

Hello everyone! I am Chelsea from the Class of 2020.

Receiving the Student of the Year Award is a huge honour, and I'd like to express my gratitude to everyone in the NJ community. It is a closely-knit community of care and concern, and I owe this to the genuine support of the entire community - from the teachers and peers, to the school administrative staff and canteen vendors, as well as various alumni who take time to return here to give talks and tips to their juniors.

This culture of care has also shaped my personal understanding of what NJC stands for – Service with Honour. Service is an integral part of our daily lives, and is found in the little moments and small gestures we should not overlook. Checking in on our friends, offering words of encouragement, and clearing the table for the next person - these gestures may seem negligible, but they are beams of light that brighten one's day, and reaffirm our relationships with one another. This, to me, is Service with Honour.

I hope you all continue to be a source of light to those around you - continue supporting each other during tough times, and look out for opportunities to contribute to the larger society beyond our NJ community - it is in our desire to help, and our kind actions, that we pass on the spirit of serving with honour.

One last thing I've always held very close to my heart is to not have any regrets because we cannot change what is in the past. What helped me to make the most of my time in school was never being afraid to be unconventional, and always striving to do the best for myself, and those around me. Your NJ journey will pass by in the wink of an eye, so I hope that you'll keep striving to do your best - not just for yourself, but for the betterment of those in your midst. Service with Honour!