



TERMLY LETTER

Vision

Self-Directed Learner, Serving Leader, Concerned Citizen

Mission

To nurture and empower achievers who strive, lead and serve, anchored on values.

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

1. Welcome to an exciting Term 3 filled with enriching learning experiences where Dazhong students will be **Excited, Engaged** and **Empowered** to become **Aware** of important issues, take necessary **Action** and even step up to be **Advocates** who encourage others. We seek your continued support as we continue to develop our Dazhong students as **self-directed learners, serving leaders and concerned citizens**.

Dazhong 85th Anniversary Updates

2. In commemoration of our 85th Anniversary, we look forward to your support at our **Community Day & Eco Carnival** (1 July, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.) and the **Dare to Shine ARTS Fest!** (29 July, 1 p.m. to 2.30 p.m.) You can purchase the carnival booklet, priced at \$30, at the school premises on the day of the Carnival. The Dare to Shine ARTS Fest! will be held at ACS (Independent), Centre of Performing Arts at 2 Dover Road. Use the link here (go.gov.sg/dzartfest) to register and then you may proceed to pay and collect the tickets at our school's General Office between 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. during the school days. Each seat at the ARTS Fest is \$10. All proceeds collected from the two events will go towards helping the needy students in Dazhong, so every sign-up counts!

Termly School Calendar

3. Please refer to the Term 3 School Calendar attached as **Annex A** for details on termly activities. Do take note of the school holidays and home-based learning days and make the necessary childcare arrangements.

Event/Activity	Date	Remarks
Youth Day	3 July (Monday)	School Holiday
Home-based learning day	28 July (Friday)	For all levels
National Day Celebrations	8 August (Tuesday)	School ends at: 9:40 a.m. for P1 and P2 10.00 a.m. for P3 to P6
National Day Holiday	9 August (Wednesday)	Public Holiday
National Day Holiday In Lieu	10 August (Thursday)	School Holiday

PSLE Oral Examinations	15 & 16 August (Tuesday & Wednesday)	Home-based learning for P1 to P5 students
Teachers' Day	1 September (Friday)	School Holiday

Dazhong Dare to Shine!

Academic and Co-Curricular Achievements

4. Congratulations to our students for achieving excellence in their various pursuits!

No.	Event / Achievement
1	Voices of Singapore Children's Choir (VOSCC) Singapore admission (June intake 2023)
	Low Yu Xin (4A), Vinod Jovianne Elisabeth (5E), Li Yuanchang (5A), Ong Ren Kai (5A), Veerasamy Jagadesh Rakshitha (5A), Hnin Thant Thawda (6A)

ST 1 Holistic Development of a Dazhong Student

'NLB Read for Books' Charity Drive 2023

5. Read for Books, a charity book drive by the National Library Board, aims to **celebrate and share the joy of reading**. For every 10 individuals who read for 15 minutes, 1 book will be donated to selected beneficiaries.
6. From **1 to 31 July**, our teachers and students will come together during English and Mother Tongue Language lessons to read for 30 minutes. With our reading efforts and the generous donations of 2023 sponsors, NLB will be donating books to WondeRead, an initiative that brings the library closer to children aged 7-17 years old from less privileged backgrounds by providing reading opportunities through free reading materials.

Singapore Youth Festival 2023 Celebrations

7. Six of our Junior Orchestra students from the Percussion section will be representing Dazhong Primary School in the upcoming Singapore Youth Festival 2023 Celebrations – Festival Concert on **Saturday, 1 July** at the Esplanade Theatre. Minister Chan Chun Sing will be gracing the SYF Arts Celebration Opening ceremony. This performance is in collaboration with students from 5 other schools, namely Mayflower Secondary School, Victoria School, Montfort Secondary School, St. Anthony's Canossian Secondary School and Opera Estate Primary School and will feature Ethnic Fusion instruments. May our students shine at the concert!

P4 Swimsafer Programme

8. As part of the Physical Education curriculum, the school is introducing the SwimSafer 2.0 Programme for our P4 students. The 8-session programme will be conducted in **Term 3 on Wednesdays (4I, 4R & 4E) and Fridays (4A, 4P)**. The practical assessment will be held at the last session. Please refer to the school calendar for the dates and prepare your child/ward for the sessions.

Primary 5 National Education (NE) Show

9. Since 1997, as part of the National Education programme, all P5 students are given a special preview of the National Day Parade (NDP). This year's NE Show will be held at the Padang. Our Primary 5 students will be attending the **NE Show on Saturday, 8 July**. This event is a milestone

programme and a cohort NE experience for our Primary 5 students. Attendance for the event is compulsory. More details will be provided in a separate letter to the students involved.

Racial Harmony Day (RHD) Celebrations

10. The Racial Harmony Day Celebrations will take place from **Wednesday, 19 July to Friday, 21 July**. We hope to nurture students' **citizenship dispositions** through joyful learning experiences while showing **care for the environment**. Students will have the opportunity to understand traditional values and cultural practices across ethnicities. They will also gain awareness of **positive cyber relationships** and **cyber citizenship thinking and actions** through examples of online flaming.

P4 and P6 National Physical Fitness Award (NAPFA) Re-test

11. The Primary 4 and 6 students have successfully completed their NAPFA test in Term 2. Students are expected to pass both the five stations and 1.6km Walk-Run. A re-test on the five stations or 1.6km Walk-Run will be conducted on **Thursday, 3 August** for students who have failed to complete the items. The PE teachers will inform the students who are required to attend the re-test.

58th National Day Celebration with Math Exploration Week

12. Our students will be celebrating National Day in conjunction with Maths Exploration Week from **Thursday, 3 August to Tuesday, 8 August**. This year's theme is **Onward as One!** which encourages Singaporeans to look forward confidently and come together to build a shared future as one united people. Students will develop a deeper understanding as Singaporeans and be aware of the constraints, vulnerabilities, and contemporary realities of Singapore. Through learning about the nation, our students can show continued confidence in the future for Singapore, and be committed to work towards building a Singapore for all. Students are encouraged to come in their **Dare to Scale red t-shirt or any other red t-shirt, school skirt or shorts, and school shoes** on **Tuesday, 8 August**. Please note that school will end at **9.40 a.m.** for Primary 1 and 2 students and at **10.00 a.m.** for Primary 3 to 6 students.

Hong Kah North Community Club (HKNCC) - National Day 58th Birthday Celebration

13. Our selected Junior Orchestra string ensemble students will be collaborating with HKNCC to perform at the National Day 58th celebrations on **Saturday, 5 August**. We are proud of our students for contributing their talent and bringing joy to the community through their music.

Edusave Character Award 2023

14. The Edusave Character Award (ECHA) **enables schools to recognise students who demonstrate exemplary character and outstanding personal qualities through their behaviour and actions**. This is part of the larger goal to foster an inclusive and stronger Singapore as we broaden the qualities and achievements to be encouraged and applauded.
15. At Dazhong Primary School, we believe in nurturing students with good values and character, who are active contributors and concerned citizens. As such, this award further strengthens the school's recognition of students who consistently demonstrate exemplary character and values. We look forward to your partnership in nurturing and developing good character and values in your children/ward, and hence equipping them to become more effective individuals and useful citizens of our society.

ST 2 Empowering and Engaging Staff for Professional Excellence and Leadership
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Staff Recognition

16. We appreciate the following staff for their spirit of excellence and leadership in contributing to the school and teaching fraternity:

No.	Appreciation for Staff Contribution
1	Teachers' Conference and ExCEL Fest (TCEF 2023) The following teachers presented on Transforming Young Lives Through Music: Junior Orchestra, Learning for Life Programme at the TCEF on 31 May 2023: Mrs Dawn Kuah, Mr Lim Wei Heng, Edwin and Mdm Sun I-Feng.

Staff Matters

17. We welcome the following new staff members who have joined our Dazhong family:
- i. Mr Er Wei Leong Leonard (EL and SC teacher)
 - ii. Miss Nur Zulaikha (ML teacher)
 - iii. Mr Tan Weifeng Benny (PE teacher)
 - iv. Mr Teo Kuan Ping Amos (MU teacher)
18. We bid farewell to the following staff and thank them for their service to the school:
- i. Mr Bambang Edy Sugianto (ML teacher)
 - ii. Mdm Yap Lay Hong (CL teacher)

Staff Appreciation @ Dazhong

19. We would like to invite you to share your appreciation for our staff who have demonstrated dedication and excellence. Please send compliments for our staff to <https://go.gov.sg/dzstaffappreciation> or scan this QR code for easy access:



ST 3 Engaging Partnerships for Support

Every Parent A Supportive Partner

Dads for Life @ Dazhong

20. We are encouraged by the number of fathers participating in the Dads for Life (DFL) activities in Semester 1 and look forward to seeing more fathers participating in Semester 2. Do look out for our **DFL event announcements on Parents Gateway** and our very own **Telegram Channel** <https://go.gov.sg/dzdf1-telegram>. Scan the QR code to join:



Parents Support Group (PSG)

21. We look forward to partnering with our parents to further support Dazhong's **green efforts** and **rich school-based learning experiences** such as the Eco Carnival, Extensive Reading Programme and P4 Swimsafer. We would like to thank members of our PSG for helping out with our 85th Anniversary Flea Mart in Term 2. We would also like to thank all parents who have shown their support by purchasing the items on sale and contributing to a good cause. The PSG will also be actively sharing **parenting tips and insights** on **how to support our students' holistic well-being**. Look out for these announcements in the PSG WhatsApp Chat! If you are interested to join our school's PSG, please fill in the application form here: <https://go.gov.sg/dzpsg>



Safety and Security / Other Administrative Matters

2023 Primary One Registration Exercise

22. We have informed parents/guardians of the registration of children for admission to Primary 1 in 2024 in our letter dated 18 April (Ref: DZPS/2023/0101) via Parents Gateway.

23. Phase 1 registration is for a **Singapore Citizen (SC) or Permanent Resident (PR)** child born between 2 January 2017 and 1 January 2018 (both dates inclusive) and has a sibling currently studying in our school. For the 2023 P1 Registration Exercise (2023 P1 Ex), parents who are registering their younger child under Phase 1 are to **register during the Phase 1 registration period in early July 2023**.
24. You may refer to the MOE website at [MOE P1 website](#) for updates on the 2023 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.

Dental Services

25. Please refer to the [Dazhong school website](#) for an update on the school dental services schedule in Term 3. In the event of dental emergencies such as trauma (tooth broken/knocked out), facial/gum swelling or severe toothache during both dental clinic closure, please contact School Dental Centre via email: contact_YPS@hpb.gov.sg.

Student Well-Being—Safety & Security

26. We will be conducting the **Temperature-Taking Exercise on Wednesday, 5 July**. We would like to seek your support in ensuring that your child/ward brings a working Oral Digital Thermometer (ODT) with him/her at all times when he/she is in school.
27. For the safety and security of our students, parents/guardians are not allowed in the school premises unless they are on official matters. Unauthorised visitors will be requested to leave the school compound.
28. All visitors must report to the Security Post first to obtain a visitor's pass. Please note that our staff will re-direct all persons to the General Office if they are seen in areas that they are not authorised to be in. We appeal for your understanding and cooperation in this matter as **the safety of the children is of utmost concern** to us.
29. If your child/ward is unwell, please keep him/her at home regardless of PCR/ART results. Besides the COVID-19 virus, we aim to keep the school safe from other viruses and illnesses so that our schools remain open for our children.
30. Let us have a meaningful and fulfilling Term 3. **Dazhong Dare to Shine!**



Mdm Rina Yap Siu Lin
Principal