



# De La Salle School

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## PARENT NOTIFICATION

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### Principal's Note

Dear Parents,

With the removal of mid-year exams for all levels, the usual time required for preparation and marking of exams has now been used for more time to explore the joy of learning and provide authentic learning experiences for our Lasallians across the year. Our P5 English Language teachers took the opportunity to wrap up term one through a visit by Singapore's very own legendary sprinter, Mr C Kunalan.

The visit was based on the P5 STELLAR Unit: *Late But Not Last – An Interview with C Kunalan*. Mr Kunalan spoke to our Lasallians and regaled them with a vivid and honest account of his experiences training as a sprinter to represent Singapore in various international competitions including the Olympics. Our Primary 5 Lasallians were given the opportunity to ask questions which he graciously answered with motivating messages and inspiring anecdotes.

A second series of interviews were with three sports stars who have represented Singapore in international tournaments in various sporting fields who are now serving as coaches: Coach Syasya (Hockey), Coach Ridhwan (Boxing), Coach Suhaimi (Rugby). The coaches not only answered the questions posed by our Lasallians, but also willingly shared their life lessons, their struggles and successes during their conversations.

Here are what some of our Lasallians have to say about their learning experience:

*"I think Mr C.Kunalan was very inspiring to everyone and always motivated us to take our passion further. If we haven't found an interest, he encouraged us to find it." – Ameya (5B)*



### Mission Statement

Enabling Lasallians in a Lasallian community to learn how to learn and to learn how to live; empowering them to be the persons of integrity and persons for others.

### Vision Statement

Lifelong Learners, Caring Citizens

*“Coach Ridhwan inspired me to work harder and never give up in life. A quote he lives by: Climb mountains not so the world can see you, but you can see the world.”*  
– Yuji (5B)

*“The experience was a happy, exciting and unforgettable one. I learnt that Coach Su is coaching the national team but his favourite sport is actually badminton!”* – Sim Ing (5F)

*“Coach Syasya’s story is truly meaningful as it was her sister who inspired her to play hockey and it was her coach who supported her along the way to be a hockey player. Overall, I love the P5 Super Sports Star Week and I hope that we’ll have more activities like this!”* – Evelina (5D)

Meanwhile, P4 Lasallians had the opportunity to try out an ice cream making activity based on a STELLAR Unit: Making Ice Cream. Lasallians worked in groups to learn how to follow the steps in a procedural text and make their own ice cream in school without a freezer. Our Lasallians were overjoyed when they tasted the ice cream that they had made and shared that they would like to make their own ice cream at home too.

Witnessing our Lasallians’ spark of joy when they are actively learning inspires our teachers to design more of such experiences where learning can take place beyond just the regular classroom. We hope that parents can encourage our Lasallians to share their learning experiences with you and perhaps allow them to teach you how to make ice cream at home as well!

To families who are celebrating Holy Week, we wish you a Blessed Easter!

Semper Fidelis,

Cheryl Choo  
Principal

## **April 2023 Notification**

### **1. National School Games 2023 - Wushu**

Six of our Wushu members represented our school in the National School Games – Wushu in Term 2. They have attained remarkable accomplishment in this experience. We would like to congratulate the following Lasallians:

EVENT	POSITION	LASALLIAN	CLASS
Senior Boys: 1 <sup>st</sup> International Changquan	1 <sup>st</sup>	Lucas Koh	6G
Senior Boys: 4-Duan Sword	1 <sup>st</sup>	Lucas Koh	6G
Senior Boys: 1 <sup>st</sup> International Spear	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Lucas Koh	6G
Senior Boys: 24-Style Taijiquan	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Hii Yu Peng	6B
Senior Boys: 42-Style Taijijian	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Hii Yu Peng	6B
Senior Girls: 5-Duan Sword	5 <sup>th</sup>	Clarisse Lee	6B
Senior Girls: 24-Style Taijiquan	7 <sup>th</sup>	Siow Jing En	6G

### **2. Commemoration of International Friendship Day 2023**

The school will be commemorating International Friendship Day on Monday, 10 April 2023. The main objective of the event is to promote the spirit of friendship and collaboration in our community. This year, we will be carrying out a series of school-based activities on Week 4 to mark the event. During recess, Lasallians are encouraged to mingle with their buddies to create crafts in promoting the diverse and colourful culture and traditions of some countries. The school would like to take this opportunity to thank our Parent Support Group (PSG) members for rendering their support to our teachers. We hope that our Lasallians will have a great time in participating in the fun-filled and meaningful events.

### **3. Earth Week 2023 (17 – 23 April 2023)**

In alignment to Earth Day that is commemorated globally and Singapore's Green Plan 2030, our school thrives to demonstrate support for environmental protection. Simple choices we make in our everyday lives and small things we can do to make a big difference for protecting the Mother Earth we live in and care about.

This year, our Science Department is spearheading a series of activities together with other departments to integrate them into various lessons (PAL, CCE, Science, Social Studies and ALP) to engage our Lasallians and to teach them the importance of protecting the environment.

The theme for Earth Week 2023 in DLSS is to raise awareness of sustainability in our Lasallians and empower them to make a difference through an upcycling project and participate in innovative solutioning via the Young Sustainability

Champion initiative by Singapore Science Centre. More details on these activities are given in **Annex 1**.

We strongly encourage you to support the Earth Week initiatives by helping your child/ward with the collection of materials and providing help in the online platform for the Young Sustainability Champion.

#### **4. Hari Raya Puasa**

Hari Raya Puasa falls on Saturday 22 April 2023 and the off-in-lieu day/school holiday will be on Monday 24 April 2023. As such, school will be closed on Monday, 24 April 2023. Lasallians will report back to school on Tuesday, 25 April 2023. Muslim students will be advised separately on their early school dismissal hours on Friday, 21 April 2023 (eve of Hari Raya Puasa).

We will celebrate the festive event with our Lasallians on Monday 8 May 2023 at the school Multi-Purpose-Hall. Lasallians are encouraged to be in their ethnic attire on that day.

We would like to wish all our Muslim students and parents Selamat Hari Raya Puasa Aidilfitri.

#### **5. Term 2 Calendar of Key School Events**

Please refer to **Annex 2** for Term 2 Calendar of School Events.

##### Attachments

Annex 1 Schedule of Earth Week 2023 Activities  
Annex 2 Term 2 Calendar of School Events

End of Notification

## Schedule of Earth Week 2023 Activities

Theme: Sustainability			
Level involved	Activity	Objective	Materials needed
P1	<b>Classroom activity</b> – to make a stationary holder <i>Integrated into PAL</i>	To raise awareness on upcycling daily items.  To design and create a useful item from old materials.	Milk carton (200ml)
P2	<b>Classroom activity</b> – to make a toy cannon <i>Integrated into PAL</i>		Toilet roll
P3	<b>Classroom activity</b> – to make a tote bag <i>Integrated into Social Studies</i>		Old T-shirt
P4	<b>Classroom activity</b> – to make a desk lamp <i>Integrated into Science</i>		Empty Plastic bottle
P5	<b>Classroom activity</b> – to propose a solution to slow down climate change or protect the environment <i>Integrated into Mother Tongue</i>	To raise awareness on how Man's actions have negative impact on the environment.	-
P6	<b>Classroom activity</b> – to make fashion accessories <i>Integrated into CCE</i>	To raise awareness on upcycling daily items.  To design and create a useful item from old materials	Old clothes
P3 – P6	<b>Poster design (Groups of 2 – 4)</b>  Create a poster on the food waste problem in Singapore and how we can play a part in reducing the waste.  <b>Deadline: 14 April 2023</b>	To raise awareness on the increasing food waste issue globally.  To encourage collaboration among the Lasallians and to empower them to make the right decisions.	Drawing block Or A3 paper
P4 – P6	<b>Young Sustainability Champion</b>	To develop awareness of our present environmental issues.	Refer to online platform

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	<p>This self-directed activity is planned in partnership with Singapore Science Centre. Online credentials will be provided to the Lasallians to log onto the online platform to access the task card and then to submit the completed tasks.</p> <p>E-badges will be awarded for Lasallians who earn 15 stars and above.</p>	<p>To spark innovative solutions in line with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UNSDG).</p> <p>To encourage self-directedness in learning outside of the curriculum.</p>	

**De La Salle School**  
**2023 Term 2 Calendar of Events**

Week	Date	Day	Event/Activity	Level (s)
3	7 Apr	Fri	Good Friday (Public Holiday)	
6	24 Apr	Mon	Hari Raya Puasa (School Holiday)	
	26 & 27 Apr	Wed & Thu	NAPFA Test (5 stations)	P4 & P6
	27 Apr	Wed	P3 CCA Experience Day	P3
7	1 May	Mon	Labour Day (Public Holiday)	
	2 – 5 May	Tue – Fri	NAPFA Test (1.6 km Run)	P4 & P6
8	8 – 12 May	Mon - Fri	Weighted Assessment 2 (English & Mother Tongue)	P3 - P5
9	15 May	Mon	Founder's Day / P3 to P5 (2022) Prize-giving Day ( <b>curtailed hours – school ends at 10.30 am</b> )	All
	16 – 19 May	Tue - Fri	Weighted Assessment 2 (Math & Science)	P3 – P5
	16 & 17 May	Tue & Wed	P2 Learning Journey to Gardens by the Bay	P2
June Hols	29 – 31 May	Mon - Wed	P5 Camp @ Bahtera Campsite (residential)	P5
			P6 Supplementary Lessons (8 am – 1 pm)	P6

*Updated as at 5 Apr 2023*