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FROM THE DESK OF THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents / Guardians,

We are approaching the end of the 2023 academic year and what an eventful and memorable year this has been! Thank you for all the support in making YN88 one that all will cherish dearly for a long time indeed. Before we round up the year, here are key administrative matters and information on the remaining events for the year for your information.

1. ACHIEVEMENTS & ACCOLADES

Congratulations to our Senior Teacher (English), Mdm Peh Soh Kuen, on being one of the recipients of the Academy Awards for Professional Development 2023, namely the Associate of AST Award [Innovator: SgLDC/SLS CG]. In addition, a total of 30 staff have also been presented the MOE Service Excellence Awards (MSEA)¹ this year! (See <u>Annex A</u>). We are so proud of our staff accomplishments and may we continue to make positive impact in all we do.

2. UPCOMING EVENTS & UPDATES

2.1 Sports and Cultural Immersion Program 2023

As part of the school's Learning for Life Program (LLP), the annual Sports and Cultural Immersion Programme provides opportunities for selected Sports CCA students to engage in conversations with students from our overseas partner school via Zoom. This year we are privileged to partner with Neerada School of Laos. It will be held on Thu 2 Nov 2023. The emphasis on sports education and values-based activities strive to nurture students' sense of global and cross-cultural awareness.

2.2 P6 Celebration Day

To celebrate and mark the completion of our Primary 6 Class of 2023 students' primary school journey at Yu Neng Primary, we will be having the Primary 6 Celebration Day on Mon 6 Nov from 3p.m. to 5p.m. There will be games and performance put up by our Primary 6 Class of 2023. We hope to create a memorable afternoon for them to reflect on the journey they have taken together and also remind them to continue to live up to our school motto "Light up and Shine!". Our heartiest congratulations and we wish them all the best. Please refer to the letter via Parents Gateway for more information on the event.

 $^{^{1}}$ This award recognises MOE staff who are passionate in their service delivery, are consistent in serving internal and external customers with C.A.R.E. (Collaborate, Anticipate, Reach Out, Empathise), and who inspire their colleagues to do likewise.

2.3 P5 Science Engage Programme

P5 Science Engage Programme is a key Science programme organised to generate greater interest in Science and observe and apply Science topics that are beyond what is taught in the classroom. It complements the school's efforts to enhance our students' understanding and appreciation of abstract Science concepts. During the workshop on Thu 9 Nov during curriculum time, students will be engaged in various Physical Science sessions that build on Science topics in P5 and P6 syllabus - Electricity, Energy and Forces as well as Life Science on Environmental Conservation. Each student will be provided with his/her own set of Science experiment materials to actively participate in the process of scientific discovery and learning. In addition, they will also be given a take home kit after every session to reinforce his/her learning and to spark his/her curiosity and interest in Science learning.

2.4 P1 Orientation (for 2024 Primary 1 cohort)

This year, Primary 1 Orientation for the 2024 Primary 1 cohort will be held in Yu Neng Primary School on Fri 10 Nov, from 2.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. There will be talks for the parents while students will be engaged in classroom activities as well as a recess experience. Through this programme, the school aims to provide parents and students an opportunity to have a better understanding of life in Yu Neng Primary School. We look forward to receiving our new P1 students and their parents!

2.5 Meet-Parents-Session 3

Our third virtual Meet-the-Parents session has been scheduled on Wed 15 Nov from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. for P1 to P5 levels. This session aims to provide a platform for Form Teachers and Mother Tongue Teachers to speak to parents/guardians of **selected students**. Please note that **all students need not report to school on that day.** More details on MPS3 will be provided in a separate letter released via Parents Gateway closer to the date of the session.

We believe and are committed to building effective home-school partnerships to bring out the best in every student. We encourage parents of the **selected students** to make time to meet the Form Teachers and Mother Tongue Teachers.

2.6 I Love YNPS

I Love YNPS is a Values-In Action (VIA) programme in Yu Neng Primary School that aims to instill values such as responsibility in our students by caring for the school environment. On Thu 16 Nov, all students will be involved in a mass clean-up of their personal spaces such as their tables and lockers. Students are required to bring wet-wipes or a rag on that day to do their part in keeping their environment clean and hygienic. Students are also encouraged to bring a reusable bag throughout the last week of the term to school so that he/she is able to take his/her items, which are stored in the lockers, home.

2.7 88th Speech Day and Prize-Giving Ceremony

This year, our 88th Speech Day and Prize-Giving Ceremony will be held on Fri 17 Nov. Except for the students who will be receiving prizes or who are involved in the event, students need not report to school. The theme 'Celebrating YN As One' represents the strength and unity of the Yu Neng community contributing as one. Students who are part of the Prize-Giving Ceremony will be informed via separate letters. Parents of the prize-winners will be notified via Parents Gateway and invited to attend the ceremony in the school hall.

3. IMPORTANT THINGS TO NOTE

3.1 Release of PSLE Result

The tentative date of the release of PSLE results 2023 is scheduled between Wed 22 Nov and Fri 24 Nov. Parents of P6 students are advised to check the newspapers and/or tune in to the television/radio stations for announcements and confirmation of the actual date of release of results. All P6 students are to be attired in school uniform when they report to school to collect their PSLE results.

3.2 2024 Book and Uniform Sale Schedule

Students will receive the 2024 Booklists on Tue 14 Nov. It is also available for download on our school website from Tue 14 Nov. Walk-In Sales dates for books and uniforms are listed in the table below. Parents are reminded to adhere to the allocated date/s for the purchase of books and uniforms for the different levels as stated below and to **bring along the 2024 booklist given to your child**.

To avoid having to wait in queues, we strongly encourage you to pre-order your textbooks via Pacific Bookstore's on-line ordering service http://www.pacificbookstores.com from Tue 14 Nov 2023 onwards. The operating hours are 9.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. (Do note there will be a lunch break from 12.00pm to 1.00pm for bookshop staff.)

Day	Date	Levels	
Thu - Fri	23 - 24 Nov	P2 & P3	
Wed - Thu	29 - 30 Nov	P4 & P5	
Tue - Wed	5 - 6 Dec	P1 & P6	
Thu - Fri	7 - 8 Dec	All Levels	
Mon - Tue	18 - 19 Dec	All Levels	
Tue - Thu	26 - 28 Dec	All Levels	

3.3 Important Dates to Note

Dates	Reminder
Tue 7 Nov 2023	Admin Day All students need not attend school as teachers will be processing results on that day.
Wed 15 Nov 2023	Meet-Parents-Session 3 All students need not report to school on that day. Form Teachers to speak to parents/guardians of selected students.
Fri 17 Nov 2023	88 th Speech Day and Prize-Giving Ceremony Only award recipients and selected student leaders are required to report to school.

3.4 Revised Pricing for School Canteen Food

In view of raising food and material costs from the supply chains, together with costlier ingredients for healthy meals, we will be raising the prices for all our set meals, as indicated in the table below from <u>January 2024</u>. This change will ensure that the quality and portions of food are not adversely affected and allow stallholders to earn a reasonable profit margin to sustain their business. Do note that there could still be slight increase in prices for some of our drinks and snacks as our stallholder is reliant on pricing set by the supplier. More information on canteen food and drink items can be accessed at our webpage, https://yunengpri.moe.edu.sg/canteen-menu/.

Food (Stalls 2 to 6)

Portion	Price
Standard	\$2.00
Large	\$2.50

For our Finance Assistance Scheme (FAS) students, the school will adjust the funding provisions to cover the increase in price. If there are students who may need more assistance, do reach out to the school for support. Thank you for your understanding and partnership.

3.5 Pricing Adjustment for School Bus Services

With effect from <u>January 2024</u>, the pricing cap for school bus services provided by our current bus operator, Lingo Star Transport, will be increased by 13%. This pricing adjustment is to help schools by supporting the sustainability of school bus services in view of rising operating costs. Do refer to the table below for the fares, based on distance, and type of buses.

Daily School Bus Services (i.e. for sending pupils from home to school and vice versa)

	Up to 15 seater		>15-30 seater		>30 seater	
Distance	1 way	2 way	1 way	2 way	1 way	2 way
Up to 2km	\$133	\$151	\$108	\$133	\$108	\$133
>2 – 4km	\$193	\$223.50	\$120.90	\$151	nil	nil
>4 – 6km	\$205.50	\$254	\$151	\$175	nil	nil

^{*}bus services for after school activities (i.e. sending pupils home from school after enrichment/supplementary class or CCA) will be priced at \$4 per trip per student (up to 2km), \$6 (> 2-4km) and \$12 (>4-6km).

Singapore Citizen (SC) students who are taking the school bus and receiving the MOE Financial Assistance Scheme (FAS) will have 65% of their monthly school bus fares covered by the school bus subsidy. SC students who do not qualify for MOE FAS but need financial assistance, and those who qualify for MOE FAS but need additional assistance, can approach us for assistance. A separate letter was sent earlier to all parents on request for school bus services for 2024. Parents who require the bus service are reminded to submit the Request Form for School Bus Services by 10 November 2023, directly to the School Bus Operator.

3.6 Advisory for the Coming School Holidays

SPF, CNB, NCPC and NCADA have jointly provided an advisory for schools to remind students to stay away from crime and drug and inhalant abuse. The advisory alerts students to dangers of common crimes such as online scams, and encourages them to protect themselves from becoming victims of crime. HSA and HPB have also prepared an additional advisory on the laws and harms of vaping. We would like to encourage all parents to share this information with your child to complement school efforts in educating students on staying away from crime and taking measures to avoid being victims of crime.

3.7 Important Announcement on SLS

The Singapore Student Learning Space (SLS) will be temporarily unavailable during a system upgrade from Wed 6 Dec until the evening of Thu 7 Dec. After the upgrade, your child/ward will be able to continue using the existing SLS username and password for login at the updated login page. If your child/ward knows his/her MOE Identity Management System (MIMS) Login ID and password, he/she can also log in to SLS with MIMS. Should your child/ward have difficulties logging in to MIMS, he/she may contact the school for assistance. Thank you for your understanding as we enhance the system.

4. GOING FORWARD

I want to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to parents and stakeholders for your partnership and support. Do have a restful holiday break. We would like to wish our parents and students who are celebrating Christmas, a very meaningful and joyful celebration with

family and loved ones. School term will commence on Tue 2 Jan 2024 for the 2024 Primary 1 cohort and Wed 3 Jan 2024 for the 2024 Primary 2 to 6 students. Students are to report to school by 7.30 a.m.

My staff and I look forward to welcoming your child back to school in the new and exciting school year.

Yours-in-Education

Mr Ng Yeow Ling Principal

MOE Service Excellence Awards (MSEA) AWARDEES 2023

Name	Award		
Mdm Liew Siew Meng	Platinum		
Mr Cai Hanfeng	Gold		
Mrs Chew-Chua Siew Hoon Sally	Gold		
Mdm Dewi Wati Rahmat	Gold		
Ms Cinthia Liou Chew Yoong	Gold		
Mdm Marlina Bte Mohd Noor	Gold		
Mr Ng Chye Huat	Gold		
Mdm Ng Lay See	Gold		
Mr Ng Siong Boon	Gold		
Ms Peh Pei Ying Sharon	Gold		
Mdm Sharifah Maryam Shahab	Gold		
Mdm Tan Eng Ling Catherine	Gold		
Ms Tan Pin Sing	Gold		
Mrs Ignatia Leng	Silver		
Mr Zhu Xiangjun	Silver		
Ms Hu Hui Ru	Silver		
Mdm Lee Seok Khim	Silver		
Mdm Loke Yik Pey	Silver		
Mdm Nadiah Murni Abdul Malek	Silver		
Mdm Norashikin Mohd Ali	Silver		
Mr Ong Tiam Chai	Silver		
Mdm Peh Soh Kuen	Silver		
Mdm Roslinda Rasli	Silver		
Mr Samsugani Abdul Saleem	Silver		
Mdm Siti Aminah Mohd Hassan	Silver		
Ms Sri Rathi Priya	Silver		
Mdm Tan Swee Lai Jessamine	Silver		
Ms Tan Xin Hui Shelwyn	Silver		
Mdm Tuty Atiqah Mohamed	Silver		
Mdm Wang Mei Ann	Silver		