



JING SHAN PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

1) School and Public Holiday

Please note the following School and Public Holidays in Term 3 & Term 4:

Date	Day	Event	Remarks
9 August 2016	Tuesday	National Day	Public Holiday
10 August 2016	Wednesday	Day after National Day	School Holiday
18 – 19 August 2016	Thursday – Friday	PSLE Oral Examination	National Examination *No school for P1-P5 pupils
31 August 2016	Wednesday	Parent-Teacher-Child Conference Parent-Teacher Meeting	For parents and pupils of P1 – P2 For parents of P3 – P5 pupils *No school for P1 – P5 pupils Classes as per normal for P6 pupils
2 September 2016	Friday	Teachers' Day	School Holiday
3 – 11 September 2016	Monday – Friday	School Vacation	School Vacation
12 September 2016	Monday	Hari Raya Haji	Public Holiday
16 September 2016	Friday	PSLE Listening Comprehension Examination	National Examination *No school for P1-P5 pupils
17 – 20 October 2016	Monday – Thursday	PSLE Marking Exercise	All primary schools will be closed

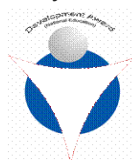
2) School Achievements

We are pleased to share with you the following achievements of our pupils since our last update in May. More information is available on the school's Facebook page.

- Shi Luoyizhuo, Neo Yin Qi and Brandon Wong from 6/1 made it to the Finals of the Asian Science & Maths Olympiad (ASMO), organised by the Global Education Technology, Singapore and achieved the Bronze Award. Furthermore, Brandon Wong has been invited to represent Singapore to participate in the Korea World Maths Olympic Competition from 12-14 August 2016.
- Lee Jing Hong from P6/1 was awarded the Merit Award in the inaugural on-the-spot National English Writing Competition (NEW-C) organized by Singapore Young Writers Press.
- The school was awarded a Consolation prize in the Hougang Community Arts and Culture Club (CACC) Inter-Primary School Malay Story Telling Competition. The winning team is made up of Nur Nayli Darwisyah bte Mohamad Zaireen from P4/4, Maryam bte Mohd Zimri from P5/2, Elma bte Welmy from P5/5 and Naufal Aiman Bin Abdul Jalil from P5/5.
- Two pupils Chia Cheng En from P1/3 and Akshaya Vijaygopal from P2/1 represented Jing Shan to take part in the annual Chinese Story-Telling Competition organised by Hokkien



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Huay Kuan and Tao Nan School. One of them, Akshaya made it into the Finals of the competition out of a total of 104 participants and won the consolation prize.

- e) A total of 58 Primary 6 pupils took part in the International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) 2016 in Science organised by the University of New South Wales (UNSW), Australia. Out of these, 17 pupils achieved 4 Distinction, 8 Credit and 5 Merit awards.

3) **School Health Service – Health Check and Immunization from 5 to 18 August 2016**

The School Health Services will conduct the annual health screening from Friday 5 August 2016 to Thursday 18 August 2016. Details of the screening were given in a letter on Wednesday 13 July 2016.

4) **Learning Journey**

Please refer to the table below for details of up-coming learning journeys or significant events for the different levels. A separate letter will be issued to parents of pupils concerned.

Level	Date	Activity
P3	Learning Journey to the National Gallery	17 August, Wednesday
P5	Science Centre DNA Lab	13 September, Tuesday Classes 5/1, 5/2 & 5/3 14 September, Friday Classes 5/4, 5/5 & 5/6

5) **Get Active! Singapore & National Day Celebration on 8 August 2016**

The school is collaborating with Sport Singapore to be part of GetActive! Singapore, a week-long sporting bash, designed to have us all celebrating National Day together as One Team Singapore – through sport. All pupils were engaged in a group fitness activity for 30 minutes on Monday, 1 August 2016. All pupils will also be given a *GetActive! Singapore* Pack on Monday, 8 August 2016. The pack will comprise of 1 snack pack, 1 mini state flag and 1 shoe-bag.

The school will be celebrating Singapore's 51st National Day on Monday, 8 August 2016. The school will start as usual at 7.30 a.m. and end at 9.30 a.m. Please make the necessary arrangement to fetch your child/ward during dismissal at 9.30am. All pupils are also encouraged to wear an appropriate red or white T-shirt with school shorts or skorts and black school shoes on that day.

6) **Arts Festival on 8 – 12 August 2016**

This year's Arts Festival is scheduled from Monday 8 August 2016 to Friday 12 August 2016. The activities and programmes conducted aims to provide pupils with an opportunity to appreciate the Arts holistically. A highlight of the festival will be the finals of the *Jing Shan Has Talent* competition which will be held on Monday 8 August 2016.

7) **PSLE Oral Examination on 18 – 19 August 2016**

The PSLE Oral Examination will be conducted nationwide on Thursday 18 August 2016 and Friday 19 August 2016. Only P6 pupils are required to report to school on these days and there will not be school for pupils from the other levels. The P6 pupils will be briefed on the details of the PSLE Oral Examination nearer the date of the national examination.

8) **School Anniversary Week on 22 – 26 August 2016**

School Anniversary Week from Monday 22 August 2016 to Friday 26 August 2016 is a school event that is initiated this year to commemorate the founding of the school 71 years ago. There will be sharing of memories of Jing Shan by current staff and invited speakers who are alumni of the school throughout the week-long School Anniversary Week.

9) **Gifted Education Programme (GEP) Selection Exercise 2016**

The GEP Screening Exercise for P3 pupils will be on Friday 26 August 2016. An explanatory note comprising the Letter to Parent/Guardian, Reply Slip and information on GEP has been given out on Monday 1 August 2016. Shortlisted pupils from the Screening Exercise will be

informed in October and be invited to participate in the GEP Selection Exercise on Tuesday 18 October 2016 and Wednesday 19 October 2016.

10) **Parent-Teacher-Child Conference / Parent-Teacher Meeting on 31 August 2016**

a) **P1 & P2 Parent-Teacher-Child Conference**

The P1 & P2 Parent-Teacher-Child (PTC) Conference will be held on Wednesday 31 August 2016 from 8.30am to 5.00pm. The objective of PTC is to provide a platform for the child, parents and teacher to engage in a dialogue on the child's holistic development. A detailed letter will be given out to parents near the date of the PTC.

b) **P3-P5 Parent-Teacher Meeting**

The P3-P5 Parent-Teacher Meeting (PTM) will be held on Wednesday 31 August 2016, from 8.30am – 5.00pm. The objective of the session is to provide parents/guardians with the opportunity to discuss about your child's/ward's learning needs and progress with his/her Form Teachers or Subject Teachers. A detailed letter will be given out near the date of the PTM.

11) **Lower Primary Games Day and Teachers' Day Celebration on 1 September 2016**

The P1 to P3 pupils will be having their Lower Primary Games Day on Thursday 1 September 2016. The objectives of the Sports Carnival are to develop in pupils lifelong love for physical activities through fun games; provide a platform for pupils to experience sports that are new to them; and provide opportunities for pupils to demonstrate the school values of Loyalty, Integrity, Enthusiasm, Respect and Responsibility. The activities will be conducted in the first part of the day. P4 to P6 pupils will have lessons as per normal and school hours on this day will be as usual for all 6 levels.

The school will also be celebrating Teachers' Day on the same day with a concert and lunch hosted by the School Advisory Committee. Parents and pupils are advised not to purchase any expensive gifts for our teachers and we strongly encourage our pupils to be creative in creating their own tokens of appreciation for their teachers.

12) **Nomination for Caring Teacher Award 2016**

The school would like to encourage all parents and pupils to put up nominations for the Caring Teacher Award 2016. The Caring Teacher Award is a platform to recognize teachers who have demonstrated exemplary character, initiative, integrity and altruism in the discharge of their duty. Nomination of teachers will be online via the school website. The online submission will go live on Monday, 1 August 2016 and the closing date for nomination will be on Sunday 28 August 2016.

13) **Traffic Advisory**

The school would like to remind drivers not to drop off or park your vehicle within 9 m of the bus stop. Drivers are reminded to stay out of the bus bay and three red boxes just before the bus stop. When dropping off a passenger, drivers should stop their vehicle before the red boxes marked on the road and the passenger should disembark briskly, to avoid the obstruction of traffic.

Mdm Goh Meei Yunn
Principal

