

### **OLN Connect**

#### **School Mission**

A CHIJ School is a Christcentered 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

## Founder's Day cum Prefects' Investiture

The school will be commemorating Founder's Day on Wednesday, 24 May 2023. This year's theme is "Going Beyond Oneself".

As part of the commemoration activities, Fr Adrian Danker will say Founder's Day Mass and pupils will participate in classroom activities. The Prefects' Investiture will be held after the mass.

Your child is required to report to school at the usual time i.e. 7.25am. Students are encouraged to have breakfast before coming to school and to bring along snacks as the canteen will not be open that day. The bookshop will not be open on that day too. We will implement staggered dismissal starting from 12 noon:

P1 & P2	P3 & P4	P5 & P6
12 noon	12.10pm	12.20pm

There will be no after-school activities that day. The bus operator will be informed of dismissal being at 12 noon. Please make the necessary transport arrangements for your child if she is not taking the school bus. As we are expecting a large crowd at that day's dismissal, we do seek your understanding to continue to be considerate and patient with one another. Let's consistently be a blessing to others.

#### **General Information**

#### Project G.O.O.D (Gift of One Dollar)

Our girls were challenged to put aside 5-10 cents a day over a period of 40 days, and to gift this amount to the less advantaged. We have raised \$2447 for the IJ Homes & Children's Centre. We are very proud of our girls for their generosity of heart.

#### **General Office Operating Hours**

With effect from 2 May 2023, please note that the General Office operating hours during the school term is from 7.00am to 6.00pm. The school is not open during weekends and public holidays. You will be informed via OLN Connect if there are other school closure days.

## 2023 P1 Registration Exercise for Admission to P1 in 2024: Phase 1 Registration

The Phase 1 registration exercise is for a Singapore Citizen (SC) or Permanent Resident (PR) children born between 2 January 2017 and 1 January 2018 (both dates inclusive) with a sibling currently studying at CHIJ OLN.

Parents who are registering their younger child under Phase 1 are to register during the Phase 1 registration period when it begins in early July 2023. No applications will be accepted till early July 2023.

If your child is not eligible for Phase 1 (i.e. non-SC / non-PR status), please submit an online Indication of Interest at end May/early June 2023. The link and updates on the 2023 P1 Exercise will be provided on the MOE P1 website by May 2023.

#### Absences from Reviews & Other Assessments

As announced by Minister for Education Chan Chun Sing in 2022, all schools will no longer schedule Mid-Year examinations. There will only be the annual End-of-Year Examination held in Term 4.

Schools will continue to have reviews and classroom assignments and these are used as a gauge of how well a child is learning. Students' learning is also assessed informally through e.g. homework, worksheets and/or teacher observation. The End-of-Year examinations, while taken under more formal circumstances, is just then another way by which your child's learning is accessed.

Should students be unwell and miss their assessment, they will be given a set of the affected assessment papers as an optional assignment. They are encouraged to complete the paper at home on their own within the specified time limit. 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. Make-up sessions will not be scheduled for students who are absent from any component(s)/ paper(s) from any written assessment. This applies for reviews, assignments as well as the End-of-Year examinations.

As always, should your child be unwell, she should not come to school. Please make the necessary arrangements to bring her to a doctor and submit the medical certificate to the Form Teacher upon her return to school. Letters from parents will only be accepted for formal assessments if there is a valid reason. Medical certificates from Traditional Chinese Medicine practitioners will not be recognised.

#### P1 to P5 Parent-Teacher Conference (25 & 26 May)

This P1 to P5 Parent-Teacher Conference will be held via Zoom and you would have received the notification via PG on 25 April 2023 with details as to how you could book a session. The closing date to book a session is Friday, 12 May 2023.

We encourage you to book a session with the teachers as we believe that this session will be beneficial. The Form Teacher and co-Form Teacher will share their observations as to how your child is doing in school holistically.

#### P6 Parent-Teacher-Student Conference (25 & 26 May)

All P6 parents would have received a notification via PG on 25 April 2023 as to how you could book a session for the Parent-Teacher-Student Conference which will be held in school. During the session, not only will the Form Teacher and co-Form Teacher be sharing their observations, but your P6 daughter will also be sharing on her growth and challenges faced.

#### 2023 Direct School Admission for Secondary Schools (DSA-Sec)

DSA-Sec aims to promote holistic education and is based on a diverse range of talents and achievements. P6 students could seek admission to a secondary school via this alternative route. Each secondary school offers distinctive programmes and sets its own selection process and criteria to admit students with talents that can be further developed by these programmes.

This year's application for DSA-Sec will take place from 4 May 2023, 11.00am to 31 May 2023, 3.00pm. You can obtain more information via <a href="www.moe.gov.sg/dsa-sec">www.moe.gov.sg/dsa-sec</a> and the websites of the secondary schools. Do look out for the MOE press release in May. If your child is keen to participate in the DSA exercise do encourage her to speak to her teachers.

## Travel Declaration for June School Holidays and Long Weekends

If your child is travelling during the June school holidays and the long weekends (i.e. Labour Day long weekend), please make the necessary declaration for her via Parents' Gateway (PG) under Services -> Declare Travels. If there is a need to amend the travel plan, you can do so via the same module in PG. If your child is <u>not</u> travelling during the holidays or the long weekends, <u>no action is required</u>.

#### **Achievements**

Our congratulations to the following students!

- ★ Yazhinii Dinesh (6 Truth) emerged as one of the top 50 Finalists in the 2023 SOTA Primary 6 Art Competition!
- ★ Our team, 锐不可当, has emerged as one of the top 10 teams in the Primary Category of the Chinese Street Dance Competition 2023. They will be competing in the finals on 20 May 2023 at Our Tampines Hub. We wish them all the best in the finals! The team members are:
  - Ang Yu Xin Yuki (4 Faith)
  - Alysia Wong Jia Man (5 Grace)
  - Lee Jia Yi Claire (5 Grace)
  - Gerrianne Yeo Rui Yan (5 Love)
  - Sarah Jamie Ho (6 Grace)
  - Gabriela Aleta Poernama (6 Hope)
  - Emma Elizabeth Djie (6 Love)
  - Jezebelle Yeo Xin Ning (6 Peace)
  - Teo Rui En Kaelyn (6 Peace)



- ★ Our team participated in the Earth Day Art competition and emerged as the top 10 finalists. The team members are:
  - Cheng Yiran Olivia (5 Faith)
  - Yeong Ya Qi Janelle (6 Joy)
  - Zhu Yining (6 Joy)
  - Loy Jing Xuan Shalynn (6 Truth)
  - Rochelle Yiying Tanujoyo (6 Truth)
- ★ Our Brownies participated in the recent South Division Day on 15 April 2023. Held at Raffles Girls' School, Brownies and Guides from schools in the South Division participated in various competitions and our Brownies did well in the following:

Competition	Participants
"Let's Get Moving	<ul> <li>Liow Kai Qing Zoe (4 Joy)</li> </ul>
for Brownies"	• Beh Zi Xuan (4 Peace)
Dance Competition: 1 <sup>st</sup> Position	• Deephikha Isabelle Samuel (5 Hope)
	• Tejasivii Baskaran (5 Peace)
	• Gan Shi Huan (5 Peace)
	• Bon Kai Lin, Imelia (5 Grace)
	<ul> <li>Azuarine Akansha Hagen (6 Faith)</li> </ul>
Fitness Workout for Brownies:  2 <sup>nd</sup> Position	<ul> <li>Alysha Maryam Johnston (4 Grace)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Netanya Gabrielle Danaraj (4 Hope)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Huda Binti Muhammad Yazid (4 Joy)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Natalie Koh Xinyu (4 Truth)</li> </ul>
	• Sarah Chia Jia Qi (5 Truth)
	<ul> <li>Natalie Teo Min-Er (5 Hope)</li> </ul>
South Division Patch Design for Brownies: 2 <sup>nd</sup> Position	Averie Ho Jia Yi (5 Joy)
	• Chan Hoi Tung Sherilyn (5 Love)
	Chloe Lim Zi Qi (6 Love)

"Let Your Voices Be Heard" Poetry competition: 3 <sup>rd</sup> Position	<ul> <li>Natasha Iman Binte Abdul Rahman (4 Peace)</li> <li>Janelle Ang Xuan Jie (6 Joy)</li> </ul>
Telematch: 2 <sup>nd</sup> Position	<ul><li>Joen Nico Kow (6 Hope)</li><li>Alyssa Chua Si Jing (6 Hope</li></ul>
Telematch: 4 <sup>th</sup> Position	<ul><li>Chu Keng Yee, Vera (5 Peace)</li><li>Mirabelle Lee Kai Xin (6 Hope)</li></ul>

#### **Home News**

We extend our best wishes to Mdm Indrahdevi Ramaiyan, Office Attendant, who will retire from service in IJ OLN with effect from 1 May 2023.

We would like to welcome Mdm Sharon Gan, Operations Support Officer to the CHIJ OLN family!

### **Upcoming School Events**

Date	Activity/Programme	Remarks
1 May (Mon)	Labour Day Public Holiday	All students are to report to school on Tuesday, 2 May 2023.
2 May (Tue)	P6 Conditioning Exercise (EL/FEL Paper 1)	Please refer to letter reference no.: 2023OLN_0177
3 May (Wed)	P6 Conditioning Exercise (MTL Paper 1)	
4 May (Thu)	P6 Conditioning Exercise (HMTL Paper 1)	

### **Upcoming School Events**

Date	Activity/Programme	Remarks
5 May (Fri)	P6 Conditioning Exercise (HMTL Paper 2)	
8 - 11 May (Mon - Thu)	P6 Conditioning Exercise (Written)	
8 - 12 May (Mon - Fri)	P3 - P5 Weighted Assessment	Please refer to letter reference no.: 2023OLN_0043.
19 May (Fri)	P4 GRACIA Explorer Camp	Please refer to the PG letter dated 20 April 2023.
24 May (Wed)	Founder's Day Celebration & Prefects' Investiture	Please refer to this issue of OLN Connect.
25 - 26 May (Thu - Fri)	P1 to P5 Parent- Teacher Conference & P6 Parent-Teacher- Student Conference	Please refer to this issue of OLN Connect.
27 May - 25 Jun (Sat - Sun)	Term 2 School Holidays	
19 - 23 Jun (Mon - Fri)	P3 - P5 Conversational Chinese / Malay Enrichment Programme	Please refer to letter reference no.: 2023OLN_0219.
19 - 21 Jun (Mon - Wed)	P6 Supplementary Lessons	More information will be given later.
26 Jun (Mon)	School reopens for Term 3	
29 Jun (Thu)	Hari Raya Haji Public Holiday	All students are to report to school on Friday, 30 June 2023.

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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 (<a href="https://chijourladyofthenativity.moe.edu.sg/information-for-parents/communications/letters-to-parents">https://chijourladyofthenativity.moe.edu.sg/information-for-parents/communications/letters-to-parents</a>) for copies of letters issued by the school.

# Frequently Used Links from School Website

CLICK TO RESET SLS & STUDENT ICON PASSWORDS

CLICK IF YOUR CHILD IS ABSENT FOR THE DAY

CLICK TO VIEW STAFF EMAIL ADDRESSES

CLICK TO VIEW PAST COPIES OF OUR LETTERS

CLICK TO VIEW CCA SCHEDULES

CLICK TO VIEW SUPPORT LESSON SCHEDULES

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