



# De La Salle School

*A school of the De La Salle Brothers*

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## PARENT NOTIFICATION RE-OPENING OF SCHOOL IN TERM 3

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### Principal's Note

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We warmly welcome our Lasallians back to school! We hope that they have enjoyed their mid-year break and have spent their time meaningfully to pursue their passion and hobbies. During the June break, our P5 Lasallians went on their 3D/2N Outdoor Adventure Learning cohort camp. It was a much-awaited camp for our Lasallians, given that residential camps and high element activities could resume. During the camp, our Lasallians had various opportunities to put the values they have learned into action- to build faith in themselves and others to face challenges together, see themselves as a source of help to others around them, and to forge stronger bonds with their peers and teachers.

Throughout the camp, we were blessed with a wonderful weather, allowing our Lasallians to participate in various low and high element activities, as well as team bonding games. All these culminated in a campfire on the final night of the camp where they got to showcase their talents in cheering, singing and dancing.

I would like to affirm our Lasallians for having the confidence in themselves to step out of their comfort zone, as they ventured, explored and discovered more about themselves during the camp. It truly takes a village to raise a child; on this note, I would like to extend my appreciation to all school staff and parents in coming together to support the character development of our Lasallians and provide a memorable experience for them.

Here are some voices of our Lasallians:

*"I have gained confidence when going through a challenge, I learned that teamwork is important, I appreciate that my friends and classmates are supportive when I was facing a challenge."* **Nicole Yeo Yu Xuan - 5A**



### 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.

### Vision Statement

Lifelong Learners, Caring Citizens

*"Teamwork makes the dream work, be humble be teachable, work hard and don't give up."*  
**Samuel J.Yao - 5D**



*"I learnt how to wake myself up, I learnt how to be resilient, I have learnt how to overcome my fear of heights."* **Mithan - 5F**



This term, we look forward to more cohort activities for our Lasallians to bond and grow within and beyond the classroom. We look forward our National Day celebrations where our P4 Lasallians will be planning the special day programme with their peers and teachers. Our admin staff, Parent Support Group (PSG) and Lasallians will also be planning for our Teachers' Day Celebrations. We would like to our PSG for their time and support in being part of our school community.

Our school CCA junior sports teams will be busy practising for the National School Games. I would like to thank them for their participation, resilience and contribution to the school. We wish them all the best!

We would like to wish our Muslim Lasallians and their families a Selamat Hari Raya Haji in advance.

Semper Fidelis,

Cheryl Choo  
Principal

## 1. Accolades

### **Achievements of Cub Scouts – Recipient of The Frank Cooper Sands Award (Gold with Honours Pennant)**

We are pleased to share that our Cub Scout unit has been honoured with the Frank Cooper Sands Gold Award for the year 2022 with the Honours Pennant. This prestigious recognition reflects the remarkable efforts and achievements of our Cub Scouts, as well as the guidance and strong support provided by our exceptional team of teachers.

The Honours Pennant holds a special significance as it is awarded to Units that have consecutively achieved the Gold category of the Frank Cooper Sands Award for five years. Due to the challenges posed by the pandemic, the Frank Cooper Sands Award was suspended in 2020 and 2021. Hence, the Honours Pennant for 2022 is awarded to Units that have achieved the Gold category in the years 2016 to 2019 and 2022. This acknowledgment underscores the consistent excellence and dedication displayed by our Cub Scout unit over these years.

We would like to acknowledge the hard work and efforts put in by all the Scouts CCA teachers who have been part of this amazing scouting journey throughout these years (2016 – 2019, 2022). Their passion for scouting, and their willingness to go above and beyond their scope of duty, has made the achievement possible. In their capacity, they have demonstrated care for the growth and well-being of our Cub Scouts which contributed to their success. The positive influences which all our Scouts teachers have had on our Cub Scouts will have a lasting impact as they continue their journey towards becoming responsible and compassionate individuals.

### **Robotics Club**

Our Lasallians from the Robotics Club have once again done the school proud this year. Three teams were selected to participate in the 15<sup>th</sup> National Programming and Robotics Competition 2023 Finals. We would like to congratulate and commend the following Lasallians for their accomplishments:

<b>DLSS Team 5</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Award</b>
ONG JUN YU	St Dominic 5	1st in Overall Championship 1st in Best Robot Performance 1st in Best Research Poster 3rd in Best Mechanical Design
RAYDEN TEE ZU GUAN	St Dominic 5	
YEAP YU FENG BRAYDEN	St Gabriel 6	

<b>DLSS Team 9</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Award</b>
DELBERT ENNIUS NG	St Bernadette 6	3rd in Overall Championship
CHONG CHZE FUNG	St Francis 6	
ETHAN WONG JUN HENG	St Francis 6	

## 2. Cohort Student Development Experiences

School will continue to organise key cohort student development experiences in Semester 2 to take learning for our Lasallians beyond the classroom. In Term 2, the Primary 2 Lasallians went on a Learning Journey to Gardens by the Bay. Parent Support Group members complemented the teachers by playing an educational role as facilitators at the various stations to introduce the flora and fauna in Gardens by the Bay to our Lasallians.

During the first week of the June holidays, the Primary 5 Lasallians went on a rousing and energetic 3D/2N Outdoor Adventure Learning (OAL) camp at MOE Jalan Bahtera OAL Centre.

In Semester 2, the following cohort student development experiences will be organized:

- Primary 6 Learning Journey to Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve and the Lee Kong Chian Natural History Museum (27 Jun – 5 Jul 2023)
- Primary 5 National Education (NE) Show (15 Jul 2023)
- Primary 4 Museum-Based Learning Journey to National Gallery, Singapore (4 – 13 Jul 2023)
- Primary 3 Learning Journey to Marina Barrage (13 Jul & 27 Jul 2023)
- Primary 1 Learning Journey to River Wonders, Mandai Wildlife Reserve (11 & 12 Jul 2023)

Each class will go on the learning journey on a pre-assigned date. More details of these programmes will be given in separate Parent Notifications to each student cohort.

### **3. Racial Harmony Day**

School will be commemorating Racial Harmony Day on **Monday, 24 July 2023**. To add to the celebratory mood for the occasion, Lasallians are encouraged to wear traditional ethnic costumes for the day. Alternatively, Lasallians can continue to wear their school uniform / PE attire on that day. All Lasallians are required to wear school shoes.

### **4. Attendance and Temperature-Taking Exercise (ATTEx)**

The Attendance and Temperature-Taking Exercise is conducted twice yearly in all MOE schools with the aim to:

- a. Maintain schools' preparedness to re-activate the attendance and temperature-taking regime should the need arise; and
- b. Educate students on the importance of personal responsibility for their own health and social responsibility.

The ATTEx for Term 3, Semester 2, will be conducted on Wednesday, 5 July 2023. Lasallians are reminded to bring a working Oral Digital Thermometer to school on Tuesday, 4 July, for checking and safekeeping.

### **5. School Emergency Preparedness & Response Exercise**

As part of the school's continual efforts to ensure our response readiness to any form of emergency, we will be organising our school-based **Lockdown Drill cum Evacuation Exercise to an External Holding Area** in the month of July. The entire school will participate in the Lockdown Drill while only Primary 3, 4 and 5 Lasallians will take part in the evacuation exercise to an External Holding Area. The External Holding Area identified for this exercise is Yew Tee Community Club.

### **6. Haze Readiness Response Plan**

In response to the possibility of haze returning to Singapore in the second half of 2023, our school is reviewing our haze readiness response measures. Parents of Lasallians with pre-existing medical histories especially those with lung or heart conditions are to ensure that the information is updated and shared with the school. Parents are also reminded to ensure that their children bring their medication e.g inhalers to school.

## 7. Health Reminders

In alignment with Singapore's new endemic COVID-19 norm where developing students' social responsibility within the school community becomes increasingly important. Our guidelines for management of C+ or Ag+ students are as follows:

- If Lasallian is **unwell**: please seek medical attention and/or stay home to rest (regardless of the ART result).
- If Lasallian is **well**: may return to school (regardless of ART result). If Lasallian has mild symptoms or test Ag+ but has no symptoms, he/she should exercise social responsibility by minimising close physical contact with others in large group settings and wear masks.
- For Lasallians who are tested Ag+, there is no need to produce an MC to account for their absence from school. However, school may request to have sight of the photo evidence of the Ag+ test result.
- If Lasallians are absent from school-based Weighted Assessment or End of Year Examinations, they are to submit either photo evidence of their PCR+/Ag+ test result taken on the day of the examination or a medical certificate.

## 8. La Salle House Gala Charity Dinner (Saturday, 22 July 2023)

The HopeHouse and La Salle Charity Dinner Organising Committee would like to appeal to parents to help our De La Salle Brothers in their mission to help at-risk youth get back on track at HopeHouse, in tandem with their re-purposing of the old St Patrick's House hostel building into the La Salle House (LSH) retreat centre. LSH will physically house HopeHouse while also becomes the home for Lasallian values formation and training of staff and students.

Parents are encouraged to rally together to purchase a table to support this worthy cause and event. Please use this link to book a table: [Table Reservation Form](#). You may refer to the attached e-flyer for more details. The Guest of Honour for the Gala Charity Dinner is Mr George Yeo, a Lasallian since 1960.

## 9. School calendar (Term 3)

Our school calendar for Term 3 can be found in Annex 1.

The school calendar of events is also now available for viewing directly in Parent Gateway. Parents can click on "**School Calendar**" under **Services** tab within their **Parent Gateway** app to view school events. School events will be updated on a termly basis.

End of Notification

**De La Salle School**  
**2023 Term 3 Calendar of Events**

Week	Date	Day	Event/Activity	Level (s)
1	29 Jun	Thu	Hari Raya Haji (Public Holiday)	All
2	3 Jul	Mon	Youth Day (School Holiday)	All
	6 Jul	Thu	P6 Parent-Teacher Meeting (via Zoom) P6 (Home-based Learning) P1 -5 (Normal School Hours)	P6
3	14 Jul	Fri	P5 Parents' Engagement (Webinar)	P5
	15 Jul	Sat	P5 National Education (NE) Show	P5
5	24 & 25 Jul	Mon & Tue	P6 Prelim Exam - Oral	All
7	8 Aug	Tue	National Day Celebrations (curtailed school hours – 7.30 to 10.30 am)	All
	9 Aug	Wed	National Day (Public Holiday)	All
	10 Aug	Thu	National Day (School Holiday)	All
8	15 & 16 Aug	Tue & Wed	PSLE ORAL (Home-based Learning for P1 – 5)	P6
	17 Aug	Thu	P6 Prelim Exam – Listening Comprehension (English & Mother Tongue Languages)  P3 Gifted Education Programme Screening Exercise	P6  P3
	18 Aug	Fri	P6 Prelim Exam – English/Fdn English (Paper 1 & 2)	P6
9	21 Aug	Mon	P6 Prelim Exam – Mathematics /Fdn Mathematics	P6
	22 Aug	Tue	P6 Prelim Exam – Mother Tongue Language (Paper 1 & 2) /Fdn Mother Tongue (Paper 1)	P6
	23 Aug	Wed	P6 Prelim Exam – Science /Fdn Science	P6

Week	Date	Day	Event/Activity	Level (s)
	24 Aug	Thu	P6 Prelim Exam – Higher Mother Tongue (Paper 1 & 2)	P6
10	29 Aug	Tue	Parent-Child Teacher Conference (via Zoom) – P1 to P5 (No-school Day) P6 – Normal school hours	P1 – 5
	30 Aug	Wed	Parent-Child Teacher Conference (via Zoom) – P1 to P5 (after school)	P1- 5
	31 Aug	Thu	Teachers' Day Celebrations (curtailed school hours – 7.30 to 10.30 am)	All
	1 Sep	Fri	Teachers' Day (School Holiday)	All