

From the Principal's Desk

2 July 2015

Dear Parents / Guardian

The month of June saw Singapore's finest moments in the SEA Games with a total of 84 Gold, 73 Silver & 102 Bronze. In the midst of it, we also grieved at the loss of 10 Singaporeans in the Mount Kinabalu earthquake. In both events we witnessed the Singapore spirit – the resilience and relentless pursuit of excellence in our athletes, and the selflessness of the teachers and instructor, the bravery and enthusiasm of the children to give their best and challenge themselves and the support from different ministries and community for the children and their families at Tanjong Katong Primary School. In sadness as in joy, we drew together as ONE PEOPLE.

School Achievements Term 2 2015

We want to congratulate all winners and participants in the various competitions held in term 2. They have always kept the school flag flying high because they displayed excellence, perseverance and good sportsmanship. Credit also goes to the teachers and the supportive parents.

1	Schools Digital Media Awards (SDMA)	Gold Rae Ang Sze Wee Duan Ning Xin Esther J-Yoong Christine Siow Ning Jie
2	National Schools Chess Competition	Lower Junior Division Sun Shilian, P1B - National Level (Merit) & South Zone (1st) Wu Dan Dan, P1E – National Level (Merit) & South Zone (Merit) Junior Division Faith Lim, P3A – South Zone (Merit) Alexis Jaycee Ang, P4C – National Level (Merit)& South Zone (1 st) Goh Dai Ting, P4C – Merit Mak Wy-En, P4E – National Level (Merit) & South Zone (2nd) Iness Kuma, P4G – South Zone (Merit)

		<p>Senior Division Joyce Ng Shi Han, P5Q – South Zone (Merit)</p> <p>Ooi Zi Ern Shannon, P5Q – National Level (Merit) & South Zone (Merit)</p> <p>Tan Kai Lin Stephanie, P6F- National Level (Merit) & South Zone (Merit)</p> <p>Chiang Yee Ting Isabelle, P6Q – South Zone (Merit)</p>
3	Singapore Gymnastics National Competitions	<p>Kathryn Chia, P5E - Stage 2 Event : 3rd Indv Hoop / 4th Indv Club/ 6th Indv Ribbon</p> <p>Sarah Ow, P5A - Stage 2 Event : 2nd Indv Rope /3rd Indv Freehand / 6th Indv Hoop /5th Indv Ball / 6th Indv Club / 4th Indv All Round</p>
4	2015 National Schools Rhythmic Gymnastics	<p>'C' Division Level 2 Group Freehand – 2nd 'C' Division Level 2 Team Event – 2nd 'C' Division Level 2 Div Championship – 3rd 'B' Division Level 2 Group Freehand - 3rd 'B' Division Level 2 Team Event – 3rd 'B' Division Level 2 Div Championship – 3rd</p> <p>Sarah Ow, P5A – Elite Level Stage 1 ; 2nd Freehand /3rd Rope / 1st Hoop/ 1st Ball / 3rd Indv Overall</p> <p>Low Yu Yenn , P4G – Elite Level Stage 1 : 3rd Hoop /2nd Clubs / 3rd Ribbon</p> <p>Kathryn Chia, P5E – Elite Level Stage 2 : 3rd Freehand / 2nd Rope</p> <p>Megan Tan, P6C – 'B' Division Level 3 3rd Clubs</p>
5	56 th National Swim Meet	<p>'C' Division Overall – 3rd 'C' Division Team – 3rd – 4x50M Medley Relay / 4th – 4x50M Free Relay 'B' Division Team – 4th – 4x50M Free Relay</p> <p>Chan Clydi P5A 1st - 100M Freestyle & 200M Freestyle 3rd - 4x50M Medley Relay 4th - 4x50M Free Relay</p> <p>Megan Loh P5G 4th - 100M Freestyle</p> <p>Faith Khoo, P6C 2nd – 50M Backstroke</p>

6	2015 South Zone Table Tennis Championship	Junior Girls – Champion Senior Girls – First Runners-up
7	2015 National Primary Schools Softball Championship	Senior Girls Champion
8	2015 National Primary Schools Tennis Championship	Junior Girls Silver
9	London College of Music Choral Examination Level 2	Choir – Distinction
10	London College of Music High Scorers Concert – Festival of Songs 2015	Choir – Distinction
11	Girls Brigade – Low Guat Tin Challenge	Gold & Silver
12	National Calligraphy Competition	Karine Hay Kai Lin P4B – 2 nd Dai Ailin P4B – 3 rd Ho Xin Ping Julia P4B – Merit Wang Yujie P4B – Merit
13	National Dancesport Competition	Felis Tan P5B Gold for Solo Under 13 Chacha Gold for Solo Under 13 Jive Hana Tan P2A Silver for Solo Under 9 Chacha Silver for Solo Under 9 Jive Silver for Under 13 Chacha couple Silver for Under 13 Jive couple
14	“My Dream Bus” Art Competition	Nayli Qistina bte Ashraf Hassan P2I – 2 nd Yap Rui Lin P1E – Merit Chloe Yoong P2F – Consolation
15	RGS Mathematics & Science Challenge	Marie Ng Min Rui P6E – 7 th (Science) Lucia Li P6Q - 1 st (Math) Chai Jing Ting P6E – 5 th (Math) Cai Sirui P6P – 6 th (Math) Team Award -3rd Lim Jia Hui P6P Zhou Xinyan P6P Cai Sirui P6P Megan Cheah Shi Qi P6Q Lucia Li P6Q Loi Zi Xian P6R
16	9th YMCA Mandarin Speaking Awards (MSA): Primary Category	Honour Roll Recipients : Ge Jia Ni Eleanor P3A Jenifer Wu Chu Jie P3F
17	Asia-Pacific Mathematical Olympiad for Primary Schools	3 Platinum 3 Gold

		9 Silver 15 Bronze
18	RI Primary Math World Contest	Hu Xinghui P5R – 1 st Tan Yun Hui P5P – 3 rd Team – 1 st Runners-up Hu Xinghui P5R Koay Tze Erhn P5R Tham Yun Xin P5R Tan Yun Hui P5P
19	SYF Art	Certificate of Recognition Title : Our Collection of Perceptions and Dreams
20	Future Problem Solving Programme International	<u>Global Issues Problem Solving Team</u> <i>- 11th Position</i> Sarah Esther Goldman P6P Christine Siow Ning Jie P6Q Kristie Png Boon See P6Q Sruthi Muralikrishna P6Q <u>Multiple-Affiliate Global Issues Competition</u> Cai Sirui P6P – 4 th Chan Jen-Si Josephine P6Q – 5 th
21	National Primary Schools Taekwondo Championship	<u>Kyurogi</u> <i>Junior Division Female Poom Belt – Under 24 kg</i> Yap She Pin Shandy P4F – 1 st <i>Senior Division – Female Poom Belt Under 34 kg</i> Lael Kok Lien P5R – 2 nd

P6 Interview Workshop & Secondary Schools Fair

We had a successful P6 Interview Workshop because of the tremendous support provided by our parent facilitators. Feedback was very positive. Many P6 parents also shared that the Secondary Schools Fair was beneficial as it provided a one-stop venue for parents to get information of the many schools popular with our students.

Single Session wef 2016

MOE has announced that we will be transiting to single session with effect from 2016. All students from P1 to P6 will be attending lessons in the morning session.

After careful consideration and discussion with PVG and staff, the school will operate from 7.30am – 1.30pm wef 2 January 2016. One of the reasons is that NJC's start time is at 7.40am on 3 days. Also as communicated earlier, the school buses are unavailable to send the children to school much later than current timings given their commitment to ferry factory workers. Moreover some parents were also concerned that dismissal at 1.40pm as initially suggested will render too late a lunch for the children who take the school buses home.

The curriculum hours at this point are as follows:

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
7.30 am – 1.30pm	Lessons	Lessons	Lessons	Lessons	Lessons
1.30 – 2.10pm	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	NIL
2.10 – 3pm	Remedial lessons	Remedial lessons	Remedial lessons	Remedial lessons	NIL
3 – 5pm	CCA	CCA	CCA	CCA	NIL

Movement back to Hillcrest

While there is a slight delay in the improvement project over at Hillcrest campus, we are scheduled to move back to Hillcrest in December 2015. We are looking to trim some of the end of year school activities to give staff time to pack and unpack as well as to prepare the Hillcrest site to receive our young ladies in January 2016.

We hope to create a more conducive environment for the students despite the campus being more build-up. In this light, I'm requesting for donation of garden swings, outdoor benches and study tables for the students' use. Parents / Guardian who would like to donate in kind or assist in this matter could contact Mr Lim Boon Teck, Vice Principal Administration at **6468 4377** or lim_boon_teck@schools.gov.sg.

I also hope that parents can help us to raise money for the installation & connection of the intercom system in the new building with the current one in the existing building. The projected cost for this is \$100,000. More details on this will be sent to parents at a later date.

Traffic Matters

Traffic continues to be a bugbear for us. Parents/Guardians are advised to abide by traffic rules and exercise caution driving in & out of the school premises. This also means that parents / guardians need to respect the rights of residents in being able to have restful sleep and easy access to their homes at Gate 3 vicinity. Incessant honking and indiscriminate parking no matter the duration reflect poorly on us and are not positive behavior for our students to emulate.

Term 3 is going to be busier as we move closer to the celebrations of National Day. The students will be involved in many events especially the P5s while exam fever rams up for the P6s. And I'm sure parents will be supporting them all the way.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Yue Yoke Mun