Mr Christopher Ow

An alumnus of SJI, Christopher is teaching World & Me to the IP students and Theory of Knowledge to the IB Diploma Programme (IBDP) at SJI Senior School. He also coordinates the Character And Faith Formation and Exploration (CAFFE) programme for the IBDP.

“As Joubert said, “To teach is to learn twice over”. The truth of these words resonate in my returning to my alma mater to renew my journey of learning. From my pupils at every level, I continue to learn much. Much more, I think, than I could ever impart to them. But my hope is that my meagre efforts will kindle that spark of learning that will grow into a blaze that will warm their hearts and minds all through life.”

Mrs Shanti Loganathan

Shanti teaches Chemistry, and Personal and Social Education, and is also the iExams Coordinator for the school, taking charge of all GCE ‘O’ Level Examination Matters. She is the Assistant Teacher-in-charge of the Robotics Club and a member of the Staff Welfare Committee.

“Being a teacher is often a journey into the unknown as you deal with so many youngsters with so many diverse needs and demands. It is a journey of regular trials and tribulations, but filled with so much hope and joy too. Nothing can outdo the feeling one gets when you see positive change in a child, and knowing that you might have played a part in enabling that change. Every time in the past, when I thought it was time to leave the service, Teachers’ Day would arrive and the youngsters I taught then would send me cards saying how much they treasured my efforts... and that made me feel that I must be doing something right. And I continue this journey with the hope that I still can make a difference.”

Ms Kathryn Snider

Kathryn began her teaching career in Canada as a senior English teacher, and this evolved into international teaching in Bahrain. Currently teaching both IB English and Theory of Knowledge, Kathryn is very excited to be a part of the new SJI Senior School, and as the Head of IB English she is enthusiastic about designing the new Language and Literature IB curriculum.

“Teaching, and especially teaching literature, affords me the opportunity to live in different worlds, and to share experiences with others that exist beyond our physical reality. It is that passage through the unknown, that challenges us, calls upon us to empathise, and to learn how to be in the world in an engaged and responsible manner. When we return from these travels our way of seeing the world is transformed, it is more critical, and more open to all the possibilities that can be envisioned. Ultimately, these journeys, and the sharing of them with students, confirms that being an educator is truly a great endeavour.”

Mr Melvin Seow

Melvin heads the Department of Humanities and teaches Social Studies, History, Personal and Social Education, and Business Design Thinking. As the Programme Leader for SJI’s International Education, he is also the Assistant Teacher-in-charge of Athletics (Cross Country, Track & Field) and Deputy Head for Lawrence Fraternity.

“Teaching is a calling. It is a journey that I relish. I get immense joy in seeing that I have made a positive difference in the lives of many Josephians as they gain new insights, become more interested in the Humanities and learn how to live as persons for others and future pinnacles of our society. The rewards are fantastic.”