



Dear Parents / Guardians,

We welcome students back to school in Term 4. We believe that our students had found time during the September holiday break to bond with their family and to have a good rest.

In August, we celebrated National Day and Teachers' Day meaningfully with much zest, creativity and vibrancy. We thank the School Advisory Committee (SAC) for contributing generously towards our National Day gifts and Teachers' Day lunch. Their presence during both the National Day and Teachers' Day celebrations give much support to the school. We are grateful to the Parent Support Group for organising the Teachers' Day Celebration on 29 August for the teachers with a sumptuous spread of food.

1. Student Achievements

We congratulate the following students for their achievements in the following competition:

Types of Achievement	Awardees
National Pintar Kata App Competition (Primary) Certificate of Participation	1. Marsya Binte Mohammad Ashraff (Pri 5A) 2. Nuha Syafeqah Binte Mohammed Nizaar (Pri 5C) 3. Nur Eryana Binte Ishak (Pri 4B) 4. Alisha Rai Binte Kapil Rai (Pri 4B) 5. Ifra Nurhana Binte Irfan Iskandar (Pri 4A)

2. Staff Achievements

We congratulate the following teachers on receiving their National Day awards:

- Mdm Norashikin Bte Abdul Hamid, Subject Head (Malay Language), for being awarded the National Day Commendation Medal.
- Ms Chua Siew Kheng, Head of Department (English Language), for being awarded the National Day Long Service Medal.
- Mdm Mahalakshmi d/o Kalyanam, Head of Department (Student Management), for being awarded the National Day Long Service Medal.

3. School Events in September

Date	Event / Programme	Remarks
27 Sep (Thurs), 28 Sep (Fri) & 1 Oct (Mon) to 3 Oct (Wed)	PSLE Written Examination	All students are to report to school with lessons as usual.

4. Values in Action (VIA): Food from the Heart and HCA Hospice Care

The school is organising a school-wide donation drive for 'Food from the Heart and HCA Hospice Care'. This drive aims to inculcate in our students the values of responsibility and care of others and nurture in them the generosity to contribute to society. Simultaneously, we aim to create awareness pertinent to the national issue of an aging population.

A collection station will be set up outside the General Office from **24 to 25 September** from 7.00 a.m. to 12.00 p.m. for students to contribute their donations. Some suggested items are in the table below. While the donation is voluntary, we strongly encourage students to donate one or more items in the list. This activity will especially meaningful if it is a family effort. We look forward to your support and partnership in this project.

Suggested donated items:

Tin		Packet	
Milk Powder	Milo	Sugar	Coffee/Tea
Canned Food Items	Sardines	Oats	Instant Noodles
		Biscuits	Rice

Do check that the donated food items are not passed their expiry date or close to their expiry date.

5. 2018 Award for Character Excellence (ACE) and Edusave Character Award (ECHA)

Award for Character Excellence (ACE) is a school-based award for all students, including students who are permanent residents and foreigners, who demonstrate exemplary character and outstanding qualities. The ACE awardees will receive a certificate and trophy

The Edusave Character Award (ECHA) is a Ministry of Education award presented to Singaporean students who demonstrate exemplary character and outstanding personal qualities through their behaviour and actions. ECHA awardees will receive the following:

Levels	Award
Primary 1 to 3	\$200 + Certificate
Primary 4 to 6	\$350 + Certificate

Nomination for ACE and ECHA 2018

Students, parents and staff can nominate deserving students for these awards. Nomination forms are available at the school's General Office. A softcopy of the form can be downloaded from the school website. Completed nominations are to be submitted to your child's form teachers or to the school's General Office. **The nomination is from 3 September (8am) to 28 September (5pm).** Incomplete and late submission of nomination forms will not be considered.

Eligibility Criteria:

- ACE award is open to all the students whereas ECHA is only to Singaporean students.
- The nominee must demonstrate good character and values consistently. Some examples are:
 - Students must demonstrate qualities of School Values, i.e. Integrity, Care, Active Teamwork, Respect, Responsibility and Excellence;

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- ii. A high level of civic responsibility. Students must demonstrate concerns and empathy about issues faced by others in their community. They could have initiated simple action or played an active role to address these issues and demonstrate commitment to making a difference;
- iii. Qualities associated with Resilience. Students who have persevered despite facing difficult circumstances (e.g. financial problems, health issues, family issues, peer resistance, etc.) and have managed to overcome the odds; and/or
- iv. Leadership qualities. Students must be role model to lead and serve others or the school (e.g. school events, VIA) and motivate peers to strive for the best.

6. Home-based Learning – 15 Oct (Mon)

The school will be conducting a Home-Based Learning (HBL) exercise for all the P1 to P5 students during one of the PSLE Marking Days on 15 October (Monday). This exercise aims to promote self-directed learning at home. HBL also allows the students to gain access to cyberspace, and apply what they learnt in the cyber-wellness programme, such as respect self and others, be safe and responsible and be a positive peer influence. HBL also aims to prepare students for continuity of learning at home in the event of school closure.

The students will use the new Student Learning Space (SLS) portal (<https://vle.learning.moe.edu.sg/login>) this year to complete the lessons put up in the portal. The teachers will provide instruction to the students about this soon.

For students without computer or internet access at home, we seek parents' support to assist their children by bringing them to the national library or community centres. Information of public libraries can also be retrieved from <https://www.nlb.gov.sg/VisitUs.aspx>. Students need to inform their form teachers if they need assistance for the home-based learning.

We look forward to your support and your assistance to monitor your child complete his/her online lesson assignments. Further details will be provided at a later date.

7. School fees and School Bill arrears - Reminder

All parents who have outstanding fees/charges from MOE and School bills are to make payments by 26 September 2018. All **Primary 6** students must make payment before the release of the PSLE results, i.e. around mid-Nov 2018. Do let us know if you have any concerns regarding this matter.

Thank you for your attention!

Yours sincerely,

Mr. Gau Poh Teck
Principal

