damansara Utama Methodist Church (DUMC), cheered on by proud family members, lecturers, and friends.

Pykett Campus Graduation – 24 January 2026

The ceremony was graced by distinguished guests, including The Reverend Joshua Khong, President of Trinity Annual Conference, and Mr Ngu Chie Kieng, Chairman of the Board of Governors. Addressing the graduating class, MCKL Chief Executive Officer Dr Chua Ping Yong urged, "Continue to work hard, be resilient, and remember that your purpose is to make a positive

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A Celebration of Excellence and New Beginnings MCKL's Graduation Ceremony 2026 was more than a celebration of academic success, it reflected the College's commitment to shaping future leaders, innovators and change-makers.”

impact in the world, honouring God with your life. Let this peace be your constant companion as you navigate the unknowns.”

Over 170 students from Cambridge A-Level, AUSMAT, Business, Education, and Computing programmes proudly received their scrolls, marking the largest graduating cohort since Pykett Campus opened its doors.

Cambridge A-Level students achieved remarkable recognition at the recent Outstanding Cambridge Learners' Awards. Cheng Xiao Thung earned Top in the World for AS Level Psychology, while Seah Ping Loon received Top in Malaysia for AS Level Physics. Seah was also named Outstanding Achiever, receiving the Yin Kam Yoke Award 2026 for Best Performance in the June 2025 GCE A-Level Examination, along with Overall Academic Excellence for Pure Science and Subject Prizes in Chemistry and Physics. Cheng received Overall Academic Excellence for Combination Arts and Science and Subject Prizes in Biology and Psychology. Soo Wen Hui was another Outstanding Achiever and Yin Kam Yoke Award recipient.

Institutionally, the Cambridge A-Level programme saw students achieving 3As and above rise from 29.2% in 2023 to 58% this year, while maintaining a 100% passing rate and consistently strong distinction results, further reinforced by national and international recognitions.

For AUSMAT (WACE), Bryan Toh Lit Ern led the cohort with an ATAR of 95.90, receiving the Datuk F R Bhupalan Award 2026. The programme continues to show strong momentum, with certification rates exceeding 90% and top ATARs reaching 97.60.

Diploma students also excelled. Tan Tzu Yang topped the Business programme with a CGPA of 3.00 and above, while in Computing, Jeanni Khoo Li Jing earned a CGPA of 3.79 and received the Dato' Dr Tan Kee Kwong Award 2026. The Diploma in Early Childhood Education saw Nurul Iman Binti Mohamed Azmi graduate as top achiever and Valedictorian with a near-perfect 3.92 CGPA. All diploma graduates achieved strong academic results, and several secured job offers upon completing internships, demonstrating both workplace readiness and the industry relevance of MCKL's programmes.

KL Campus Graduation – 7 February 2026

Over 350 students from Cambridge A-Level, AUSMAT, Business, Computing, Education, and ACCA programmes received their scrolls in the presence of The Reverend Joshua Khong, Mr Ngu Chie Kieng, and Yang Berbahagia Dato' Dr Tan Kee Kwong, Former Chairman of the Board of Governors.

In the GCE November 2025 results, students achieving 4As and above increased from 26.9% in 2024 to 27.4% in 2025, reflecting steady academic progress. High achievers included Lee May Tzi, Yin Kam Yoke Award recipient and Overall Academic Excellence achiever for Combination Science and Arts, and Chan Jia Yue Zoey, Overall Academic

Season Highlight

Excellence recipient for Pure Science and Subject Prize winner for Biology and Chemistry.

AUSMAT achievements were led by Damian Khoo Kok Hung, who attained an ATAR of 96.55 and received the Datuk F R Bhupalan Award 2026, while around 50% of students scored an ATAR of 70 and above. The AUSMAT programme continues to demonstrate strong momentum, with approximately 50% of students achieving an ATAR of 70 and above, a testament to their capability, perseverance, and the dedicated guidance of our lecturers.

In the Diploma programmes, Jocelyn Sue Ming Mei earned the Datuk Dr Chiam Heng Keng Award for a CGPA of 3.89 in Early Childhood Education. Lee Shin Ying topped the Computing programme with a near-perfect 3.97 CGPA, receiving the Dato' Dr Tan Kee Kwong Award 2026. In the Business programme, Lai Manee achieved a CGPA of 3.82 and received the Ms Moey Yoke Lai Award. Brandon Choo, Valedictorian of the day, is now pursuing a Bachelor of Finance (Financial Technology) with Honours at University Tunku Abdul Rahman.

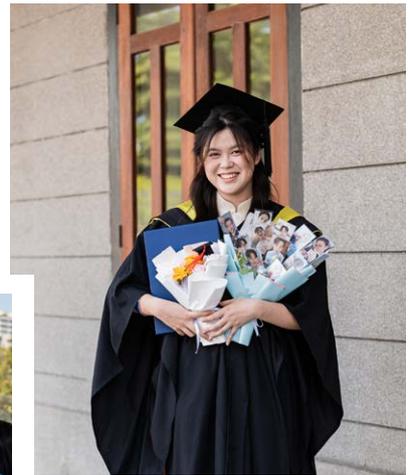
A Celebration of Excellence and New Beginnings MCKL's Graduation Ceremony 2026 was more than a celebration of academic success, it reflected the College's commitment to shaping future leaders, innovators, and change-makers. Though held on different dates, both ceremonies shared the same spirit of joy, gratitude, and excitement for the future. As graduates embark on their next journey, they join MCKL's enduring legacy defined by resilience, passion, and excellence.

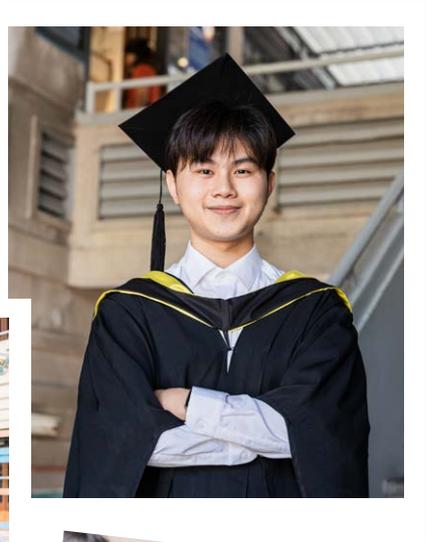


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DECE Fun Fair Brings Back Childhood Memories Memories While Giving Back to the Community

The Diploma in Early Childhood Education (DECE) Union successfully hosted its annual Fun Fair, drawing students and staff together for a day filled with nostalgia, creativity, and meaningful community engagement. This year's event was themed "When We Were Young," a concept inspired by childhood memories that resonated strongly with both organisers and visitors alike.

According to DECE Union representative Au E-Jie, the theme was carefully chosen to reflect the essence of early childhood education. As students specialising in this field, the organising committee wanted a concept closely connected to children and the joy of growing up. The nostalgic theme was further reflected in the selection of food booths, which featured snacks and treats inspired by the committee members' own childhood favourites.

Beyond entertainment, the Fun Fair also carried a strong charitable element. Throughout the preparation period, the DECE Union collected and donated items such as clothes, toys, and educational books. These items were later distributed to Peace Education Centre and Praise Emmanuel Children's Home. While no direct monetary donations were made, funds raised during the event were used to purchase stickers that were gifted to the children at both homes. The donations were delivered on 17 and 18 July and were warmly received by the organisations. Reflecting on the experience, Au E-Jie shared



that the most cherished aspect of the event was the personal growth gained throughout the process. Organising the Fun Fair provided opportunities to connect with union members from different cohorts while developing essential skills such as communication, negotiation, teamwork, and active listening. From a leadership perspective, seniors Hooi Min and Jocelyn expressed immense pride in the organising committees. They noted that seeing the event run smoothly and receiving positive feedback from students and staff was deeply rewarding. More importantly, they highlighted the courage and commitment shown by committee members who stepped out of their comfort zones, embraced challenges, and demonstrated visible growth throughout the journey.

Faculty advisor Ms Chan Mei Yee also shared her observations, noting significant improvements



in students' creativity and organisational skills over the years. She highlighted the students' growing ability to design cohesive and engaging themes that are well reflected across promotions, food offerings, merchandise, and games. Ms Chan also observed an increase in originality, entrepreneurial thinking, and meaningful interactivity in the booths presented.

Overall, the DECE Fun Fair stood as a testament to the students' initiative, collaboration, and dedication. Through creativity, teamwork, and a strong sense of social responsibility, the event not only created a memorable experience for the college community but also made a positive impact beyond campus, raising the standard of student-led events year after year.



NextGen Leadership Bootcamp 2026

17 January 2026

The NextGen Leadership Bootcamp brought together 55 curious young minds eager to explore the exciting world of digital technology and science. Participants immersed themselves in AI, digital tools, and exciting science concepts through hands-on experiments, coding challenges, and creative activities. A truly unforgettable camp experience that brought smiles and excitement to every participant, while fostering deeper learning and a greater understanding of the topics explored.



Open Day and External Fairs January 2026



Open Day
16 - 17 January 2026



Education and Futher Studies Fair
10 - 11 January 2026



CourseMap Education Fair
24 - 25 January 2026

MOU Signing With Industrial Partners

13 November 2025

MCKL signed MOUs with several established industrial partners, reinforcing our commitment to students with high-impact internship opportunities. These partnerships ensure a steady pipeline of internship placements, allowing students to gain the hands-on experience and professional mentorship vital for a successful transition into the workforce and boost their employability in a competitive market.

Our Partner

Sunway Pals Loyalty Sdn Bhd

Widebed Sdn Bhd

One WSM Property Sdn Bhd

Studio Twenty Sdn Bhd

Omnicom Media Malaysia Sdn Bhd



Pykett Alumni Sports Carnival

14 January 2026





Malaysia's Klang River Reignited with KongsikL's Klang River

By Bethany Chu Sook Teng

Malaysia's Klang River sits at the heart of Kuala Lumpur's urban life and culture but has been polluted with industrial waste and public space littering. Can KongsikL revive and take care of the river by organising its flagship Klang River Festival?

The Klang River is a modern city icon for Kuala Lumpur Malaysia. Boasting a rich and long history that dates back to 300 BC, the river has evolved from historical settlements to tin mine trading ports, to industrial era economic hubs that spurred the surrounding city's growth. However, the development has taken a huge

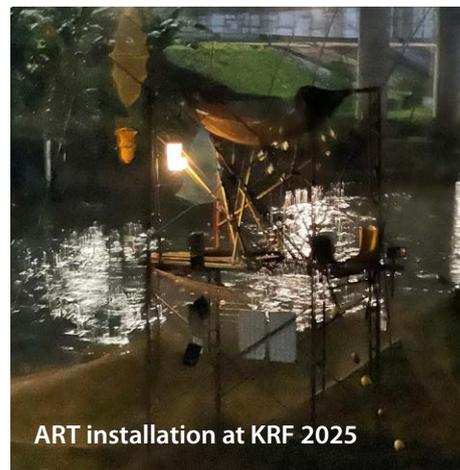
toll on the environmental wellbeing of the river and its surrounding communities.

Today, the river has been demoted from being the centre of the town to an eyesore to be ignored, nothing more than a waste dump and a flood risk. Much of the river's water is too polluted for any practical or recreational use.

As the river flows through the active shipping port of Port Klang, it naturally accumulates a variety of waste, originating from industrial operations, sewage treatment facilities, and household sources. Poorly managed sewage discharge and waste disposal has rendered its waters very polluted. Among the pollutants are heavy metals that severely



Panel sessions held next to the Klang River at KRF 2025



ART installation at KRF 2025



KRF 2025 is held at sheltered river bank under the urban infrastructure of Kuala Lumpur

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threaten human health, with effects ranging from physical and neurological impairments to cancer. The river was also the second-largest contributor of plastic waste entering the ocean. The river has been demoted from being the center of the city.

The Kuala Lumpur City Council has pledged ambitious plans to restore and transform the river into a community space, but has faced setbacks and delays. And the local Kuala Lumpur community stands to lose the most. Despite high-level government initiatives such as the Department of Irrigation and Drainage’s (JPS) “Program Denai Sungai

Kebangsaan” (DSK), or National River Trail Programme, the Klang River remains neglected. Its revitalisation efforts are hampered by ineffectiveness and ambiguity regarding ownership and responsibility between the public and the government.

KongsiKL, a nonprofit organisation based in Kuala Lumpur, decides to draw the spirit of the ambitious River of Life restoration project into their own hands, by connecting communities to the river’s conservation efforts. Led by President Joseph Foo, KongsiKL started the Klang River Festival (KRF) to celebrate life by the river

through art and nature-based community sessions. Their goal is to re-establish a feeling of community, belonging, and inclusion in the river’s future. They achieve this by leveraging the river and activating the spaces along its banks through dialogue sessions and platforms for showcases and exhibitions.

By bringing stakeholders, artists, government officials and the general public together, the festival will encourage mutual cooperation by transforming the river into a common asset and shared responsibility between different parties. Drawing inspiration from renowned

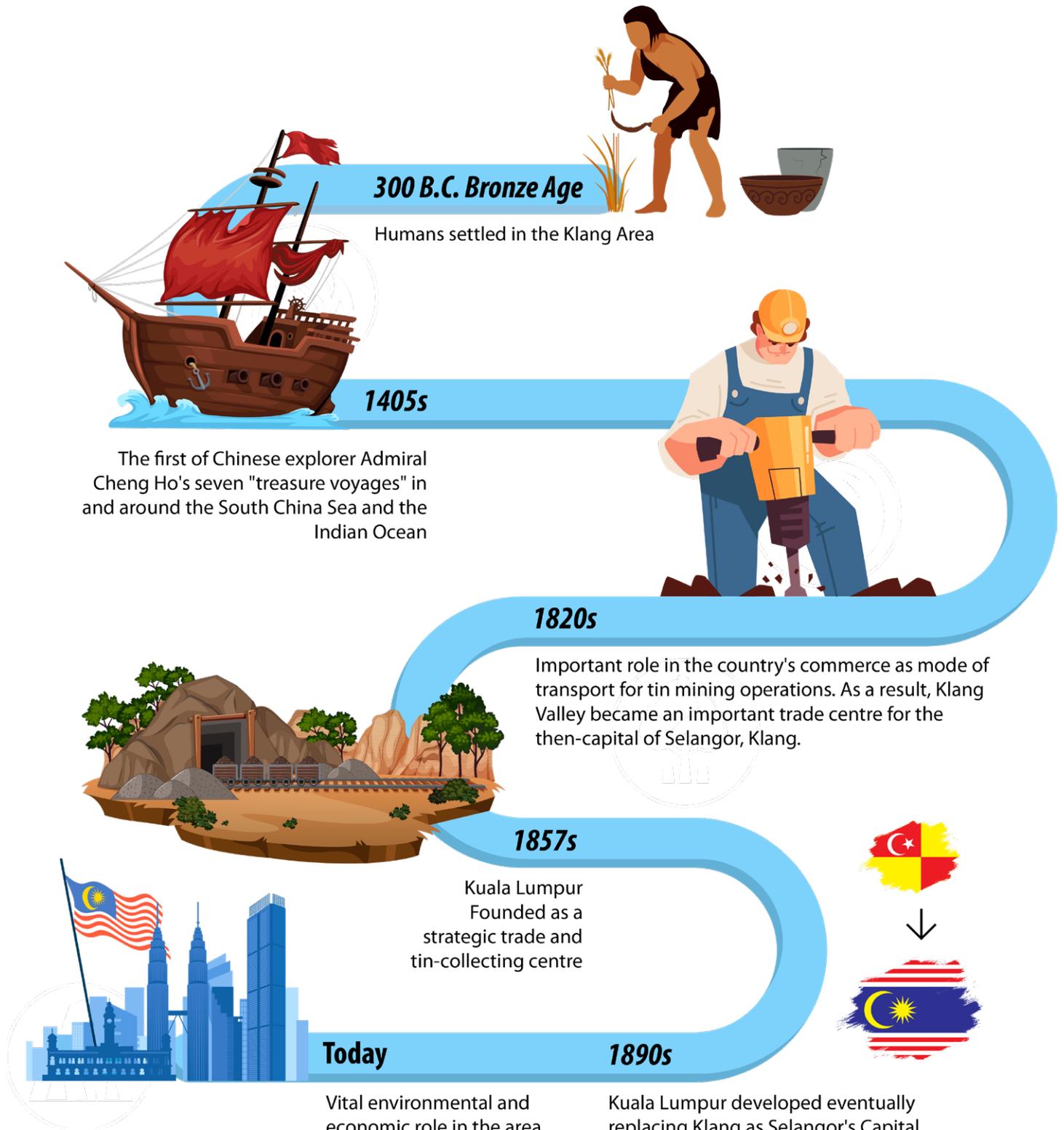
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riverside destinations such as Singapore's Clarke Quay and Kyoto's Kamo River, Foo said the 1.8-kilometre corridor where KRF will take place is

the "perfect spot" to transform the Klang River into a hive of vibrant activity.

Wyn Hee, KRF's programming

director, highlights the festival's four pillars: heritage, environment, community, and creative which promote inclusivity. Ultimately, KRF



A brief timeline of the history of the Klang River, adapted from Wiki Impact.

<https://www.wikiimpact.com/from-pristine-to-polluted-the-history-of-the-klang-river-and-shared-efforts-to-restore-it/>

seeks to revitalise the river into a sustainable landmark that reconnects the community. KRF plans and executes urban sustainability management projects, pulling in legal and fundraising expertise from their big team of locals.

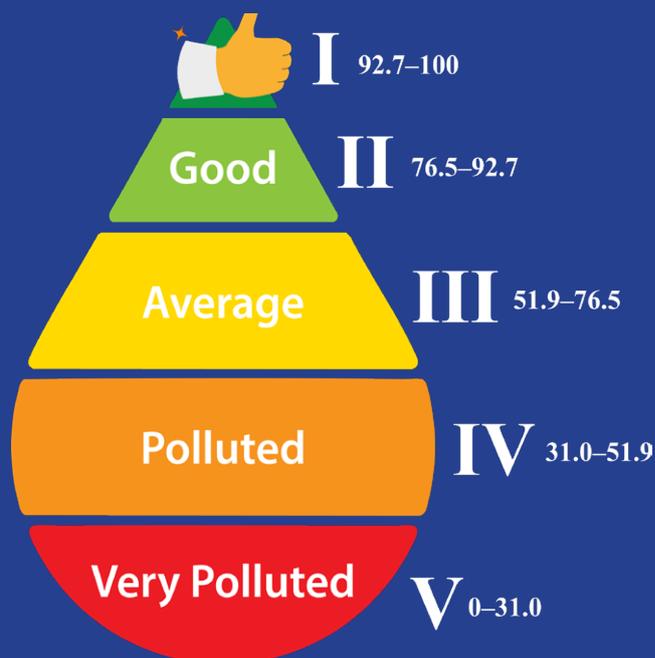
Since 2022, KongsikL has held events in iconic Downtown Kuala Lumpur heritage buildings to boost public awareness of the Klang River's importance. This is achieved by showcasing alternative lifestyles and effective public

space usage, aiming to improve the Klang River Valley.

KRF's activities include diverse art forms such as visual arts exhibitions, dialogues with town planners and developers, performances, workshops, creative installations, curated markets, heritage walks, and film screenings. The theme for KRF 2025, "Act!vating!", focuses on action, movement, and togetherness, encouraging people to rediscover the Klang River as a cherished part of the city's history.

After a fourth successful year of the festival, Foo sees an ambitious movement to continue KRF along the entire 120 km stretch of the Klang River. He hopes that the festival signals an open invitation for other nonprofits to collaborate to create a cleaner, greener, and happier Kuala Lumpur. By actively hosting and increasing the scale of their events the KRF has gained the government's attention and are now being included in the local government's annual agenda. With more people aware of KRF's commitment to the river, it inspires individuals to take care of it and potentially start more efforts to advocate for the whole length of the river as well as other rivers locally and abroad.

Foo expressed the dream of turning the river into a public space, not just an embankment. He hopes buildings will eventually face the river again, noting that most have turned their backs over the past 30-40 years due to the river's condition, making this a good starting point for change. Ultimately, their dream involves fostering stewardship and transforming the city through new public spaces.



The downstream section of the Klang River, which flows through Kuala Lumpur, exhibits high levels of pollution, with its water quality ranging from levels III to V.

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