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Dear Parents/Guardian

# Letter to Parents/Guardians – Term 4

Greetings to all parents and guardians! I would like to share some information with you as we move into the last term of the academic year 2024.

# GCE O-Level Mother Tongue Languages (MTL) Mid-Year Examination 2024

The results for the MTL Mid-year Examination were released on Thu, 22 Aug. We congratulate our 4E5N students on their successes and will continue to support them as they prepare for their coming GCE O-Level Examination.

# Achievements of our Students

### Our Heart for Singapore Gallery

As part of the English department's YSS Writes programme, we submitted essay entries to *Our Heart For Singapore,* a national initiative that aims to capture the connections between Singaporeans of different generations. Nicholas Tan from 3 Respect and S Matthea Abby from 3 Soar were invited to meet Senior Parliamentary Secretary Mr Shawn Huang and share their aspirations for the future and the lessons they have learnt from the older generations. Their essay entries are featured in the gallery for the public to view and appreciate.

### Peer Support Summit 2024

Selected Secondary 2 and 3 Peer Support Leaders (PSLs), led by Head PSL **Zavian Kong from 3 Strive**, represented the school in the augural Peer Support Summit 2024. Across the 3-day programme, they engaged in fruitful learning activities conducted by mental health professionals and exchanged best practices with the PSLs of other schools. The programme was also graced by Mr Alvin Tan, Minister of State for Trade and Industry and Minister of State for Culture, Community and Youth. This programme greatly honed the PSLs' core competencies, and they received numerous positive feedback for their enthusiasm and warm dispositions.

### National Digital Explorer (NDE) 2024

This is a nationwide digital literacy initiative designed to empower students to learn real-world skills that enable them to think critically and be more productive learners. **Ye Peiwen from 2 Care** and **Lvonne Lim Yu Xin from 2 Seek** qualified for the **National Round**.

### SIMC 2.0 (Singapore International Mathematical and Computational Challenge)

Our students went through a series of training to learn on AI tools and work on project on machine learning to develop forecast model based on results from past examinations. The team of **Chen Jiaxin from 3 Integrity**, **Ryan Koh Teng Wang from 3 Strive** and **Siew Junze Jacob from 2 Respect** received a **participation** award.

### WE SEEK, WE STRIVE, WE SOAR

### STEM Playground 2024 Challenge 2 - Support the Mass!

Twenty-six Secondary Three G3 Level Design & Technology students participated in the STEM Playground 2024 Challenge 2 - Support the Mass! jointly organised by Science Centre Singapore and The James Dyson Foundation in July. They received Certificates of Accomplishment for their efforts.

Name	Class	Name	Class
Chloe Lee Jia Yi	3 Care	Arockiaraj Jabalisaniya	3 Resilience
Ethan Wong Wai Hin (Wang Weixuan)	3 Care	Chellaiah Harish	3 Resilience
Jayden Tiu	3 Care	Jaren Ong Yan Jun	3 Resilience
Muhammed Murshid Bin Muhammed Iqbal	3 Care	Lor Jin Ting Avery	3 Resilience
Pugazhliniyan Mathivanan	3 Care	Muhammad Azfar Bin Mohamed Gani	3 Resilience
Tan Hui Jie	3 Care	Ooi Jing Run Kayden	3 Resilience
Aiesha Binte Mohammad Asree	3 Integrity	Suresh Gokul	3 Resilience
Iman Nasuha Bin Abdullah	3 Integrity	Bong Yu Yang, Raynen	3 Respect
Lim Xin Xuan	3 Integrity	Hellen Kaj Gustaf	3 Respect
Loy Cheng Le	3 Integrity	Karthikeyan Trinaethraa	3 Respect
Ng Jun Yi	3 Integrity	Liu Si Ru	3 Respect
Selvakumar Naresh	3 Integrity	Neelakandan Meena Sabareeshvar	3 Respect
Zara Amanda Binti Mohamad Ridduan	3 Integrity	Ramesh Hemanth	3 Respect

### NIE Mathematics Challenge for Sec 1 and Sec 2

In this online Math quiz that is closely aligned to the current secondary Mathematics syllabus offered to selected Sec 1 & Sec 2 students from G2&G3, we achieved **High Distinction** for **Fong Sze Yang from 1 Respect** and **Adora Koh Yu Shaan from 1 Respect**. The following students achieved **Distinction**.

Name	Class	Name	Class
Fua Chee Heng Darren	1 Care	Hipona Keziah Cody Daddy	2 Care
Yap Yihong	1 Care	Tristen Chan Joon Chong	2 Care
Lee Bin Xunn	1 Integrity	Ye Peiwen	2 Care
Lua Si En, Syble	1 Respect	Lim Jia Xuan	2 Innovate
Wong Zhi Yang	1 Respect	Goh Kan Rui	2 Integrity
Alvin Toh Yong Xiang	1 Seek	Yong Jia Ying	2 Integrity
Shiow Dylan	1 Seek	Miao Junheng	2 Respect
Olinda Tan Sze Huei	1 Soar	Wong Xin Yu	2 Respect
Alyssa Wong Jing Ern	2 Care	Cheng Yi Hong Evan	2 Soar

#### Animation and Game Making (AGM) Competition 2024

Selected CPA students developed their animations and games based on the theme of "Intergenerational Harmony" using Scratch programming software in this competition organised by Computer Education Unit at the Curriculum Planning and Development Division (CPDD). **Kwan Yu Hong, Jeremy from 3 Soar** won a **Bronze** award in the Game Making category.

### NCC-NPCC Combined Precision Drill Sequence (PDS) Performance at Nee Soon Central National Day Dinner 2024

On 3 August 2024, students from the National Cadet Corps and the National Police Cadet Corps collaborated to put on a Precision Drill Sequence (PDS) a public performance at the Nee Soon Central National Day Dinner 2024. The team, led by **Ethan Wong Wai Hin (Wang Wei Xuan) from 3 Care**, **Kwan Yu Hong, Jeremy from 3 Soar**, and **Zara Amanda Binti Mohamad Ridduan from 3 Integrity**, wowed the audience with their rifle stunts and highly synchronised choreography. This performance marked the second year that students from the two Uniformed Groups (UGs) came together to perform as one unit. Besides giving our students a new platform to showcase their talents, this collaboration helped to facilitate an exchange of skills and knowledge, as well as foster a greater sense of camaraderie and unity between students from the 2 UGs.

#### NPCC Inter-Unit Drill Competition 2024

Selected Secondary 2 and 3 NPCC cadets participated in the NPCC Inter-Unit Drill Competition 2024. This is the first year that the competition has resumed after a 3 year-hiatus due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The team, led by **Teddy Toh Jun Xian from 3 Innovate**, earned a spot in the Grand Finals by being the top team in both the Area-Level Preliminaries and the Zonal-Level Semi-Finals. In the Grand Finals, they attained the **Gold** award, placing them in **first** place within their zone.

#### Animation Project by Educational Support and CCE Team

Our students were given the opportunity to showcase their talents and skills in animation and presentation to the whole school during our Flag Raising Ceremony. The storyline, narration and graphics all came together beautifully and brought to life a slice of Singapore's history for all who watched the presentation and enjoyed the quiz. The Animation Task Force consists of **Eugene Khoo Kang Zhe, Jonathan Poh Sze U, Zheng Kaizong and Jayden Tan Yang Xun from 3 Integrity, Calista Ng Jia Qi from 3 Care and Ethan Wong Yik Teng from 3 Strive.** Kudos to the team of students, as well as the teachers who saw their potential and built up their confidence!

### National School Games C-Division Football (Boys)

Our C-Division Boys' Football Team played Unity Secondary School in the National School Games (League 4) for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Placing and achieved 4<sup>th</sup> place in the NSG League 4. This was a long-awaited victory as it is the first major win in Football in the last 20 years. We are proud of our boys and look forward to them growing from strength to strength!

### National School Games C-Division Basketball (Boys and Girls)

Our Basketball Boys and Girls teams had an incredible journey in this year's NSG C-Division Basketball competitions.

In April, the Boys team competed in Tier 5 and successfully earned a promotion to Tier 4 in May. Their hard work and determination culminated in a well-deserved victory on August 21, 2024, when they secured the championship in Tier 4, winning the finals with a score of 70-64.

The Girls team also made us proud, competing in Tier 2 in April and earning a promotion to Tier 1 in May. Playing against traditional powerhouses, our school was the dark horse of the tournament, yet the girls managed to show their grit and determination. On August 20, 2024, they made history by finishing 4th in Tier 1, marking a significant achievement for our school.

These accomplishments are a testament to the relentless determination and spirit of our athletes, as well as the unwavering support from their parents, teachers, and coach. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all the teachers and student supporters who cheered on our teams, both in person and via the live broadcast in the school hall. A special thanks goes to our dedicated ICT and PE Departments for bringing the excitement and spirit of the National Games to our school community.

We would like to congratulate our Yishunites and applaud their efforts and achievements, as well as thank our parents for all their support!

## **Practical Information**

#### September Holiday Homework for Sec 1 – 3 students

This will be uploaded onto the school website by Wed, 28 Aug 2024. The link can be found at <a href="https://www.yishunsec.moe.edu.sg/students/announcements/">https://www.yishunsec.moe.edu.sg/students/announcements/</a>

#### **Graduating Cohort Matters**

The graduating cohort of 2024 will be sitting for the national examinations. You may refer to the SEAB website for information of the examination dates or you may refer to your child/ward's entry proof for the information.

#### End of Year Examination Matters

Our Secondary 1 – 3 students will be sitting for their End of Year Examination in Term 4. The timetable for the examination schedule can be found on the school website via this link: <u>https://www.yishunsec.moe.edu.sg/students/exam/</u>

The designated Marking Days are scheduled on Tue, 8 Oct and Wed, 9 Oct and Promotion Day will take place on Fri, 18 Oct. Do take note that students need not report to school on these three dates.

#### Parent-Teacher Meeting for Secondary 1-3 Parents

The Parent-Teacher Meeting for Secondary 1-3 parents will be held on Mon, 21 Oct. More information will be made known later.

#### **Post-Examination Activities**

The school has planned an event-filled programme as part of the post-examination activities. Please refer to the following table for details:

Day/Date/Time	Secondary 1	
Thu, 17 Oct	Learning Journey to River Wonders	
7:30 am to 1:00 pm		
Tue, 22 Oct to Fri, 25 Oct	Sec 1 Camp	
(dismissed at 5:30 pm on the last day)		
Day/Date/Time	Secondary 2	
Thu, 17 Oct	Learning Journey to Bird Paradise	
7:30 am to 1:00 pm		
Tue, 22 Oct to Thu, 24 Oct	Sec 2 Leadership Programme	
(7:30 am to 1:00 pm)		
Fri, 25 Oct	Sec 2 Cohort Learning Activity (Golf)	
7:30 am to 12:30 pm		
Day/Date/Time	Secondary 3	
Thu, 17 Oct	Learning Journey to the Singapore Zoological	
7:30 am to 1:00 pm	Gardens	
Tue, 22 Oct to Fri, 25 Oct	Sec 3 Camp	
(dismissed at 5:30 pm on the last day)		

### Last Day of School

Level	Dates
Secondary 4 NT / NA	Fri, 20 Sep 2024
Secondary 4 Express / 5 NA	Tue, 1 Oct 2024
Secondary 1 – 3	Fri, 25 Oct 2024

#### School Events in Term 4

#### **Graduation Day**

Our Secondary 4 and 5 students will be graduating from school soon. To mark this significant milestone, a graduation ceremony will be held for them in the school hall on Fri, 20 Sep.

The graduation ceremony will take place from 2:30 pm to 5:30 pm. Graduation Day is not a school holiday. All graduating students are expected to report to school at 7:30 am on that day for lessons.

#### YSS Open House 2024

The YSS Open House will take place on Sat, 16 Nov 2024 from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. Your child/ward may be required to be in school for the Open House to share his/her experiences in CCAs or in the academic programmes.

Thank you for journeying with us to provide the best possible education for our students.

Warm regards

Mrs Regina Lee Principal