

#### **AUGUST 2006**

**@VJC**, the alumni e-newsletter, will be sent to your mailbox every month to keep you informed about the exciting developments taking place in VJC. Success stories of our students and alumni will be shared and relevant information provided to help you stay connected to VJC.

No lengthy write-ups, just the little gist to keep you in touch!

Each month you can expect stories about:

- Research being conducted and its impact
- College members (staff and students) who are making VJC a great place to study
- Innovative developments in the college
- Alumni who have created a niche for themselves
- Students who are making the most of their academic experiences
- Alumni services and events that can benefit your personal and professional life
- You can also win prizes by participating in the monthly trivia contest or sharing your memories of your time at VJC through the "Great VJ Memories" or "VJ Love Stories" features.
  Provide us with your opinion with our fun web polls which are part of our new features for 2006.

**Let us tell your story** — send us your tales of success and achievement. We hope to profile an alumnus in @VJC each month. Submit your story of accomplishment.

**VJ love stories** — Share your tales of their VJ love, your favourite hangout in college!

**VJ concert memories** — Many performing artists have graced the stages of VJC throughout the years and we hope to highlight some concert memories which you can contribute. Take a trip down memory lane.

### **STAY CONNECTED**

VJC Alumni Affairs strives to provide interesting services for VJC alumni with the prime objective of helping alumni stay connected to each other and their college. To start off, we offer the tracing services to help you link up with your long, lost fellow alumni. Just email <a href="Teo\_Yik\_Tee@moe.edu.sg">Teo\_Yik\_Tee@moe.edu.sg</a>. As long as we have the information, we will help you link up!

To keep the information updated, kindly log in and update your particulars at:

http://www.victoriajc.net/alumni/update/index.htm

### **ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENTS**

Lee Kuan Yew Global Business Plan Competition 2006

Mahesh Uttamchandani, 96S11, was a member of the NUS-Ngee Ann Poly team that won the Lee Kuan Yew Global Business Plan Competition. This team came up with a new way for pharmaceutical companies to carry out drug screening and patient diagnosis at a fraction of its current cost. The idea is to replace microplates with microarray platforms.

"Instead of one mil of blood, a pin-prick sample is enough." said the team leader, Mr Mahesh Uttamchandani, a PhD student in biological sciences at NUS.

# **COLLEGE HIGHLIGHTS**

# International Choir Competition 2006

VJC's Choir clinched the Riva del Garda Grand Prize, emerging as overall top choir at the international choir competition held in Italy. We have also clinched the Gold Award for the Sacred Music and Mixed Youth categories.

### Pacific Basin Music Festival 2006

VJC Band clinched the Gold Award at the Pacific Basin Music Festival in Hawaii.



The launch of VJC's very own blog. Basically a weblog of student opinion, mindless ramblings, colourful ideas and chic talk. It is your finger on the pulse of the life of the college, and is updated weekly by irregular wits, specialist columnists, flowery tongues and sizeable speakers.

A school newsletter for the students, by the students.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS 2006**

Sat Sep 2 Family3 Carnival @VJC

For Full list: <a href="http://www.vjc.moe.edu.sg/02\_calendarOfEvents.shtml">http://www.vjc.moe.edu.sg/02\_calendarOfEvents.shtml</a>

### **NEXT ISSUE**

June **Happenings** in VJC ....

Overseas Trips - Guitar Ensemble Trip to Osaka, Literature Trip to UK; Jin Cai/Shanghai; Silicon Valley; GYLC; Science Trip to Switzerland...