

4 August 2022

### From the Principal's Office (August 2022)

### **Student Matters**

## **Experience Day Activities**

As part of our EXCITE approach to Teaching and Learning, we are happy to share with parents the activities that have been lined up for Kranjians from P1 to P6 on Wednesday, 31 August, during curriculum hours. Our termly Experience Days provide our students with authentic learning experiences that enrich their classroom learning. More information will be provided through Parents Gateway.

Level	Programme	
Primary 1	Social Studies Learning Journey to Yew	
	Tee-Limbang Community	
Primary 2	Learning Journey to Singapore Zoo	
Primary 3	Mother Tongue Learning Journey	
Primary 4	Heat and Temperature Learning Journey	
	to Science Centre	
Primary 5	Cyber Wellness Programme	
Primary 6	Social Studies Learning Journey to Asian	
	Civilisation Museum	

### P1 Social Studies Learning Journey to Yew Tee-Limbang Community

The objective of this learning journey is to experience first-hand what a bustling community is like. On this learning journey, the Primary One students will talk a leisurely walk around the Yew Tee-Limbang neighbourhood in the morning with their peers and teachers on 31 August 2022. Once there, the students will observe the different people, shops, services and occupations which make up the tapestry of our community. Students will have the opportunity to taste some snacks sold in the community when they are back in school. Teachers will facilitate a discussion about what they have seen and experienced to make connections to the Social Studies syllabus back in school to consolidate the learning.





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#### P2 Learning Journey to Singapore Zoo

All P2 students will be going on a learning journey to the Singapore Zoo where students will learn about the different animals and their characteristics, as well as the different habitats, through the walking trail and animal show. As part of their learning in English Language, students will learn adjectives and vocabulary words pertaining to the different types of animals. This learning journey sets the stage for experiential and authentic learning beyond the confines of the classroom and encourages our students to appreciate the plight of endangered animals and the need for animal and environmental conservation.

#### P3 Mother Tongue Learning Journey

As part of our efforts to take learning beyond the classrooms, the Primary 3 students will be embarking on a cultural learning journey. Students will be engaging in hands-on activities to develop a deeper understanding and appreciation of the culture and traditions of the Chinese, Malay and Indian communities respectively.

Students taking Chinese Language will attend a Tea Appreciation workshop where they will learn about the origins of tea culture, tea art and the history of tea by recognising the various kinds of tea leaves and the equipment used in the process of preparing tea in the traditional way. Students will also be engaged in a hands-on session on tea brewing.

Students taking Malay Language will be learning about the traditional Malay delicacies. The students will be engaged in hands-on activities, where they will learn how to prepare traditional kuihs such as Ondeh-Ondeh and Kuih Dadar.

For students taking Tamil Language, they will learn about traditional Indian dining etiquette and understand the cultural reasons for adopting certain practices in traditional Indian dining. They will also learn the correct dining etiquette to observe during dining via experiential learning and learn the names and benefits of some of the spices used to prepare certain South Indian cuisines.

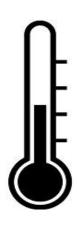






#### P4 Heat and Temperature Learning Journey to Science Centre

P4 students will be going to the Science Centre Singapore for a workshop on "Heat & Temperature" where they will be applying the concepts of heat energy and temperature changes that they have learned in school. Lessons will be conducted by educators from the Science Centre, giving students access to the activities and equipment that will deepen their conceptual understanding. Students will use their knowledge to tackle the design challenge of using different materials and ways to reduce heat gain through demonstrations and hands-on tasks.





#### P5 Cyber Wellness Programme - Be Internet Awesome

With technology advancement, the use of digital devices and access to internet deepens students' learning and empowers them to be independent learners. Thus, to make the most of the internet, students need to have new media literacy skills to help them make smart choices and decisions. The school is working with trainers from Google for Education to conduct the "Be Internet Awesome" programme to teach our students the fundamentals of digital citizenship, so that they can explore the online world with confidence.

#### P6 Social Studies Learning Journey to Asian Civilization Museum

This museum learning journey is part of the Key Student Development Experiences in Primary school and complements the Semester 2 Social Studies Curriculum - Legacies of Ancient Kingdoms and Empires in Southeast Asia. P6 students will embark on an exciting learning journey to the Asian Civilization Museum where they will be transported back in time to Southeast Asia in the past by the mythical and magical aquatic beast, the Makara, to meet some interesting 'virtual' inhabitants and experience first-hand the culture and lifestyle of people in Southeast Asia. Through this learning journey, the students will understand how Southeast Asia was influenced by cultures in China, India, Central Asia and the Middle East.



## P3 Gifted Education Programme Screening Exercise

The Ministry of Education will be carrying out the identification of students for the Gifted Education Programme (GEP) 2023. The GEP identification exercise aims to identify students with high intellectual potential who will benefit from the enriched curriculum provided in the programme. There are two stages – Screening and Selection – for this identification exercise. All P3 students are invited to participate in the Screening exercise which will be held in the school on 17 August 2022 (Wednesday). Students who are shortlisted after the Screening exercise will be invited to the Selection exercise which will be held on 18 and 19 October 2022. Details of the Screening Exercise have been sent out to all parents of P3 Students on 20 July via Parents Gateway.

## Teachers' Day Celebration 2022

Teachers play a pivotal role in the education of our Kranjians here at Kranji Primary School. On Thursday, 1 September 2022, the school will be celebrating Teachers' Day to honour and recognise our teachers for their dedication, sacrifices and the many hats they wear—as coaches, cheerleaders and more. School hours will be from 7.30 am to 10.30 am. A special programme has been planned for teachers and students will be given opportunities to express their gratitude. Please make the necessary transport arrangement for your child. Our school bus service providers have been informed of the updated school hours for the day. The SCC will remain available and open on this day from 10.30 am to 7.00 pm.

Parents and pupils are advised not to purchase any expensive gifts for our teachers and we strongly encourage our pupils to be creative in preparing their own tokens of appreciation for their teachers.

### Student Achievements

Anchored in our belief in the importance of celebrating the accomplishments of our students, we are proud to share the results of the recent student competitions. Congratulations to all our prize recipients!

#### Mathlympics 2022

The Annual Mathlympics 2022 is an esteemed and prestigious Math Olympiad competition that has been held in Singapore for the past 14 years. The topics covered include Arithmetic, Number Theory, Combinatorics, Logic, Geometry, Measures and Measurement and Algebra. The prize winners are:

	Name of Student	Class	Award
1	Phyo Ko Ko Thant	5 Compassion	Gold
2	Htet Myint Mo	5 Respect	Gold
3	Zin Nyan Myint	5 Compassion	Gold

#### • Singapore Primary Science Olympiad Competition

The Singapore Primary Science Olympiad (SPSO) is an annual national competition which is organised by NUS High School of Mathematics and Science. The competition is open to Primary 5 students and comprises of a Theory round. The competition nurtures students' talent in Science and provides students with the opportunities to develop their higher-order thinking skills. We would like to congratulate the following students for their achievement in this competition.

	Name of Student	Class	Award
1	Phyo Ko Ko Thant	5 Compassion	Gold
2	Zin Nyan Myint	5 Compassion	Gold
3	Htet Myint Mo	5 Respect	Bronze

#### • Swift Explorer Singapore 2022

The Swift Explorers Singapore (SES) 2022 is a coding programme organised by Crescent Girls' School for all schools in Singapore. This programme aims to empower students with critical thinking and creative problem solving skills through basic coding on the iPad. As part of the experience, students had access to the same opportunities and resources as real-world developers to identify, design, prototype and build apps. Students also learnt essential business skills through pitching their app ideas to a wider audience. We would like to congratulate the following students from 5 Respect, who were invited to showcase their Swift project at the Graduation Ceremony. Only the top 20 projects were showcased.



	Name of Student	Class
1	Htet Myint Mo	5 Respect
2	Manson Ye Wint	5 Respect
3	Seenivasan Siva Pramesh	5 Respect
4	Thirunavukkarasu Santhosh	5 Respect

### **Staff-Related Matters**

## Contribution to the Fraternity

As part of the school's effort to contribute to the fraternity and facilitate cross-sharing of good practices, the school hosted 3 groups of educators in the month of July to learn about the various aspects of teaching and learning and education as follows:

- Mdm Yong Lay Pheng from West Spring Primary School
- A group of Mathematics teachers from Westwood Primary School
- 5 Key personnel from cluster schools



# **KPS Caring Teacher Award 2022**

As part of the school's effort to recognise our staff who show care and concern in the holistic development of students and go the extra mile to develop them to be confident and independent learners, the school launched the annual KPS Caring Teacher Award in 2019. The school invites all students, ex-students and parents to nominate teachers for the 2022 edition of the award.

More details can be found in the online nomination form using the QR code. The last day of submission of the online nomination form is Friday, 19 August 2022, by 5 pm. Hard copy nomination forms are also available from the General Office. We hope you will nominate a deserving teacher today!



https://tinyurl.com/KPSCTA22

### Parent-Related Matters

## **KPS Parenting Workshops**

The school organizes Parent-Child-Bonding activities regularly to promote the cultivation of a healthy parent-child relationship. Whether it is building a terrarium or creating fun craft, the quality time spent working together on a fun task creates fond memories that go a long way towards building a confident and motivated child. Do join us for the upcoming workshops!



#### All Purpose Holder

Transform a used bottle into a useful holder for your scrunchies, socks and handkerchiefs.

Let's get together for a great time of bonding over fun craft!



All materials will be provided.



# Parenting Resources on Parents Gateway

Parents Gateway has made enhancements for parents to set up preferences on the topics that you would like to see in the parenting resources. With this new enhancement, parents will be able to retrieve content more suited to your preference. Follow the steps below to customize the content on your PG app!

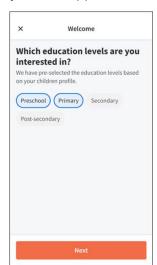


Figure 1 - Selection of education levels



Figure 2 - Selection of preferred topics



Figure 3 - Topics based on preferences



Figure 4 - Parenting resources topics

## **School-Related Matters**

# Public Holidays and Major School Events

We would like to share with you the School Calendar for Term 3 and term 4 Week 1 2022. The dates below are subject to change and parents are advised to take note of changes/updates given in the monthly Principal's letter to parents or notifications through Parents Gateway (PG).

TERM 3				
8 August (Mon)	National Day Celebration	School will operate from 7.30am to 10.30am. Student Care Centre (SCC) will operate from 10.30am to 7.00pm.		
9 & 10 August (Tue & Wed)	Public Holiday (National Day) & Scheduled School Holiday	No school for all levels		
15 & 16 August (Mon & Tue)	PSLE Oral Examination	Only P6 students will be required to report to school. SCC will operate from 7.30am to 7.00pm.		
31 August (Wed)	KPS Experience Day	School will operate as usual		
1 September (Thu)	Teachers' Day Celebration	School will operate from 7.30am to 10.30am. Student Care Centre (SCC) will operate from 10.30am to 7.00pm.		
2 September (Fri)	School Holiday (Teachers' Day)	No school for all levels		
3 September (Sat) to 11 September (Sun)	Term 3 School Holiday	No school for all levels		
16 September (Fri)	PSLE Listening Comprehension	Only P6 students will be required to report to school. SCC will operate from 7.30am to 7.00pm		