



# CANOSSIAN SCHOOL



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## REACH Monthly Newsletter



## September 2019

### From the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents,

We have come to the end of a very busy term for both staff and students. Here's a recap of some of these events:

- Our Primary 3 students attended their Sports & Science Camp while the Primary 5 students travelled to Malacca for cultural immersion as well as an exchange programme with their Malaysian counterparts from Sacred Heart School.
- Our Band performed alongside performing arts groups from other mainstream schools at the SYF Concert with Second Minister of Finance and Education, Ms Indranee Rajah as the Guest-of-Honour.
- A Motivational Talk by John Pritikin for parents and staff was held on 15 July. This was the first time the school invited a world renowned speaker with a disability with multiple Guinness Book of Records and parents who attended were deeply moved by his inspiring sharing.
- Canossian School was invited by MOE to share with other mainstream schools on the inclusion programme between CCPS and CS which is indeed a unique and treasure feature of the schooling experience for students from CS
- Officials from MOE, MSF and ECDA observed classroom practice on a visit by the Inclusive Preschool Workgroup on 23 August.
- CS hosted School Leaders and senior staff from 7 SPED schools as part of the Community of Practice on Universal Design for Learning events. About 45 educators observed lessons at CS and CCPS and were impressed by the teaching strategies and the learning environments in classrooms at CS.

In spite of our busy schedules, we have kept a close eye on our Primary 6 students as they prepare for the upcoming PSLE Exams to ensure their wellbeing. Their younger schoolmates expressed their love and encouragement for them through well wishes seen in the picture below. We keep them in our prayers and we hope that parents will provide positive support to lessen their anxieties in their preparation.



To end the term, we pay tribute to our teachers and staff who work hard every day and deserve their day of rest on Teachers Day. We wish all of you a restful and blessed term break. Students come back to school on Monday 16 Sept.

Regards,  
Christina Michael (Ms)  
Principal



## National Day Celebrations



The theme for this year's National Day celebrations was Our Singapore. The day began with the flag-raising ceremony, where the colours party marched in bearing the flag and the CCPS band played the national anthem and school song. Pupils then took part in a variety of classroom-based activities that celebrated our heritage and identity as Singaporeans. The highlight of the day, however, was the concert. Pupils sang and danced to their favourite national day tunes, waved their flags with great enthusiasm and even staged their very own Canossian Wave! It was certainly a celebration to remember.



## Science Learning Journey to HortPark @ Hyderabad



Students from P1 to P5 went on a field trip to HortPark on Thursday 15 August 2019. They spent a fruitful morning at this scenic park lined with lush flowering plants.

The Lower Primary students activated their sense of touch and smell as they explored their surroundings, learning about the life cycle of plants and the uses of different plant parts. They had a go at gardening through a fun filled hands-on session towards the end of their tour.

The Upper Primary students had an exciting time too, identifying the different species of butterflies close up and learning about the importance of insects and the part they play in our ecosystem. It was a morning well spent as the students were outdoors interacting with the environment and reconnecting with nature.





## Canossian School Edible Garden Gives Back

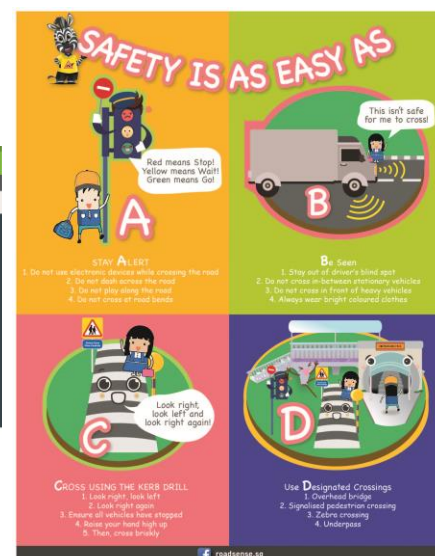
The Canossian School Edible Garden has been yielding an abundance of crops of late. We have had bountiful harvests of long beans, brinjals, cucumbers, ladies fingers, bitter gourds and an assortment of leafy veggies. At Sr Janet's suggestion, we are happy to share the rich harvest with needy families from the Church of St Stephen.

Since July this year, volunteers from the Society of St Vincent De Paul (SSVP) have been coming to the school every first Friday of the month to help with the harvesting of crops. They lovingly pack them into bundles and distribute them to needy families in Church on Saturday. We are indeed delighted to be able to share our abundance and we hope this partnership will continue to grow and more families will continue to be blessed with our plentiful garden produce!



## Parents driving in Through Gate 1.

Please take note of the following tips:



## Upcoming Events

### **PSLE LC**

Date: 20 September 2019

P6 pupils taking the examination are to report to school at 9.00 am. Please make your own transport arrangement.

P1 to P5 pupils do not need to report to school.

### **CS E-learning Day**

On Friday 20 September, P1 to P5 pupils will be involved in the e-Learning Day. On that day, pupils will not be coming to school. Pupils will stay at home and complete the tasks assigned to them.

Details will be provided nearer the date.

## **PSLE**

<i><b>DATE</b></i>	<i><b>SUBJECT</b></i>
26 <sup>th</sup> September 2019	English – Paper 1
	English – Paper 2
27 <sup>th</sup> September 2019	Mathematics
1 <sup>st</sup> October 2019	Science

### **Teachers' Day**

The school will celebrate teachers' day on Thursday, 5 September.

Pupils are to report to school at 7.00 am and will be dismissed at 10.00 am.

### **Scheduled school holidays**

6 September is Teacher's Day and is a scheduled school holiday.

The September school holidays will be from Saturday, 7 September to Sunday, 15 September.

School opening hours will be from 7.30am to 3.30pm (Monday to Friday) during the school holidays.

Pupils will report to school on Monday, 16 September.