



Parents Connect

Touching Hearts, Engaging Minds

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Dear Parents,

Term 3 buzzed with activity as usual with an added dimension as the school celebrated SG50 through various activities. One milestone achievement has been the setting of a new Singapore record for the Longest Bunting Made of Plastic Bags measuring 248m. The staff, parents and partners of the school have consciously contributed in making every experience of our pupils within and beyond school enriching, memorable and inspiring. I look forward to yet another exciting term. Thank you for your support and enthusiasm.

Mrs Sroya Jaswant
Principal



ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations and Celebrations!

1	CCA Competitions School Choir – Certificate of Distinction by the Associated Board of Royal School of Music (ABRSM).
2	2015 West 3 Cluster Chinese Writing Competition <i>P3 Category</i> , First Position: Tan Bingyue, 3C <i>P4 Category</i> , First Position: Zhang Xinyue, 4B <i>P5 Category</i> , First Position: Lin Yishan, 5A <i>P6 Category</i> , Third Position: Huang Ziyi, 6A
3	2015 West 3 Cluster Schools On-The-Spot Chinese Calligraphy and Penmanship Competition <i>Merit Award</i> : Tan Bing Yue (3C) & Huan Yu Zhou (5A)
4	2015 Malay Language Creative Writing Competition (National Level) <i>Category B</i> : Gold Finalist: Nurin Irdina Binte Mohd Jailani (4D) Silver: Nur Dalilah Binte Mohammad Asrianshah (4A) Silver: Nur Fatheha Binte Zamhari (4D) <i>Category C</i> : Silver: Sarrah Nabilah Bte Mokhlas (6A) Silver: Nur Haziqah Binte Muhammad Rashid (6A) Silver: Siti Nabilah Binte Samad (5E)

5	Sony Creative Science Award (SCSA) 2015 Merit Award: Aqil Naufal Bin Ika Zahary, 5D Blue Ribbon Award: Mdm Ong Xuan Wan
6	National Mathematical Olympiad of Singapore 2015 Bronze: Ewan Widjaja (5A) Honorable Mention: Lin Yishan (5A) Honorable Mention: Mandy Tan Yin Yin (5A) Honorable Mention: Thant Yee Mon Htet (5A)
7	Robotics' Singapore Tech Challenge <i>Mazebot Category</i> , 3rd Prize: Team Jedi Pink (Aloysius, Faqih & Ming Yee, all from 6A) <i>Xtreme Offroad Category</i> , Best Design Award: Team Jedi Purple (Mohd Izz & Song Ze, both from 6B)
8	'Kejuaraan Pencak Silat' Championship 2015 in Jakarta Nadhrh Sahrin (5C) represented Singapore and has done the school proud by achieving a Silver medal in 'Juara II Tanding' Class C Female Category.
9	2015 International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) Science ICAS: 9 distinctions, 33 Credits, 28 Merits Pending results for Math & English ICAS

TERM 3 COMPLETED EVENTS



Koobits Creative Writing Enrichment Programme

In order to help our Primary 4 pupils become better writers and more proficient users of the English Language, a writing enrichment programme spanning 4 sessions was conducted. This programme equipped our pupils with strategies to develop vivid settings, create lively characters and use literary elements in their writing. It was also a collaborative effort with our Environmental Education Committee to promote environmental inquiry through the Environmental Integration Programme (EIP). Leveraging on ICT, our pupils found their voice in writing and discovered that writing can be fun. There was also a great sense of ownership in publishing their writing on KooBits Editor.

EL Pyjama-Rama

The highlight for the Primary 1 and 2 pupils was the Pyjama-Rama. On 28 August, pupils were treated to 3 interesting stories narrated in 3 different ways to entice them to read. Our teachers put up a Midget Puppetry Show on *Rapunzel*, story tellers from the National Library Board narrated *William and Warble* through Draw & Tell and they shared an e-book story through their sharing of e-books from the NLB collection. What an evening!

2015 W3 Cluster Chinese Writing Competition

The Mother Tongue Department successfully organised the West 3 Primary Schools on-the-spot Chinese Essay Writing Competition on 1 August for pupils in the cluster schools. The objectives of the competition are to develop pupils' love for the Chinese Language, improve essay writing skills and promote collaborative efforts among cluster schools. 8 Primary Schools in the W3 cluster took part in the competition and our pupils displayed outstanding literacy prowess. Well done Juying!

Numero Carnival

The Numero game was introduced to all Primary 4 pupils to develop their numeracy concepts and problem-solving skills. To encourage participation, the Mathematics department organized a level challenge for the pupils on 19 May. P4B pupils topped the mathematical challenge!

Selected pupils also participated in the West 3 Math Cluster Schools Numero Challenge held on 22 July. Our pupils enjoyed themselves and made friends with participants from other schools during the event. Our Math Aces did the school proud when they co-refereed the challenge professionally with Pioneer Primary pupils during the event. Kudos to all Math Aces!



Numero Challenge

Sony Creative Science Award (SCSA) 2015

This competition was jointly organised by the Science Centre Singapore and Sony Group of Companies in Singapore, with the support of the Ministry of Education and the Agency For Science, Technology and Research (A*STAR), with the aim to promote creativity among the primary students. The Science Department seized this opportunity to allow our students to learn science beyond the classrooms in a fun and enjoyable way. This year, 10 entries were submitted under the Scizkid Award Category.

Our pupils chose suitable materials to create their toys which demonstrate scientific principles.

Aqil Naufal Bin Ika Zahary from 5D won a MERIT AWARD for his toy, FROGGILY. Specially designed for family fun-time, the toy creatively linked science concepts of Life Cycle and Magnets. It challenges kinaesthetic skills and level of concentration at the different game levels.

Our teacher, Mdm Ong Xuan Wan, was also presented the Blue Ribbon Award at the SCSA Award Ceremony held at the Science Centre on 29 July 2015 in recognition of her efforts in spearheading the SCSA at the school level. Well done, Aqil and Mdm Ong!

National Climate Change Competition (NCCC)

For this competition, pupils from Infocomm Club and Green Club combined their creative forces in producing a video animation using clay. From the perspective of a bee, the video shows how climate change can affect living things on Earth in the future if we do not take steps to make wise choices in the present.

Be inspired by our video "We can BEE the Change"! <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=muhVxeKzBcs>

Flipped TBL - Edulab

Flipped Team-Based Learning (Flipped TBL) is the school's signature pedagogical approach which aims to provide more opportunities for our Primary 3 and 4 high ability learners to engage in higher-order thinking activities and acquire critical competencies and dispositions such as Self-Directed Learning (SDL) and Collaborative Learning (CoL). This curriculum innovation in harnessing technology to enhance our students' learning experiences has been recognised by eduLab. With funding and support from researchers and learning designers from Educational Technology Division, MOE and National Institute of Education, the school will continue to strengthen its efforts in deepening the quality of learning for our high ability learners and helping them realise their full potential.

P3 Gifted Education Programme (GEP) Screening Exercise

Our Primary 3 pupils sat for the screening exercise on 28 August 2015. This exercise serves to identify pupils for the GEP 2016. Shortlisted candidates will be invited to the selection exercise.

Music Talent Development Programme & Art Talent Academy

Selected Primary 1 and 2 pupils went through a 5-week intensive training to deepen their skills in Music or Art. Pupils in the Music Talent Development Programme recorded the school song and participated in #OneSongOneSG project in which they recorded the song "Home" while pupils in the Art Talent Academy created an assortment of 2-dimensional and 3-dimensional artworks.



Art Talent Academy (Pupils' artworks)

P2 and P5 Arts Enrichment Programmes

Primary 2 pupils have completed their 8-week Art Enrichment Programme entitled *Jumping Clay*. They learnt to create various animals using clay. Primary 5 pupils were exposed to Cajon Percussion as they played the cajon drums to accompany pop songs in various rhythm patterns. For the P5 Art programme, the pupils learnt how to draw cartoon characters in manga style.



Music Enrichment Programme (P5 Cajon Percussion)

P3 Swimsafer

The P3 pupils went through 6 swimming lessons on Wednesday afternoons at Jurong West Swimming Complex to help them build their confidence and develop independence in water as well as to learn general and deep-end water safety.

Sports Excellence Programme (SEP): P5 Tchoukball

As part of SEP, our Primary 5 pupils were engaged in a 2-hour session learning about the basic play of Tchoukball. They picked up the basic skills of Tchoukball and also participated in game play. Despite the afternoon heat, our pupils displayed enthusiasm and had lots of fun learning to play the game.

National Table Tennis Championship

Four of our Table Tennis CCA players, Ryan Chen (5A), Wendy Lim (5A), Pearlyn (6B) and Nicholas Ng (6C) took part in the Primary Schools National Table Tennis Championship (Individual). Though they did not qualify for the semi-finals, they put in their best efforts and deserve our commendation. It was certainly a valuable experience for them to pit their skills against their peers from other schools.

Experience the SEA Games

The last SEA Games was held in Singapore in 1993 and it was a long 22-year wait for Singapore to host this significant event again. What made it even more special this year was that we were celebrating our 50 years of nation building. Some 75 Primary 4 and Primary 6 pupils had the opportunity to watch and support our SEA Games athletes in Archery and Badminton competitions during the June holidays. It was an unforgettable experience for them to be part of the electrifying SEA Games atmosphere.

Advanced Leadership Training for Prefects

The "Lead to Inspire" programme spanned over 4 sessions and 3 terms. Since the Prefects' Investiture, which marked the start of the leadership journey as a School Prefect, our prefects emerged to be more confident, competent and empathetic through the acquisition of role-specific leadership skills. Living by the motto, "Lead to Serve, Serve to Lead", our prefects are always ready to inspire the rest of the school as excellent role models and motivating champions.



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Values In Action (VIA) Programme

The P4 pupils and teachers organised a Value-in-Action programme with the Lion Befrienders on 3 and 4 August. A total of 50 elderly came to our school and participated in meaningful activities and games with our pupils. Our pupils had spent weeks preparing and practising for this event and were excited when the day came where they put their plans into action for the elderly. It was a very fruitful afternoon for both pupils and Lion Befrienders!

P4 Heritage Trail to Kampong Glam – 7 July

The Primary 4 pupils went on a heritage trail to Kampung Glam on 7 July from 8am to 1.30pm. They learnt more about the heritage of Kampung Glam as a historic district that relates Singapore's history from the 19th Century. Being a culturally diverse locale it also reflects Singapore's multi-racial character. Through this experience, our pupils understood more about the Singapore Malay culture as well as developed their sense of belonging and love for our country.

NE Show @ Padang for P5 – 11 July

The P5 pupils celebrated our nation's golden jubilee at Padang this year. It was a day filled with joy and pride as the pupils swayed to the tune of our Singapore songs and waved their flags. Through the NE Show, pupils learnt how Singapore became an independent nation through her turbulent years. The pupils better understood our vulnerabilities and constraints and the need for harmony among all people to sustain and grow Singapore in the years to come. It was heartening to sense our pupils' love for Singapore. Their desire to contribute to the next chapter of the Singapore Story was obvious in their uproarious acclamation of our National Anthem and the Pledge.

Racial Harmony Day cum Hari Raya Puasa – 21 July

Racial Harmony cum Hari Raya celebrations was held in school on 21 July. The theme 'Harmony In Our Hands' aptly pulled together a concert that showcased our diversity through religious and racial harmony in Singapore. The event was a fanfare of colours and sights as pupils and staff came dressed in their ethnic costumes. Beyond the concert, pupils participated in inter-class ketupat-weaving competition and carried out reflections on what racial harmony meant to them and how they could all play their part in strengthening racial harmony in Singapore.

Cultural Performance Exposure Scheme – 22 July

Some 94 Primary 2 HCL pupils and Primary 4 Chinese pupils went to SOTA to watch the Chinese theatre drama, "Treasure Island", by the Singapore Arts Theatre. Our pupils were enthralled by the exciting plot and better appreciated the Chinese culture through such aural and visual exposure.

Youth Celebrate! And Opening Ceremony of The Singapore Sports Hub – 26 July

Youth Celebrate! was a signature event jointly organised by the Ministry of Education and the Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth to showcase youth achievement in sports, uniformed groups and performing arts. Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong officiated the opening of the Singapore Sports Hub. Our upper primary pupils and staff were part of the 50,000 participants at the ceremony. They enjoyed themselves tremendously and were treated to the exciting and entertaining performances put up by the various schools.

National Day Celebrations – 6 August

The school celebrated SG50 with much grandeur and exhilaration with pupils putting up a musical that took everyone back to Singapore's past history and into her current times of prosperity and progress. The event also paid tribute to the pioneers of Singapore and highlighted the numerous contributions and sacrifices they had made. Befitting the event, pioneer educators of our school were welcomed as guests of honour and brought on stage to cut the birthday cake with the resounding singing of the birthday song for our nation by all pupils and staff. To mark the start of the next milestone of our nation, the school set a new record for the Longest Bunting made of plastic bags. This initiative also highlighted our commitment to preserve and conserve our environment for the good of all people. Culminating the celebration was our very own choreographed dance which took everyone up onto their feet.



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National Day Observation Ceremony @ Nanyang Community Club – 9 August

National Day Observance Ceremony is an annual event organised by Nanyang CC Committee. Our graceful Malay Dance CCA group impressed the audience with their 2 dance items. Our Brownies and Scouts showed their discipline and confidence as they formed part of the uniformed group contingent. The parents and pupils who made up the audience showed their love for Singapore as they sang National Day songs and cheered for the Nation's achievements.

UPCOMING EVENTS IN TERM 3 WEEK 10 & TERM 4 – KEY HIGHLIGHTS

Teachers' Day Celebrations – 2 & 3 Sep

- Bonding on 2 September
- Concert by PSG and Students on 3 September

We are thankful for our wonderful and dedicated team of teachers in Juying Primary School. The PSG and student leaders will be honouring our teachers at the Teachers' Day Concert on 3 Sep.

PROJECT SHINE – 5 to 7 Sep

To provide pupils with the opportunity to develop global awareness and cross-cultural skills and sensitivities, selected pupils will be given the opportunity to travel to Bintan, Indonesia from 5 to 7 September to learn about the local culture.

P4 and P5 Science LJ to Science Centre

Coming up in Term 4, our Primary 4 and 5 pupils will be going to the Science Centre to learn more about Light and Dispersal of Seeds respectively. Lessons will come to life through exciting demonstrations done in authentic settings. This learning journey will further enhance and reinforce our pupils' Science concepts.

P3 Learning Journey to Singapore Art Museum (16 or 23 September)

Primary 3 pupils will be attending an Art workshop conducted by the Singapore Art Museum on contemporary art. They will also be viewing the Art gallery in the museum as they learn more about current social issues in Singapore which are expressed in various art forms.

Sports Excellence Programme: I-bounce & Archery

As part of the suite of programmes in SEP, the Primary 4 pupils will learn to jump on an i-bounce in September and the Primary 6 pupils will be introduced to Archery after their PSLE. These programmes aim to advocate the importance of sports education, encourage sports participation in schools and increase sporting opportunities for the young.

Mid-Autumn Festival Celebration – 25 Sep 2015

Primary 1 and Primary 2 pupils, together with their parents, will be invited to join us for the Mid-Autumn Festival Celebration on 25 September. A host of fun activities will be lined up for the festival and we look forward to your support and participation.

Children's Day Celebrations & Lower Primary Sports – 8 Oct 2015

The school will be celebrating Children's Day with a concert. They will also be encouraged to support the less fortunate children in our community through fund-raising. Primary 1 and Primary 2 pupils will participate in the Lower Primary Sports event.

P6 Heritage Trail to Little India – 27 Oct 2015

The Primary 6 pupils will embark on their Heritage Trail to Little India to learn more about the Indian culture, cuisine and religion on 27 October.

P6 LJ to Asian Civilisation Museum – 3 Nov 2015

The Primary 6 pupils will go on a learning journey to the Asian Civilisation Museum on 3 November to learn about the history and culture of our nation.

Deepavali celebrations – 9 Nov 2015)

We will be celebrating The Festival of Lights on 9 November. We can look forward to a vibrant performance by our pupils and our parent volunteers. Through the celebration, the pupils will have the opportunity to appreciate the significance of Deepavali and the rich cultural traditions related to the festival.

OTHER IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS



Family Matters @ School – Term 4 Updates

19 Sept, 930am-1230pm, Saturday
"Build your child's self-esteem-the foundation of success"

25 Sept, 530pm-830pm, Friday
"Family Bonding -Arts and Crafts Snow Skin Mooncake"

8 Oct, 930am-1230pm, Thursday
"Tell me you love me - 5 Love Languages"

17 Oct, 930am-1230pm, Saturday
"Positive Discipline: Parenting without punishment"

7 Nov, 930am-1230pm, Saturday
"Managing Transition -P6 to Sec 1"

13 Nov, 1100am – 1.30pm, Friday
"PSG Year-end Appreciation Lunch & Review"

Details of the following workshops and activities will be sent through school notifications. Watch out for them!

Receiving Parents Connect through email

We are consistently updating our mailing list. A soft copy of the *Parents Connect* will be emailed to parents who are in our mailing list. *Parents Connect* is also available on the school website and Parents' Portal.

IMPORTANT DATES IN TERM 4 2015



Dates	Activities
15 September 2015	Science LJ to Science Centre: P4A and P5A
16 September 2015	SEP: i-Bounce for P4
17 September 2015	Science LJ to Science Centre: P4B and P5B
18 September 2015	PSLE Listening Comprehension
22 September 2015	Science LJ to Science Centre: P4C and P5C
25 September 2015	Mid-Autumn Festival Celebration
28 September 2015	SA2 - EL/MT ORAL

29 September 2015	Science LJ to Science Centre: P4D and P5E
30 September 2015	SA2 - EL/MT ORAL
1 October 2015	Science LJ to Science Centre: P4E
1 - 2 October 2015	PSLE Written
5 - 7 October 2015	PSLE Written
8 October 2015	Children's Day Celebrations & Lower Primary Sports
12 October 2015	Arts in Education (Exposure) 4 - Art
12 - 15 October 2015	P6 Sexuality Education
14 October 2015	SEP for P6: Archery
15 October 2015	SA2 - EL P1 & LC
16 October 2015	SA2 - MT P1 & LC
26 October 2015	SA2 - HMT P1 & P2
27 October 2015	P6 Heritage Trail to Little India
29 October 2015	SA2 - EL Paper 2
30 October 2015	SA2 - Maths
2 November 2015	SA2 - MT Paper 2
2 November 2015	Arts in Education (Exposure) 5 - Music
3 November 2015	SA2 - Science
3 November 2015	P6 LJ to Asian Civilisation Museum
9 November 2015	Deepavali celebrations
12 - 13 November 2015	P6 CULTURAL IMMERSION PROGRAMME
12 November 2015	Admin Day
18 November 2015	Meet The Parents Session #3
20 November 2015	Annual Prize Giving

PHOTOS GALLERY



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Highlights of EL Pyjama-Rama

