

# De La Salle School

A school of the De La Salle Brothers

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### **PARENT NOTIFICATION FOR MAY 2023**

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### **Principal's Note**

Dear Parents/Guardians,

On 15 May, we celebrate Founder's Day- a day to reflect on the rich history of the Lasallian mission and celebrate St John Baptist De La Salle whose vision and dedication to providing education to the young, especially the poor around the world has launched the worldwide Lasallian network. His passion and drive to serve the community with commitment and sacrifice inspires Lasallians around the world to reflect on how we can do the same.

In our school, we are anchored by our core values of Faith, Service and Community. We continually encourage our Lasallians to believe in doing good for the benefit of others, no matter how big or small the act might be. Hence, we often look for opportunities for our Lasallians to pass on their passion and talents to others. Recently, our CCA teachers and CCA leaders came together to plan and organise a P3 CCA Experience Day in April. Our P3 Lasallians ended the day on a high note with many sharing that they have enjoyed learning new skills and interacting with their seniors.



Senior Lasallians from various CCAs passing on their passion to the P3 Juniors

#### **Mission Statement**

Enabling Lasallians in a Lasallian community to learn how to learn and to learn how to live; empowering them to be the persons of integrity and persons for others.

Our CCA teachers worked tirelessly and guided their CCA leaders in brainstorming and empowered them to take charge of the planning and preparation of publicity materials and welcome tokens. It was truly heart-warming to see several of our senior Lasallians patiently guiding the younger ones and passionately promoting their CCAs. It was evident from their enthusiasm that they truly enjoy their CCA experiences and were keen to share with our P3 Lasallians. Through participation in these activities, we hope that our P3 Lasallians have been empowered to make informed decisions of their CCA choices, discover their passion and strengths in the process. We hope that they will forge strong friendships with fellow Lasallians through their chosen CCA and in turn serve the community with their talents.

As we reflect on what drives us to serve as a community, we would also like to encourage all families to consider how you too can reach out to serve others in the community, together with our Lasallians.

Happy Founder's Day!

Semper Fidelis,

Cheryl Choo Principal

# **May Notification**

# 1. Accolades & Awards

# (i) CBS MTL Storytelling Competition 2023

This year, our Mother Tongue department hosted the 2023 Christian Brothers' Schools Mother Tongue Language Story Telling Competition. We are pleased to share the accomplishments of our Lasallians who participated in the competition.

## P3 Category

**Malay Language** 

Name of Participant	Class	Position
Muhammad Isyraf Eshan Bin Mohamad Najib	3 Bernadette	Merit
Gerard Elijah Manuel	3 Christopher	Consolation

**Tamil Language** 

Name of Participant	Class	Position
Harshitha Swaminathan	3 Dominic	Merit
Jeyashreya Sanjeev Nambiar	3 Christopher	Consolation
Justin Pradeep Chris Haddin	3 Elizabeth	Consolation

**Chinese Language** 

Name of Participant	Class	Position
Xin Yaqi	3 Christopher	1 <sup>st</sup>
Tock An Qi Ashley	3 Dominic	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Cherise Chua Yunxin	3 Francis	Consolation

### P4 Category

Malay Language

Name of Participant	Class	Position
Fareesha Nur Umniyah Binte Zulkeplee	4 Anthony	Consolation
Muhammad Aryan Bin Azhar	4 Francis	Consolation

Tamil Language

Name of Participant	Class	Position
Raghav Ramasubbu	4 Bernadette	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Thiya D/O Thirukkumaran	4 Francis	Merit
Adesh Raja	4 Bernadette	Consolation

**Chinese Language** 

Name of Participant	Class	Position
Gan Yu Tong	4 Francis	Merit
Cheong Hoi Kit, Skyler	4 Bernadette	Consolation
Zhu Rui	4 Bernadette	Consolation

# (ii) 14th GoodTalk (Global Village) International Children & Youth Speech Competition

Five of our Lasallians participated in the 14th (2022-2023) GoodTalk (Global Village) International Children and Youth Speech Competition. School is pleased to share their accomplishments for the Preliminary Round as follows:

Name	Class	Award (Upper Primary)
JALENE ONG ZI NING	6 Dominic	Second Prize
LIU HONGYU	6 Dominic	Second Prize
GOH YU ZHE ETHAN	5 Bernadette	Second Prize
KHOO JING YUE	5 Dominic	Third Prize
LI PINRUI RACHEL	5 Dominic	Participation

### 2. Online Order (Home Delivery) of School Uniform

In view of the current hot and humid weather, School will continue with the current practice to allow Lasallians to wear PE attire until further notice. This will supersede the March 2023 Parent Notification on the reinstatement of the pre-COVID code for wearing of school uniform from Term 3 Semester 2. We will consider the reinstatement at a future date.

However, for parents who would like to purchase additional sets of school uniforms for their children, you may submit an online order of the uniform for home delivery via this link: <a href="https://khuniform.com/product-category/primary-schools/de-la-salle-school/">https://khuniform.com/product-category/primary-schools/de-la-salle-school/</a> from 9 May 2023 onwards.

Alternatively, parents may visit the uniform supplier store to make their purchases.

### 3. Founder's Day cum Primary 3 to Primary 5 (2022) Prize-Giving Day

School will be commemorating our Founder's Day on Monday 15 May 2023 from 7.30 am to 10.30 am. School hours will be curtailed at 10.30 am. A series of learning activities has been planned to enable our Lasallians to learn about the life of our Founder and how as a Lasallian Community, the school can continue his mission to serve.

Parents are to notify Form Teachers or school bus operators/external student care centre operators in advance of any changes in usual school dismissal arrangements due to the curtailed school hours.

Following school dismissal, only the award recipients for the Primary 3 to Primary 5 (2022) Prize Giving Ceremony will remain in school together with their parents for the ceremony from 11.30 am to 1 pm.

### 4. Travel Declaration for Mid-Year School Holidays

The mid-year school holidays will commence from 29 May to 25 June 2023. School will reopen in Term 3 on Monday, 26 June 2023. We wish all Lasallians a good mid-year break.

To ensure schools continue to be a healthy and safe environment for all, we require parents/guardians to make a travel declaration for your child/ward only if he/she intends to travel overseas for the holidays.

To make a travel declaration for your child/ward via Parents' Gateway (PG), go to [SERVICE > DECLARE TRAVELS].

• For travel during mid-year holiday, please declare your child/ward's travel plan(s), indicating both the country and city of travel, and any city of transit, by 26 May 2023 (Friday). Only one parent is required to declare.

If your child/ward is **not travelling** during the holidays, **no action is required** on your side.

If there is a change of travel plan(s) after declaration, please submit a new travel declaration for the updated travel destination via PG or inform the school for cancellation of travel plan(s).

# 5. School Holidays Crime Prevention Advisory

The Singapore Police Force would like to share some steps with parents/guardians for you to keep our Lasallians and loved ones safe from being victims of Voyeurism or Molestation during the upcoming mid-year school holidays.

Lasallians may take the following precautions:

- Be alert and attentive to your surroundings especially when you are in a crowded and confined space.
- If someone moves very close to you (for example, someone deliberately stands or sits close to you in a bus or MRT), move away if possible.
- Avoid going out at night alone. If you need to, go out in a group or get someone (parent, close friend) to accompany you.
- Avoid wandering around alone, be wary and move away from strangers who try to get close to you.

## 6. <u>Josephian Family Missions 2023 to La Salle Pouthum School, Phnom Penh</u>

Parents, Lasallians and Alumni are invited to join the Josephian Family Missions 2023 to Phnom Penh, Cambodia from 18 – 25 November 2023. Please refer to the attached poster for details. This mission is open to families with children, Primary 5 (11 years) and older by the time of the mission in November.

If you are interested, please register via the following link: tinyurl.com/jfm23rsvp.

### 7. Invitation to participate in the Teachers' Day Celebrations 2023

The Parent Support Group (PSG) would like to invite Lasallians to show their appreciation of their teachers in the upcoming Teachers' Day Celebrations 2023. Please refer to the notification from Mdm Janice Tay, Chairperson of PSG in **Annex A**.

We hope that the celebrations will be a testament of our teachers' contributions and support to our Lasallians in *Our Dream and Way Forward* in De La Salle School.

### **TEACHERS' DAY CONCERT 2023**

Dear Parent/Guardian,

It is the time of this year, where we are inviting Lasallians to express their appreciation for their teachers by participating in the 2023 Teachers' Day concert that will be celebrated on 31 August 2023. This programme will be jointly organised by the Parent Support Group and the De La Salle administration staff.

Our theme for this year's programme is— "Our Dream & Way Forward". If your child is interested to participate in the concert or to show their appreciation and thanks to their teachers, please fill up the online registration form at <a href="https://bit.ly/DLSS\_TDay2023">https://bit.ly/DLSS\_TDay2023</a> or scan the QR code to access the form. Alternatively, you may also submit the registration form as attached below to a designated letterbox outside School General Office latest by 9 June 2023, or email <a href="mailto:dlsstd2023@gmail.com">dlsstd2023@gmail.com</a>.

We seek your understanding that a small number of performing groups that meet the criteria and theme will be performing on 31 August 2023.

The key dates for Teachers' Day Celebrations 2023 are listed below for your information and planning.

Registration - 9 May - 9 June 2023

Submission of video for shortlisting - 30 June 2023

(We will shortlist based on this final video submitted)

Shortlisting of performances - Early July 2023

### **Guidelines for submission:**

- 1. Keep strictly to a maximum of 3 minutes of performance time.
- 2. Each group must have a minimum of 5 students.
- 3. Lasallians are encouraged to form their own groups among themselves, preferably within the same level or among family members. They can also form groups among the same recess level (i.e. P1/P5, P2/P6, P3/P4) so as to facilitate practices should their group be shortlisted for the actual concert.
- 4. Examples will include dance performances, musical instruments, short stories of appreciation of their teachers or reciting of poems.
- 5. Intent of the video <u>must</u> demonstrate the theme "Our Dream & Way Forward" and Appreciation of Teachers.

Kindly note that the Teachers' Day committee will only be able to assist with a few practice sessions for the shortlisted groups from July to August 2023, so parents' commitment to help is crucial and much appreciated.

Should you have any questions or need more information, you may email us at <a href="mailto:dlsstd2023@gmail.com">dlsstd2023@gmail.com</a>.

Looking forward to your submissions!

Thank you, Teachers' Day 2023 Organising Committee



TEACHERS' DAY CELEBRATIONS 2023 – Registration Form (To be returned to the designated letterbox outside General Office or online form or via email by 9 June 2023)

I would like to register my child to participate in the Teachers' Day Celebrations 2023. I also agree to allow the school to use the videos that have been submitted to showcase during the Teachers' Day celebrations, and/or on the school website.

Group Name:	
Performance Type:	-
Team Leader/Class:	_
Name of Performing Child:	
Child's Class:	
Name of Parent:	
Parent's Mobile No.:	ontact me with regards to this
Parent's Email Address:	
Parent's Signature:	

Link to online form: <a href="https://bit.ly/DLSS\_TDay2023">https://bit.ly/DLSS\_TDay2023</a>, or scan QR code to online form

