

COMPASSVALE SECONDARY SCHOOL



2024 End of Year Letter to Parents

Thank you for your partnership and support!

We have come to the end of the 2024 academic school year. We hope that your child has learnt something new about his/her strengths, grown wiser in his/her years, and fostered supportive friendships.

Your child would also have received his/her end-of-year examination results. If he/she had done well, congratulations for the outcomes from consistent hard work. If he/she did not do well, it is important to discuss with your child where he/she can do better. Is it about being more focused, and less distracted by digital devices and social media?

Together with the students, we have also discussed and finalised an updated set of mobile device usage guidelines. The guidelines can be found on page 6 of this letter.

As a school, we have accomplished much this school term. Our students have done very well in the national science olympiads, language competitions and many other national platforms. This is potential unleashed.

Come 2025, Compassvale Secondary School will be commemorating our 25th anniversary. Preparations are underway, for us to weave the significance of 25 years since school founding, into our students' school experiences. We will share more next year. Stay tuned!

The coming year-end holidays are an important period for your child to recharge. Are there any interest areas that took a backseat during the school term? It's time to start exploring! How about spending time together as a family? This is important too!

Once again, we thank you for your partnership and support this year. Have a joyful and restful break ahead.

#RealisingTheStarWithin

A Message from the School Leadership Team

Term 4 Highlights

Our Achievements

Admin Matters in preparation for 2025

The School Leadership Team,
Mr Chua Tung Kian, Mr Sukhdev Singh, Mrs Jacqueline Tang

Graduation Day 2024 - 'Life, a journey full of adventures!'

25 Sept was a special day for our graduating cohort of 2024. It marked the end of their official curriculum in CVSS and the beginning of new possibilities as they geared up for the last lap of preparations for the national exams, before embarking on the next exciting phase in their life journey!

As the student valedictorians gave heartfelt speeches on stage, and class videos featuring footage of school memories were played, many Sec 4s and 5s in the audience were visibly moved. Surely, the many beautiful memories and lasting friendships made in CVSS will stay close to their hearts.

The graduands also went on an Encouragement Walk, where they were warmly greeted by their Sec 1 to 3 juniors who lined the corridors around the school compounds, offering their well wishes to their outgoing seniors.

Happy Graduation, and Shine your Light in the journey ahead, North Stars!



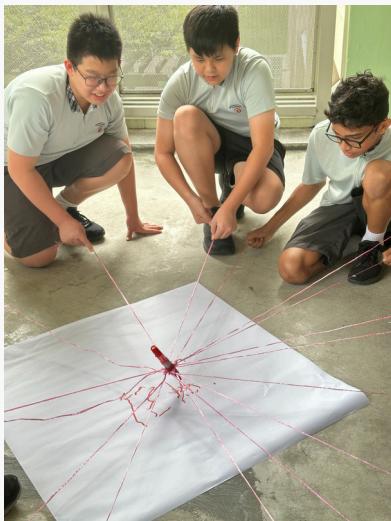
Games Day

CVSS Games Day, now in its second year since its inception in 2023, was a vibrant celebration of talent, resilience, and unity. Our North Stars lit up the stage with incredible performances and displayed fierce determination in both sports and e-sports. Alongside the excitement of carnival games and delicious treats like popcorn and ice cream, our students showcased exceptional class spirit, teamwork, and sportsmanship. It was an inspiring and unforgettable event organised by the Games Day Student Committee.



STAR3 Programme

Our **Sec 1** North Stars participated in The Leadership Challenge and collaborated to complete activities like writing a word by holding ends of strings tied to a marker. They participated in sports like Kinball, Bowling, Inline Skating or Archery through the Sports Education Programme. They also showcased their creativity as they designed and created keychains during the Art Enrichment Programme. In addition, North Stars also built and flew their own gliders on the Applied Learning Programme (ALP) Makers' Day.

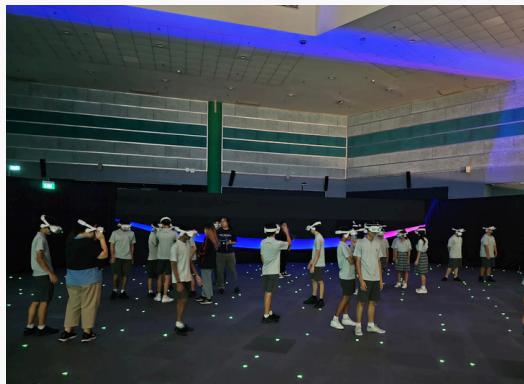


Sec 1 Sports Education Programme (Bowling)

Sec 1 Leadership Challenge

Sec 1 ALP Makers Day

Our **Sec 2** North Stars picked up a new sport, such as Kinball, Bowling, Inline Skating, or Archery. Through immersive VR, they were also transported 400 kilometers above Earth into the International Space Station, when they visited the Space Explorer Exhibition. They also had a hand at creating a Batik art piece. In addition, they went through the Subject Combination Option Exercise Engagement, to help them make informed decisions at this critical juncture.



Sec 2 Space Explorer Exhibition



Sec 2 Batik Art Painting

Our **Sec 3** North Stars took the chance to better understand the various post-secondary & career opportunities available through an industry learning journey and sharing by professionals from various industries.



Sec 3 Industry Learning Journeys



Sec 3 Sharing by Professionals

Term 4 Highlights

SG-China Overseas Learning Experience

The SG-China Overseas Learning Experience (OLE) offered our North Stars an enriching and immersive journey through the rich cultural heritage and technological advancements of China. Over the course of eight days, they explored iconic sites such as Shanghai's Duoyun Academy, The Bund and the scenic West Lake in Hangzhou, experiencing a seamless blend of tradition and innovation. Visits to renowned tech hubs like Alibaba, Geely Corporation, and the Volkswagen Intelligent Manufacturing Workshop provided invaluable insights into China's leadership in global innovation. Additionally, school exchanges at SIP Xingyang School and SIP Xinggang School fostered meaningful cross-cultural connections, adding a deeply personal and educational dimension to their experience.

This OLE not only expanded our North Stars' understanding of China's historical and modern-day achievements but also sharpened their leadership, communication, and critical thinking skills. The journey concluded with a capstone reflection, where they synthesized their experiences and insights gained along the way. From ancient landmarks to cutting-edge technological advancements, the SG-China OLE was a transformative journey that broadened perspectives and inspired a deeper sense of global awareness.



Graduation Ball

On 15 November, CVSS celebrated the Class of 2024 at their Graduation Ball, hosted at Marriott Singapore Tang Plaza Hotel. With the theme Winter's Constellations, the ballroom transformed into a magical setting of icy elegance, symbolizing the students' resilience and fresh beginnings as they move into the next chapter. The afternoon was filled with laughter, musical and dance performances, and heartfelt speeches, celebrating the memories and milestones of their school journey. This memorable event honored the graduates' achievements, friendships, and growth, capturing the spirit of gratitude, hope, and excitement for all that lies ahead.



Singapore Environment Council School Green Awards

Vanda Miss Joaquim Award - Pinnacle Award

'Saya Boleh Mengarang' 2024 Essay Writing Competition

Muhammad Syazwan Bin Mansor (4E4) (Gold with Distinction/ 3rd Placing)

Nur Amirah Fahimah Binte Shariffudin (4N2) (Gold)

Nurin Naimi Binte Ahmad Zainuddin (4N2) (Gold)

Nur Sara Aqyla Binte Soffian (3E4) (Silver)

Annisa Aurelia Mufthi (3E2) (Silver)

Anaqah Syuhrah Putri Aviansyah (2-5) (Silver)

Mariam Arkan (1-1) (Bronze)

Mohammad Tengku Umar Bin Feizal (1-5)(Bronze)

Nurziah Sofea Ocampo Bin Adam (1-5)(Bronze)

Mohamad Ikhsan Isa Chua (2-5)(Bronze)

Alya Nur Nazeeaha Binte Abdul Noorzai (2-8)(Bronze)

Nur Dzukhyra Binte Mohd Dzulfaqar (2-8)(Bronze)

Nur Adliana Naura Binte Zulkifli (3N3)(Bronze)

Nyla Natasha Binte Mohamad Hazlan (3N3)(Bronze)

Siti Habibah Binte Hermie (3N3)(Bronze)

Azri Raihan Bin Amran (4E2)(Bronze)

Malay Language Scrabble Competition

2nd Place in the Lower Secondary Team Category

Anaqah Syuhrah Putri Aviansyah (2-5)

Daania Falisha Binte Suhaimi (2-4)

Falisyah Ariana Binte Mohamed Yusof (2-4)

Marsya Sairish Binte Mohammad Saiful (2-4)

2nd Place in the Individual Lower Sec Category

Anaqah Syuhrah Putri Aviansyah (2-5)

Penarik Emasku Writing Competition 2024

Lower Secondary (Gold)

Mariam Arkan (1-1)

Nur Jasmine Qalesya Binte Fathul Rahman (1-2)

Nur Dalisha Imani Binte Muhammad Azhar (1-2)

Amelie Shaw Binte Dino Shaw (1-5)

Muhammad Rafiqi Bin Muhammad Ridzuan (1-6)

Darya I-Nur Binte Muhammad Nazri (1-7)

Syarifah Dina Qistina Binte Syed Akbar (1-8)

Nur Intantiara Mohamad Sidek (1-9)

Aniq Darwisyah Bin Shahrul (2-2)

Sharifah Nurshifa Binte Sheikh Mohammad Hafiz (2-3)

Daania Falisha Binte Suhaimi (2-4)

Falisyah Ariana Binte Mohamed Yusof (2-4)

Anaqah Syuhrah Putri Ariansyah (2-5)

Nadeer Bin Omar (2-7)

Upper Secondary (Gold)

Norzulfadhli Haqeem Zulkiffli (3E2)

Nur 'Ayuni Dini Binte Amsar Sofean (3N3)

Siti Habibah Binte Hermie (3N3)

Nur Zirah Aqilah Binte Zulkifle (3N3)

Singapore Junior Biology Olympiads

Teo Jia En (4E4) Gold

Melody Lim Zi Xuan (4E3) Bronze

Dylan Ong Chong Jin (4E3) Bronze

Toh Seraphina (4E4) Bronze

Leong An Zhi, Jonas (4E4) Bronze

Singapore Junior Chemistry Olympiads

Leong An Zhi, Jonas (4E4) Merit

Singapore Junior Physics Olympiads

Tee Shi Bin Felix (4E4) Bronze

Arora Suhani (3E4) Bronze

Gioven Tan (3E4) Bronze

Singapore Physics League

Honourable Mention

Tee Shi Bin, Felix (4E4)

Ivaan Lam Kun Yie (4E4)

Haldar Priyesh Shyamsunder (4E4)

Live on Festival (LOF) Design Competition 2024

Dana Chian (2-6) (Distinction)

13th National Create Your Own Newspaper Competition (第13届全国编采比赛)

Lower Secondary Category: First Position

Chen Ho Yan (2-2)

Lim Mei En (2-2)

Tai Weng Lok (2-2)

Tay Wei Jun Gerald (2-2)

Koh Hui Khee Vivia (2-4)

Upper Secondary Category: Second Position

Er Bo Xuan (3E4)

Dong Qiyuan (3E4)

Tang Zi Feng (3E3)

Lee Zi Hao (3E2)

Janice Tey Wen Xuan (3E2)

National School Games Floorball C Div -

Sportsmanship Award

Lee Quan Jun Jayden (2-7)

Alisha Qistina Bte Alaudin (2-5)

Ong Mao Zi, Ivan (2-4)

Auji Rifqah Bte Rudy (2-1)

Associate of the Academy of Singapore Teachers 2024

Mdm Preeti Kulkarni (Innovator Award)

Mobile Devices Policy (Smartphones and Smartwatches)

We want to promote a safe digital learning environment that helps students self-regulate their digital device use. Learning takes place best in the classroom when distractions such as smartphones and smartwatches are removed.

To encourage greater ownership, we engaged the entire student community on the last day of school on the mobile devices policy. Arising from the engagement and choices made by the student community, we will be updating the school rules in the 2025 Student Handbook as follows:

- Smartphones and smartwatches are **not allowed** to be used during curriculum and CCA hours. This includes the changeover time for lessons. **Smartphones must be kept in students' personal lockers during lessons.**
- Smartphones may only be taken out of the lockers during recess, self-study periods and after the last lesson of the day.
- Smartphones and smartwatches are **not allowed to be used in all classrooms and all special rooms** at any time of the day (e.g. NFS kitchens, D&T workshops, design studios, art room, music room, computer labs, block D rooms, hall etc).
- Students are **not allowed to use their smartphones and/or smartwatches for gaming both inside and outside of the library**. Students may use their Personal Learning Devices (PLDs) and smartphones for schoolwork only.
- Students **caught gaming on their PLDs during lessons or at no-gaming zones** in the school (classrooms, special rooms, library) **will have an offence of defiance entered into their personal school record** from the second offence.
- Students who breach rules regarding the use of smartphones and/or smartwatches will have their devices confiscated until the end of the school day for the first two offences. Parents will be asked to retrieve the confiscated devices from school from the student's third offence.
- Students are not allowed to bring mobile speakers to school or play music loudly with their devices.
- Students should bear responsibility for the safekeeping of their devices.

School Attire

Student will continue to **report to school every day in half-uniform** (PE T-shirt with pants for upper secondary boys/ shorts for lower secondary boys/ skirt for girls), as we continue to strike a balance between standards of grooming and the comfort and well-being of our students.

- Students may also choose to wear their full uniform.
- Other school-sanctioned tops that can be worn include school official committee tees (e.g. games day committee, orientation committee, student leadership board tees) and Secondary 1 OAL camp tees.
- Students will change into their PE attire for PE lessons, and change out thereafter.
- Students will be allowed to wear their **CCA T-shirts on their CCA days** in place of their PE top.

Farewell

The following staff will be leaving CVSS at the end of this year.

We thank them for their contributions, and wish them all the best as they embark on their next stage of growth and professional development.

- Year Head: Mrs Lee Sing Yee (HQ Posting)
- HOD PE/CCA: Mr Leong Hon Fai (HQ Posting)
- ECG Counsellor: Ms Adeline Teo (School Posting)
- Mr Goh Keng Chuan (School Posting)
- Mdm Jamaliah Bte Mohamed Saleh (School Posting)
- Mr Mohammad Firuz Bin Mustapha (School Posting)
- Mdm Yang Jie (NIE)

