



TERMLY LETTER

Vision

Achievers rooted in values, soaring beyond limits.

Mission

To nurture and inspire students to be self-directed learners, gracious and resilient, serving beyond self.

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Dear Parents/Guardians

Thank you for your supportive partnership in your child/ward's education, particularly in these unprecedented times. Our staff are especially grateful for your support in ensuring that your child/ward continues to learn through Full Home-Based Learning (HBL). In addition, thank you for keeping our school safe in Term 2 by reinforcing the importance of and modelling good hygiene practices and Safe Management Measures (SMM) with your child/ward.

We celebrate our students' resilience and self-leadership as they rose to the occasion to take ownership and leadership of their learning during HBL. We were heartened to see that the vast majority of our students have grown to be more self-directed learners who were able to complete their daily check-ins, access their HBL instructions and assignments, and participate in online lessons or Form Teacher check-in sessions independently. *Dazhong Dare to Lead!*

Let's Celebrate! ***Dazhong Dare to Lead!***

Academic Achievements

We celebrate the academic achievements of the following students.

No.	Event	Achievement
1	2021 Raffles Scholarship	
	Aaryan Reza Bin Norhisham (6A), Ong Herr You (5A), Tan Ze Zun (Zeng Zijun) (5A)	
2	Singapore Mathematical Olympiad for Primary Schools—Bronze Award	
	Ong Jia Hao (6A), Shi Yi Fan (6A)	
3	Singapore Mathematical Olympiad for Primary Schools— Certificate of Participation	
	Ashlyn Lai Siling (6A), Bireddi Hanshika (6A), Soh Yarapa (6A), Liu Shengda (6P), Wang Shixuan (6P), Govindaraj Nikithaa (5A), Khon Wathan (5A), Lai Jia En Alicia (5A), Liu Qi Heng (5A), Liu Yiyang (5A), Sofia Binte Saharudin (5A), Tan Inn Ru (5A), Willa Lim (5A), Yoon Eunseoh (5A), Chung Sunho (5A), Gundre Daivik Reddy (5A), Hwang Insung (5A), Javan Teh Zhe Zhong (5A), Chloe Liu Xin Yi (5P), Richita Panda (5P), Lacerna Jairus Gabriel Valdez (5P)	
4	Civica Singapore 2020 Tales of 'S' eBook Competition—Young Writer's Award (Published Short Stories)	
	Maniarasan Madhuvadhani (6I 2020), Mumar (6I 2020)	

No.	Event	Achievement
5	Civica Singapore 2020 Tales of 'S' eBook Competition—Published Illustrations	
	Muhammad Haziq Rifqi Bin Anizzam (6E), Soh Yarapa (6A)	
6	6th National Primary School "Picture Book Creation" Competition 2020—Bronze Award (Group 1 and Group 2)	
	Karis Goh (6R 2020), Chong Kaitlyn (6A), Hee Kit Kei (6A), Ju Yuxuan (6A), Shi Yifan (6A), Wong Ying Kee (6A), Charmaine Tok Ke Ying (6P), Chen Jia Jun (6P), Wang Shi Xuan (6P), Emelia Soh (5A)	
7	6th National Primary School "Picture Book Creation" Competition 2020—Best Story Award (Group 3)	
	Tong Cheng Han, Donna (6R 2020), Scarlett Wan Ying (6A), Soh Yarapa (6A), Ong Yu Yan (6P) Lai Jia En Alicia (5A)	

Co-Curricular Achievements

Congratulations to our students for achieving excellence in their co-curricular pursuits!

No.	Event	Achievement
1	Singapore Youth Festival (SYF) Art Exhibition 2021—Certificate of Recognition (Category A and Category B)	
	Chew Xin Yu (2P), Glenys Fong Ji Tong (2P) Grace Jade Teo (2E), Soon Kai Lin (2E), Sai Sachinkumar Santhosh (2P), Marc Josiah Tjoa (2G), Yoong En Yun Jeslene (2G)	
	Rainie Goh Yee Shan (4I), Thaddeus Wan Zhe (4I), Lim Hao Jun Ayden (4A), Niko Ashlee Chaw Binte Mohammad Faizal (3E), Jenelyn Soh Yi Xin (3E), Wang Qiaoran (3A)	
	Singapore Youth Festival (SYF) Art Exhibition 2021—Certificate of Participation (Category C)	
	Aryaa Della Binte Moch Ridzwandi (6R), Danish Anaqi Zikry Bin Zainal (6R), Jimenez Daniella Baldos (6A), Charmaine Tok Ke Ying (6P), Cheyenne Ho Xin En (6P), Ong Yu Yan (6P), Wong Yu Le Skyler (6P), Delos Reyes Christina Serame (5A), Khon Wathan (5A), Tan Tze Zun (5A)	
2	CCA Brownies - West Division Day Competition 2021 (WDD 2021) (a) Get Creative with TikTok: Silver Award (b) Caption the Moment: Silver Award	
	Siti Najwa Syuhada Binte Suhaimi (6I), Nur Haziqah Binte Mohamad Nezam (6R), Dania Iman Binte Noor Iskandar (6P), Is'na Qisreisya (6P), Lau En Tong (5A), Fella Keysha Binte Mohamed Rizal (4I), Amber Loh Zhiqi (4P), Fatiha Tasnim (3A), Liu Jia Jun (3G), Nur Dafinah Aliyah Binte Muhammad Ariff (3G)	
3	(a) 2021 N Cube National Chinese Calligraphy Competition (N³ NCCC)—Primary School Group, First Prize (Pen Calligraphy Category) (b) 2021 32nd National Student's Chinese Calligraphy Competition—Primary School Group, First Prize	
	Ju Yuxuan (6A)	
4	The Straits Times School Pocket Money Fund (STSPMF) Capital Group Talent Award 2021	
	Muhammad Hakeemi Bin Razeki (6E)	

No.	Event	Achievement
5	National Schools Wushu Championship	Ju Yuxuan (6A) (1st International Cudget—5th Position) Wong Xiao Dan (6R), Huynh Nghieudan, Jessica (6R) (1st International Nan Gun—8th position) Participation: Goh Yu Ze (6A), Royce Lim (6A), Cheng Keng Win (6P), Toh Chi Rui (6P), Xavier Eng Jun Chen (6P)
6	Chinese Street Dance Competition 2021 (April 2021)—Finalist and Certificate of Participation	Fang Xiyuan (6A), Tyara Mysarah Binte Aziz (6A), Yee Hui Wen (6A), Natasha Chean (6P), Willa Lim (5A), Yoon Eunseoh (5A), Ciochina Iuliana (5P), Huang Xueqi (4I), Hsu Mon Naing (4A), Boo Wen Qi (4P)
7	World Water Day 2021 Poster Making Competition—Certificate of Participation	Alexis Chong Hui Xuan (4I), Dawne Yeo Yu Han (4I), Liew Qiu Xiang (4I), Lim Rui En (4I), Rainie Goh Yee Shan (4I), Rowe Asha Widyarani (4I)

ST 1.1 Nurturing the Whole Child—Learner Excellence

Updates on Academic Progress

Towards the end of each term, reviews are conducted to assess the academic progress of our students. The Assessment Weighting is stated below. As parents/guardians, we seek your partnership in growing your child/ward as a self-directed learner by encouraging and affirming him/her on the progress made, discussing his/her strengths and interests based on various school experiences, and planning together to develop him/her in both academic and non-academic domains.

Assessment Weighting for 2021 (for English, Mathematics, Mother Tongue Languages, Science)

Level	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
Primary 1	Unweighted assessments throughout the year			
Primary 2				
Primary 3	10% (WA)	15% (WA)	15% (WA)	60% (SA2)
Primary 4	10% (WA)	30% (SA1)	10% (WA)	50% (SA2)
Primary 5	10% (WA)	15% (WA)	15% (WA)	60% (SA2)
Primary 6	0% (UA)	30% (SA1)	70% (Prelims)	PSLE

Examination Grading System Updates for P5 and P6: Based on new 2021 PSLE Scoring

P5 and P6 Standard:

Achievement Level (AL)	Mark Range
AL 1	90 to 100
AL 2	85 to 89
AL 3	80 to 84
AL 4	75 to 79
AL 5	65 to 74
AL 6	45 to 64
AL 7	20 to 44
AL 8	Less than 20

P5 and P6 Foundation:

Achievement Level	Equivalent Standard AL	Mark Range
A	AL 6	75 – 100
B	AL 7	30 to 74
C	AL 8	Below 30

Higher Mother Tongue Language:

Grade	Mark Range
Distinction	More than 80
Merit	65 – 79
Pass	50 – 64
U (Ungraded)	Below 50

Term 2 Highlights**Nature through Drama 2021**

This year, Dazhong Primary School collaborated with NParks for their Science Communication for Community in Nature Ambassadors Programme called Nature through Drama 2021. The following students are ambassadors for nature who filmed themselves acting in a drama titled “Otter Chaos”. Through this drama, they engaged in outreach to the general public to encourage them to appreciate Singapore’s biodiversity and contribute to the conservation of our natural heritage.

Student Participants

Deq Qsyairina Binte Mohamed Azhar (4E), Bryan Chua Yi Jie (4E), Sathikumar Sanjeeth (4P), Nur Fatini Asyirah Binte Abdullah (5R), Nur Afrina Binte Affandi (5E), Chin Xuan Ning (5A), Govindaraj Nikithaa (5A), Liu Yiyang (5A), Ong Herr You (5A), Low Min Ho (5P), Mohamed Rezky Yasser (5P), Qysz Adreanna Binte Abdullah (5P)

Hari Raya e-Celebrations 2021

The Hari Raya Aidilfitri celebration was held from 17 to 21 May 2021. Students were engaged in an interactive programme via the Student Learning Space (SLS) on Thursday, 20 May and Character and Citizenship Education (CCE) lessons from 17 to 21 May. Through meaningful videos and interactive activities within the online lessons, students gained insight into how Muslims celebrated Hari Raya differently in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic and how they demonstrated our school values during the fasting month. The celebrations were aligned to the Dazhong distinctive programmes of Arts Education (Learning for Life Programme) and Green Makers@Dazhong (our Applied Learning Programme) so as to develop an interest in the arts and an innovative, problem-solving disposition in our students.

Dare Challenge 2021

Back by popular demand, students are encouraged to take part in Dare Challenge 2021 during the June Holidays. They can make observations around their house to Discover how waste is produced, then Define for themselves a waste challenge they want to solve. Subsequently, they should Develop an innovative solution, then record/capture how well it Delivers the results! Attractive prizes such as MBot Kits stand to be won. Do encourage your child/ward to participate and get the whole family involved in the creative fun! Click on this link: <http://tinyurl.com/DareChallenge>

ST 1.2 Nurturing the Whole Child—Character Excellence

Term 2 Highlights

Catch You Doing Good (CYDG) Movement goes Online!

With the commencement of HBL, we have once again brought our CYDG Movement online to the various level CYDG Padlet boards, which are linked to the school's HBL Google Site. By catching our students as they do good, we hope to continue to inspire a spirit of appreciation in students and strengthen our Culture of Care. We hope students, parents/guardians and staff will be encouraged by the various notes of appreciation highlighting the good deeds and positive actions of our students in the CYDG Padlet boards. We are counting on your continued support to motivate your child/ward to be gracious and practise self-leadership during HBL and the June Holidays!

DZ Got Talent (DZGT)

Our yearly talent show is back! **DZ Got Talent**, a special VIA project led by our prefects, was launched in Term 1 2021 with calls for online audition submissions via SLS until end Term 2 (31 May 2021). To date, we have received **more than 140** DZGT audition submissions! As we look through the submissions, we are impressed by the talent and initiative demonstrated by our students and cannot wait to share with all the list of finalists in Term 3. Thank you for partnering us to nurture our students holistically so that they can discover their strengths and develop the Dazhong Dare to Lead spirit!

Bringing Arts to the Community

1) PassionArts Festival 2021—Collaboration with Hong Kah North Community Club

Dazhong Primary School will be collaborating with Hong Kah North Community Club during the **PassionArts Festival 2021** happening in late July/early August 2021. The **PassionArts Festival 2021** will showcase a wide array of performances that will be held virtually, including creative arts activities and community display projects done by primary schools, secondary schools and residents in our HDB neighbourhoods and private estates. We are heartened to see many of our students participating in these online activities to showcase their creativity and artistic talents. We seek parents/guardians' support as our students prepare for their performances. Look out for more information on the performances in Term 3!

Performing Arts / Visual Art CCAs	Description
Choir	<u>Collaboration with Methodist Girls' School (Secondary) (MGS)</u> Members of the Dazhong Choir will collaborate with MGS on a performing arts collaboration project and performance.
Dance	Dance Club students will be showcasing their vibrant and joyful dance virtually.
Junior Orchestra	<u>Collaboration with Methodist Girls' School (Secondary) (MGS)</u> Members of the Junior Orchestra (JO) will collaborate with and be mentored by MGS in a performing arts collaboration project. There will be a string ensemble with percussion performance and a Winds ensemble with percussion performance.
Visual Art	<u>Arts Giant Plank project</u> Our students, staff and PSG will be invited to paint on four huge Art Giant Planks, which will be displayed in the areas surrounding Dazhong Primary School and Hong Kah North Community Club.

2) SYFGoesOnline! Showcase

In view of HBL and the latest COVID-19 measures, the Singapore Youth Festival (SYF) 2021 Arts Celebrations has been renamed **SYFGoesOnline!** with all components of the arts activities pivoted online. **SYFGoesOnline!** is a virtual arts festival by students from Singapore schools that showcases the creativity, vibrancy, and resilience of our youths as our nation stands united in the face of current challenges. Like last year, this year's Singapore Youth Festival (SYF) will be held virtually to enable students to continue engaging in the arts.

Through fun and easy-to-follow mini online projects involving Art, Dance, Music and Drama, **SYFGoesOnline!** brings together the voices of youths to express our hopes, dreams and desire to uplift and inspire. Students can take part and showcase their talents in Art Labs, DanceVerve 21, Let's Jam Together, SYFplaysON!, helloSYF or even Young Playwright Presents! Please visit this website for more details: <https://www.syf.gov.sg/syfgoesonline/2021-syfgoesonline/home-1>



3) SYF Art Exhibition 2021

The SYF Art Exhibition provides opportunities for students to showcase their artistic talents and to promote art appreciation in our schools. The exhibition celebrates the Artist in every student and signifies access to art for every student through the art curriculum in schools. This year, the theme **Artist and Technology** aims to highlight the artist's role in utilising technology (past, present and future) to explore and express their views about how technology has shaped our lives. Our teams won the **Certificate of Recognition for 2 categories (Category A and Category B)**. Congratulations to all participants for your hard work and achievements.

ST 2 Empowering and Engaging Staff for Professional Excellence and Leadership

We congratulate the following staff for their achievements and appreciate their spirit of excellence and leadership in contributing to the school:

Staff Recognition—Our teachers have continuously served beyond self to add value to the teaching fraternity.

No.	Appreciation for Staff Contribution
1	Teacher-Led Workshops (TLW) The following teachers were engaged in professional sharing for teachers in the fraternity through the facilitation of Teacher-led Workshops (TLW): <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Mr Kenneth Wong Chee Kian, Ms Vinotheni Vatatheeswaran and Mdm Ong Xuan Wan: Tech-enabled Science Inquiry- Mr Ho Kok Soon, Mrs Yap-Ong Shi Ting and Ms Emmeline Yu Minli: Gamification in Primary Mathematics- Mdm Ng Boon Shuen, Ms Ting Ning Xin Jessie and Mdm Sun I-Feng: Acquire Words and Story Concept Through Game-Based Learning (CL)
2	Redesigning Pedagogy International Conference 2021 The Redesigning Pedagogy International Conference (RPIC) is a biennial flagship conference hosted by the National Institute of Education. It aims to provide a global platform for researchers, educational leaders, practitioners, and policymakers to collectively generate creative solutions, and to actively exchange research and educational ideas and experiences between and across local, regional and international educational communities.

	The research paper 'MOOD Creation through the Arts' written by Mrs Dawn Kuah (Subject Head/Aesthetics) and Ms Chang Meishan (Senior Teacher/Art) has been selected and successfully published at NIE's website. The published materials will be available via this website for a year: https://www.nie.edu.sg/redesigning-pedagogy-international-conference/symposium-workshop-and-poster-presentations
3	STAR Champion Music Share Fair @ Singapore Teachers' Academy for the aRts (STAR) Mrs Dawn Kuah (Subject Head/Aesthetics) represented school to share her Music Blended Learning Module package with Music STAR Champions from North, South, East and West Zones. We thank her for her contribution to the music fraternity.
4	6th National Primary School "Picture Book Creation" Competition 2020—Certificate of Appreciation for Teacher Facilitators Ms Chen Li Qin, Ms Lin Meiling, Mdm Yap Lay Hong

Staff Matters

We bid farewell to the following staff and thank them for their service to the school and the education fraternity:

1. Mrs Loh Keng Ming (EL & MA)
2. Mr Saik Weng Loong Benny (MA & SC)

Nomination of Staff for Awards (Internal)

Thank you for your generous nominations of our staff for the previous round of staff awards!

We are calling for nominations for the following staff award. Please take note of the intent of the award and the closing date for nominations. We will be collating nominations for Dazhong staff via this link: <https://go.gov.sg/dznominate>. You may also scan the QR Code to access the form.



Award	Intent of Award	Closing Date
Listening Educator for Advancement and Progress (LEAP) Award	To recognise exceptional teachers who have made a difference in the lives of their pupils. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Passionate in teaching and nurture students from the heart - Create a positive impact on student's character development - Use innovative and effective methods to motivate students and make a difference in their lives 	Friday, 25 June

Staff Appreciation @ Dazhong

We would like to invite you to share your appreciation for our staff who have demonstrated dedication and excellence. Your appreciation notes will spur us on to do even better! Please send any compliments for our staff to <https://go.gov.sg/dzpsappreciates> or scan this QR Code for easy access.



Do look out for information on good work by our staff displayed on the noticeboards near the school gate.

ST 3 Engaging Partnerships for Support

Every Parent A Supportive Partner

Dads for Life @ Dazhong

Thank you fathers for continuing to be part of your child's growing years!

On 13 March, our Dazhong fathers and children went on a Green Trail around Hong Kah North. During the trail, they explored the surrounding greenery and discovered the various green initiatives by the community.



Parents Support Group (PSG)

Sincere appreciation to our PSG members who contributed to Dazhong's rooftop greenery and collaborated with ambassadors from NParks to contribute towards our environment. We would also like to thank PSG members for their support in school programmes such as the P4 Swimsafer Programme and decorating and setting up attractive booths prior to International Friendship Day (IFD) 2021.

Safety and Security / Other Administrative Matters

Safe Management Measures (SMMs)

Thank you for helping to keep the school a safe place for our staff and students. While most of our staff have been vaccinated against COVID-19, our students are not. We seek your cooperation not to send your child/ward to school when he/she is **unwell** but to bring him/her to consult a doctor instead. We also seek your understanding that if an **adult** household member is sick with Acute Respiratory Infection (e.g. cough, fever, flu-like symptoms), parents/guardians will need to **keep** their child/ward at home and notify their child/ward's teachers.

TraceTogether Tokens

In support of our national effort to fight COVID-19, please allow your child/ward to carry the TraceTogether (TT) Tokens with him/her at all times. Nonetheless, please be assured that we will not deny your child entry to the school if he/she forgets to bring the TT Tokens to school. If the TT Token is damaged, battery depleted or misplaced, you should make your way to the nearest community club to get a replacement.

2021 Primary One Registration Exercise

We have informed parents/guardians of the registration of children for admission to Primary 1 in 2022 in our letter dated 26 Apr 2021 (Ref: DZPS/2021/0081) via Parents Gateway.

Phase 1 registration is for a Singapore Citizen (SC) or Permanent Resident (PR) child born between 2 Jan 2015 and 1 Jan 2016 (both dates inclusive) and has a sibling studying in our school. If you have a SC or PR child eligible for Phase 1, please submit the online form at this link by **31 May 2021**: <https://go.gov.sg/p1onlineform>. The school will contact you should additional clarification and/or documents be required.

If your child is non-SC/non-PR and thus not eligible for Phase 1, please submit an online Indication of Interest form between 1 and 7 June 2021 at this link: <http://go.gov.sg/P1reg>.

You may refer to the MOE website at <http://go.gov.sg/P1reg> for updates on the 2021 P1 Registration exercise. Please do not hesitate to contact our P1 Registration Administration Team at Tel: 6565 8002 or email dazhong_ps@moe.edu.sg if you require any assistance in this matter.

School Dental Services

Please note that the school dental services will NOT be available until further notice from the Ministry of Health (MOH). Students who require **emergency** dental treatment can call the School Dental Centre at Tel: 64353782 for an appointment.

Singapore Police Force Advisory to Students for Mid-Year Holidays

We seek your cooperation to share the advisory from the Singapore Police Force, Central Narcotics Bureau, National Crime Prevention and National Council against Drug Abuse (Annex A) with your child/ward to remind them of the dire consequences of committing crime and drug/inhalant abuse and the measures to take to avoid being victims of crime.

Every Dazhong student is expected to conduct himself/herself in an appropriate manner and demonstrate our school values (IREAP) through their actions. They should follow all COVID-19 SMM rules (e.g. wearing masks at all times, safe distancing, etc.). We thank all parents/guardians for helping to educate your child/ward on good character, values and habits, especially during this upcoming June school holidays.

Stay safe and healthy, and have a meaningful June holiday!



Mdm Rina Yap Siu Lin
Principal