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Dear Parents/Guardian

## **Letter to Parents/Guardian – Term 4**

Greetings to all parents and guardians! I would like to share some information with you as we move into the last term of the academic year 2023.

### **GCE O-Level Mother Tongue Languages (MTL) Mid-Year Examination 2023**

We are pleased to announce that our Sec 4E5N students who sat for the MTL Mid-year Examination have done well. We will continue to support them as they prepare for their coming GCE O-Level Examination.

#### **Achievements of our Students**

##### **NIE Mathematics Challenge for Sec 1**

This is an online Math quiz that is closely aligned to the current secondary Mathematics syllabus and the 5 distinction awardees are **Adora Koh Yu Shaan (1 Resilience)**, **Bryan Neo Yu Pin (1 Respect)**, **Goh Kan Rui (1 Integrity)**, **Lin Jianqi (1 Integrity)** and **Ye Peiwen (1 Care)**.

##### **Illustratum 2023**

Illustratum 2023 competition organised by NUS Physics provides a platform for enthusiasts to present complex concepts in a way that captivates and engages. It also fosters curiosity, develops creative and critical thinking as well as a long-life passion for science exploration in students. It is the first time that Yishun Secondary School has participated in the competition and the YISHUN SEC TEAM 2 has clinched the Distinction Award. The members comprise three students from **3E2 - Mohammad Danish Aiman Bin Mohammad Rizal, Chai Chung You Jeremy and Chin Jun Hong Alfred**. The YISHUN SEC TEAM 1 from **3E1 - Loh Qian Ting, Jaydias Ng Ke Cheng and Vriion Chan** received the Certificate of Participation Award.

##### **21st Elementz Science Project Competition**

This competition organised by Anderson Secondary School generates interest in scientific study through investigative-type projects in science and provides a platform for North Zone Primary and Lower Secondary school students to share their research findings. The project titled "Investigate Which Type of Starch Makes the Strongest Bioplastics" has received the Silver Award. The team of students who clinched the Silver Award are four students from **1 Care - Hipona Keziah Cody Daddy, Tong Li Xin Fiona, Sun Yuanzhi and Looi Yu Hao Nicas**.

##### **8th Singapore Junior Biology Olympiad**

The 8th Singapore Junior Biology Olympiad is jointly organized by the Singapore Institute of Biology and Science Centre Singapore to promote the advancement of Biology for Secondary School students and to encourage students to excel in Biology. The competition comprised a theory round for all students, followed by a practical round for the top seven schools. **Demerin Njay Gadon (4E1)** clinched the Silver Award, **Loh Tian Fa (4E1)** received the Bronze Award and **Y Kanthn (4E1)** received the Honorable Mention.

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### NUS Geography Challenge

The NUS Geography Challenge seeks to ignite passion and inspire secondary school students to develop a keen interest in the dynamic discipline of Geography. **Erwin Lim (4E1)** received a Bronze award while his classmates **Liu Yingxuan**, **Law Wei Tin** and **Max Low Yu Wen** received Certificates of Participation.

### Live On Festival Design Competition

Live On Festival (LOF) is an initiative started by the National Organ Transplant Unit (NOTU) from the Ministry of Health (MOH) to encourage participants, in particular youths, to express their thoughts on organ donation and transplantation through art and writing. It is designed to inculcate values of responsibility, compassion, empathy and altruism by providing insights into the delicate and emotive nature of the topic of organ donation and transplantation. **Erindianz Amellia Binte Suriyan (3E5)** received the Merit award and **Lin Xi (3E5)** received the Distinction award.

### National Library Board Prove It! Contest

The National Library Board recently organised the Prove It! Contest, which challenges students in their knowledge and application of information literacy (IL) and critical thinking skills. The video entry from our school clinched a position in the Top 10 Gold (Video Category). The team comprises **Lakshman s/o Nakkeeran (2 Resilience)**, **Lor Jin Ting Avery (2 Integrity)**, **Rathod Dhruv Dilipkumar (2 Resilience)** and **Muhammad Danial Haddy (2 Respect)**.

### Ignite Skills Challenge 2023

This was organised by ITE where students had to participate in various challenges that are designed to emulate the courses offered at ITE. A total of 8 teams, comprising 17 students from 4NT, participated in 4 competition challenges, where they applied concepts they had learnt from English Language, Mathematics, Science, Retail Operations and Computer Applications. Out of the eight, one team emerged in the top 10 and went on to the Finals.

### CDAC Awards

**Daryl Ng Huang Shi Kai (3T1)** received the Good Progress Award and **Phua Fu Min (3E3)** received the Best Progress Award.

### Nee Soon Central National Day Dinner

On 5 Aug, the school added colour and harmony to the National Day Celebrations at Nee Soon Central. The School Band opened the occasion with a rousing performance. The occasion also marked the first time that the combined NCC/NPCC PDS team performed in public. We are also proud that our NCDCC served as the honour guards to welcome the Guest of Honour, MP Muhammad Faishal Ibrahim.

### Robotics Club

The Robotics Club had a fruitful Semester 2. We are proud that the team of **Marcus Ong Yu Rui (3E1)**, **Lim Yu Hang Eurison (3E4)**, **Chai Chung You Jeremy (3E2)** and **Jayden Tiu (S2 Integrity)** achieved the silver at the Aerobot Challenge 2023. In August, the team had a successful campaign at the National Youth Tech Championship 2023. The team consisting of **Marcus Ong Yu Rui (3E1)**, **Chai Chung You Jeremy (3E2)**, **Lim Yu Hang Eurison (3E4)** and **Teo Kai Xian Dalton (3E4)** managed to come in Top 8.

### Girl Guides

Our Girl Guides participated in the North Division Outdoor Challenge. They were tested on their tent-pitching, innovative gadget-making, outdoor photography, wide games and outdoor cooking. We are delighted that the girls attained the Merit Award.

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### **Modern Dance**

After their successful SYF Art Presentation earlier in the year, the Modern Dance ensemble tested their mettle further at the Super24 dance showcase competition. Despite it being their maiden outing, they have outdone themselves to attain the 7<sup>th</sup> position out of 20 secondary schools.

We would like to congratulate our Yishunites and applaud their efforts and achievements!

### **Practical Information**

#### **Revised Date of September School Holidays**

As Polling Day for the Presidential Elections will be held on Fri, 1 Sep, the Teachers' Day school holiday previously scheduled on that day will be moved to Mon, 11 Sep. The first day of Term 4 will be Tue, 12 Sep.

#### **September Holiday Homework for Sec 1 – 3 students**

This will be uploaded onto the school website by Tue, 29 Sep. The link can be found at <https://www.yishunsec.moe.edu.sg/students/announcements/>

#### **Graduating Cohort Matters**

The graduating cohort of 2023 will be sitting for the national examinations. You may refer to the SEAB website for information of the examination dates or you may refer to your child/ward's entry proof for the information. GCE N-Level examinations that had been scheduled on Mon, 11 Sep will be shifted to a later date and all affected candidates have been informed.

Normal lessons will resume for Sec 4NA students on Thu, 21 Sep and on Fri, 22 Sep for Sec 4NT students.

#### **GCE N-Level English Language and Mother Tongue Listening Comprehension Examination**

The above-mentioned examination will be held on **Tue, 12 Sep 2023**. Students who are not taking the examination will be dismissed at **1:30 pm** on that day. Please make the necessary transportation arrangements.

All students not sitting for the examination are expected to leave the school premises immediately after dismissal.

#### **End of Year Examination Matters**

Our Secondary 1 – 3 students will be sitting for their End of Year Examination in Term 4. The timetable for the examination schedule can be found on the school website via this link: <https://www.yishunsec.moe.edu.sg/students/announcements/>

The designated Marking Days are scheduled on 10 and 11 October 2022 and Promotion Day will take place on 20 October 2022. Do take note that students need not report to school on these three dates.

#### **Parent-Teacher Meeting for Secondary 1-3 Parents**

The Parent-Teacher Meeting for Secondary 1-3 parents will be held on Mon, 23 Oct 2023. More information will be made known later.

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## Post-Examination Activities

The school has planned an event-filled programme as part of the post-examination activities. Please refer to the following table for details:

| Day/Date/Time  | Secondary 1  |
|--|--|
| Thu, 19 Oct<br>7:30 am to 12:30 pm                                   | Learning Journey to River Wonders                    |
| Tue, 24 Oct to Fri, 27 Oct<br>(dismissed at 5:30 pm on the last day) | Sec 1 Camp   |
| Day/Date/Time  | Secondary 2  |
| Thu, 19 Oct<br>7:30 am to 12:30 pm                                   | Learning Journey to Bird Paradise                    |
| Tue, 24 Oct to Thu, 26 Oct<br>(7:30 am to 1:00 pm)                   | Sec 2 Leadership Programme                           |
| Fri, 27 Oct<br>7:30 am to 12:30 pm                                   | Sec 2 Cohort Learning Activity (Golf)                |
| Day/Date/Time  | Secondary 3  |
| Thu, 19 Oct<br>7:30 am to 12:30 pm                                   | Learning Journey to the Singapore Zoological Gardens |
| Tue, 24 Oct to Fri, 27 Oct<br>(dismissed at 5:30 pm on the last day) | Sec 3 Camp   |

## Last Day of School

| Level                      | Dates            |
|----------------------------|------------------|
| Secondary 4 NT / NA        | Fri, 22 Sep 2023 |
| Secondary 4 Express / 5 NA | Fri, 6 Oct 2023  |
| Secondary 1 – 3            | Wed, 27 Oct 2023 |

## School Events in Term 4

### Graduation Day

Our secondary 4 and 5 students will be graduating from school soon. To mark this significant milestone, a graduation ceremony will be held for our secondary 4 and 5 students in the school hall on Fri, 22 Sep 22.

The graduation ceremony will take place from 3:00 pm to 5:30 pm. Graduation Day is not a school holiday. All graduating students are expected to report to school at 7:30 am on that day for lessons.

### YSS Open House 2023

The YSS Open House will take place on Sat, 18 Nov 2022 from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. Your child/ward may be required to be in school for the Open House to share his/her experiences in CCAs or in the academic programmes.

Thank you for journeying with us to provide the best possible education for our students.

Regards

Mrs Regina Lee  
Principal

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