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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 collaboration!

1. UPDATES

1.1 Staff Movement

We welcome Mdm Rahmah Binte Mohamed Ali (Mrs Fawzi) who joined our school as Special Educational Needs Officer (SENO) from this semester and look forward to her working closely with one and all!

1.2 Weighted Assessment and End-of-Year Examination

Assessment details for Semester 2 will be notified in a separate letter to parents next week.

2. ACHIEVEMENT AND ACCOLADES



2.1 Wits and Words Debate Competition

Congratulations to our debate team for clinching the Championship title for the Wits and Words Debate competition in Division 2.

We are so proud of our five debaters - Isabel Teoh Canete (6GR), Hao Qingyue (6RP), Shasmeen Natasha (6RP), Fong Yee Hui (6RY) and Nathaniel Zhou Yuqi (5GR). Isabel Teoh Canete (6GR) has been named Best Speaker for the

round. Overall, Isabel has also received one of the Best Speaker awards in the competition. They have demonstrated the GR³IT values during this challenging yet enriching journey. A big thank-you to Ms Yeo and Ms Leanna for journeying along with the students!

2.2 Singapore and Asian Schools Math Olympiad

We wish to congratulate our students who have done us proud in the Singapore and Asian Schools Math Olympiad. This competition stretches students and aims to instill confidence in mathematical problem-solving. Our students' dedication and demonstration of the GR³IT values have been exemplary. We hope that they will continue to challenge themselves and scale greater heights. The students' results are as follows:

Primary 1		
Bronze	Zeng Qi-En Chloe (1RP) Wong Ka Wai (1RY)	
Primary 2		
Silver	Ang Kang Zhe (2TM)	
Bronze	Lucas Shiu Rui Hong (2TM)	
Primary 3		
Silver	Moey Jun Jay (3RY)	
Bronze	Lau Kaiser (3RY) Zhang Yiqi (3IN)	
Honorable Mention	Richard Hsiang Tzehao (3RP) Wang Jiaen (3RY) Wang Yixin (3RY)	
Primary 4		
Gold	Tiffany Zhang Weizi (4GR) Tang Yan Wen Joshua (4RY)	
Silver	Yang Luhan (4RY)	

Primary 5	
Gold	Lau Yoyo (5GR) Shen Yizhen (5GR)
Silver	Deng Lisiqi (5GR) Nathaniel Zhou Yuqi (5GR)
Bronze	Hao Yueran (5RP) Burhanuddin Mustafa (5RY) Yam Yu Chern Jarryl (5RY)
Honorable Mention	Lim Wen Qin @ Alvin (5GR) Yang Yu Xin, Emma (5GR) Ang Wei Chen Isaac (5RP)
Primary 6	
Silver	Chan Yi Len (6GR) Li Zhenxi (6GR) Poon Ee Rui (6GR) Ong Sheng Han Shawn (6RY) Zheng Xizhe (6RY)
Bronze	Gu Zhelin Jolie (6GR) Chen Juntong (6RY) Reina Celine Koh (6RY)

2.3 Asia-Pacific Mathematical Olympiad for Primary Schools

We would also like to extend congratulations to our students who have done well in the Asia-Pacific Mathematical Olympiad for Primary Schools. This competition started in 1990 and sets out to generate greater interest in Mathematics and sharpen students' problem-solving skills. May our students continue to leverage GR³IT values to strive for excellence and achieve new milestones. Here are their results:

<u>Silver</u>	<u>Bronze</u>
Li Zhenxi (6GR); Poon Ee Rui (6GR) &	Chong Chee Hun, Brendan (6GR) &
Yen Shuo Cheng (6GR)	Ma Ruize (6GR)

2.4 Singapore Youth Festival Arts Presentation (SYF AP)

We are thrilled to celebrate our Chinese Orchestra for concluding their SYF AP with an outstanding performance! Their dedication and hard work, evident through countless hours of training, have truly paid off. We commend their teamwork and pursuit of excellence, which continue to inspire us all with their resilience, passion, and remarkable talents! Well done, students!

Performing Art Group	Achievement
Chinese Orchestra	Distinction



3. UPCOMING EVENTS

3.1 P3 & P4 Home-Based Learning Day (HBL)

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 Primary 4 Project Work is on Wed 3 Jul, while Primary 3 Project Work is on Wed 10 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. Primary 3 and Primary 4 students are expected to stay at home to engage in planned

online and offline learning activities on HBL days. 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.

3.2 Artificial Intelligence (AI) Festival 2024

We will be collaborating with Microsoft and Al Singapore (AISG) to host the 3rd Edition of the Al Festival - For Kids By Kids on Thu 4 July. This event will feature two exciting workshops: "Al for Kids," where students from other Primary schools can explore the world of artificial intelligence through hands-on activities, led by our very own E-nnovation Club members and "Al for Educators," providing teachers with insights and tools to harness Al using Microsoft Co-Pilot.

This platform provides a great opportunity for our selected E-nnovation students to showcase their passion for artificial intelligence and engage with peers from other primary schools. We wish them a successful run of the event.

3.3 Student Leaders' Investiture 2024-2025

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. In line with the theme "Leadership Ignite", we encourage our student leaders 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 taking on more responsibilities 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 <u>Fri 5 Jul</u>. Our CCA student leaders will also be recognised for their leadership and continued service. Student Leaders' Investiture 2024-2025 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 5 Jul for our P3 to P5 prefects and their parents. We want to take this opportunity to let our parents join us in acknowledging and celebrating 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.

3.4 YNPS 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 the public to find out information about our school via our school website. The theme is Connecting with our Past, Creating our Future. Key highlights will include Our YN Experience and Yu Neng Primary School Tour videos. Access this link (https://go.gov.sg/yneoh) for more details. It will be live from Fri 5 Jul, we would appreciate it if you could help publicise this to all who are interested.

3.5 Visit by K2 students from Preschools

The school will be hosting K2 students from four preschools on Fri 5 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. We are glad for our students to be contributors and changemakers!

3.6 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 5 Jul to Fri 19 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.

3.7 Cultural Performance Exposure Scheme (CPES)

Our P4 Chinese Mother Tongue students will be going to Tampines East Community Centre as part of the Cultural Performance Exposure Scheme Programme. The performance, *The Monkey King Borrows Treasure from Dragon Palace*, will take place on Mon 8 Jul. The programme aims to expose our students to Chinese language-related cultural performances, providing them with greater exposure and appreciation of the Chinese arts

and theatre. Students will watch the Chinese opera performance by professional teachers and learn more about opera foundations such as the instruments and movements used.

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 13 Jul. More information can be obtained from the letter to parents in Parents Gateway.

3.9 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 29 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 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.

3.10 Commemoration of Racial Harmony

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 Mon 15 Jul to Fri 19 Jul. As part of the commemoration, we strongly encourage 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 19 July. Students may bring a set of uniform or PE attire to change into after assembly.

Also, Kaki Buki Community Center is commemorating Racial Harmony Day on Sat 13 July 2024. Parents who are interested to participate can find the details in the attached poster.



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 to the theme 'My Music, My Sunshine'.

For this run of FAME@YN, all Primary 1-3 students are invited to submit their performances online or perform during recess. All online submissions and sign-ups for live performances during recess should be completed by Mon 1 Jul. More details can be found via the SLS assignment titled 'Fame@YN 2024 2nd Edition'. We look forward to the lively and engaging performances by our students!

3.12 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 Wed 31 Jul to Fri 2 Aug. 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, which will be shared at a later date.

3.13 P4 Social Studies Learning Journey to Geylang Serai & Kreta Ayer

The Primary 4 students will be visiting Geylang Serai on Wed 17 Jul, Thu 18 Jul and Fri 26 Jul, and Kreta Ayer on Mon 29 Jul, Tue 30 Jul and Wed 31 Jul. The objective of the visits is to enable our students to learn more about the Malay and Chinese heritage and culture and promote social interaction and community bonding. More information will be provided through the consent forms in Parents Gateway.

3.14 Math Week

The annual Math Week will be held between Mon 22 Jul and Fri 26 Jul. Our students will be offered a range of engaging and enjoyable activities designed to enhance their learning experiences during curriculum time and recesses. These activities focus on expanding students' knowledge, applying mathematical theory to practical situations, and demonstrating the relevance of mathematical concepts in everyday life. Let us continue to support our students in cultivating passion in their learning endeavours.

4. IMPORTANT THINGS TO NOTE

4.1 Health and Well-being Matters

Your child's health and well-being are of utmost importance to us. We want to ensure that the school is a safe and healthy environment for all our students and staff. We seek parents' support to keep schools a safe environment for students. If your child is unwell, please ensure that he/she stays at home and seeks medical attention if necessary. If your child is recovering from respiratory-related illnesses, please encourage him/her to exercise social responsibility (e.g., by wearing a mask, minimising social interactions with big groups). MOE will continue to monitor the situation and adjust the response measures when necessary.

Temperature-taking will be conducted on 3 July (Wed) with the familiarisation exercise on 28 June (Fri). Please check that your child's thermometer is in good working condition, and it is with him/her at all times.

4.2 School Security and Safety Measures

To ensure a safe and secure environment for all staff and students, we have put in place measures that emphasise safety and security as top-priority. We appreciate your support throughout Semester 1 and look forward to your continued support in Semester 2.

Please note the following measures when entering the school or waiting in the school grounds.

- All visitors are required to report to the security desk at the school foyer to register their visit.
- Please report to the general office and obtain a visitor's pass if you have an official appointment with a member of the school staff.
- Parents or caregivers will not be allowed to wait within the school compound when the school is in session. You are advised to wait at your child's designated dismissal gate punctually.
- Please note that your child will be dismissed via Gate 4 from CCA or other after school activities.

The school has consistently reminded students of the importance of safety and our safety philosophy: Think Safe, Play Safe, Stay Safe. We appeal to parents to join us in inculcating good safety practices by encouraging and role-modeling for your child. For example, remind your child to use the traffic lights near the school when crossing the road, and ensure that students who cycle to school wear properly fitting helmets. Together, we can create a safer environment for our children and instill important safety habits.

Please find key dates to take note of for the upcoming months ahead:

Public Holiday / School Holiday	Date	Date school will resume
Youth Day	Mon 1 Jul	Tue 2 Jul 2024
National Day	Fri 9 Aug 2024	Mon 12 Aug 2024
Teachers' Day	Fri 30 Aug 2024	Mon 9 Sep 2024 (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
Fri 28 Jun	Temperature Taking Exercise (Familiarisation)	All	Please ensure that your child brings a working thermometer to school.
Mon 1 Jul	Youth Day School Holiday	All	School resumes on Tue 2 Jul
Wed 3 Jul	Temperature Taking Exercise	All except P4	Please ensure that your child brings a working thermometer to school.
Wed 3 Jul	Primary 4 Home-Based Learning (HBL) Day	P4	P4 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.
Thu 4 Jul	Al Festival 3rd Edition	Selected Students	After school hours
Fri 5 Jul	Student Leaders' Investiture	Student Leaders: CCA Leaders P6 Prefect Executive Committee P3, P4 & P5 Prefects	During curriculum hours
Fri 5 Jul	Kindergarten 2 Visit to YNPS	Selected P1 Students	During curriculum hours
Fri 5 Jul	Prefects' Investiture	P3, P4 & P5 Prefects	After school
Mon 8 Jul	P4 Chinese Language CPES Learning Journey	P4	Details will be given in due course.
Wed 10 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.
Fri 5 Jul - Fri 19 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
Sat 13 Jul	National Education Show	P5	Details will be given in due course.
Wed 17 Jul - Thu 18 Jul & Fri 26 Jul	P4 Social Studies Learning Journey to Geylang Serai	P4	After school
Tue 23 Jul – Thu 25 Jul	P3 - P5 Science WA3	P3-P5	Details will be given in due course.
Wed 24 Jul - Thu 25 Jul	P6 Prelims Oral	P6	After school Details will be given in due course.
Fri 26 Jul	P4 & P5 Prefect Training	P4 & P5 Prefects	After school
Mon 29 Jul	Rice Appreciation Day	P5	During curriculum hours
Mon 29 Jul - Wed 31 Jul	P4 Social Studies Learning Journey to Kreta Ayer	P4	Details will be given in due course.
Wed 31 Jul – Fri 2 Aug	P3 - P5 English WA3	P3 - P5	Details will be given in due course.
Wed 31 Jul – Fri 2 Aug	P1 Learning Journey to Jacob Ballas	P1	During curriculum hours
Thu 1 Aug & Fri 2 Aug	P6 Prelims Listening Comprehension	P6	Details will be given in due course.
Thu 8 Aug	National Day Celebration	All	Early dismissal at 10.30am Details will be given in due course.
Fri 9 Aug	National Day	All	Public holiday
Mon 12 Aug	P5 Higher Mother Tongue WA3	P5	Details will be given in due course.
Tue 13 Aug & Wed 14 Aug	PSLE Oral	P6	No school for P1-P5 students
Thu 15 Aug	Gifted Education Programme Screening Exercise (GEP)	P3	During curriculum hours
Fri 16 Aug	P3-P5 Math WA3	P3-P5	Details will be given in due course.

Date	Programme / Event	Levels Involved	Remarks
Mon 19 Aug – Fri 23 Aug	P6 Prelims Examinations	P6	Details will be given in due course.
Wed 21 Aug - Fri 23 Aug	P4 Mother Tongue WA3	P4	Details will be given in due course.
Fri 23 Aug	P3 & P5 Mother Tongue WA3	P3&P5	Details will be given in due course.
Sun 25 Aug - Tue 27 Aug	TIE to Bali, Indonesia	Selected P5 students	Details will be given in due course.
Wed 28 Aug	Homecoming for Youth Alumni	-	After school
Thu 29 Aug	Teachers' Day Celebration	All	Early dismissal at 10.30am
Fri 30 Aug	Teachers' Day	All	Teachers' Day is a scheduled school holiday.
Sat 31 Aug to Sun 8 Sep	September School Holiday	All	School holiday
Tue 17 Sep to Wed 25 Sep	P1 Science-in-Stellar Learning Journey to Science Centre	P1	Details will be given in due course.
Mon 23 Sep to Wed 25 Sep	P6 Study Week	P6	Details will be given in due course.
Thu 26 Sep to Wed 2 Oct	PSLE Week	P6	-
Thu 3 Oct	Children's Day Celebration	All	Early dismissal at 10.30am
Fri 4 Oct	Children's Day	All	School holiday
Mon 14 Oct to Wed 16 Oct	PSLE Marking	All	All students do not attend school.
Thu 17 Oct to Fri 25 Oct	P3-P5 End-of-Year Assessment	P3-P5	Please refer to the letter to parents for details.
Mon 28 Oct to Wed 30 Oct	P5 Camp Grit	P5	Details will be given in due course.
Thu 31 Oct	Deepavali	All	School resumes on Fri 1 Nov

Date	Programme / Event	Levels Involved	Remarks
Tue 5 Nov	Administration Day	All	All students do not attend school.
Wed 13 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 14 Nov	Student Promotion Day	All	During curriculum
Fri 15 Nov	89 th Speech & Prize-giving Day	Selected students	Details will be given in due course.