

De La Salle School

A school of the De La Salle Brothers

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PARENT NOTIFICATION FOR MAY 2024

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Principal's Note

Dear Parents/Guardians.

Our Founder, Saint John Baptist de La Salle, was proclaimed the Patron Saint of All Teachers of Youth, on 15 May in 1950, Hence, the month of May is when Lasallian schools around the world celebrate Founders Day. During this period, we encourage our Lasallians to pass on the passion of our founder and consider how they would like to contribute their gifts and talents to be of service to the community.

Within our school community, four of our Performing Arts Groups – Modern Dance, Cultural Dance, Percussion Ensemble and Choir have participated in this year's SYF Arts Presentation and all groups have put up a wonderful performance. The delightful performances are a culmination of the hard work, team collaboration and dedication to excellence from the teachers and all Lasallians.

Through this experience, Lasallians have learnt the important values of resilience and self-discipline. They will be showcasing their talent by performing for upcoming school and community events throughout the year. We would like to thank parents for partnering us to support the talents of our Lasallians. May they continue to pass on their passion for the performing arts!









Semper Fidelis, Cheryl Choo Principal

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

May Notification

1. Accolades & Awards

Our Lasallians have been taking part in the 2024 National School Games (NSG) and Singapore Youth Festival (SYF) Arts Presentation this semester. We are glad to share the following achievements:

| Nature | CCA Group | Award Attainment |
|--------|---------------------------------|--|
| NSG | Basketball Boys Senior Division | League 3 – Top 8 position |
| NSG | Netball Girls Senior Division | League 2 – Top 8 position |
| NGS | Rugby Boys Senior Division | League 1 – 6 th position |
| NSG | Wushu | 5 Duan Cudgel: Randell Lim P3E – 6th position 5 Duan Broadsword: Randell Lim P3E – 5th position |
| SYF | Modern Dance | Distinction |
| SYF | Cultural Dance | Commendation |
| SYF | Percussion Ensemble | Accomplishment |
| SYF | Choir | Accomplishment |

2. Founder's Day cum Primary 3 to Primary 5 (2023) Prize-Giving Day

We will be celebrating Founders Day on 15 May 2024 with a special programme for all Lasallians to appreciate the story and journey of our Founder, St John Baptist De la Salle. School hours will be from **7.30 a.m to 10.30 a.m**. P1 and P2 Lasallians will be dismissed at 10.20 a.m. Parents are to notify Form Teachers or school bus operators/external student care centre operators in advance of any changes in usual school dismissal arrangements due to the curtailed school hours.

All Lasallian primary schools in Singapore have collaborated to celebrate this day with a gift for our Lasallians. Each Lasallian will receive a light weight water bottle with the La Salle logo (corporate brand of the Lasallian Educational Mission).



Following school dismissal, only the award recipients for the Primary 3 to Primary 5 (2023) Prize Giving Day will remain in school. Prize winners will join their parents for the ceremony from 11.30 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.

3. NAPFA Test for Primary 4 and Primary 6 Lasallians

The NAPFA Test for Primary 4 and Primary 6 Lasallians will be held in May. Our PE teachers have started preparing our Lasallians for the NAPFA test during their PE lessons. The 5-station test includes sit-ups, inclined pull-ups, standing broad jump, sit and reach as well as the shuttle run. Lasallians are allowed to bring their running shoes (stored in a shoe bag) to change into before taking the NAPFA test.

Primary 4 and Primary 6 students will be notified of their NAPFA test dates.

Lasallians who are unwell or received vaccination within 2 weeks of the test date will be given a chance to make up for the test. Those with underlying medical conditions or long-term medical leave seeking exemption from the test should be supported by a doctor's letter.

4. Primary 5 Camp

Primary 5 students will be going through a residential camp at Jalan Bahtera MOE campsite from Thursday, 23 May to Saturday, 25 May 2024. The theme for the P5 camp is "Leaving your legacy as a resilient mindful servant leader". Briefing for the P5 Lasallians will be on conducted in school on Monday, 29 April at 12.30 p.m. Briefing for parents/guardians will be via Zoom on Thursday, 2 May at 3.00 p.m. The zoom details will be sent to parents/guardians nearer the date via Parent's Gateway.

5. Home-based Learning (HBL)

To encourage self-directed learning and to provide an opportunity for our Lasallians to plan and pace his/her own learning and revision, the school has planned home-based learning (HBL) for P1, P2, P3, P4 and P6 Lasallians, according to the following schedule:

| Level | HBL day (No-school day) |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Primary 6 | Tuesday, 21 May 2024 |
| Primary 1 and Primary 3 | Thursday, 23 May 2024 |
| Primary 2 and Primary 4 | Friday, 24 May 2024 |

The Primary 5 Lasallians will not be involved in this term's HBL as they will be going for a cohort camp that week.

Through this HBL Day, the school hopes to make learning for your child/ward interesting and engaging through the Student Learning Space (SLS). The asynchronous online tasks are meant to be manageable and can be completed within the assigned time. There will be no live lessons scheduled on that day. Please remind your child/ward to check if he/she can log into the SLS portal at least 2 days prior to HBL Day through https://learning.moe.edu.sg. If your child/ward has forgotten his/her password, please do a self-reset or visit our school website (https://www.delasalle.moe.edu.sg/for-parents/hbl/), to do a reset.

6. Safety of Students and Traffic Management

Parents/guardians who drive into the school to drop off Lasallians are to slow down upon entering the school gate. Please ensure you drive carefully when taking the turn to the drop off point. To expedite the movement of vehicles, please move to the identified drop-off lots according to the direction of our traffic marshals and school staff. All drivers are reminded to keep a safe lookout for passengers alighting from the cars. We seek parents'/guardians' patience not to overtake the vehicle in front and wait for the vehicle to move off. Please ensure that your vehicles come to a complete stop before our Lasallians alight.

7. Travel Declaration for Mid-Year School Holidays

The mid-year school holidays will commence from 27 May to 23 June 2024. School will reopen in Term 3 on Monday, 24 June 2024. We wish all Lasallians a good mid-year break.

To ensure schools continue to be a healthy and safe environment for all, we require parents/guardians to make a travel declaration for your child/ward only if he/she intends to travel overseas for the holidays.

To make a travel declaration for your child/ward via Parents' Gateway (PG), go to [SERVICE > DECLARE TRAVELS].

• For travel during mid-year holiday, please declare your child/ward's travel plan(s), indicating both the country and city of travel, and any city of transit, **by Friday, 24 May 2024**. Only one parent is required to declare.

If your child/ward is **not travelling** during the holidays, **no action is required** on your side.

If there is a change of travel plan(s) after declaration, please submit a new travel declaration for the updated travel destination via PG or inform the school for cancellation of travel plan(s).

8. Sale of School Uniform (19 to 21 June 2024)

School has arranged for the sale of school uniform from 19 to 21 June 2024 9.00am to 2.00pm at Artscape next to the school canteen. Parents/Guardians can make their purchase on these days. The new PE attire will also be on sale.

9. <u>Assisi Fun Day 2024</u> (Sunday, 9 June 2024)

Assisi Hospice provides care with dignity and comfort for patients with life-limiting illnesses, and their families. They will be organising their first major fundraiser for the year, **Assisi Fun Day 2024**, **on Sunday**, **9 June 2024**, **from 10am to 4pm**, to raise funds for patients. It will be a big carnival where families and friends can gather to enjoy a fun and meaningful day out with delicious food, attractive shopping, and exciting games at St Joseph's Institution International School (SJII). You may access the link (http://www.assisihospice.org.sg/) for more details.



10. <u>Healthy Living Festival @ North West</u>

North West Community Development Council (CDC) will be organising their flagship event, Healthy Living Festival @ North West (previously known as HealthierSG Fest @ North West) on 1 and 2 June 2024, to promote healthy living and bonding amongst the North West residents and showcasing the diverse Healthy Living Clubs under North West CDC. There will be an array of sports tryouts, games and competitions to engage and attract residents of all ages and backgrounds, providing a platform for residents to discover the benefits of regular exercise and physical activities for their health and well-being. Residents can register for the event via the QR code or via https://go.gov.sg/hlf-northwest. All registered participants will receive game cards, which they can redeem for snacks from the food stalls after completing them.

