



Hi, my name is Tay Chi Rou from 19SH02.

I now look back on my NJ days with nostalgic fondness, but they were not without challenging moments - think discouraging grades, pandemic woes, and examination anxiety. To my juniors: I've been through what you are currently going through. Don't lose heart. Keep the faith. Learn to accept your mistakes, and despite how cliched it sounds, seize the day. It can be disheartening when your results do not meet your expectations. Keep trying. It is okay to make mistakes, and be assured that your teachers aren't chiding you or laughing at you.

In my 2 years as an NJ student, I am most grateful for my teachers' ceaseless patience and perseverance in working with us. In the work I thought to be of little merit, they taught me the value of my mistakes. When I believed myself to be of little worth, they highlighted my strengths. My teachers never put me down or lost hope in me, and I owe this to their belief in my abilities.

Even in challenging situations, there's always something to smile about. What's important is to recognise this, by finding value in every single day, even the bad moments. These eventually turn into the memories you cherish and hold close to your heart.