



Dear Parents / Guardians,

Reinstatement of the Original Names of CHIJ Primary (Toa Payoh) and CHIJ Secondary (Toa Payoh)

In 1854, the Sisters of the Congregation of the Holy Infant Jesus (IJ Sisters), founded the Convent of the Holy Infant Jesus at Victoria Street. At that time, the school served all levels of education. The school was separated into distinct Primary and Secondary schools in 1964.

In December 1983, both schools relocated from Victoria Street to Lorong 1 Toa Payoh and were renamed Convent of the Holy Infant Jesus Primary (Toa Payoh) and Convent of the Holy Infant Jesus Secondary (Toa Payoh) respectively.

In 1992, to establish a unified identity across all 11 of the Convent of the Holy Infant Jesus schools, the Infant Jesus Board of Management (IJBOM) prefixed all 11 school names with "CHIJ", resulting in the current names CHIJ Primary (Toa Payoh) and CHIJ Secondary (Toa Payoh). While "CHIJ" is the acronym for "Convent of the Holy Infant Jesus", the full name was no longer officially used.

To return to our historical identity and heritage, the names of our schools, as the mother schools of the CHIJ family of schools, will be reinstated to our original names, "Convent of the Holy Infant Jesus (Primary)" and "Convent of the Holy Infant Jesus (Secondary)" respectively. The reinstatement has been approved by the Ministry of Education, and the IJ Sisters together with the IJBOM, and will take effect from **1 January 2027**.

As the oldest girls' Catholic schools in Singapore, we have nurtured generations of young women who are anchored on the CHIJ values of truth, justice, freedom and love. We remain committed to our mission to develop IJ girls who live out our school motto, "Simple in Virtue, Steadfast in Duty".

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