# YU NENG PRIMARY SCHOOL ② 育能小学



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#### FROM THE DESK OF THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents / Guardians,

Welcome back to a new school term! We hope that the students have enjoyed a restful holiday break in June and are excited to start the new school term. In this letter, we will share with you some upcoming school events and activities. Thank you for your continued trust, support and cooperation!

#### 1. UPDATES

1.1 Staff Movement

We welcome on board the following staff and look forward to their contributions to the school:

- Mr Eugene Tan (PE Teacher)
- Ms Elizabeth Choo (PE Teacher)
- Ms Koh Sze Theng Hazel (Math/Science Teacher)
- Ms Amanda Choy Yuan Lin (School Counsellor)
- Mr Kamsani Bin Hassan (Operations Support Officer)

We thank the following teachers for their past contributions:

- Mrs Janet Lee
- Mr Jason Toh

We would like to extend special thanks to Mrs Janet Lee, who is retiring at the end of this month. We thank her for her lifelong commitment to educating the young these past 43 years in Yu Neng Primary School. We are grateful for her dedicated service to the school!

## 1.2 Weighted Assessment and End-of-Year Examination

Assessment details for Semester 2 will be notified in a separated letter to parents this week.

## 2. ACHIEVEMENT AND ACCOLADES

## 2.1 Mythos Storytelling Competition

Our student, Emily Gan, from Primary 4 Integrity, took part in the Mythos Storytelling Competition organised by Anglo-Chinese Junior College and reached the semi-finals. Congratulations!

We are pleased to announce that our students have done us proud in the Raffles Institution Primary Mathematics World Contest (Open and Junior Categories) and the Asia-Pacific Mathematical Olympiad for Primary Schools. These competitions aim to arouse students' interest in mathematical problem-solving which helps develop mathematical intuition, reasoning, logical and creative and critical thinking. Our students worked very hard and demonstrated the GR<sup>3</sup>IT values. We hope that they will continue to challenge themselves and scale greater heights. The students' results are as follows:

Raffles Institution Primary Math World Contest Open Category			
Distinction	Wu Yao Xuan (6GR) Elia Sim (6RP)	Ethan Yap Yu Kiat (6GR)	
Merit	Lee Ying Xin Elise (6RY) Elizabeth Tan Xin Ying (6GR) Chern Ser Myn Amanda (6GR)	Ma Cheng Cheng (6RY) Chen Yehui (6GR) Fan Zixuan (6GR)	
Raffles Institution Primary Math World Contest Junior Category			
Distinction	Li Zhenxi (5GR)		
Asia-Pacific Mathematical Olympiad for Primary Schools			
Silver	Poon Ee Rui (5GR) Wu Yao Xuan (6GR)	Tan Zhi Heng (6GR)	
Bronze	Ethan Yap Yu Kiat (6GR)		

# 3. UPCOMING EVENTS

### 3.1 Student Leaders' Investiture 2023/2024

In Yu Neng, we are committed to develop future leaders who are grounded in values. As part of our YN Total Learning Experience, we strive to provide opportunities for all, to excel with best efforts and go as far as their passion takes them. The theme for this year's "Student Leaders' Investiture 2023/2024" is *Leadership Ignite*. It is a call for all students to continue to search within themselves for the momentum and energy to act upon the good and to ignite the student agency in them by stepping forward and stepping up to take on more responsibilities and roles in their daily tasks.

We are proud to present our newly appointed P3 to P5 prefects, the newly formed Prefect Executive Committee and our new Head Prefect elect on the morning of Fri 30 Jun. Our

CCA student leaders will also be recognised for their leadership and continued service. Student Leaders' Investiture 2023/2024 will be featured "live" via the school's facebook page from 7.35 a.m. to 8.30 a.m. The link is https://www.facebook.com/YNPSSingapore/

In addition, we have also planned an on-site Prefects' Investiture in the afternoon of Fri 30 Jun for our prefects and their parents. We want to take this opportunity to let our parents join us for an afternoon where we seek to acknowledge our Prefectorial Board. Our Prefects will be reminded of the importance of their service to the school and to consistently uphold the school rules and the school motto - "Light Up and Shine" to create an inviting and enriched environment for all in Yu Neng.



# 3.2 e-Open House

As part of our outreach efforts to parents and the community, we will be holding our e-Open House for parents and public to find out information about our school via our school website. The theme is Harnessing the Whole Community in Difference Making. Key highlights will include Our YN Experience and Yu Neng Primary School Tour videos. Access this link (<a href="https://go.gov.sg/yneoh">https://go.gov.sg/yneoh</a>) for more details, it will be live from 30th June, we would appreciate it if you could help publicise this to all who are interested.

## 3.3 Temperature-taking Exercise on Wed 5 Jul

Temperature-taking will be conducted for all students on Wed 5 Jul 2023. Please check that your child's thermometer is in good working condition and ensure your child brings it to school. If your child has misplaced his/her thermometer, a replacement can be purchased from the school bookshop at \$4.90 per piece. If there is a need to replace the battery, it can be purchased at \$1 from the school bookshop.

#### 3.4 P3 Home-Based Learning Day

Project Work (PW) is a multidisciplinary learning experience that allows students to think creatively and critically to apply the knowledge learnt in lessons in the real-world context. Students will also reflect on and evaluate their work processes, learning attitudes and continuously work on them in order to improve. In Yu Neng, our PW takes on a blended approach where students employ the effective use of technology to hone their research skills, communicate ideas and collaborate with peers online. They would also harness the affordances of technology to engage an authentic audience in the presentation of their work confidently and motivate their audience to action in their causes.

The scheduled Home-Based Learning (HBL) Day for P3 Project Work is on Wed 5 Jul. It aims to provide the opportunity and experience for students to demonstrate the necessary digital literacy skills and dispositions as they work towards becoming self-directed and independent learners. On Wed 5 Jul, Primary 3 students are expected to stay at home to engage in planned online and offline learning activities. Your child will also be provided with instructions on how to access their learning materials by his/her teachers. Please make home care arrangements for your child. Students enrolled in our school-based Student Care Centre (SCC) may come in from 1.30 pm on the mentioned days. Do work with our Big Heart SCC directly. More information can be obtained from the letter to parents sent out in Parents Gateway.

# 3.5 P6 Learning Journey to Lee Kong Chian Natural History Museum

As part of the Science department's initiative to broaden the exposure to science in real life, the P6 students will be going on a learning journey to Lee Kong Chian Natural History Museum (LKCNHM) in Term 3, from Fri 7 Jul to Fri 21 Jul for a Singapore Biodiversity and Adaptation Workshop. This workshop aims to introduce students to Singapore's rich biodiversity and the various adaptations exhibited by animals. Students will learn about different structural adaptations and to infer behavioural adaptations from observing features of a variety of animal specimens. Do look out for details in a separate circular.

#### 3.6 Visit by K2 students from Preschools

The school will be hosting K2 students from four preschools on Fri 7 Jul. Our Primary 1 students will be welcoming the K2 students into their classrooms and some will be buddies to their juniors, guiding them in the activities. Our Primary 1 ambassadors will also lead them in a tour around the school.

#### 3.7 Fame@YN

FAME@YN is a platform for students to hone their confidence and showcase their talents. Interested students are encouraged to perform a dance, a song or play an instrument of their choice according to a stipulated theme. Starting this semester, there will be two modes of performances. Students can either choose to submit their performances online or perform during recess. More details will be shared in due course. The second run of Fame@YN will begin on Fri 7 Jul. Look out for the SLS lesson 'Fame@YN'. We look forward to the lively and engaging performances by our students!

#### 3.8 P5 National Education Show

The National Education (NE) show is organized to instill the significance of our national identity and a sense of pride and belonging in our students. This year, the Primary 5 students will be attending the NE show on Sat 8 Jul. More information can be obtained from the letter to parents in Parents Gateway.

### 3.9 P1 Social Studies Learning Journey to Jacob Ballas Children's Garden

The Primary 1 students will be going on a field-based learning journey to Jacob Ballas Children's Garden from Tue 11 Jul to Thu 13 Jul. The objective is to develop a lively curiosity about the world around them. Please note that the learning journey may be postponed due to weather conditions, and another session may be arranged, subject to availability. More information can be obtained from the consent form to parents in Parents Gateway.

## 3.10 P4 Cultural Performance Exposure Scheme (CPES)

Our P4 students taking Chinese Language, will be going to Tampines East CC for the Cultural Performance Exposure Scheme Programme. The programme, The Monkey King Borrows Treasure from Dragon Palace @ Tampines East Community Centre, will take place on Thu 13 Jul. It aims to expose our students to Chinese language-related cultural performances, providing them with greater exposure and appreciation of Chinese arts and theatre. Students will watch a Chinese opera performance by professional teachers, learn about opera foundations like movements, weapons, kicking and turning.

#### 3.11 P4 Social Studies Learning Journey to Geylang Serai

The Primary 4 students will be visiting Geylang Serai on Tue 18 Jul, Thu 20 Jul and Fri 21 Jul. The objective of the visit is to enable our students to learn more about the Malay heritage and culture, and promote social interaction and community bonding. For details, please refer to the consent form in Parents Gateway.

#### 3.12 Racial Harmony Day Commemoration

The theme for this year's Racial Harmony Day is Singapore: Our Multicultural Mosaic. It reflects how each community, while having the space to express its own identity as part of Singapore society, also intertwines with others to depict the unique cultural diversity that characterises Singapore life. As such, the school has planned activities and experiences from Tue 18 Jul to Fri 21 Jul.

As part of the commemoration, we strongly encourage <u>all students to come dressed in an ethnic attire of their choice with their school shoes to celebrate Singapore's rich diversity of cultures on Fri 21 July. Students may bring a set of uniform or PE attire to change into after <u>assembly</u>.</u>

#### 3.13 P6 Social Studies Learning Journey to the Asian Civilisations Museum

The Primary 6 students will be visiting the Asian Civilisations Museum on Thu 20 Jul, Fri 21 Jul and Tue 25 Jul. The objective of the visit is to enable our students to develop a deeper understanding of the different Asian civilisations and cultures, some of which they

have learnt about in their Social Studies lessons. For details, please refer to the consent form in Parents Gateway.

# 3.14 P5 Rice Appreciation Day

The rice planted by the Primary 5 students have reached the stage of harvesting and students would be able to taste the fruit of their labour on Rice Appreciation Day on Mon 24 Jul. Before that day, Primary 5 students would harvest, dry, thresh and mill the rice grains in the first three weeks of Term 3. Students would also be sharing with Primary 5 level students on the investigative experiments that they had carried out successfully in Term 2. The results will bring more insights on how the germination process will be conducted next year. Do look out for pictures of the harvesting process on our Facebook!

#### 4. IMPORTANT THINGS TO NOTE

# 4.1 Public and School Holidays

Public Holiday / School Holiday	Date (Students do not need to attend school on these dates.)	Date school will resume
Hari Raya Haji	Thu 29 Jun 2023	Fri 30 Jun 2023
Youth Day	Sun 2 Jul 2023 (The following Mon 3 Jul will be a scheduled school holiday.)	Tue 4 Jul 2023
National Day	Wed 9 Aug 2023 & Thu 10 Aug 2023 (Day after National Day is a scheduled school holiday.)	Fri 11 Aug 2023
Teachers' Day	Fri 1 Sep 2023	Mon 11 Sep 2023 (First day of Term 4 Week 1)

#### 5. IN CLOSING

We wish to thank you for your continuous support and partnership with us. Please find attached the Schedule of Key School Programmes and Activities for Semester 2 (Annex A) for your forward planning. Whilst every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the information, please note that the schedule may be subjected to changes.

We appreciate your strong support of the key school events and look forward to partnering closely with you in your child's holistic development. Wishing you a good semester ahead!

Yours-in-education

Mr Ng Yeow Ling

Principal

Annex A Schedule of Key School Programmes and Activities for Semester 2

Date	Programme / Event	Levels Involved	Remarks
Thu 29 Jun	Hari Raya Haji	All	Public holiday
Fri 30 Jun	Student Leadership Investiture	Student Leaders:  CCA Leaders P6 Prefect Executive Committee P3, P4 & P5 Prefects	During curriculum hours
Fri 30 Jun	Prefects' Investiture	P3, P4 & P5 Prefects	After school
Mon 3 Jul	Youth Day School Holiday	All	Youth Day is on Sun 2 Jul 2023. The following Mon 3 Jul will be a scheduled school holiday.
Wed 5 Jul	Primary 3 Home-Based Learning (HBL) Day	P3	P3 students are expected to stay at home to engage in planned online and offline learning activities. More details are in the letter sent out on Parents Gateway.
Sat 8 Jul	National Education Show	P5	More details are in the letter sent out on Parents Gateway.
Tue 11 Jul to Thu 13 Jul	Learning Journey to Jacob Ballas Garden	P1	Details will be given in due course.
Thu 13 Jul	P4 CL CPES Learning Journey	P4	Details will be given in due course.
Fri 7 Jul to Fri 21 Jul	P6 Learning Journey to Lee Kong Chian Natural History Museum	P6	Details will be given in due course.

Date	Programme / Event	Levels Involved	Remarks
Tue 18 Jul, Thu 20 Jul & Fri 21 Jul	P4GR & RP Learning Journey to Geylang Serai	P4	Details will be given in due course.
Tue 18 Jul, Thu 20 Jul & Fri 21 Jul	P6 Learning Journey to Asian Civilisations Museum	P6	Details will be given in due course.
Mon 24 Jul	P5 Rice Appreciation Day	P5	During curriculum hours
Tue 1 Aug to Thu 3 Aug	P3 Learning Journey to Singapore Mobility Gallery	P3	Details will be given in due course.
Tue 8 Aug	National Day Celebration cum YN88 Publication	All	Details will be given in due course.
Wed 9 Aug	National Day	All	Public holiday
Thu 10 Aug	National Day School Holiday	All	Day after National Day is a scheduled school holiday.
Tue 15 Aug & Wed 16 Aug	PSLE Oral	P6	Details will be given in due course.
Thu 17 Aug	Gifted Education Programme Screening Exercise	P3	During curriculum hours
Fri 1 Sep	Teachers' Day	All	Teachers' Day is a scheduled school holiday.
Sat 2 Sep to Sun 10 Sep	September School Holiday	All	School holiday
Thu 14 Sep, Tue 19 Sep, Thu 21 Sep, Tue 26 Sep,	P1 Science-in-Stellar Learning Journey to Science Centre	P1	Details will be given in due course.

Date	Programme / Event	Levels Involved	Remarks
Mon 9 Oct & Tue 10 Oct			
Fri 6 Oct	Children's Day	All	School holiday
Thu 12 Oct to Sat 14 Oct	P5 Camp Grit	P5	Details will be given in due course. Non-residential camp.
Tue 7 Nov	Administration Day	All	All students do not attend school.
Sun 12 Nov	Deepavali	All	Mon 13 Nov will be a public holiday. Students come back to school on Tue 14 Nov.
Wed 15 Nov	Meet-Parent- Session 3	Selected P1 to P5 students	Parents of selected students will attend Meet-Parent-Session 3. Details will be given in due course.
Thu 16 Nov	Student Promotion Day	All	During curriculum
Fri 17 Nov	Speech Day	Selected students	Details will be given in due course.