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A Community School of Excellence: Caring Hearts and Creative Minds

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

August continues to be a busy month for the students and staff. I would like to update on events that help us towards achieving the Tampinesian outcomes of:

- Well-rounded resilient students
- Responsible and caring young citizens
- Creative students through the arts
- Physically active and healthy students

Tampines Primary School welcomed the relaxation of social distancing measures and optimized the opportunities for our students to participate in the national events.

Singapore Youth Festival (SYF)

Our students from Choir, Guzheng, Indian Dance, Malay Dance and Modern Dance participated in the SYF. Although the preparations and run-up to the actual presentations were at times stressful and intense, the students learnt new skills and learnt to express their creativity through the various art forms.

National School Games (NSG)

Our basketball, floorball and football teams participated in NSG.

We are proud to share that the following teams attained these achievements:

Basketball

Senior Boys – 5th to 7th Award (East Zone)

Junior Boys – 1st (Nationals - Tier 2)

Floorball (Nationals)

Senior Girls – 3rd

In addition, we would like to extend our congratulations to the following students with individual achievements:

Julian Lee Jian You from 6 Care participated in the national swimming competition:

200m Freestyle – 3rd

200m Individual Medley – 1st

100m (50m Butterfly/50m Freestyle) – 1st

100m (50m Backstroke/50m Breaststroke) – 1st



Venkat Krishnan Pradyu from 4 Love participated in the national track and field:
60m Sprint – 3rd
Long Jump with take-off zone – 3rd

The school continues to expand our CCA offerings so that more students can participate in the NSG. Special mention goes to our new Junior Girls Basketball team. The girls are inexperienced in competitive basketball but have trained tirelessly and shown resilience in their preparations.



Our Junior Girls Basketball Team (in white) with opponents from Telok Kurau Primary School

NSG 2022 is still ongoing. Let us continue to encourage and support our students in their quest for sporting excellence. Regardless of competition results, we recognise and applaud every one of our student athletes for doing their best while upholding the school values of Integrity, Resilience, Excellence, Adaptability and Passion.

The students who participated in both the SYF and NSG reflected on their learning and growth. They are grateful for the teachers' and parents/guardians' hard work and support in enabling them to have these special experiences. The school's efforts in providing a holistic and quality education means that students were able to discover their talents and passion beyond the classrooms.

National Day Celebrations Monday 8 August & School Holidays Tuesday 9 August – Wednesday 10 August

Since last week, the staff and students have been arriving, every morning, to the school hall to sing a medley of national day songs as the run up to our national day celebrations.



NATIONAL DAY COMMEMORATION

DATE	8 August 2022 (Monday)
REPORTING	7.30 a.m. (Hall)
DISMISSAL	10.30 a.m.
ATTIRE	Plain red round collar t-shirt (no logos, no elaborate designs) + school shorts/skirt
THINGS TO BRING	Pencil case, mini flag, water bottle, light dry snack (Use a small bag)



Students are encouraged to wear red t-shirts, only if they have them readily available at home. Otherwise they can wear their PE t-shirts. All students will be dismissed from their respective gates at 10.30 a.m.

Teachers' Day Celebrations Thursday 1 September & School Holiday Friday 2 September – Showing Appreciation to all Educators

To recognize our staff's outstanding efforts and care for all students, Thursday 1 September will be a day of celebrations. Dismissal will be at 10.30 a.m. 2 September, Friday, will be a school holiday.

Parents and students are gently reminded not to buy expensive gifts. Instead notes, cards and simple handmade gifts will be treasured as sincere expressions of appreciation by staff.

We congratulate the following staff for winning the 14th Caring Teachers Award:

Chuan Boon Min
Kang Teck Beng
Nurul Asyikin
Queenie Low Jia Ling
Shahdon Bin Mohd Jamil

Primary 6 Booster Camp

As part of our staff's efforts to help the P6 students to prepare for the coming PSLE, this year's booster camp is scheduled on Thursday 8 September – Friday 9 September. P6 students can show their appreciation by their full attendance and engagement for all sessions.



Revision to Canteen Prices

The school has been working closely with the canteen stallholders to maintain their prices for school meals. Many parents/guardians would have read about the revision in canteen prices in the July newspaper reports. One can be found at <https://www.straitstimes.com/singapore/parenting-education/some-canteen-food-prices-rise-moe-committed-to-doing-more-for-needy-students>

However, due to the increase in operating costs, there will be a revision in September. A healthy meal will cost about \$1.50 to \$1.80, with a piece of fruit. For students who need to have larger portions, the meal will cost about \$2 to \$2.20. We would like to reassure parents that the team led by Mr John Ng, Vice Principal (Admin), will oversee this and our aim will be to keep prices affordable whilst ensuring that the meals meet the healthy plate guidelines set by the Health Promotion Board. This price revision will take place in Term 4, after the September holidays.

Conclusion

As we celebrate National Day 2022, the call of “Stronger Together, Majulah!” is for all of us to forge ahead towards a better future as we emerge from COVID-19.

Our celebrations in Tampines Primary will focus on our pledges of gratitude and to do good as well as our hopes and wishes for Singapore.

It is also a time for my staff and I to reflect and appreciate our students and their families for the strong partnerships in helping us to provide a holistic education – in values, studies, sports and aesthetics.

From all of us in Tampines Primary School – wishing you a Happy National Day and an enjoyable September holiday!

With all good wishes,

Mrs Lay See Neufeld
Principal

