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FROM THE DESK OF THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents / Guardians,

We are at the start of Term 2. I hope our students have had an enjoyable break during the March holidays and are all recharged for the new term. The brand-new term promises to be an exciting and eventful one. I am pleased to share the line-up of meaningful activities and events in Term 2 to support the holistic development of our students.

1. ACHIEVEMENTS





Our school debate team, comprising Isabel Teoh Canete (6 Graciousness), Hao Qingyue (6 Respect), Shasmeen Natasha (6 Respect), Fong Yee Hui (6 Responsibility) and Nathaniel Zhou Yuqi (5 Graciousness), participated in the second qualifying round of the Wits and Words Competition on 9 March 2024. We won the round with Nathaniel Zhou (5 Graciousness) being named the Best Speaker. With our second win, we are now through to the quarter final which will be held on 3 April. Do join me in wishing them all the best! Additionally, we are among the Top 2 schools in the East Zone for Division 2. Isabel Teoh Canete is also one of the Good Speakers in the competition and she will be receiving her award after the Grand Final. Congratulations to the debate team! Thanks to Ms Claire Yeo and Ms Leanna for their guidance and support.

1.2 National English Writing Competition 2023

Tan Li-Ern (5 Responsibility), Isabel Teoh Canete (6 Graciousness) and Victoria Lim Zhi-Le (6 Graciousness) participated in the National English Writing Competition in which they were given a topic to write about under time constraints. Victoria wrote on the given topic Tied. Both Li-Ern and Isabel wrote about an incident based on a series of pictures. We are pleased that their essays were selected as some of the best pieces in the competition and published by the Singapore Young Writers Press. Congratulations to our budding writers!

1.3 National School Individual Chess Championship 2024

Our talented chess players, Tay Jing Yi (3 Integrity), Moey Jun Jay (3 Responsibility), Zev Chan Youwei (3 Responsibility), Yen Shuo Cheng (4 Graciousness), Anders Quek (5 Respect), Hao Yueran (5 Respect), Tay Jing Xuan (5 Respect) and Poon Ee Rui (6 Graciousness), participated in the 75th National School Individual Chess Championship 2024 held at Overseas Family School. The students showed their GR³IT values and were rewarded for their stellar performance in the respective categories. Congratulations to Tay Jing Yi for winning U10 Girls National 2nd and 1st in East Zone, Tay Jing Xuan for U10 Open National 3rd and 1st in East Zone and Poon Ee Rui for U12 Open National 6th and 2nd in East Zone! We are happy and proud of their achievements!



1.4 Volleyball Achievement

We are pleased that our volleyball senior boys' team has done us proud in the recent National School Games League 3 by clinching first runner up. Noteworthily, they played the game with good teamwork and resilience when met with challenges. Well done, Team Yu Neng!



2. UPCOMING EVENTS

2.1 International Friendship Day

International Friendship Day (IFD) will be commemorated from Mon 1 Apr to Fri 5 Apr. This year, the theme for IFD is Singapore in Asia. Students will dedicate this week to the understanding of Singapore's relations with neighbouring countries and beyond. This annual event provides a unique

opportunity for our students to be acquainted with the diverse and colourful culture and traditions of the region and the lives of their peers in other ASEAN Member-States. During the commemorative IFD week, our students can look forward to a series of enriching and engaging activities lined up for them to deepen their understanding of the relations that we share with other ASEAN countries such as Cambodia, Philippines, etc. Through learning more about the rich diversity of cultures, we envision that our students can develop the spirit of friendship and collaboration and chart the way forward for Singapore to connect with different countries in the global community. Appreciation in advance to our Parent Support Group for conducting recess activities on Fri 5 Apr.

2.2 P5 Constructing and Flying Mathematical Kite Programme

P5 students will extend mathematical concepts learnt during normal curriculum to real-life applications. By applying problem-solving skills and life skills to ensure they construct a kite that can eventually take flight, students will revise important mathematical concepts learnt in class and see the relevance and importance of what they are learning. The enrichment programme will take place after curriculum time on two Mondays, 1 April and 8 April. All P5 after-school activities such as HMT and FUNdamentals lessons, on these two Mondays will be cancelled.

2.3 Cyberwellness Week

The focus for this year's Cyberwellness Week from Mon 15 Apr to Fri 19 Apr is on Digital Footprints and Cyber Security. Through meaningful activities and games which students can engage in during recesses, we aim to promote students' cyber wellness knowledge, instill important values, and educate them about the latest internet risks and threats in today's ever-changing online landscape. By equipping our students with these essential Cyber Wellness skills, we empower them to be responsible digital citizens. We appreciate your ongoing support in ensuring our students' well-being in both physical and digital environments. Let us continue to support and educate them to be wise and responsible digital learners and users.

2.4 Environmental Awareness Week

In conjunction with Earth Day which falls on Mon 22 Apr, Yu Neng will be observing Earth Day through its annual Environmental Awareness Week (EAW) from Mon 22 Apr to Fri 26 Apr. The theme for this year is 'Planet versus Plastics'. A series of activities such as hands-on booths and quizzes during recesses have been planned so that students can link science in everyday life to the environment that closely impacts us. To find information on Earth Day events, activities, and what you and your child can do to make a difference to promote a greener environment, you can visit http://www.chiff.com/home_life/holiday/earth-day.htm.

2.5 Library Week

The annual Library Week will be held between Mon 29 April and Fri 3 May. There will be various activities to promote the love of reading such as booth games and storytelling during recesses. Teachers, parent volunteers and mystery guests will be telling stories to the students. Look forward

to the Characters Come Alive dress-up event in which teachers and students will dress up as characters from books and movies. More information will be provided nearer the date.

2.6 Singapore Youth Festival Arts Presentation 2024

The Singapore Youth Festival (SYF) Arts Presentation is a performance and benchmarking platform that offers opportunities for continuous learning and improvement through feedback from industry professionals. Our performing arts CCA students and respective CCA teachers are gearing up and have been dedicating much time and effort to train for the upcoming arts presentation. Let us encourage and cheer them on! The table below shows a summary of the dates for the various SYF Arts Presentation. More details will be shared in due time via Parents Gateway for the students involved.

Performing Arts CCA Group	SYF Arts Presentation Date
Contemporary Dance	16 April, Tuesday
Choir	19 April, Friday
Malay Dance	22 April, Monday
Chinese Orchestra	2 May, Thursday

3. IMPORTANT THINGS TO NOTE

3.1 Weighted Assessment 2 & P6 Timed Practice

With reference to our letter sent via Parents Gateway dated Fri 12 Jan 2024, Term 2 Weighted Assessment for P3, P4 and P5 and Timed Practice for P6 will commence on Wed 24 Apr and end on Tue 14 May as summarised in the table below. More information will be provided by the P6 Form Teachers for the Timed Practice in due time.

P3, P4 and P5 Term 2 Weighted Assessment (WA) and P6 Timed Practice

Level	EL	MA/FMA	sc	MTL/FMTL	НМТ
P3	24 April	10 May	8 May	*14 May	NIL
P4	29 April	10 May	8 May	14 May	NIL

Level	EL	MA/FMA	SC	MTL/FMTL	НМТ
P5	29 April	10 May	24 April	FMTL: 14 May MTL: 14 May	13 May
P6	Week 7 Oral, Listening Comprehension, Paper 1, Paper 2	Week 8	Week 8	Week 7 Oral Week 9 Listening Comprehension, Paper 1 & Paper 2 of MTL / FMTL	Week 9

*Change in date

Students who miss a WA due to a valid reason supported by relevant official documents, his/ her final marks for the subject(s) will be prorated. Otherwise, no marks will be awarded for the assessment. Student(s) who miss a WA paper may do the paper as a form of revision.

During the assessment period, we would like to encourage parents to motivate your child to spend time to revise their work. At the same time, do remind them to keep good habits such as sleeping early, eating healthily and balancing their time between work and play. We wish our students all the best for the upcoming assessment!

3.2 Meet-the-Parent Session 2

As part of the school's efforts to promote strong home-school partnership, we will be organising a face-to-face Meet-the-Parent Session 2 on Thu 23 May. Please refer to the letter via Parents Gateway that would be sent out nearer to the date for more details. We strongly encourage you to make time to attend this session to meet up with your child's teachers to discuss and review your child's holistic development and progress.

3.3 Important Dates

Public/School Holidays	Date (Students need not attend school on these days.)	Date school will resume
Hari Raya Puasa	Wed 10 April 2024	Thu 11 April 2024
Labour Day	Wed 1 May 2024	Thu 2 May 2024
School Administration Day	Mon 20 May 2024	Tue 21 May 2024
Vesak Day	Wed 22 May 2024	-
Meet-the-Parent Session 2	Thu 23 May 2024	Fri 24 May 2024

4. Regents School Bali Visit



Our school hosted Regents School Bali from Thu 21 Mar to Fri 22 Mar. Over the two days, our students and their Bali friends spent meaningful time engaging in various activities. Besides trying their hands at cultural activity such as Chinese calligraphy, they had a friendly Captain's Ball game, created art pieces together as well as

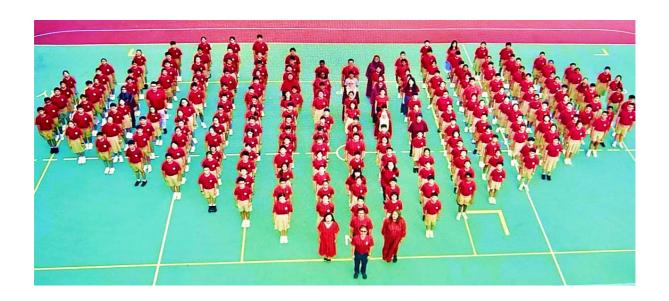
Chibitronics which blend circuit building and programming with arts and crafts. During recesses, students had lively conversations and physical games at the Parade Square which strengthened their friendships.

Aligned with E21CC, the school exchange allowed our students to develop cross-cultural skills and global outlook. It also provided opportunities for them to develop perspective-taking and empathy. As shared earlier, selected P5 students from each class will, in later part of the year be visiting Regents School Bali as part of our overseas immersion programme. We are grateful to our overseas partner for their generosity to host us and create experiential and authentic learning opportunities for our students.

5. YN89 Celebrations



This year marks the 89th birthday of Yu Neng Primary School. YN89 will continue to tell of the other stories of the Yu Neng community past and future as we move towards the theme Connecting with the Past, Creating the Future, building on the strength of YN88 and looking forward to YN90. Our changemaker students from P2, P4 and P6 of 2024 will come together as a cohort to present their gifts to the school for YN89. Students will reflect on their journey with Yu Neng and express their gratitude to the communities who have supported them, as well as their well-wishes and aspirations for themselves and their juniors, anchoring on rich learning gleaned from education received in Yu Neng in areas of technology and language acquisition. On Tue 19 Mar, the Class of 2024 formed a heart together with their teachers and YN staff, to mark a memorable moment as a graduating cohort as well as to commemorate YN89. Our P4s have started their YN89 project and the P2s can look forward to theirs this term. Do look out for these upcoming celebratory activities and we will share more information with you as we go along! We would also like to thank our ex-PSG vice-chairperson. Ms Jessica, for the design of our YN89 logo.



6. IN CLOSING

On this note, I would like to take this opportunity to wish all Muslim parents and colleagues a 'Selamat Hari Raya'! May the happy holiday bring joy and blessings to you and your family. As for the rest of the parents, may you enjoy quality time with your child/children and family. Thank you and I look forward to your continuous support and partnership with us for a fruitful Term 2.

Yours-in-Education

Mr Ng Yeow Ling Principal