



# JING SHAN PRIMARY SCHOOL

*Thinkers. Learners. Leaders.*

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

## From the Principal's Office – September 2016

### 1) School and Public Holiday

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

| Date                  | Day                  | Event  | Remarks  |
|-----------------------|----------------------|--|--|
| 2 September 2016      | Friday               | Teachers' Day                                  | School Holiday   |
| 3 – 11 September 2016 | Saturday –<br>Sunday | School Vacation                                | School Vacation  |
| 12 September 2016     | Monday               | Hari Raya Haji                                 | Public Holiday   |
| 16 September 2016     | Friday               | PSLE Listening<br>Comprehension<br>Examination | National Examination<br><b>*No school for P1-P5 pupils</b> |
| 7 October 2016        | Friday               | Children's Day                                 | Children's Day Holiday                                     |
| 17 – 20 October 2016  | Monday –<br>Thursday | PSLE Marking<br>Exercise                       | <b>All primary schools will be closed</b>                  |
| 31 October 2016       | Monday               | Deepavali                                      | School Holiday   |

### 2) Emphasising School Values

In alignment with the school's vision, mission and values, and to foster a quality school culture, the school places special emphasis on our school values of **Respect** and **Responsibility** throughout the year. For Term 4, the value of **Generosity** will be emphasized. The school hopes that all parents can support the school's efforts and reinforce these values at home.

**Respect:** All pupils need to be respectful of self, others and our environment. Pupils who are self-respecting present themselves well and are neat at all times. Pupils show their respect to others by politely greeting their peers, elders and teachers. They are also kind with their words and actions towards others. Pupils undertake green efforts in school and at home to demonstrate their commitment to respect our environment.

**Responsibility:** All pupils are to practise responsibility by taking care of themselves, taking care of one another and taking care of the school. Pupils who are responsible in taking care of themselves will make sure that they come to school punctually and submit their assignments on time. Pupils who are responsible in taking care of others will go out of their way to help their peers. Pupils also have the responsibility to take care and maintain the cleanliness of the places that they use or visit.

**Generosity:** All pupils are expected and encouraged to show generosity at all times. They must be able to give and expect nothing in return. Pupils can demonstrate the value of generosity by participating actively in all Values-in-Action activities. They are also encouraged to voluntarily help their teachers and peers.



Loyalty  
Integrity  
Generosity  
Enthusiasm  
Respect &  
Responsibility



National  
Arts  
Education  
Spark Award  
2013



3) **Staff Updates**

The school would like to welcome the following the staff who joined the school in August:

- a) Mr Soh Goh Tee, Administration Manager
- b) Ms Alicia Mok, Operations Support Officer

We would also like to extend our appreciation to Mr Chia Shuwei, Maths and Science Teacher, for his services rendered to the school when he was with us.

4) **Pupil Survey 2016**

The school would like all pupils to participant in a pupil survey which is part of the school's effort to elicit the pupils' voice and also involve them in school improvement. The survey will be made available on Asklearn under "Announcements" from Monday 29 August 2016 to Friday 2 September 2016. All pupils are to complete the survey by the designated date.

Pupils with no computer and internet access or mobile devices, can proceed to use the computers in the Computer Labs between 1.30pm – 2.00pm during this week to work on the survey. Pupils who fail to complete the survey by Friday 2 September 2016 will be invited to complete the survey after school hours or during recess in Term 4/Week 1, under teachers' supervision.

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

There will be no school for P1 – P5 pupils on Wednesday 31 August 2016. Classes will be as per normal for P6 pupils.

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.

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.

6) **Lower Primary Sports Carnival and Teachers' Day Celebration, 1 September 2016**

The school, in collaboration with Sport Singapore ActiveSG, will be organising the Lower Primary Sports Carnival this year. We would like to extend our appreciation to Sport Singapore ActiveSG, which will be supporting the school with professional assistance in the conduct of the activities for the event.

A range of sports and games will be conducted for our Lower Primary pupils on that day, including Mini Tennis, Athletics and Bollywood Dance. A similar event for our Upper Primary pupils will be organized for them in conjunction with Children's Day on Thursday 6 October 2016.

On Thursday 1 September 2016, the school will celebrate Teachers' Day as well. Please note that parents and pupils are advised not to purchase any expensive gifts for the staff. We encourage our pupils to be creative in making cards/handicraft as tokens of appreciation for their teachers. School hours on the day will be as usual but all supplementary/remedial classes and CCA will be cancelled in the afternoon.

The school would like to acknowledge and express our appreciation to the PSG for gifting every staff with a cupcake on that day.

7) **Learning Journey**

Please refer to the table below for details of upcoming learning journeys. A separate letter has been issued to parents of pupils concerned.

| Level | Date                   | Activity   |
|-------|------------------------|--|
| P5    | Science Centre DNA Lab | 13 September, Tuesday Classes 5/1, 5/2, 5/4 & 5/6<br>14 September, Wednesday Classes 5/3 & 5/5 |

8) **PSLE Listening Comprehension, 16 September 2016**

The PSLE Listening Examination will be conducted nationwide on Friday 16 September 2016. Only P6 pupils are required to report to school on that day. P1-P5 pupils need not attend school on that day and they will work on assignments assigned by their subject teachers.

9) **Science Challenge 2, 20 September 2016**

Science Challenge 2 for the year will be held on Tuesday 20 September 2016, in the afternoon. The theme is "**Gotta ball 'em all!**" Ball games have existed for many years, across various continents and races, and till now, remains an integral part of our lives. The number of scientific concepts tied to these games are by no means exhaustive. Through this Science Challenge, pupils will be exploring the scientific concepts of forces and energy. The Challenge is open to all P3-P5 pupils, and they may sign up from Thursday 1 September 2016 through the Asknlearn portal. Please refer to the school website for details of the event.

10) **Brownies' Cookies Sales, 26 – 30 September 2016**

As part of the World Thinking Day Celebrations, Jing Shan Brownies will be launching the Girl Guides Cookies Sale as part of their fund-raising activities. The cookie sales will be from Monday to Friday, 26 to 30 September 2016, during the 3 recesses.

The Girl Guide cookie tins, are attractively designated, with its design theme centred on "Recycle", which is an important trait we want to imbue in our pupils. The cookie tins will come in three flavours, Chocolate Cream, Chocolate Mint, and Chocolate Malt. Each tin costs **\$12**.

Parents who wish to place an order are to indicate the choice and quantity in the order form attached. Kindly get your child to bring along the completed form and money to the canteen during his/her recess from Monday to Friday, 26 to 30 September 2016. We thank you for your support.

11) **Cyber wellness : C Quest Experience in the Ligerbrary**

The school Cyber Wellness team has prepared the C-Quest Game for pupils' use. Through the process of gaming, C-Quest aims to equip pupils with relevant knowledge and tips to manage online interactions. Players will also learn to be safe, respectful, and responsible users of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) through the game. Pupils are strongly encouraged to visit the Ligerbrary on Tuesdays during recess to use the iPADS in the library to access the game.

12) **ECHA 2016 @ Jing Shan Primary School**

Edusave Character Award (ECHA) was introduced by MOE to enable schools to recognise pupils who demonstrate exemplary character and outstanding personal qualities through their behaviour and actions. The award also supports our schools' continuing efforts in nurturing students of good values and character, who are active contributors and concerned citizens. The school strongly encourages parents and pupils to nominate deserving pupils for the award. Nomination can be done through our school website or through this link: <http://tinyurl.com/gr3lvmj>. Pupils who are shortlisted will be invited for an interview session. Details for the ECHA award are as follows:

**Eligibility Criteria**

- a) Student must be Singaporean
- b) Student must be nominated by self, parent, teacher or staff of Jing Shan.

### Award Timeline

- a) Nomination Phase – 29 August to 13 September 2016
- b) Shortlisting Phase – 14 to 16 September 2016
- c) Interview Phase – 21 to 23 September 2016
- d) Endorsement by Principal – 26 September 2016

### Judging Criteria

- a) Receive 'Excellent' conduct grade for current and previous academic year. (P2 to P6)
- b) Receive 'Excellent' conduct grade for current academic year. (P1)
- c) Good performance in CCA. (if any)
- d) Winner of Termly LIGER Award.

### 13) **Safety and Security**

As part of the school's on-going review to ensure the safety and security for all pupils and staff of the school, we would like to highlight and remind you of Visitors Procedures as communicated on pages 10 and 13 in the Pupil Handbook.

All visitors, including our pupils' parents/guardians, will have to register themselves with the Security Officer at the Guardhouse (located at the main gate) if they are visiting the school for specific official matters. Visitors to the school will only be allowed to enter through the Main Gate as multiple points of entry into the school may compromise the safety and security of the school premises and your child. All visitors will only be allowed to wait at the General Office to meet with staff of the school. Movement within the school compound beyond the General Office MUST be accompanied by designated school staff.

Parents who wish to see any staff after school dismissal are to follow the same procedures as above. They are advised to avoid the peak dismissal hours and to make appointments to see the staff so as to minimise disruption of school dismissal procedures.

In the case of parents/guardians coming to pick up or to pass food items to their child/ward during dismissal, please stay within the Waiting Area marked by barricades along the boundary next to the Canteen or the Waiting Area under the shelter at the Back Gate. In the case of parents/guardians coming to pick up their child/ward from Alphajoy, please stay within the Waiting Area at the Security Counter in the foyer.

The school would like to thank you for your cooperation in supporting the school to strengthen the safety and security of the school premises in the interest of your child/ward.

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**Mdm Goh Meei Yunn**  
**Principal**

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**BROWNIES COOKIES' ORDER FORM 2016**

Name of Pupil : \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Chocolate Mint Qty: \_\_\_\_\_

Chocolate Cream Qty: \_\_\_\_\_

Chocolate Malt Qty: \_\_\_\_\_

***For Official Use only***

Total Amount : \_\_\_\_\_ (Qty) X \$12 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Amount received by : \_\_\_\_\_ Initial : \_\_\_\_\_ Date : \_\_\_\_\_