



School Mission

A CHIJ School is a Christ-centered school community where all work together for the promotion of truth, justice, freedom and love, with special reference to the needs of students who are disadvantaged in any way.

School Vision

Girls of Today for Tomorrow



National Day Celebration

The school will celebrate National Day on Thursday, 8 August 2024. The theme is “Together, As One United People”

It highlights the collective strength of our people and underscores the importance of every citizen rallying together to share a common future and to uplift those around us.

All students are to report to school by 7.25am and will be dismissed at 10.30am. To minimise overcrowding, we will implement staggered dismissal:

P1 & P2	P3 & P4	P5 & P6
10.20am	10.25am	10.30am

As the bookshop and canteen will be closed, we will implement snack time for all levels instead. There will be no afternoon activities that day, i.e. support lessons, P6 supplementary lessons and CCA. Please make the necessary transport arrangements for your child to return home if she is not taking the school bus.

Students are encouraged to wear a red T-shirt with their pinafore and school shoes. They should bring along a small bag with a water bottle, a story book, stationery and some healthy dry snacks (something red or white if possible).



General Information

Being Gracious & Considerate - Reminders on Safety

While waiting for your child at the gates, do give way to other care-givers if your child is not due for dismissal yet. We also seek your understanding and help not to block access to / from the overhead bridge and the passageway connecting the open-air carpark next to Block 466A to the bus stop.

Do help us to convey this message to your child's caregivers e.g. grandparents, helpers etc. if they are the ones picking your child. Let us use this as an opportunity to role model the value of graciousness to our children.

Should your child be driven to/from school, please do note the following:

- Get your child ready a few minutes before alighting and enter/exit the car quickly so as not to hold up the cars behind
- Not stop along Upper Serangoon Road especially at the bus-stop outside the school
- Not sound the horn so as to be considerate to residents in neighbouring blocks. A little patience goes a long way. Let's all be gracious as there is no need to respond in kind.
- Drive carefully so as to ensure the safety of students and others. Please note there can only be one line of cars once your car enters the HDB carpark (or the school in the mornings).
- If you need to leave the car, please park in an allotted space in the HDB carpark.

- The HDB carpark is most crowded 10 minutes before/after assembly and dismissal. Do adjust your drop-off/pick-up time accordingly.

CHIJ OLN has 1440 students and as such, there are large numbers of cars, caregivers, and children coming in and going out through our gates each day. Let us always be good role models for our children and their friends.

170 Give Fiesta campaign

Launched to celebrate IJHCC's 170 years of working with children, the IJHCC 170 GIVE Fiesta fundraising campaign invites the public to join in this 'Giving' movement. You can visit this page giving.sg: Campaign detail - IJHCC 170 GIVE Fiesta for more information. Alternatively you can follow IJHCC on their social media at [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#).

#IJHCC170GIVEFiesta #joyofgiving



24 MAY TO 9 NOV #JOYOFGIVING

IJHCC 170 GIVE FIESTA

DONATE
 Donate in tier amounts of \$170, \$1,700 and \$17,000

VOLUNTEER
 Pledge to volunteer for 170 mins or more

FUNDRAISE
 Start personal campaigns under the 170 GIVE campaign

ADVOCATE
 Share our social media posts or campaign links to your audience

SCAN TO TAKE ACTION

Let's shape the world of tomorrow for our children!





Gate of Hope

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Catholic Welfare Services Donation Draw Tickets

The Catholic Welfare Services (CWS) will be organising its annual Donation Draw to help the poor in our society as well as to help our Catholic schools fund educational and other projects. 50% of the total value of the tickets sold by the school will go towards supporting the school's causes.

This year, CWS will be selling each booklet of 10 tickets at \$20. Each ticket costs \$2. Please refer to our Parents Gateway letter reference no. 2024OLN_0392 that is published on Wednesday, 31 July 2024 for more information.

The Catholic Welfare services does not accept the return of unsold tickets. As such, the school will have to absorb the cost of all unsold tickets. Thus, we hope all parents would be able to support us in the ticket sales. We would like to thank you for your generosity in the past and look forward to your continued support for this worthy project.

PSLE Examination Dates

1.PSLE Oral (13 and 14 August 2024)

2.PSLE Listening Comprehension (13 September 2024)

The PSLE Oral and Listening Comprehension examinations for Primary 6 students will take place on the dates stated above. ***P1 to P5 students will be assigned HBL (Home-Based Learning) on these days.***

To ensure a safe and conducive environment for the examination, the school will not admit visitors on these days. This includes parents, caregivers and P1 to P5 students for non-emergency cases e.g. collection of homework or retrieval of lost items. Please remind your child to bring home whatever she needs to facilitate their learning from

home. A few canteen stalls will be open on the day of the PSLE Listening Comprehension (i.e. 13 September 2024) to cater to the Primary 6 students. However, the bookshop and dental clinic will be closed on these 3 days.

3. PSLE Written Papers (26 September to 2 October 2024)

The PSLE Written examinations for Primary 6 students will take place on 26 September to 2 October. P6 students are dismissed at the end of each paper. ***P1 to P5 students will continue to report to school for lessons on these days.***

PSLE Marking Exercise on 14 to 16 October 2024

The PSLE Marking Exercise will take place from 14 to 16 October 2024. Due to the availability of resources and greater familiarity with HBL, the school is able to extend learning during the marking exercise. Please take note of the following arrangements for P1 to P6 students on these 3 days:

- **P1 to P2 students will report to school for lessons on these 3 days. School hours will remain unchanged i.e. 7:30am - 1:30pm.**
- **P3 to P5 students will not report to school. Instead wthey will be assigned HBL, and task sheets will be made available by 11 October 2024, 6pm.**
- **P6 students will not report to school. Instead, they will be assigned work at home to prepare for the annual IJ Bazaar. Teachers will share more information with the girls after the PSLE.**

All students are to report to school on Thursday, 17 October 2024.

Absences from Weighted Assessments

As with any school day, a student should not be in school if she is unwell. Please make the necessary arrangements to bring your child/ward to see a doctor and submit the medical certificate to the Form Teacher upon her return to school. This applies on days when weighted assessments take place too.

The purpose of assessment including Weighted Assessments is to check for students' understanding and to provide timely feedback to improve learning. As such, while make-up sessions will not be scheduled for students who are absent from any component(s)/ paper(s), **students who missed their written assessment will be given a set of the affected assessment papers as an optional assignment.** They are encouraged to complete the paper at home independently and at one sitting. The subject teacher will mark the assignment and provide feedback on the student's progress. The marks will not be included in the computation of the Overall Performance for the year.

Payphone Operations in School

LionCall Telecommunication Pte Ltd is currently the supplier for the coin payphones in our school. We were informed by the company that each call will now be charged at 20 cents per minute instead of the previous 10 cents per minute. This increase is due to their rising operational costs.

We would like to emphasise that if your child is unwell or injure herself in school, she should proceed to the General Office to call you instead of using the payphone.

Teachers' Day Celebration

We will be celebrating Teachers' Day on Thursday, 29 August 2024. All students are to report to school by 7.25am, and will be dismissed at 10.30am. To minimise overcrowding, we will implement staggered dismissal:

P1 & P2	P3 & P4	P5 & P6
10.20am	10.25am	10.30am

As the canteen will be closed, we will implement snack time for all levels instead. Please remind your child to bring along some healthy dry snacks. There will be no afternoon activities (i.e. support lessons, P6 supplementary lessons and CCA) that day. The bookshop will also be closed that day.

The following day (Teachers' Day on Friday, 30 August 2024) is a school holiday. The General Office will be closed at 5.00pm on 30 August 2024.

While we are encouraged by the appreciation shown by pupils and parents for our teachers, **we would like to ask that you refrain from buying gifts.** Instead, your child could present teachers with simple gifts like a hand-made card with well wishes, which would be much appreciated by our teachers. You and your child can also show your appreciation via the MOE's compliments section at [this link](#).

Home News

We would like to welcome our new Contract Untrained Teacher, Mr Yasvanth G Vandayar.

Our appreciation to Mdm Koh Sok Hwee, Operations Support Officer, who will be leaving the school with effect from 31 July 2024 to pursue other interests.

Achievements

Our congratulations to the following:

- Our Brass Band achieved a Gold award in the Singapore International Band Festival.
- Our Brownie Pack 1 and Pack 2 have attained the Puan Noor Aishah award (Gold).
- 6 of our Brownies have attained the Chief Commissioner's Award which is the highest honor a Brownie can achieve for the leadership they demonstrated, the service they rendered and their dedication to the Brownies' values. They are:
 - Averie Ho Jia Yi (6 Joy)
 - Chan Hoi Tung Sherilyn (6 Love)
 - Chu Keng Yee, Vera (6 Peace)
 - Hailey Bernadette Tan Ying Qi (6 Peace)
 - Shinelle Hu (6 Joy)
 - Tejasivii Baskaran (6 Peace)
- Chen Qiaoyue (5 Peace) was placed first in National Primary Schools Chinese Storytelling Competition jointly organized by the Singapore Hokkien Huay Kuan and the Singapore Middle School Chinese Teachers' Association.
- Eva Sarah Bonny (4 Love) attained the bronze medal at the 15th GoodTalk (Global Village) International Children & Youth Bilingual Speech Conference. She and her partner from Macau delivered a speech on the theme of "Companionship." Through the competition, the students also had an excellent opportunity to get to know each other's cultures better.

Upcoming School Events

Date	Activity/Programme	Remarks
1 Aug (Thu)	P3 Games On!	To be conducted during school hours.
1 Aug (Thu)	Kopi Chat for P5 and P6 (Zoom)	Please refer to PG Letter Reference No.: 2024OLN_0373.
2 Aug (Fri)	P1 Games On!	To be conducted during school hours.
5 Aug (Mon)	Kopi Chat for P3 and P4 (Zoom)	Please refer to PG Letter Reference No.: 2024OLN_0378.
8 Aug (Thu)	National Day Celebrations: Eve of National Day	School will end at 10.30 am . Please refer to this issue of OLN Connect for more information.
9 Aug (Fri)	National Day Public Holiday	School will be closed. All students are to report to school on Mon, 12 Aug 2024.
12 - 23 Aug (Mon - Fri)	CCA Registration for P2	More information will be given later.
13 - 14 Aug (Tue - Wed)	PSLE Oral for P6 students HBL for P1 - P5 students	Only P6 students need to report to school. P1 - P5 students are to stay at home to complete their HBL tasks.
15 Aug (Thu)	P3 Gifted Education Programme Screening Exercise	To be conducted during school hours. Please refer to PG Letter Reference No.: 2024OLN_0366.

Upcoming School Events

Date	Activity/Programme	Remarks
16 Aug (Fri)	P6 Preliminary Examination (Listening Comprehension)	Please refer to PG Letter Reference No.: 2024OLN_0338.
19 - 23 Aug (Mon - Fri)	P3 to P5 Weighted Assessment	Please refer to PG Letter Reference No.: 2024OLN_0056.
19 - 23 Aug (Mon - Fri)	P6 Preliminary Examination (Written)	Please refer to PG Letter Reference No.: 2024OLN_0338.
23 Aug	Glow & Grow 2 - Parenting Webinar	More details will be disseminated later.
29 Aug (Thu)	Teachers' Day Celebrations	School will end at 10.30 am.
30 Aug (Fri)	Teachers' Day School Holiday	School will be closed. All students are to report to school after the Term 3 school holidays on Mon, 9 Sep 2024.
31 Aug - 8 Sep (Sat - Sun)	Term 3 School Holidays	
2 - 3 Sep (Mon - Tue)	P6 Supplementary Lessons	Please refer to PG Letter Reference No.: 2024OLN_0275. P6 students are expected to report at 7.45am and dismiss at 12.15pm (11.15am for students exempted from MTL).
13 Sep (Fri)	PSLE Listening Comprehension for P6 students	Please refer to this issue of OLN Connect.

Upcoming School Events

Date	Activity/Programme	Remarks
	HBL for P1 - P5 students	
26 Sep (Thu)	PSLE English Language	Classes are conducted as per normal for P1 - P5 students. P6 students are dismissed at the end of each paper.
27 Sep (Fri)	PSLE Mathematics	
30 Sep (Mon)	PSLE Mother Tongue Language (MTL)	
1 Oct (Tue)	PSLE Science	
<i>We seek your understanding that there may be changes to the schedule of activities shared in this newsletter due to unforeseen circumstances. Please refer to Parents Gateway and our school website for copies of letters issued by the school.</i>		