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The mission of Liberal Studies and Integrated Humanities Society is to cultivate students to take the initiative to learn independently through their own experiences. We also hope that through organizing various activities, students can have more chances to gain knowledge by real-life experiences instead of reading more books.

Recruitment Week
The annual recruitment event was taken place in early October. Our committee had set up a counter in New Hall, also we had set up a board to attract junior students. Although difficulties were met during the preparation period, the response from our junior Josephians was still quite positive.

Visit to Legislative Council
In order to enhance our members' knowledge towards Hong Kong politics, a one-day-tour to LegCo was taken place in late November, which was organized by our PR Officer Felix Tsang. Around 20 students had participated in this event, and they had an unforgettable experience after visiting the LegCo.

Conclusion
This year was a successful year for the Society. We hope our successors can accomplish our missions by promoting the subject to Josephians.

Mathematics Society

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With the slogan this year being "Everyone can be a mathematician!", Mathematics Society aims to transform its image from a traditional scholastic academic association to an interesting and fun place where students meet to enjoy mathematics through a wide spectrum of activities.

Mathematics Journal
This year, one issue of the Journal was published in November, 2010. It featured articles written by Mathematics teachers and students in-charge of the Society, introductions to some famous mathematicians in history and some mathematical games and illusions. Some interesting mathematical theorems and principles were also introduced to the readers.

Mathematics Talks
In November, the Maths Society organised a Mathematical Talk on the topic of number theory in the New Hall. The lecture was given by Dr Koopa Koo, a renown scholar in the mathematical field. The aim of this talk was to enhance Josephians' interest in mathematics and stimulate their problem solving skills. Another talk by Ms Chen Wei was held in March for lower form students. During the talk, she taught participants many geometric construction skills. The studennts enjoyed the talks very much and learnt a lot from the distinguished speakers.

Green and White Day Mathematics Society Stall
The Mathematics Society set up an interesting and enjoyable stall on the Green & White Day to introduce the Society to visitors, and to arouse their interest in mathematics via workshops and games. Attractive souvenirs such as bookmarks and copies of the Mathematics Journals could be purchased on site as well. Visitors also had the chance to enjoy games such as Mathematics Millionaire, Wythoff's game, Rummikub etc., in which they had a lot of fun. At Sudoku Workshops, workers taught visitors and students Sudoku skills and techniques.

Inter-school Mathematics Competition and Games Session
As one of the member schools of the Joint School Mathematics Society, St. Joseph's College has been organising a public mathematics competition called Inter-school Mathematics Competition. Among Josephians participated, Andy, Terence and Howard received Individual Awards in the Junior Section.

Mathematics Week
The Mathematics Week 2011 was one of the major highlights of Mathematics Society this year. It was also a new activity that had not been organised in the past twenty years. A wide range of activities were organised to promote mathematics as a fun and enjoyable subject. In the Inter-class Mathematics Contest, Class 2E and 4F were the champion. In the Sudoku Competition, the Champion was Marco Lee from Form 6B, using only 10.15 minutes to solve 3 sets of advanced Sudoku puzzles. There were also a Rubik's Cube Competition and an innovative Cash Prize Question Games. Josephians had a new perspective towards mathematics after participating in the Mathematics Week, not viewing it as a boring subject anymore.

Joint-school Mathematics Meet 2011
The Joint-school Mathematics Competition and Treasure Hunt 2011 was a one-day camp aiming at arousing students' interest in mathematics and problem solving skills through competitions, and providing opportunities for students to share their experience and talents with others who share similar interests. They hunted for treasures by crossing checkpoints where they were challenged by mathematics questions. This meaningful event allowed Josephians to meet new friends and also to enhance their knowledge in mathematics.

Inter-class Mathematics Hunt 2011
To reinforce students' interest in solving mathematical problems and to promote team spirit among Josephians, the Inter-class Mathematics Hunt 2011 was held in May. Teams had to visit different checkpoints and finish the relevant tasks to achieve points and proceed to other checkpoints. Form 1E and 3E captured the championship.

Joint-school Mathematics Camp
A two-day joint-school Mathematics Camp was held to allow participants to explore mathematics through games and meet new friends who had passion in the subject from different schools. The campers played a wide range of activities and games, including campus tracing, SIMS, Attack the Cities etc. Josephians participating in this camp enriched their social circles and learnt a lot more about the fun of mathematics.

Conclusion
Throughout the year, the Executive Committee of Mathematics Society tried their best to serve their members and to pursue the goals of making learning mathematics enjoyable and meaningful for students.