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Nurturing each in their own way by forming hearts,
enlightening minds and empowering spirits to live in
The Way, The Truth and The Life

From the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents / Guardians

Welcome back to the second half of the school year. I hope you managed to spend quality family time over the June holidays. Nurturing strong family bonds provide the ballast that our younger generation need to give stability in character and values in challenging times.

We recognise that the return to school for some children may prove to be challenging after being away from school for a period of time. It is for this reason that our students from Primary One to Five are participating in the Adventure Week programme organised by CCPS. While these activities take place, our Primary Six students continue to focus on their preparations for the upcoming PSLE.



The holidays was a time for staff to reflect on how we can improve on the quality of education. During the month of June we honour the Sacred Heart of Jesus and ponder the gift of His Son that God has blessed us with. May we in the same measure be a gift of love to our students, their families, community at the Village and to one another. In July, we honour the special place of Grandparents in our families in line with the Feast of Saints Ana and Joaquim, parents of Mother Mary. Over the rest of the year, the school will focus on deepening learning experiences for staff and students. There will be more opportunities for incorporating Daily Living Skills in our students. With the return of the Singapore Youth Festival our band will participate in the performance while our choir prepares for other performances. Selected students will contribute their art pieces for display at the public art exhibition hosted by CCPS at the end of the month.

The school will continue its focus on professional development as we host another 2-3 teachers from other schools as part of our Teacher Attachment Programme. In turn, two of our teachers will be attached to another two SPED schools to broaden their experiences with different profiles of students. Parent involvement in the education of our students remains a priority. Teachers will continue to work with you to monitor the progress of every student. As the pandemic situation stabilises, we are planning for a session when we invite all parents to dialogue with staff on student outcomes. Towards the later part of the year, we aim to reinstate our Annual School Camp as well as our Annual Thanksgiving.

For our plans to come to fruition, we will continue to remain vigilant on keeping the COVID virus at bay while we urge parents not to let their guard down. Continue to maintain strict standards of personal hygiene and exercise social responsibility in deciding whether or not to send your child to school when he /she has flu-like symptoms.

God bless!

Christina Michael (Ms)
Principal

Book Alive

Book Alive is a platform for students to practice and develop their experience and confidence in their presentation and expressive skills. It is based on a book or story they have selected. In preparation for their presentation, students work on vocal delivery, body language, visual aids, audience engagement and the method of delivery.



Students sharing on their favourite book or stories to their peers and teachers



Primary 6 Hearts@Work Non-Residential Camp

The school organized a camp for Primary 6 students on 26 and 27 May. The theme of the camp was “We Are All in This Together”. This 2-day non-residential camp aimed at growing the children’s self-efficacy skills as they prepare for their first major school milestone in their schooling - the Primary School Leaving Examinations (PSLE). The camp used the PSLE as a platform to build enduring mindsets to learning, Endurance leads to sustained stamina, courage and optimism in the face of challenges that will come along in different stages of the child’s life.



The students enjoying the bread making session

A Visit by Singapore General Hospital (SGH) Doctors and Allied Health Professionals (AHPs) on 20 May 2022

Canossian School (CS) regularly hosts visitors as part of our outreach to community partners. On 20 May 2022, CS hosted doctors, audiologists, and auditory-verbal therapists from Singapore General Hospital (SGH). The visit aimed to enhance awareness of the school's mission, values, and unique features, so that SGH staff working with children with hearing loss may counsel their parents more effectively regarding possible education pathways for their children.



Our visitors viewed presentations by Canossian School (CS) as well as Canossaville Children and Community Services (CCCS) that covered topics such as the profile of our students and the unique services Canossian Village offers to students with hearing loss. They toured the village, visiting Canossaville Preschool (CPS) and the Canossian Child Development Unit (CCDU). They also had the opportunity to visit the school's audiological testing room and ear mould lab.

They were also invited to observe a lesson in our Primary 1 class to witness the differentiated teaching, level of support and classroom infrastructure we offer in comparison with mainstream schools.

Important Dates

Dates	Events
Monday, 4 July	There will be no school - Youth Day
Monday, 11 July	Public Holiday - Hari Raya Haji
<u>CCA resume dates</u> Friday, 8 July	Students will report to school as per normal from 7.00am to 3.30pm
<u>Afternoon Support Class</u> Begins on Tuesday 5 July	Students will report to school from 7.00am to 3.30pm
<u>Primary 6 Preliminary Examinations</u> The P6 will be taking their Preliminary Examinations on the following dates: Tuesday, 26 July Thursday, 18 August Friday, 19 August Tuesday, 23 August	English Language Listening Comprehension English Language Paper 1 and Paper 2 Mathematics Science
<u>PSLE Oral Examination</u> The P6 will be sitting for their oral exams on Monday, 15 August Tuesday, 16 August	

SportCares Bursary

Children, youths, and persons with disabilities (PwDs) receiving financial assistance can benefit from the SportCares Bursary Scheme, which covers the fees to any ActiveSG Academies and Clubs (A&Cs) programme. The objective is to increase opportunities for children, youths and PwDs receiving financial assistance to broaden their sporting experiences through exposure to multiple sports for an active lifestyle and increase their wellness, active lifestyle, and social inclusion.

The SportCares Bursary covers season fees for eight A&Cs (Athletics, Basketball, Canoe, Football, Hockey, Tennis, Volleyball, and Water polo). It will include application to the Para Sport Academy and more A&Cs in upcoming phases. More details on eligibility can be found via the link the image below.

Students who are interested or enjoy playing sports can register via the link in the image.

You are welcome to send your queries to sportcares@sport.gov.sg.



SportCares Bursary

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To find out more, click here:
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