

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

### Principal's Message



Dear Parents/Guardians,

Greetings from Kranji Primary School!

I would like to extend a warm welcome to Mdm Alenus Lee, our new Vice-Principal (Admin). She brings with her many years of experience in Human Resource and Management, having spent a number of years in MOE Headquarters, before joining a Secondary School as Administrative Manager, and now joining our school as VP(Admin). I am sure she will be a great asset to our leadership team.

Last semester was a hectic and eventful one for all of us. We renewed leadership development efforts, introducing to our Kranjians Steven Covey's 7 Habits for Highly Effective People. As part of our efforts to promote healthy eating and living, we distributed one Care Pack per Kranjian in March, kindly sponsored by Temasek Foundation. Much normalcy resumed in Term 2 with School Assemblies and celebrations returning, and we even welcomed our local soccer legend Fandi Ahmad to the school as part of our inaugural Career Fair.

Our pupils have done us proud in the first semester, capturing many awards for the school including the West Zone Champions for Senior Girls in the National Basketball Championships, Encouragement Awards for the 2022 Singapore Olympic Foundation - Peter Lim Scholarship, as well as multiple awards at various Math and Science Olympiads. More details are shared with you in this July issue of the newsletter.

Pre-Covid activities like excursions, camps and even swimming lessons are making a comeback this semester. We are also looking forward to hosting two important guests to the school – our Education Minister Chan Chun Sing who will make a school visit in July, and our Deputy Prime Minister Lawrence Wong who will be our Guest-of-Honour for our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary EXCITE Fiesta in November. We will be inviting all parents to join us for the Anniversary celebration. Watch this space for more updates.

Coming into the second year of implementation of our 1:1 Learning Experience, we are embarking on a consultancy with several researchers from the National Institute of Education to equip and deepen our teachers' competencies in the effective use of e-Pedagogy in teaching and learning this semester. I am sure this will benefit our teachers who will be even more skillful in designing quality technology-enabled lessons.

*Champions Celebrate!* is the theme for our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration this year. It is a befitting theme for the school as we celebrate our achievements together and gear up for a great year-end celebration. I look forward to providing your child with another semester of bountiful learning at Kranji Primary School.

Your Partner in Education

Mdm Goh Meei Yunn  
Principal



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## Student Matters

### Racial Harmony Day — 18 Jul

Schools commemorate Racial Harmony Day (RHD) on 21 July each year to mark the anniversary of the 1964 race riots. The theme for RHD this year is "Singapore: Our Multicultural Mosaic". The theme reflects how each community, while having the space to express its own identity as part of Singapore society, also intertwines with others to depict the unique cultural diversity that characterizes Singapore life. On 18 July, the school has planned an Assembly programme, complemented by Citizenship and Character Education (CCE) lessons to help students reflect on and celebrate Singapore as a harmonious society built on a rich diversity of cultures and the collaborative effort of all to promote social cohesion.



### Mother Tongue Language Fortnight — 25 Jul to 5 Aug

The Mother Tongue Language Fortnight will be held in Term 3 Week 5 and 6. Students will be treated to a wide range of fun-filled activities related to Chinese, Malay and Tamil Languages and culture. Through these activities, students are given opportunities and platforms to use their Mother Tongue Languages and develop an appreciation for their language and culture. Activities planned include inter-class competitions, language games, cultural performances, cultural-related workshops, and author's visit to the school. We hope that all these activities will create an immersive environment for the learning of Mother Tongue Languages.

### Primary 5 Swimsafer 2.0

The SwimSafer 2.0 Programme is an MOE-SportSG initiative to reach out to all primary school students to attain water safety knowledge and basic swimming proficiency. This programme will be implemented for all 2022 Primary 5 students as part of their Physical Education curriculum, and it has been postponed from Primary 3 due to Covid-19 Safe Management Measures (SMM). Students will be enrolled for this fully-subsidized programme conducted by qualified SwimSafer 2.0 instructors. The twelve 1-hour swimming lessons will be conducted every Tuesday from Term 3 Week 2 to Term 4 Week 5 within curriculum hours. Details of the programme have been provided to parents/guardians of P5 students via Parents Gateway (PG) on 18 May 2022.

## Singapore Youth Festival Art Presentation

Since 1966, the Singapore Youth Festival (SYF) is an annual event organised by the Ministry of Education to celebrate the vitality of our youth and showcase their diverse arts talents. Our students from International Dance and Percussion Ensemble will be participating in the SYF Arts Presentation (AP) this year.

Category	Performing Arts CCA	Day/ Date / Time	Time	Venue
Dance	International Dance	Thursday, 7 July	2.15pm	Gateway Theatre
Band	Percussion Ensemble	Thursday, 18 August	1.30pm	The Republic Cultural Centre Theatre

Parents will not be allowed to attend the performances in person, and can visit the SYF website for more details on the livestream schedule <https://www.syf.gov.sg/arts-presentation/syf-2022-ap-livestream-schedule>. Links to the livestreams will only be active one day before the commencement of each AP category. We wish all students a fruitful and enriching experience at the Arts Presentation.



## Student Achievements

### • Raffles Science Olympiad (RSO) 2022

Raffles Science Olympiad (RSO) is an annual national competition organised by Raffles Institution. RSO aims to provide opportunities for selected P5 students to demonstrate their knowledge and understanding of Science, engender in students a sense of wonder towards Science and to foster positive values, skills and attitudes in Science, such as creative and critical thinking, integrity and objectivity. We would like to congratulate the following students for their achievement in RSO 2022.

Name of Student	Class	Award
Zin Nyan Myint	5 Compassion	Merit
Palaniappan Chidambaram	5 Integrity	Merit
Phyo Ko Ko Thant	5 Compassion	Merit



- **National Thinkers' Challenge 2022**

A group of five P5 students from the Science E2K Talent Development Programme participated in the inaugural National Thinkers Challenge organised by Singapore Hokkien Huay Kuan and hosted by Nan Chiau Primary School. The theme of the challenge was to tackle Singapore's Food Waste using Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Design Thinking. The students named their team "Foodie in Yew Tee".

A total of 232 pupils from 37 schools submitted 52 proposals. Although the team was not among the 10 finalists that would go on to create and implement the product, the judges recognised the potential of the proposal and gave the team the Commendation Award and \$100 voucher. KPS was among only 12 teams to receive this award. Congratulations to the team comprising of the following students:

	Name of Student	Class
1	Ramesh Ananthana	5 Compassion
2	Anil Adithya	5 Compassion
3	Afrinatul Mukarramah Binte Sukrin	5 Integrity
4	Trinity Htu Myat Noe	5 Integrity
5	Manson Ye Wint	5 Integrity

- **West Zone Junior Science Whiz Challenge**

River Valley High School organised the West Zone Centre of Excellence (COE) Junior Science Whiz Challenge with the aim of instilling in Primary 6 students the interest for Science. 350 students from 32 primary schools participated in the event. Congratulations to Wu Jia Yi, 6 Compassion, for being among the 21st to 30th scorer in this Science Challenge.

- **Singapore Olympic Foundation — Peter Lim Scholarship 2022**

We would like to congratulate Karissa Ee Cen Ci, Arissa Qaisarah Binte Abdullah and Aniq Afzaal Bin Sufri from 6 Compassion for attaining the Peter Lim Scholarship - Encouragement Award 2022!

The scholarship was started by Singapore Philanthropist and sport enthusiast Peter Lim in 2010 to support deserving young athletes. Our students will receive a boost in their sporting pursuit with a \$500 scholarship award from the primary category due to their good performance at Basketball and Football interschool competitions.



- **Math Olympiad Competitions**

We would like to congratulate the following students for their achievements in the following Math Olympiad Competitions.

<b>Singapore Asian Schools Math Olympiad (SASMO)</b>		
<b>Class</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Results</b>
1IN	Zou Zhiyue	Gold
5CO	Phyo Ko Ko Thant	Gold
5RP	Htet Myint Mo	Gold
4CO	Thet Paing Tun	Silver
5IN	Palaniappan Chidambaram	Silver
3CO	Subbiah Rakshan	Bronze
3IN	Kyaw Phone Shan Win	Bronze
4IN	G L Achinthya	Bronze
4RP	Lyu Haochen	Bronze
5CO	Zin Nyan Myint	Bronze
6CO	Wu JiaYi	Bronze
6IN	Dadi Ruthwik Babu	Bronze
3IN	Alinn Yatu	Honorable Mention
3IN	Alisher Mukhamedgaliev	Honorable Mention
3RP	Win Edger Bhone	Honorable Mention
4IN	Ria Carlene Nunag Salcedo	Honorable Mention
4RP	Min Bhone Htet	Honorable Mention
4RP	Zin Nwe Lwin	Honorable Mention
5IN	Trinity Htu Myat Noe	Honorable Mention
5RP	Deveesh Loganathan Pillai	Honorable Mention

<b>Singapore Mathematical Olympiad for Primary School (SMOPS)</b>		
6IN	Wei Yi Lin	Bronze

<b>Raffles Institution Primary Mathematics World Contest (RIPMWC) Junior Category</b>		
4RP	Xian Hui Tong	Distinction
4RP	Rizq Shariq Bin Faizal Mirza	Merit
4RP	Yeong Zhao Hong	Merit
4RP	Zin New Lwin	Merit
5IN	Trinity Htu Myat Noe	Merit
5CO	Zin Nyan Myint	Merit

<b>Raffles Institution Primary Mathematics World Contest (RIPMWC) Open Category</b>		
6IN	Wei Yi Lin	Distinction





### • National School Games – West Zone Primary School Basketball Competition 2022

With the resumption of the National School Games after the pandemic hiatus, our basketball student athletes went through a series of fierce competitions. With their great fighting spirit and perseverance, they overcame strong opponents and booked themselves a spot in the finals. We are proud to celebrate their success and share that they have emerged victorious as Champions in the West Zone Senior Division Basketball Competition 2022!

## Staff-Related Matters

### Welcome New Vice-Principal (Admin)

The school would also like to extend a warm welcome to Mdm Alenus Lee, our new Vice-Principal (Administration) and look forward to introducing her in person to our parents soon.

We would like to bid farewell Mr Ng Hiang Lin, Allied Educator (Teaching and Learning) and thank him for his service and contribution to the school.



## Parent-Related Matters

### KPS Parenting Workshops

As part of the school's efforts to support parents in your parenting journey, we have invited Fei Yue Community Services to conduct a talk on a trending topic that is every parent's concern - specially for parents of KPS!

## CYBER-WELLNESS TIPS FOR PARENTS "STRATEGIES TO ENGAGE A TECH SAVVY GEN. Z"

KRANJI PRIMARY SCHOOL

SATURDAY, 2 JULY

4.00PM - 5.30PM

VENUE: ONLINE (ZOOM)

SPEAKER: CAROL LOI

Carol Loi is a digital literacy educator and a Fellow of the Center for Media Literacy. She is also a certified mental toughness coach and a Maxwell Leadership Certified youth & family coach. Carol runs a social enterprise as well as a ground-up movement SGFamilies that is run by parents for parents. Carol and her husband are raising two emerging young adults.

Technology has changed the way we play, socialise and interact with each other. How much screen time is appropriate for our children? Should our children be allowed to have social media accounts? How can we engage them despite digital distractions and coach them to deal with the hidden dangers of "chat groups?"

Learn how to set realistic and reasonable boundaries on their use of devices. Help them understand the science behind multi-tasking and how to maintain a healthy self-concept in the face of deal cyberbullying or rejection.

Scan to Register!

<https://go.gov.sg/psgtalk>

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## School-Related Matters

### Public Holidays and Major School Events

We would like to share with you the School Calendar for Term 3 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		
4 July (Mon)	School Holiday (Youth Day)	No school for all levels
11 July (Mon)	Public Holiday (Hari Raya Haji)	No school for all levels
8 August (Mon)	National Day Celebration	School will operate from 7.30am to 9.30am. Student Care Centre (SCC) will operate from 9.30am 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 hours to be confirmed
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

