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#### Dear Readers,

The year is moving so fast, and we now find ourselves entering September, the beginning of the last quarter of 2022.

In the past months, we have seen so many wonderful examples of our students being resilient as they work towards achieving their goals. When Term 3 started, some of the children were involved in the Singapore National School Games and the Singapore Youth Festival Arts Presentation. All the children who participated have done us proud, not only in terms of achieving results, but more importantly they have shown themselves to be confident and diligent. Please join me to congratulate the children from the respective school CCAs: Volleyball, Softball, Wushu, Guzheng Ensemble, Angklung Ensemble, Choir and Dance.

Some children also took part in external competitions or participated in the *National School Games* (NSG) although the sports are not represented as a CCA in our school. One example would be Isaac Chua from 5R3 who took part in the NSG and came in second in the Taekwondo Championship 2022 for the individual boys (Blue Belt). Another student, Alva from 5R4, took part in the *Get The Beat* (GTB) Asia Competition which took place in Singapore from 4 June to 12 June 2022 (one of the biggest dance competitions organized by an Australian organization) and she came in 1st in the Jazz Solo.

Apart from taking part in competitions, our Guzheng Ensemble, Angklung Ensemble and Dance Group have also performed at community platforms (e,g. Paya Lebar National Day Dinner at Kovan Hub; Paya Lebar Mid-Autumn Reunion at Paya Lebar Community Centre and National Day Observance Ceremony (NDOC) 2022 at Treasury Building.

All these children have shown what is possible through diligence, resilience and support from teachers, parents, and coaches. They have truly demonstrated and lifted up Xinghua Primary School's motto: *Towards Excellence!* 

I would like to end this foreword by thanking our parent volunteers who have come out to support our children during the competitions and performances. My appreciation to our teachers and coaches, without whom, no learning and achievement would have been possible. All of you are the teachers to our children, imparting not just skills and knowledge, but values as well.

### So Happy Teachers' Day to one and all!

Mr Chew Mun Wai Principal

# Looking Back on July 2022

## Racial Harmony Day 2022

This year we commemorated Racial Harmony Day on 25 July 2022. The theme this year is, **Singapore:** Our Multicultural Mosaic.

Singapore is a unique and vibrant country, made up of different races and religions. We speak different languages, enjoy a wide variety of food and celebrate different festivals. Thus, these make up Our Multicultural Mosaic.

During the assembly programme, students enjoyed a skit entitled 'Flight' by Interaction Arts and Drama Network (IADN). They learnt that it is important to live in harmony among the different races. They were taught to be respectful, sensitive, and always kind to others.

On that day, students and staff came in their vibrant ethnic costumes. They had fun taking photos with friends and teachers at the photo booth.



Racial harmony means peace, respect, and unity to me. If I see someone eating something different from me, I will ask them what it is. I will tell him/her that it is unique. Every race eats different food, so we should show them respect.

Saanvi, 4R4



I learnt not to make fun of other races or their practices, and to show respect to others. Singapore is made up of people from different religions and races. It is important to respect each and everyone.

Shafeeq Ahamed, 6E4



I have learnt to respect other races and cultures. We should not say unkind words about their traditions or the food they eat.

Artisha, 2A4



# Looking Back on July 2022





Dan, the flying man



Read@XHPS was held from 18 to 22 July 2022. A funfilled week of reading activities were conducted to promote and celebrate reading with our students. Together with a Choral Recitation performance, some story book characters came alive in the item "Guess who am I?" during the morning assembly programme to kick-start the event.

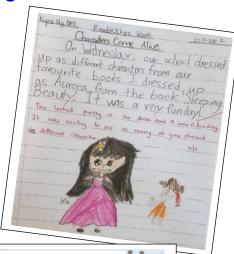
The school was thrilled to see our principal, Mr Chew, dressed up and came alive as 'Dan, the flying man' on stage. There was so much excitement in the air when students and teachers dressed up as story book characters during recess too. Conversations like, "Magic mirror on the wall, who's the fairest of them all?", "Do you know where the Wizard of Oz is?" and "Have you seen the big bad wolf?" were overheard. It was so fun playing out the characters and imagining being in magical places like they were from the stories.

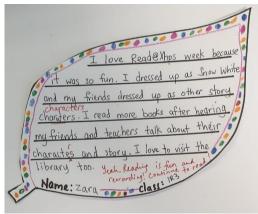
The students were also excited to guess who the Mystery Readers were. They learned the joy of reading when they were read aloud to by others.

A variety of READ@XHPS activities conducted during lessons included a book race in the school library, book recommendations, reflections, drawing and making comic strips, folding paper puppets, making infographic posters, masks and bookmark making. Reading is incredibly rewarding, and everyone is encouraged to read more and read widely.

#### Make Reading a Lifetime habit!

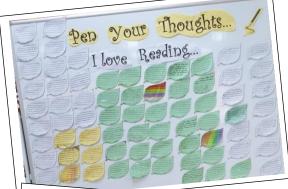








## Read@XHPS









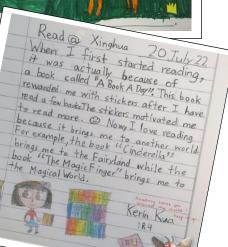














# Looking Back on August 2022

## National Day Commemoration 2022

Finally, after 2 years of pandemic, we are back again in our school hall to commemorate this year's National Day. The hall was unusually buzzing with noise and excitement!

We began the launch with the flying in of a drone carrying the theme of this year's National Day – **Stronger Together, Majulah!** The students were pleasantly surprised at such a sight.



## Observance Ceremony

This year's parade commander - Vallois Goh from the Prefectorial Board.





What's that flying up there?







I enjoyed watching the drone because I like drones.

My wish for Singapore is for her to remain a safe country.

Nathaniel Leong, 5R2

I feel proud to be part of the Guzheng performance as the lead and I am glad that everyone enjoyed the performance.

My wish for Singapore is to have less Covid cases.

Dana Cheung, 3H3

# UPLAY@REGESS

More games have been added to our Unstructured Play in the canteen during recess! Recess is never the same again!



We like the games in the games box. There are also cards and Jenga blocks.
We learnt to put them back into the box neatly

and nicely after playing.









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"I like both field play and the Uplay games in the canteen. My favourite games are the Foosball and Soccer Shootout. I enjoy these types of action games. I play them with my friends every day."

Aryan Rai, 3H3



## Tumbling Marbles

Please don't take photographs of me! I am trying to focus... Let me pull this yellow stick out slowly so the marbles won't fall...



Wow! Transforming Jenga blocks into dominoes!







This fishing game is our favourite! It helps us to destress and have fun! It tests your patience and resilience as well! Up to 4 players can play it.

"I like to do my duty at the game booths. I am here every day and I love to see my peers playing the games happily.

It makes me happy too!"

Muhamad Adam Bin Muhamad, 5R1, Prefect





# Well-Wishes Wall For P6 Students









I walked into the canteen and saw many notes on the board! I am grateful to all my schoolmates for their well wishes. It makes me feel confident and inspires me to work hard.

Sharon Tamang, 6E3

I felt good reading all the notes even though I do not know my schoolmates personally. I will continue to work hard and do my best for PSLE!

Angelyne Hermes, 6E4



All the best, P3 students!

# September & October 2022

#### **Important Dates:**

	3 Sept – 10 Sept 22	Term 3 School Holiday
Friday	16 Sept 22	PSLE Listening Comprehension (MTL & EL)
Thursday	29 Sept 22	PSLE English Language (Paper 1 & Paper 2)
Friday	30 Sept 22	PSLE Mathematics (Paper 1 & 2)
Monday	3 Oct 22	PSLE Mother Tongue Languages (Paper 1 & Paper 2)
Tuesday	4 Oct 22	PSLE Science
Wednesday	5 Oct 22	PSLE Higher Mother Tongue (Paper 1 & Paper 2)
Friday	7 Oct 22	Children's Day School Holiday

<sup>\*</sup> Pupils from Primary 1 to Primary 5 are **NOT to report** to school **on Friday 16 Sept** due to **PSLE Listening Comprehension Examinations.** 

#### **UPDATES ON SAFE MANAGEMENT MEASURES (SMMs)**

With further relaxation of the Safe Management Measures (SMMs) announced on 24 August, mask-wearing is now optional in both indoor and outdoor settings. As we strive towards living with COVID, let us practise good personal hygiene and exercise social responsibility. If your child is not feeling well, especially if he/she has flu-like symptoms e.g. fever, runny nose, sore throat, cough etc., please keep your child at home and when necessary, arrange for your child to see a doctor. Thank you for your partnership.

#### **FEEDBACK FROM PARENTS**

As partners in education, we value your feedback and suggestions to make the school a more conducive learning environment for our children. Please feel free to give us your feedback and/or suggestions via the QR Code. It will give you access to our digital form to pen your thoughts, compliments, or comments for the school.

Thank you.

