

De La Salle School

A school of the De La Salle Brothers

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Parent Notification for October 2024

Principal's Note

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The month of October is usually a highlight for our Lasallians as we look forward to celebrating Children's Day and at the same time affirm our P6 Lasallians for completing the PSLE. This year, the theme for Children's Day is 'A Touch of LOVE', focusing on how we encourage our children to Live Our Values Every day and use their talents for the good of others.

In support of our 'Children for Children' movement, our Primary 2 Lasallians embarked on a meaningful Values-in-Action (VIA) project, where they hosted approximately 100 Kindergarten 2 preschoolers from four different preschools in late September. The purpose of this initiative was to provide our young Lasallians with the opportunity to contribute meaningfully and be of service to the community, fostering leadership and empathy as they guided their little buddies through various activities in preparation for their transition to primary school.

Throughout the session, our P2 Lasallians displayed remarkable leadership and care. During recess, they recommended food to their little buddies, helped them carry plates, and showed them how to clear their trays. They also led a mini school walkabout, sharing more about our school. Back in the classrooms, they shared their own school experiences in greater detail, discussing their initial anxieties when they first entered primary school and how they overcame them by making new friends.



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.

Throughout the event, we were able to see another side of our P2 Lasallians—one that was mature, patient, and nurturing. Their ability to lead, comfort, and guide their younger peers was heartening and a testament to their growth as responsible young leaders. The Kindergarten teachers expressed their appreciation, sharing how the preschoolers greatly benefitted from the experience. This project not only enriched the preschoolers but also nurtured our P2 Lasallians' sense of responsibility, empathy, and leadership.

We hope that all our Lasallians will have a Happy Children's Day and continue to be a light that shines for others.

Semper Fidelis,

Cheryl Choo Principal

1. Accolades

In order to extend our Lasallians' learning beyond the curriculum, DLSS has provided many platforms for them to showcase their talents. We would like to congratulate all our Lasallians who have achieved commendable results from their participation in the various competitions and express our appreciation to the teachers who have mentored and guided them during their respective journeys.

Dept/CCA	Description	Award Attainment
Chinese	7th National Text Recital	Bronze Award
Language	Competition	 Joshua Wirawan P1A
		Sin Jiayi, Eunice P4F
		Chen Cheng P5B
Robotics	National Robotics Competition (NRC) 2024	Best Presentation Award (National) - 1st Place and Best Costume Award • Zhu Rui P5D • Enzo Ng P4B

2. Caring Teacher Awards 2024

We are delighted to share that our teacher, Ms Annie Tan, has been awarded the Caring Teacher Awards (CTA) 2024 National Commendation Award.

This year, the Caring Teacher Awards, themed 'Instilling a caring culture', organized by NIE NTU and supported by MOE, aims to recognize outstanding educators who have demonstrated exceptional commitment to the holistic development of their students. A total of 12, 984 nominations were made from 259 schools. After a rigorous evaluation, three teachers were recognised with the National Level Award and seven received the National Commendation Award.

Ms Annie Tan's commitment to instilling and demonstrating our Lasallian values of Faith, Service and Community has earned her this remarkable recognition. May she continue to inspire and touch the lives of our Lasallians.

Congratulations, Ms Annie Tan!

3. <u>Deepavali School Celebrations</u>

School will be celebrating Deepavali Day on **Monday**, **28 October 2024**. To add to the celebratory mood for the occasion, Lasallians are encouraged to wear traditional ethnic costumes for the day. Alternatively, Lasallians can continue to wear their school uniform/PE attire on that day. All Lasallians are required to wear school shoes.

4. No-School Days

Please note of the **No-School Days** during the PSLE Marking Exercise period, 14 to 16 October 2024 and Results Processing Day on Thursday, 7 November 2024.

5. Encouraging Good Study Habits

As your child/ward steps up his/her learning this final school term for the academic year and in preparation for the end-of-year examinations, we would like to encourage Lasallians to adopt good study habits and practices. We hope that parents/guardians will help to reinforce these habits with our Lasallians:

- Work with your child/ward to set a study schedule that includes sufficient break and rest time;
- Factor in some time for bonding and recreation;
- Ensure your child/ward gets enough sleep daily;
- Regulate your child's/ward's screen time and ensure there is sufficient rest for the eyes
- Remind your child/ward to write-down questions they would like to clarify with their teachers and bring them to ask the teachers in school; and
- Encourage your child/ward to talk about his/her feelings and experiences when he/she is preparing for the examinations.

6. Year-End School Holiday Travel Advisory & Declaration

School requires parents/guardians to make a travel declaration for your child/ward only if he/she intends to travel for the year-end holidays.

To make a travel declaration for your child/ward via Parents' Gateway (PG), go to [SERVICE > DECLARE TRAVELS]. Please declare your child/ward's travel plan(s), indicating both the country and city of travel, and any city of transit, by **Thursday, 31 October 2024**. Only one parent is required to declare.

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

End of Notification