Interhouse Academic Challenge

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The annual Interhouse Academic Challenge was successfully held at the school hall on 27th May 2022 to challenge and test participants their academic knowledge learnt during school accurately and quickly. Students felt the heat among the four houses as if they were the representatives competing nail-bitingly on stage either in the hall or through broadcast live in classrooms.





The contest consisted of three rounds, the compulsory round, the toss-up round and the challenging round. The questions ranged from basic to advanced levels, and its scope stretched across all subjects from the three core subjects, Chinese, English and Mathematics, to Economics, Chemistry and even Music. Not limited to the school curriculum, some questions were designed to test on additional knowledge like students' understanding towards the painting style and techniques of a famous painter.







After a fierce match, Blue House, scoring 230 points, won the championship while the Yellow House, the first runner up, scored 150 points.

As one of the spectators in the school hall, I found this activity really exciting and meaningful as students were not just given a valuable chance to challenge their limits but also an opportunity to join efforts and build closer relationships with house members of different forms. Some students from S1 and S2 were interviewed on their thoughts about this contest:

I was grateful that I was invited to represent my House in this competition. I enjoyed it a lot! It pushed me to gain more knowledge and allowed me to make friends and cooperate with True Lighters from other forms. I feel a greater sense of belonging in this new school.

Cherry Choi 1B

I am new to the school and this academic challenge. This was my first time I had participated in a competition representing my own House so I felt nervous and excited. Even though I didn't answer the question correctly, my peers didn't blame me. They kept me from getting discouraged. I hope I can join this contest again in the future!

Karen Ng 1C

It was the first time for me to watch it live at the school hall. The contest was intense. I thought the winner would go to either the Red House or the Yellow House at the beginning. I was surprised! Congratulations, Blue House!

Sofia So 2C

The photo with the Principal, Dr. Ng, House advisors, teacher in-charge and all House representatives, and the hand-shaking moment marked the end of this contest. These symbolized the respect among houses promoted by the contest that enhanced the cohesiveness of each house as well as the whole school.

