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## **CHIJ ALUMNI**

We have CHIJ Alumni from our 5 Secondary Schools.

If you are a past pupil of any of the 5 secondary schools, you may consider joining them to keep in touch with the IJ Community or you may be interested to know what each school alumni is doing!

Let each school tell you more about their activities.

CHIJ Secondary Toa Payoh	(founded 1854)
CHIJ Katong Convent	(founded 1930)
CHIJ St Nicholas Girls Secondary	(founded 1933)
CHIJ St Theresa's Convent	(founded 1933)
CHIJ St Joseph's Convent	(founded 1938)



Some Alumni leaders with Sisters and Associates



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## IJBOM ALUMNI AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING 2023 - REPORT

On the evening of 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023, the heads from the five IJ alumni associations and groups came together for the very first time in person. Besides the alumni chairpersons and executive committee members, in attendance were also representatives from Infant Jesus Children's Home and centres (IJHCC), along with IJ Associates and IJ Sisters. This meeting was kindly hosted by the IJ sisters at the IJ Spirituality Centre at Chestnut Drive.

The meeting began with a thanksgiving prayer, with deep appreciation for the opportunity to meet face to face, especially after the lifting of COVID-19 restrictions. We were reminded of the life of service of our Founding Father Nicolas Barre, the commitment of our religious and lay pioneers as well as the ethos of the IJ community in the ongoing efforts for the beneficence of girls, both in our IJ schools and beyond.

Plans for the upcoming 170<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration in 2024 with a liturgical service in May 2024 at the Singapore National Stadium with the participation of all 11 IJ schools, were shared. The Schools and IJHCC will also contribute to the celebration with creative items in the programme. Greater involvement of the IJ alumni representatives in the main planning committee to support this milestone celebration was envisaged. Introductions were made to the people, of the work and services of IJHCC, IJ Associates, IJ Overseas Mission projects as well as plans and contributions of the 5 alumni associations and groups.

Our open and lively discussions included plenty of reminiscing of moments spent in and around school as well as a continuation of the IJ spirit and endeavours in all walks of life.