



# 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. Thank you for your continued support and partnership in Term 2. We hope you and your child/ward will have a restful June break to recharge for an exciting Term 3. With the easing of COVID-19 measures, we look forward to providing Dazhong students with more opportunities to engage in rich learning experiences to grow as self-directed learners, serving leaders and concerned citizens.

### ***Dazhong Dare to Inspire!***

2. Our inspiring achievements will strengthen Dazhong school pride as we look forward to our **upcoming 85<sup>th</sup> school anniversary in 2023**. We look forward to your strong support to your child/ward in his/her efforts to contribute to school pride. For parents/guardians who are **alumni** of Dazhong, please do step up and volunteer to serve and give back to the school. Simply scan this QR code to join:



### **Dazhong in the News**

3. Dazhong has been featured in the news for our efforts as part of our **Green Makers** programme.

Description	QR Code
Lianhe Zaobao featured how our green efforts followed the <b>3As (Awareness, Action, Advocacy) approach</b> , expressed as a school-wide effort in our Sky Garden and Aeroponics, amongst other activities [ <a href="http://for.edu.sg/dazhonggreenzaobao">for.edu.sg/dazhonggreenzaobao</a> ].	
South West CDC's Bridge publication looked at the <b>exemplary green efforts by Dazhong</b> that were recognised with the <b>Sustainable South West Award</b> [ <a href="http://for.edu.sg/dazhonggreenbridge">for.edu.sg/dazhonggreenbridge</a> and <a href="http://for.edu.sg/dazhonggreenbridge2">for.edu.sg/dazhonggreenbridge2</a> ].	
The Straits Times carried an article where Dazhong was among the <b>top 10 teams in the National Thinkers Challenge</b> , where students work to solve real-world problems using design thinking, a process that emphasises constant innovation and improvement, and artificial intelligence (AI) [ <a href="http://for.edu.sg/dazhongntc">for.edu.sg/dazhongntc</a> ]. The team received \$500 of seed money to work on the next phase of their prototype AI solution.	

### **June Holidays—Dare Challenge**

4. This June Holidays, the Dazhong Dare Challenge 2022 provides opportunities for our students to be **serving leaders** and **concerned citizens** by designing solutions for challenges in the community. This year, the focus is on **fighting climate change through water and energy conservation**. Students are challenged to design a bottle holder that will keep water in the bottle cool without making the earth warmer (i.e. no electricity required; making insulators using recycled materials)! The challenge is open **until Week 1 of Term 3**. For more details, scan this QR code:



### **June Holidays—Dazhong's Got Talent!**

5. **Dazhong's Got Talent! (DZGT)** is being held for the 4th year running! All Dazhong students are welcome to showcase their talents in the following categories: **Vocal, Dance, Visual Art, Variety, Sports (new!) and Green Makers (new!)**. Students are encouraged to be self-directed learners over the June Holidays to submit their audition videos or artworks through Padlet. The DZGT SLS lesson has been assigned to all students on 28 April 2022 to guide them on the submission. The

links to the respective categories' Padlets can also be found in the SLS lesson. **The submission deadline is Sunday, 10 July 2022 (Term 3, Week 2).** There are attractive prizes and certificates to be won, and the best talents will be showcased to the whole school! Join DZGT now!

***Dazhong Dare to Inspire!***

***Academic and Co-Curricular Achievements***

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

No.	Event / Achievement
1	<b>National School Games West Zone Football Competition (Senior Boys)</b>
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Position:</b> Muhammad Irfann Reezqy Bin Sali (6I), Sufyan Hidayat Bin Abdullah (6I), Muhammad Lutfi Hadi Bin Mohammad Sukur (6I), Izz Danial Bin Imran (6I), Ahmad Daniyal Matin Bin Ahmad Nasir (6I), Lim Xuan Hui (6R), Muhammad Thaqif Hafiq Bin Ismadi (6R), Muhammad Aryann Reezqy Bin Sali (6E), Muhammad Danial Ariffin Bin Muhammad Ariff (6E), Sureshkumar Elekkian (6A), Daniel Lee Zi Yan (6P), Kumar Naavalan (6P), Soh Yannaphas (6P), Adam Aaqif Bin Muhammad Haizad (6P)
2	<b>National School Games West Zone Netball Competition (Senior Girls)</b>
	<b>Advanced to Finals (Top 2 schools):</b> Diyanah Nadhirah Binte Zailani (6I), Izny Marsya Darwisyah Binte Kamaruzzaman (6I), Sharanya D/O Maruthappah (6I), Nur Fatini Asyirah Binte Abdullah (6R), Nur Erina Felisha Binte Roy Azmi (6R), Nur Ain Binte Salleh (6R), Bella Ashalina Binte Khairul Shah (6E), Nami Nandana D/O Murugaiya Pillai (6E), Tuffahati Nuha Binte Ahmadwi (6E), Sofia Binte Saharudin (6A), Liu Yiyang (6A), Low Yi Han (6A), Qysz Adreanna Binte Abdullah (6P), Afsheen Inaaya Smith (6P), Ngai Yuk Xin (6P), Joyce Loo Shi En (6P)
3	<b>Brownies- 2022 West Division Day</b>
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Position (Let's Get Physical):</b> Ching Hui Yi (3R), Nur Ayra Natasha Binte Khamsoul (3R), Emma Anne Sta Maria (3E), Ko Qian Han (3E), Nazara Hasya Binte Zazirin (3E), Soon Kai Lin (3A), Ayra Marissa Binte Azahar (3P), Evelina Razalyevna Barik (3P), Zara Quraisha Hairil (3P)
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Position (Eye for Life):</b> Jelita Binte Abdullah (5I), Asheryil Chelvanayagam (5I), Wani Aisyah Binte Nohamed Taib (5I)
4	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Position (Spruce A Bag):</b> Kwek Zi Jun (6I), Esther Poon Qi Hua (6R)
	<b>7th National Primary School "Picture Book Creation " Competition</b>
5	<b>Best Story Award:</b> Tan Tze Zun (6A), Lau En Tong (6A), Liu Qi Heng (6A), Wan Po Jing Elina (6A), Chong Jing Wen Gwenn (6P)
	<b>2022 Awe-Inspiring Virtue and Ocean of Wisdom National Calligraphy Competition</b>
	<b>Culture Award:</b> Nguyen Duc Huy (5A), Chung Sunha (4A)
5	<b>Finalist:</b> Nguyen Duc Huy (5A), Chung Sunha (4A), Qiu Sheng Jie (3R), Chen Mei Tong (3R)

***ST 1 Holistic Development of a Dazhong Student***

**Highlights of School Events**

7. Access our Facebook Page for highlights of school events in Term 2:  
<https://go.gov.sg/dazhongfb>



## Hari Raya Celebrations

8. On **Thursday, 28 April 2022**, we celebrated Hari Raya as a school. With the relaxation of COVID-19 safe distancing measures, our P1 to P3 students could enjoy the Hari Raya Celebrations in the hall this year. Aligned to the school-wide focus on the advocacy of environmental sustainability and our theme of Dare to Inspire, the Hari Raya Celebrations were designed to **advocate for meaningful celebrations** with an emphasis on the **4Rs—Refuse, Reduce, Reuse and Recycle**. As young advocates, our upper primary representatives from each House showcased how they would advocate for the 4Rs through their own creative works. In the end, the Blue House emerged as the winners of this challenge! View the creative video clips via this QR code:



## P5 Green Makers @ Dazhong Programme

9. Our P5 students have completed the “**Smart Homes**” **Green Makers** programme, where they went through the 4D Design Thinking process to **Discover** about Energy Conservation in our homes, **Define** their goal of creating a prototype that uses smart features to solve the energy problem, **Develop** a solution using Scratch to programme an MBot (with features such as sensors, and face and voice recognition) and **Deliver** their prototypes for prototyping.

## Bringing Arts to the Community

### PAassionArts Festival 2022—Collaboration with Hong Kah North Community Club

10. Dazhong will be collaborating with Hong Kah North Community Club (HKNCC) for the **PAassionArts Festival and National Day Celebrations in late July/early August 2022**. There will be a showcase of performances, creative arts activities and community display projects done by primary schools, secondary schools and residents in our neighbourhood. We are heartened to see our students showcasing their creativity and artistic talents in this year’s HKNCC National Day Celebrations. We seek parents/guardians’ support as our students prepare for their performances!

No.	Date/Time	Activity	Performing Arts / Visual Art CCAs	Description
1	June - July	PAassionArts & National Day Statues Making	Visual Art Club	Painting and making of a recycled Singapore Icon
2	30 July, 2pm	National Day Celebration @ West Rocks (Blk 461C Bukit Batok West Avenue 6)	Junior Orchestra (JO) Percussion Section	Live showcase of a percussion performance
3	30 July, 6pm	National Day Celebration @ HKNCC	Choir Dance	Live Choir and Dance performance
4	6 August, 5pm - 7pm	National Day Heartland Celebration @ Field besides Star Vista	JO String Ensemble	Performance showcase by members of the JO String Ensemble who are mentored by Methodist Girls’ School in a performing arts collaboration project

## SYFGoesOnline! 2022 Showcase

11. **SYFGoesOnline!** is a virtual arts festival that showcases the creativity 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) was held virtually to enable students to continue engaging in the arts. Through 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. We thank all students who have taken part and showcased their talents in Art Labs, DanceVerve 22, Let’s Jam Together and SYFplaysON! The SYFGoesOnline! results will be shared after June holidays.

## SYF Arts Presentation 2022

12. The **SYF Arts Presentation** provides opportunities for students to showcase their performing arts talents. Selected P1 to P6 students from the **Junior Orchestra, Choir and Dance Club** will be taking part in this biannual competition in Term 3 2022. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic from 2020 to 2022, there will not be any national benchmarking. All students taking part will receive the school's certification to recognise students for their contributions. We look forward to our students' performances! The schedule is as follows:

SYF Arts Presentation Dates	Primary Level Category / Sub-category
Wednesday, 6 July	International Dance
Friday, 8 July	Junior Orchestra (Instrumental Ensemble—Strings)
Wednesday, 17 August	Junior Orchestra (Flexible Band)
	Junior Orchestra (Percussion)
	Choir

## Arts Education Programme P3 Virtual Violin Recital e-Week

13. The Arts Education Programme (AEP) Recitals serve as milestone celebrations of our students' AEP learning journey and allow them to showcase their learning through performances. This year, the P3 violin recitals will be recorded and shared with parents and stakeholders via the school website in **Term 2, Week 11**.

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

### Staff Recognition

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

No.	Appreciation for Staff Contribution
1	<b>Teacher-Led Workshops (TLW)</b> 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"> <li>- Mdm Ng Boon Shuen, Mdm Zhong Dan, Mdm Sun Ming Ming: <b>Using Universal Design for learning in P3 Composition Lesson (CL)</b></li> <li>- Mdm Tan Sini, Miss Wydre Kwek Wei Ting, Mdm Michelle Choo: <b>Using Variation Theory in the Teaching of English and Mathematics</b></li> <li>- Miss Ting Ning Xin Jessie, Mdm Xie Shuang, Mdm Sun Ming Ming: <b>Using e-Pedagogy to Teach Narrative Writing (CL)</b></li> <li>- Mr Jacob Seet, Mrs Yap-Ong Shi Ting, Mdm Tan Sini: <b>Learning Study with Variation Theory in P5 Area of Triangles</b></li> </ul>
2	<b>STAR Champion Music Share Fair 2022 @ Singapore Teachers' Academy for the aRts (STAR)</b> Mrs Dawn Kuah (Lead Teacher, Music) represented the school to share on <b>Developing Socio-Emotional Learning (SEL) competencies through the Ukulele Blended Learning</b> Module package together with Music STAR Champions from North, South, East and West Zones.
3	<b>7th National Primary School "Picture Book Creation" Competition Facilitator Award</b> Mdm Yap Lay Hong was presented with the <b>Facilitator Award</b> (优秀指导教师奖) to acknowledge her contribution in guiding the team of students who won the Best Story Award.

### Staff Matters

15. We welcome the following new staff members who have joined our Dazhong family:

- 1) Ms Chui Xiang Yun, Fiona (Art)
- 2) Mdm Nor Hidayah (ML and CCE)
- 3) Mdm Fiona Shi Kaili (Flexi-Adjunct Teacher)

### Staff Appreciation @ Dazhong

16. 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/dzpsappreciates>. Also, look out for information on good work by our staff displayed on the noticeboards near the school gate.



### ST 3 Engaging Partnerships for Support

#### Partnership for Green Makers @ Dazhong Green Ideas for Families in June

Description	QR Code
Aligned with Dazhong's green movement, here are some green ideas you can pick up as a family during the June Holidays. Participate in NPark's <b>Festival of Biodiversity!</b> This year, there is a range of <b>online</b> and <b>on-site</b> activities. Find out more about the activities at Jurong Lake Gardens at <a href="https://go.gov.sg/sustfestjlg2022">go.gov.sg/sustfestjlg2022</a> and other activities at <a href="https://fob.nparks.gov.sg">fob.nparks.gov.sg</a> [click on "Family Programmes"].	

#### Every Parent A Supportive Partner Dads for Life @ Dazhong

17. Two **Dads for Life** (DFL) activities were conducted in Term 2 to provide fathers with the opportunity to get to know other fathers in the school and for them to deepen their bond with their children through outdoor activities. The two **Breakfast with Dads** sessions drew an average of 30 fathers. Through the sessions, the fathers learnt more about themselves and how they could be better fathers. Many thanks to Mr Sri, our DFL Core Team member, for facilitating the sessions! About 80 fathers and children also participated in these two activities that were held in conjunction with the Breakfast with Dads sessions: Badminton and the visit to the Hay Dairies Goat Farm.
18. We are encouraged by the enthusiastic participation by the fathers and hope to see more fathers participating in the DFL activities in Semester 2. Some of the possible upcoming activities include: GRC Family Day (in collaboration with HKNCC), Talk by Focus on the Family (online), Movie Night, 2 Day/1 Night School Camp, Evening Hike, Games, etc. Many thanks to the fathers in the DFL Core Team for their commitment in strengthening father-child relationships in the school. Do look out for our **DFL event announcements on Parents Gateway** and our very own **Telegram Channel**. Scan the QR code to join:



#### Parents Support Group

19. Our sincere appreciation to our **Parents Support Group** (PSG) members for their contribution to school programmes such as the Earth Day exhibition and activity booths! As COVID-19 restrictions are eased, we look forward to partnering our parents to further support rich school-based learning experiences for our students such as learning journeys, GRC Family Day and the maintenance of our rooftop greenery. The PSG will also be actively sharing parenting tips and insights on how to support our students' holistic well-being. Look out for these! 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

#### 2022 Primary One Registration Exercise

20. We have informed parents/guardians of the registration of children for admission to Primary 1 in 2022 in our letter dated 21 Apr 2022 (Ref: DZPS/2022/0085) via Parents Gateway. **Phase 1 registration** is for a **Singapore Citizen (SC) or Permanent Resident (PR) child** born between 2 Jan 2016 and 1 Jan 2017 (both dates inclusive) who has a sibling studying in our school. If you have a SC or PR child/ward eligible for Phase 1, please submit the online form at this link <https://go.gov.sg/p1onlineform> by **27 May 2022**. The school will contact you should additional clarification and/or documents be required.

21. If your child/ward is **non-SC/non-PR** and thus not eligible for Phase 1, please submit an **online Indication of Interest form** between **31 May 2022 and 6 Jun 2022**. You may refer to the MOE website at <http://go.gov.sg/P1reg> for updates on the 2022 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](mailto:dazhong_ps@moe.edu.sg) if you require any assistance in this matter.

### **General Repairs & Redecorations**

22. The school has commenced the General Repairs and Redecorations (GR&R) in March 2022. The main scope of the GR&R is the repair and repainting of the school interiors and it will tentatively be completed by **end October 2022** (subject to weather conditions). All the classrooms will be repainted during the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> week of the June holidays.

### **Dental Services**

23. Please refer to **Annex A** for the schedule for school dental services during the June holidays and Term 3. You may also refer to the **school website** for an update on the schedule. On other days, students who require urgent dental treatment can call the School Dental Centre, Health Promotion Board (HPB) at Tel: 64353782 to make an appointment.

### **Singapore Police Force Advisory to Students for Mid-Year Holidays**

24. 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 B**) 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.
25. 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 when indoors 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.
26. Have a meaningful and inspiring holiday! My staff and I look forward to welcoming your child/ward back to school in Term 3. **Dazhong Dare to Inspire!**



Mdm Rina Yap Siu Lin  
Principal

**Dates of School Dental Services**

<b>Term / Week</b>	<b>Operating Dates</b>
June School Holidays	6 Jun 2022- 10 Jun 2022 [2:00 PM onwards]
June School Holidays	23 Jun 2022- 24 Jun 2022
Term 3, Week 2	4 Jul 2022 – 8 Jul 2022
Term 3, Week 4	18 Jul 2022 – 22 Jul 2022
Term 3, Week 6	1 Aug 2022 – 5 Aug 2022
Term 3, Week 8	17 Aug 2022 – 19 Aug 2022
Term 3, Week 10	29 Aug 2022 – 2 Sep 2022

Note: School dental services will not be available on Public Holidays and Weekends.  
Please refer to the school website at <https://dazhongpri.moe.edu.sg/partnerships/school-information-n-letters/school-dental-services> for an update on the schedule.