

# YU NENG PRIMARY SCHOOL ② 育能小学

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A vibrant connected community that aspires, learns and leads

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#### FROM THE DESK OF THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents / Guardians,

Thank you for the home-school partnership during Meet-the-Parents Session 1. We look forward to working hand in hand with you to support our students and help them succeed. We would also like to take this opportunity to wish all a happy and prosperous Lunar New Year! As we enter the month of February, I am pleased to share with you some updates as well as upcoming events in the school.

#### 1. UPCOMING EVENTS

## 1.1 National School Games (NSG)

The National School Games (NSG) is the largest annual inter-school competition in Singapore organised by schools for schools. This year, the NSG's opening ceremony on Tue 30 Jan features vibrant performances, student athletes showcasing their talents, and a sense of unity as schools come together to celebrate the spirit of competition. In collaboration with a few schools, Yu Neng Primary will be hosting the NSG Table Tennis Senior Division Championship.

#### 1.2 Singapore Youth Festival (SYF)

The Ministry of Education organises the Singapore Youth Festival (SYF) annually to celebrate the vitality and talents of our youth in the Arts. The SYF also serve as a platform for the development of character, 21st century competencies and social emotional learning through the arts. It hopes to encourage mass participation in arts co-curricular activities in schools where students enjoy the arts as CCA members or as audience members at performances and exhibitions. SYF platforms also support nation-building by developing cultural awareness and appreciation through aesthetics education.

The SYF Arts Presentation is a performance and benchmarking platform that offers opportunities for continuous learning and improvement through feedback from industry professionals. This year, our school's performing arts CCA groups -Chinese Orchestra, Choir, Contemporary Dance and Malay Dance- will participate in the SYF Arts Presentation.

## 1.3 Chinese New Year School Holidays

The school will be celebrating Chinese New Year (CNY) on Fri 9 Feb 2024 (Eve of Chinese New Year). All students are encouraged to come to school dressed in a red top and school short or skirt. Students will be dismissed earlier at 10.20 a.m. for lower primary and 10.30 a.m. for the other levels at their regular gates. Please refer to the Chinese New Year Celebrations@YN LTP for more information. Mon 12 Feb 2024 and Tue 13 Feb 2024 are designated school holidays for CNY. The school (including the General Office) will be closed on these days. We look forward to welcoming our P1 to P4 and P6 students back to school on Wed 14 Feb 2024. Primary 5 HBL Day is on Wed 14 Feb. We look forward to welcoming our P5 students back to school on Thu 15 Feb 2024

## 1.4 Commemoration of Total Defence Day

Total Defence Day 2024 will mark 40 Years of Total Defence (TD40). The focus for TD40 will be on Singaporean's readiness and resilience in the face of crises and disruptions. The school will be commemorating Total Defence Day for our students to reflect on our ability to deal with the ever-evolving threats and challenges to Singapore. Different opportunities during CCE (MTL), CCE (FTGP) and Social Studies lessons are provided from Wed 14 to Fri 16 Feb 2024 for our students to learn about the six pillars of defence and to ensure that Singapore is prepared for crises and disruptions. To prepare our students for emergencies, the school will be conducting a TD40 Food disruption exercise and a Lockdown and Evacuation to Holding Area exercise on Fri 16 Feb 2024 during curriculum time. Together, we can keep the school and Singapore safe!

#### 1.5 P5 Home-Based Learning (HBL) Day

The P5 HBL Day will be on Wed, 14 Feb 2024. **All Primary 5 students do not report to school on the P5 Home-Based Learning Day**. He/she is expected to stay at home to engage in planned online and offline learning activities. Please refer to the Primary 5 Home-Based Learning Day LTP for more information.

### 1.6 Mother Tongue Fortnight

Mother Tongue Languages Fortnight (MTLF) will be from Mon 15 Feb to Fri 1 Mar 2024. The event aims to promote the learning of MTL in a fun and engaging way, creating an immersive environment for learning and appreciating MTL and culture.

During the two weeks, classroom activities related to MTL and culture will be conducted to provide authentic opportunities for students to use their MT language skills and deepen their understanding of their cultural roots.

#### 2. IMPORTANT THING TO NOTE

# 2.1 Wearing of School Ties for Termly Celebration Day

Students will be expected to wear their school uniform with their ties for the termly Celebration Day, to be held on Fri 8 Mar, Fri 24 May, Fri 23 Aug and Thu 14 Nov. This aims to promote school pride in our students as we honour classmates who have done well and celebrate as one Yu Neng community.

#### 3. IN CLOSING

I wish to thank you for your continuous support and partnership with us. My staff and I look forward to partnering closely with you in your child's holistic development. We would also like to take this opportunity to once again wish all a Happy Lunar Year! May the Year of Dragon bring abundant joy, blessings, and good health to one and all!

Yours-in-education

Mr Ng Yeow Ling

Principal