



Dear Parents/Guardians,
School Vision: Learners with Passion, Citizens of Honour

7 Mar 2018

1. Event Calendar (Term 1 Week 10: 7 – 14 Mar 2018)

Dates	Day	Levels	Subject
7 Mar	Wed	P2	Theatre Experience (8am to 12pm)
7 Mar	Wed	P5	Words Go Round (ML)
7 & 8 Mar	Wed & Thu	All	Inter-Class Games
12-16 Mar	Mon - Fr	All	School Holiday: Term 1 Break
11-14 Mar	Sun – Wed	P5	Malay Language Immersion Trip (Selected students)

***Supplementary/Remedial/Enrichment and CCAs (P4-P6)**

The above activities will resume in Term 2 Week 1.

2. Announcements

2018 SOTA Primary 6 Art Competition

We are pleased to announce that, Prakash Rishi Keshav from 6P, has been selected as one of the top 50 finalists of the 2018 SOTA Primary 6 Art Competition. His work will be showcased at the SOTA Gallery from 24 March to 28 March 2018, 12 pm – 8 pm daily. He has been invited to the 2018 SOTA Primary 6 Art Competition Award Ceremony and Exhibition Opening on 23 March 2018. Congratulations, Prakash!

Farewell and All the Best, Mr Imran!

Our Vice-Principal, Mr. Mohamed Imran, will be leaving Changkat Primary to pursue his studies in school leadership. Mr Imran has been a stalwart figure in the school and he has played a pivotal role in shaping the school's culture, practices and policies. His last day with the school is on 9 March 2018. We thank him for his invaluable contributions and wish him all the very best in his future endeavours. We will miss you very much, Mr Imran!

3. Notification for Health Screening in School

The School Health Service (SHS) from the Health Promotion Board will be visiting our school from 29 March 2018 to 05 April 2018 for our students' annual health checks and immunisations. We will be distributing the relevant materials for your information and consent for immunisation. All students are to submit their Health Booklets to their Form Teachers by Mon, 26 Mar 2018. For students from other countries, please submit copies of your immunization certificates in a folder, labelled with name and class. Parents of P1 and P5 students are encouraged to use the online portal via <https://childconsent.hpb.gov.sg> using your SingPass to provide consent for immunization online before 29 Mar 2018.

4. Sony Creative Toy Making Competition (SCSA)

The Sony Creative Toy making competition is Singapore's largest national toy-making competition for primary school students, jointly organised by the Science Centre Singapore and the Sony Group of Companies in Singapore, with the support of the Ministry of Education. Every year, thousands of primary school students let their creativity run and get their hands down to bringing their amazing ideas to life. Through SCSA, these students get to engage in exploratory and skilful play with the addition of science learning.

This year, there will be changes to the SCSA with only one category - Whizkid. It is open to all P3 to P6 students. We would like to encourage students to take this opportunity to participate in this



competition during the March school holiday. The toys they create should demonstrate any science concept and their toy-making journey should be included in a creative journal. Students are encouraged to be creative in their journal writing. Please refer to the attached form for more details. Students will be briefed on 22 March of details to the submission.

5. Singapore World Water Day

World Water Day is held annually on 22 March, a day designated by the United Nations to celebrate the importance of water. For Singapore, building water security and developing community ownership of water resources has been an integral part of our nation's growth. In 2018, Singapore World Water Day will be celebrated throughout the month of March. "Make Every Drop Count", the theme for SWWD 2018, underpins the active role each of us can play to show our care for water. You can play a part by adopting these 5 water-saving tips:

- Take shorter showers
- Use a mug when brushing teeth
- Use half-flush when possible
- Wash vegetables and dishes in a container
- Wash clothes on a full load

Singapore World Water Day (SWWD) is a platform to celebrate and encourage initiatives by the community for the community to conserve, value and enjoy water. Let's come together to make every drop count! You may access www.singaporeworldwaterday.com for more details on how you can play an active part to save water for you, your family and our nation.

6. Supporting Your Child in his/her Education and Career Guidance (ECG) journey

Parents play an important role in the child's ECG journey. Below are some ways that you can support your child:

1. Start conversations – Ask your child about the tasks they enjoy or dislike, their favourite CCAs and subjects, their dream job and what they like about it, and how they can go about achieving their goals and aspirations.
2. Observe interests and strengths – Which of these is your child more inclined towards:
 - a. People – They enjoy being around and helping others.
 - b. Things – They like to work with their hands and tinker with things.
 - c. Data – They are always researching and reading up on favourite topics.
 - d. Ideas – They have a great imagination and unique take on things.
3. Support and clarify aspirations
 - a. Speak to someone who works in the industry they are interested in.
 - b. Explore related programmes to clarify their interests.
 - c. Visit education/career fairs and websites to find out more about the job and industry.
4. Develop soft skills – Suggestions for your child to develop their soft skills:
 - a. Time management – Use a daily plan. Get them to pack their bags early.
 - b. Communication – Ask questions to clarify doubts. Learn to paraphrase what others said.
 - c. Teamwork – Work with their friends/siblings on chores. Be involved in decision-making.
 - d. Problem-solving – Do puzzles and brainteasers. Plan a family outing.

Source: MOE Engagement Division

7. SEN Issue 1: Brief Introduction to Special Needs

Special needs is a term often used in a school context to describe students who have additional needs compared to the majority of the cohort. It may cover those with food allergies, or chronic illnesses, but is, however, more commonly used to refer to those with difficulties that may result in an impairment in academics (Autism Spectrum Disorder, Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder, Dyslexia, and etc.).



Many people with such special needs grow up to be successful and contributing members of society. Some have learnt strategies to cope with their special needs, but most have actually used it to their advantage.

Michael Phelps, a retired competitive swimmer with 28 Olympic medals to his name, has Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD). Growing up, he was constantly making mischief for his classmates, teachers, and family. He had difficulties focussing and keeping still, and when he first started swimming, hated it and threw tantrums. When he finally learnt to swim, it was akin to freedom for him. Whilst having difficulties sitting still in class, he could spend up to three hours swimming after school. Phelps had used the advantages of his ADHD to possibly push him onwards to being the medallist that he is today.

Some others with Special Needs

Orlando Bloom (Dyslexia)	Daryl Hannah (Autism)
Daniel Radcliffe (Dyspraxia)	Courtney Love (Autism)
Steven Spielberg (Dyslexia)	Justin Timberlake (ADHD and OCD)
Lee Kuan Yew (Dyslexia)	Cammi Granato (ADHD)
Albert Einstein (Suspected Autism)	Channing Tatum (ADHD and Dyslexia)

In the recent years, Singapore has been very proactive in promoting inclusivity at all levels of the society, ranging from schools to the workplace. Literature review has shown that more than 80 percent of outcomes reflect positive or neutral effects of having students attend school with those with special needs. Furthermore, inclusivity also teaches children values such as empathy, tolerance, understanding, and compassion. They learn how to accept and also work with others who are different from them. These are essential 21st Century competencies that will put them in good stead for success and for life.

We urge parents/guardians to role-model kindness and encourage your child to be understanding and accepting of others who are different, as being different does not mean that they are in any way inferior or that they should be shunned. Let's embrace others and work towards building a more welcoming and inclusive society for the future.

8. Updates from Changi Simei CCC

Changi Simei CCC is having their Chingay@Heartlands on Saturday, 10 March 2018 from 5.00pm to 8.00pm. The theme of the event is 'Culture Fantasy' and there will be a variety of fringe activities, roving and stage performances and also snacks for the participants to enjoy. The attached flyer is for your reference.

Changi Simei WEC and AAC will also be having their "Wellness Day 2018" on 18 March 2018 from 10am to 1pm at Changi Simei Community Club's level 2 multi-purpose hall. There will be various programmes such as K-Kardio, Yoga, Diabetes Talk, Cooking demo and learning about eating the healthy way. The attached poster is for your reference too.

9. CDAC Parenting Talk

The Chinese Development Assistance Council (CDAC) is a self-help, non-profit organization set up by and for the Chinese community since 1992. It offers programmes and assistance schemes to help the less privileged in the community to maximise their potential and strive for upward mobility through self-help and mutual support. CDAC will be introducing a series of talks and workshops titled, "Walk With Me" Parent Education Series to help parents better support their children when they go through the following 4 transition phases in their education pathway:

- (a) From K2 to Primary 1
- (b) From Lower Primary to Upper Primary
- (c) From Lower Secondary to Upper Secondary



The first parenting talk titled “Supporting your child’s transition to Primary School” will be conducted at the Lifelong Learning Institute on 10 Mar 2018 from 9am to 1pm. Interested parents may register online for the event at bit.ly/2018Mar10.

10. Healthy Mind, Healthy Body (Family Fitness Made Fun)

The March holidays are here! Need some ideas on how to stay active and have fun this holiday? Health Promotion Board Active Family Programme has a wide range of thrilling and exciting activities such as Adventure Hunt, a game of family Kinball and many other fun games and sports involving the whole family.

Do take this opportunity to experience family-friendly exciting activities where you and your family can get active, spend quality time and create precious memories together. You can check out this link for the schedule and fun activities Active Family Programme has installed: [Source: Health Promotion Board] <https://www.healthhub.sg/programmes/109/active-family>

11. School Holiday: Term 1 Break

As we break for the March holidays, I would like to urge parents/guardians to spend quality time with your children. I would also like to encourage our students to spend this one week wisely and fruitfully. We look forward to seeing them rested, refreshed and energized when a new term begins.

Here’s wishing you and your child/ward, happy holidays!

Thank you for your support.

With warm regards,

Cheng Huey Teng (Mrs)
Principal



EAST COAST GRC AND FENGSHAN SMC

Chingay 2018 **收艺** CULTURAL FANTASY @ Heartlands

10 MARCH 2018 (SATURDAY)

1 CHANGI SIMEI
 LAUNCHING SITE
 Open Field beside Eastpoint Mall (Simei Street 1)
 Fringe Activities: 5:00pm – 8:00pm
 Float Procession: 6:45pm
 Activities @ Changi Simei Community Club:
 4.00pm (10 Simei Street 2)
 Float Display: 5:30pm – 6:15pm

2 SIGLAP
 Fringe Activities: 5:30pm – 8:30pm
 Float Procession: 7:15pm
 Siglap Community Centre (300 Bedok South Ave 3)

3 KAMPONG CHAI CHEE
 Fringe Activities: 6:30pm – 9:30pm
 Float Procession: 7:55pm
 Heartbeat@Bedok (11 Bedok North Street 1)

4 FENGSHAN
 Fringe Activities: 6:30pm – 9:30pm
 Float Procession: 8:30pm
 Open Area outside Blk B5 Market (Bedok North Road)

5 BEDOK
 FINALE SITE
 Fringe Activities: 7:00pm – 10:00pm
 Float Procession: 9:00pm
 (Open Field in front of Blk 21, Bedok South Road)

For more information, please contact: Changi Simei CC (6781 6058) | Siglap CC (6449 8600) | Kampong Chai Chee CC (6241 9878) | Fengshan CC (6449 5158) | Bedok CC (6442 5377)

CHANGI SIMEI WELLNESS DAY 2018

樟宜四美健康日2018

Sunday, 18 March 2018
 2018年3月18日, 星期天
 10.00am to 1.00pm
 早上10点至下午1点
 Changi Simei Level 2 Hall
 樟宜四美民众俱乐部, 2楼礼堂

K-Cardio and Yoga
 健身舞蹈与瑜伽

Diabetes Talk
 糖尿病讲座

Cooking Demo
 烹饪示范

Healthy Eating
 健康饮食

Ticket Price 票价:
\$2

*The organising committee reserve the right to change the programme without prior notice

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School Values: Patriotism, Resilience, Integrity, Discipline and Empathy



Sony Creative Toy Making Competition@CKPS

Toy No: (for teachers only)

Name (s): _____ () / _____ ()

Class : _____

Name of Toy: _____

Please Tick One:

- Individual work
- Pair work

Questions to be included in Creative Journal (Hand Written A4 Booklet of 3-5 pages):

- What is the name of your toy?
- How did you get the idea for your toy?
- How does it work? What science principle does it operate on or demonstrate?
- Describe any problems you faced in making your toy.
- Include at least 3 photos showing your toy-making experience.

Toy Checklist:

- My toy **has not been** created by others before.

Scientific Content

- There are scientific concepts shown in the toy
- The scientific concepts are accurate

Originality and Creativity

- My toy is original and unique
- My toy shows at least 1 science concept creatively

Sturdiness

- My toy is safe to play with
- My toy does not fall apart easily when playing
- My toy is made of interesting, safe, and easily available materials

Design

- My toy looks nice.
- My toy is easy to play with.

- My toy **can fit into an A4 Box**
- My toy can be easily set up

Label your toys with your name(s) and class. This page to be attached at the front of your creative journal

Information about Sony Creative Competition

Objective:

- Promote creativity and innovation amongst primary school children
- Promote interesting ways of learning science

A toy based on scientific principle will most likely use

- a spring, a pulley, an inclined plane, a sphere, a wheel & axel, or a magnet to do some work to make the toy fun

Design: The kind of play you wish to get out of the toy

- Do you want to throw it?
- Do you want to play with it on a table?
- Do you want to hang it up?
- Does it fly?
- Does it bump around?
- Does it operate in water?
- Does it make a sound?
- How to make the toy move?

Research:

After coming up with an idea, find out if it had been created before.

How is your toy different from the others that have been made before?

Toys that are too common:

- Hydraulic toys
- Cars, Boats and Aeroplanes
- Rolling can toys
- Quiz toys / board games
- Automata
- Catapults
- Workshop toys
- Commercial toys
- Jack-in-the-box

Deadline of Toy submission:

22 March 2018