

CPASS (West) Newsletter

2024/Term 2

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Principal's Message

Key tenets of the school

School Vision

A school that empowers students to be active learners in the community.

School Values

Confidence
Integrity
Respect
Resilience

School Mission

To equip our students with a holistic education to Live Meaningfully, Learn Continuously, Work Productively.

School Culture

To Build a Culture of Care and Empowerment

School Beliefs

Everyone...
Can Learn
Can Serve
Is Special

Dear Parents,

In this edition, we're excited to delve into a transformative approach that's been enriching our school environment since its inception: the Transdisciplinary (Trans D) approach. Initially piloted by CPASS East in 2015, it has since been fully embraced across both CPASS Schools, including CPASS West.

At its core, the Trans D approach fosters collaboration among therapists, teachers, and parents, aiming to:

- cultivate teamwork among stakeholders.
- integrate services and programs within the school.
- seize learning opportunities across diverse settings.
- empower families to embed learning within daily routines.

Central to the Trans D approach is the principle of family-centred practice. This means placing families at the forefront of intervention, ensuring that goals are co-developed based on their priorities. We deeply respect families' knowledge, skills, and beliefs, empowering them to make informed decisions and utilize existing resources effectively.

Home visits precede the formulation of each student's Individualized Education Plan (IEP) or Individual Transition Plan (ITP) goals, aligning with parents' aspirations for their child. Goals are set with consideration for the home environment, ensuring strategies implemented at school can seamlessly translate to home settings.

Following goal confirmation during IEP/ITP meetings, the implementation phase begins in term two, led by our dedicated Trans D Teams. Term three invites families to join the Home-School Collaboration Programme, where skills are transferred for practice in the home setting. From communication devices to gross motor skill exercises, these skills empower families to continue the journey of teaching and learning long after graduation.

Soon, your child's Trans D team will reach out, providing guidance and the necessary tools for home trials. We strongly encourage close collaboration between parents and our team to enhance confidence in supporting your child's development at home.

In CPASS, we echo the sentiment of Phil Jackson, recognizing that the strength of the team lies in each individual member, and vice versa. Together, as a united team comprising school and family, we can achieve remarkable outcomes.

As we approach the June Holiday, let's celebrate our collective efforts in nurturing the holistic development of every child at CPASS. Here's to a well-deserved break and continued collaboration in the journey ahead.

Yours sincerely,
Mrs Koh-Lim Ai Lay
School Principal (CPASS West)

Cerebral Palsy Alliance Singapore School (West)

INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP DAY 2024

Ms Nadhirah Binte Muhamad Khairul Saleh (Teacher)

On 4 April 2024 (Thursday), staff and students of CPASS West came dressed in their cultural outfits to celebrate International Friendship Day. We were also delighted to see some of our colleagues and students from other countries donned in their beautiful national costumes. This year's theme for International Friendship Day was Singapore in Asia and we had fun and engaging activities planned for the students to learn more about the wonderful cultures of the people in Asia.



Ms Leiqi Adira Thomas (Occupational Therapist Aide), Ms Akshaya Karuppaiyan (IT Resource Teacher), Janelle Han Xin En (Falcon 6C), Tang Hong Kai Lennox (Falcon 5C), Ms Sumathi D/O Selvaraj (Teacher) & Lim Kai Ning (Falcon 5C), participating in the Mass Dance.



Students from Falcon 6D, Mohamed Elqi Iffwan Bin Mohamed Yuzwan, Wong Jun Kang, Kim Eun Hye Luna, Dawson Toh Li Sheng & Chong Zhi Hao posing as a class with their cultural outfits.



Mr Kevin Tan Meng Liang (Senior Psychologist), Ms Aifaa Liyana Binte Norazhar (Teacher), Ms Noor Aisah Binte Latif (Nurse), Ms Liu Jiale (Physiotherapist Intern), Ms J Yogaisvari (Senior Social Worker), Ms Siti Rauzanah Binte Abdul Kadir (Teacher Aide) donning different cultural outfits.



Ms Ni Ni Swe (Senior Physiotherapist) parading in the national costume of Myanmar, a Long Yi.



Mrs Koh-Lim Ai Lay (Principal) presenting Koh Yu Xin Jolee (Swan 1C) with an award for being one of the best dressed for the costume parade.

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EMPOWERING CPASS WEST CHAMPIONS WITH ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY!

Ms Akshaya Karuppaiyan (IT Resource Teacher)



Ms Sai Vina V Vimalenthiran (Teacher) using CVI Picture Cards to help Koh Yu Xin Jolee (Swan IC) to make choices.



As for vision, the size of picture cards used for AAC systems or classroom schedules can be enlarged to support students with low vision. Some of our students who have CVI (Cortical Visual Impairment), may require pictures or symbols to be of a high contrast colour against a black background, so that the salient features stand out for them to visually process images. This reduces visual clutter, which enhances visual attention, facilitates visual discrimination, thus supporting their learning and communication.

There are many technological resources out there that aid in hearing and vision impairments. Majority of our students with hearing impairments use electronic hearing aids, cochlear implants, etc. Interestingly, the captioning and subtitling that we see during movies and shows are also forms of hearing aids. Visuals, basic hand signs and even using writing/typing tools can support students with hearing impairment to understand and learn better.



Vithur Raj (Falcon 6C) wearing cochlear implants that help him to listen in class while Ms Aifaa Liyana Binte Norazhar (Teacher) conducts her lesson.

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FIRST P@C (PARENTS@CPAS WEST) SHARING SESSION

Ms Wong Wai Fun, Terry (P@C Member)

On 15 April 2024 (Monday), P@C hosted our inaugural 'Sharing Session' at the CPASS West Parents Room. Our heartfelt gratitude to our Speaker, Mr Kevin Tan Meng Liang (Senior Psychologist), for leading the talk 'Managing Challenging Behaviours'. In this engaging talk, we delved into the various factors that lead to children exhibiting challenging behaviours.

We received very encouraging feedback that most of the participants found the session informative and helpful, especially in providing real examples and strategies to deal with these challenging behaviors. What was heartening was the Q&A segment at the end of the talk where parents shared candidly about their own personal challenges with their own children and found support amongst the group.

Here are some quotes from our participants:

"SHARE HIS EXPERIENCE AND KNOWLEDGE."

"EASY TO UNDERSTAND AND THE CASE STUDY SHARED IS HELPFUL."

"LEARNING THE METHODS TO OVERCOME BEHAVIOUR ISSUES"



We are currently planning our next sharing session in June/July with our next Speaker, Ms Low Hui Jia Jessica (Senior Speech Therapist). We would like to alert all caregivers to look out for our poll in the P@C chat group where you can choose which speech-related topic of interest we can cover next.

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OUR LEARNING JOURNEY AT RULANG PRIMARY SCHOOL

Ms Kwok Ping Ping Lanny (Covering Vice-Principal)

We are excited to share with you the wonderful and memorable experience our students from the High Support Programme, caregivers, and teachers had during their recent visit to our neighbour, Rulang Primary School. This enlightening visit not only strengthened the friendship between the two schools but also promoted inclusivity within our local community.

Our students and staff had the opportunity to step beyond the familiar area - the external holding area (the sheltered basketball court) during fire drills. Guided by the enthusiastic Prefects of Rulang Primary School, we had the extraordinary opportunity to explore the school's various facilities and amenities.

A highlight of the visit was the warm welcome extended to us by the Principal of Rulang Primary School, Ms Tracy Tan. She presented each student with a thoughtful gift. These visits further strengthened the bonds of friendship between the schools.



We extend our heartfelt thanks to the Principal, staff, Prefects, and students of Rulang Primary School for their warm hospitality and for providing us with an enriching educational experience. May this visit mark the beginning of our beautiful collaboration, and we look forward to more opportunities in the future.



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LET'S HEAR WHAT OUR TEACHERS HAVE TO SAY ABOUT THE VISIT:



Mr Ryan Loh Junjie (Teacher)

"The tour was very well planned and we were greeted at the shared gate by the Prefects from Rulang Primary School. Our students had a great time on the guided tour, especially the Koi Pond. The visit has helped foster inclusivity and collaboration and we look forward to closer ties with Rulang Primary School in the future."

Mr Wong Hong Da (Teacher)

"The Prefects from Rulang Primary School showed much confidence in bringing us around and introducing the various places of the school. I was impressed with their time management skills as they adhered to the time that was allocated for each place and ensured that the tour went smoothly and ended on time."



Mr Teo Wei Jek, Jack (Teacher)

"The whole tour was very well planned and thorough. The Prefects from Rulang were so patient, friendly, and helpful. They demonstrated responsibility, initiative, and a great attitude, for example, helping to press the lift button for us every time we took the lifts, carrying the speakers around the whole tour, introducing their school etc. Our students particularly enjoyed the library, with its comfortable environment and bright colours."



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ENRICHMENT PROGRAMMES IN SEMESTER 1

Mr Tan Choon Kiang, Nick (Job Coach)

Enrichment programmes in CPASS West aim to provide opportunities for students to delve deeper into subjects they could be passionate about, by exposing student to the various disciplines that have both the hard and soft skills the students can bring with them throughout their lives.

CPAS SCHOOL (WEST) ENRICHMENT

Since the start of this year, we started offering termly enrichment programme for our senior students from the Functional Programme.

The objectives are for our students to:

- Discover their interests and strength through the various enrichment programmes.
- Explore leisure activities.
- Develop their social skills (self-awareness, self-management and social awareness etc.) and soft skills (problem-solving) through these activities.

Below are the enrichment activities that we have conducted since Semester 1, and also a sneak preview of the enrichment activities to come from Term 3 onwards!

These programmes offer opportunities beyond the standard curriculum, but still cater to the diverse learning styles and abilities of our students. Moreover, they can help address the individual needs of gifted and talented students, ensuring they remain engaged and motivated.

ART ENRICHMENT PROGRAM (TERM 1)



Featuring Cheong Nur Faidisha Qistina (Falcon 6C), Vithur Raj (Falcon 6C), Lim Kai Ning (Falcon 5C), & Harith Bin Hazli (Falcon 5C)



Conducted by Ms Lee Sher Ley (Arts Enrichment Coach), the art enrichment lessons offer a dynamic playground where students get to explore different mediums to produce art. Students were taught how the art process works step by step to create amazing pieces like the one here. They were also able to showcase their personality through the artwork they made despite the common theme.

"I like art enrichment classes because we get to try new ways to draw things" - Cheong Nur Faidisha Qistina (Falcon 6C)

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IT ENRICHMENT PROGRAM (ONGOING)

Conducted by Ms Joanne Chia (IT Enrichment Coach), the IT enrichment lessons aim to impart students with not just the ability to express themselves through technology, but also hard skills like using photo/video editing software like Curve. The end results are designs made by student through requests from the teachers – eventually used in school products like the event banners, school T-shirts and even tote bags!



Featuring students from Falcon 6C, Cheong Nur Faidisha Qistina & Luthfil Hadi Bin Azman

“I like that I can use my time after school to practice a skill, the researching ideas for IT enrichment is also the part I like best” - Luthfil Hadi Bin Azman (Falcon 6C)

GARDENING ENRICHMENT PROGRAM (TERM 2)



Featuring Cheong Nur Faidisha Qistina (Falcon 6C), Luthfil Hadi Bin Azman (Falcon 6C), Vithur Raj (Falcon 6C), Yan Jun Jie, Lucas (Falcon 6C), Nurshaqirah Ryhana Binte Shamsha (Falcon 6C), Harith Bin Hazli (Falcon 5C) & Lim Ethan (Lin Yiteng) (Falcon 5C)



Thanks to our partnership with City Sprouts, through the gardening lessons conducted by Mr Nagib Elimad (Gardening Enrichment Coach), students actively contribute to Singapore's sustainability goals by learning and growing food locally and adopting sustainable practices. Taking ownership of their learning, they plan gardens and select seeds, nurturing plants from seed to harvest for a rewarding experience that fosters long-term interest in garden care. Beyond just the outdoor setting, the students also enjoy hands-on learning across scientific disciplines.



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Featuring Luthfil Hadi Bin Azman (Falcon 6C), Vithur Raj (Falcon 6C), Yan Jun Jie, Lucas (Falcon 6C) & Harith Bin Hazli (Falcon 5C)



COMING SOON

"I like the planting the plants in the holes I dug up, I feel happy that a plant is growing" - Yan Jun Jie, Lucas (Falcon 6C)

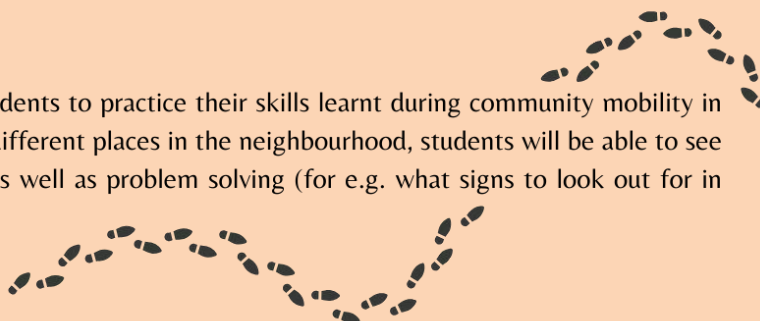
LYDIA'S BAKING ENRICHMENT (TERM 3)

Baking enrichment sessions offer an environment for the students to develop technical and social skills. Through hands-on activities, students practice their arithmetic, motor, and sensory abilities while fostering friendships and teamwork. These classes empower students to develop essential life skills and find joy in the kitchen both as a hobby and an avenue to make income.

"Looking forward to baking enrichment as baking is my favourite hobby" - Cheong Nur Faidisha Qistina (Falcon 6C)

LET'S GO JALAN JALAN! (TERM 4)

Jalan Jalan "Walk walk" provides a chance for students to practice their skills learnt during community mobility in school. By giving more opportunities to travel to different places in the neighbourhood, students will be able to see the application of money skills, social etiquette as well as problem solving (for e.g. what signs to look out for in unfamiliar locations).



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LINE DANCING EXERCISE

Ms Mithela Devi (Administrative Executive)

CPASS West buzzed with energy every Friday afternoon in April, as Ms Lee Hui Kwang (Instructor) led the way in line dancing. The excitement was palpable as the staff gathered, ready to groove to Ms Lee Hui Kwang's tunes. With her years of experience in line dancing, waltz, cha-cha, and more, she was our dance guru, guiding us through every step with flair.

The line dancing sessions were more than just a workout—they were a weekly party! We got to let loose, break a sweat, and bond over our shared love for dancing. Even when we stumbled a bit, it just added to the fun. We even got to dip our toes into waltz and cha-cha basics, thanks to Ms Lee Hui Kwang's expertise! By the end of those three weeks, we were all feeling the rhythm deep in our bones. We couldn't wait to hit the dance floor again next time.



Featuring Ms Quah Yew Kin Mavis (Senior Occupational Therapist), Ms Nadhirah Binte Muhamad Khairul Saleh (Teacher), Ms Lee Hui Kwang (Instructor), Mrs Koh-Lim Ai Lay (Principal), Mr Kevin Tan Meng Liang (Senior Psychologist), Ms Sai Vina V Vimalenthiran (Teacher), Ms Karuppaiyan Akshaya (IT Resource Teacher), Ms Leiqa Adira Thomas (Occupational Therapist Aide) and Ms Mithela Devi (Administrative Executive)



Staff learning the moves and guiding each other as a team



Ms Sai Vina V Vimalenthiran (Teacher), Ms Karuppaiyan Akshaya (IT Resource Teacher) and Ms Leiqa Adira Thomas (Occupational Therapist Aide) were all smiles after the end of a fruitful session

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FRAME RUNNING EVENTS

Mr Tan Choon Kiang, Nick (Job Coach)

Frame running is a parasport designed specifically for individuals with mobility impairments, particularly those who are unable to use traditional prosthetics or wheelchairs. It involves using a specialized running frame, which typically consists of a lightweight frame with wheels and handles for support.

Frame running is not just about physical activity; it's about empowerment, inclusion, and enhancing the overall quality of life for our students.

Here are the events that our frame runners have participated in so far in the first semester:

FRAME RUNNING FOR PARA ATHLETICS INTER-SCHOOL CHAMPIONSHIPS 2024



Featuring CPASS West staff and event volunteers

As one of the students' first official event as a frame runner, they showed a lot of grit and enthusiasm to complete their events. Parents were also present to support their children, along with our Allied Health Professionals.

On 30 March 2024 (Saturday), our frame runners participated in the interschool championships organized by Singapore Disability Sports Council (SDSC) at Kallang. It was a new (and very hot) event for our students, but they managed to complete all their races.



Ms Ni Ni (Senior Physiotherapist) cheering on Javier Hong Jie Wen (Falcon 5D) to finish the race.



Chua Han Yu, Avery (Falcon 4C)



Goh Qin Ze Ashden (Falcon 4C)



Cheong Nur Faidisha Qistina (Falcon 6C)

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FRAME RUNNING FUND RAISER EVENT AT SINGAPORE SPORTS SCHOOL 2024

Seeing our frame runners during the inter-school championship, SDSC also invited 2 of our frame runners to participate in a fundraiser showcase at the Singapore Sports School. This was to showcase spirit of inclusivity and raise awareness about frame running.

Despite facing unique challenges, Javier Hong Jie Wen (Falcon 5D) and Liang Yi Ting (Falcon 5D) were given the opportunity to showcase what they could do when given the right tools. With each step on the track, they also showcased our school values resilience and confidence, inspiring the sports school cohort to cheer them on wholeheartedly.

Their presence not only raised awareness in the sporting community in Singapore but also in turn let our frame runners know that they have the support of their peers.



Ms Ni Ni (Senior Physiotherapist), Mr Tan Choon Kiang, Nick (Job Coach), Ms Athimoolan Sakthi Sulochana (Physiotherapy Aide) and students from Falcon 5D, Javier Hong Jie Wen & Liang Yi Ting at the fund raiser event

CPAS SPORTS DAY AT TAMPINES MERIDIAN JUNIOR COLLEGE 2024

The annual sports day took place on 27 April 2024 (Saturday), and had a mini event for our frame runners, Javier Hong Jie Wen (Falcon 5D), Liang Yi Ting (Falcon 5D) and Chua Han Yu, Avery (Falcon 4C) to take place as one of the first events of the day.

After getting fitted into their frames, the runners were off! This time Javier and Yi Ting were more confident in their frames, and with a little bit of cheering, completed their 100m race without a hitch.



Ms Ni Ni (Senior Physiotherapist) and Liang Yi Ting (Falcon 5D)



Students and staff at the Sports Day event at Tampines Meridian Junior College.



Ms Sai Vina V Vimalenthiran (Teacher) and Ms Indira Shamini (Teacher Aide) posing with Chua Han Yu, Avery (Falcon 4C), Javier Hong Jie Wen (Falcon 5D) and Liang Yi Ting (Falcon 5D).

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CPASS WEST FIRST OPEN HOUSE

Mr Lin Xiuxing (Administrative & Operations Manager)

9 May 2024 (Thursday) marked a significant milestone for CPASS West as we successfully hosted our inaugural open house. We were thrilled to welcome a total of 56 participants who showed keen interest in our curriculum and facilities.

The day was packed with informative briefings on our unique curriculum, designed to cater to the diverse needs of our students. Participants had the opportunity to gain insights into our trans-disciplinary approach, which emphasizes holistic development and knowledge transfer.

The open house featured a booth by our Assistive Technology Specialist, which showcases an array of Innovative Assistive Technology Devices used in our classroom to support our students' learning and development. These tools are integral to our school's approach, aiding in the educational and developmental progress of our students. Also on display were the creative talents of both parents and students. The booths popularity was evident, with all booths attracting a steady stream of visitors whenever participants had free time.



Ms Akshaya Karuppayyan (IT Resource Teacher) fielding questions at the AT Booth



HSP Curriculum Briefing by Ms Lynn Sim (Senior Teacher)

The open house also included a tour of our facilities. Participants were guided through our classrooms and therapy rooms, where they were able to observe teachers in action, engage with our Allied Health Professionals and hands on various therapeutic equipment.

Let's hear what the parents and organisations had to say about the Open House:

"Visiting the rooms and seeing how learning happens at school. The focus theme concept is really cool. Also, knowing that there are classes to help young adults transition into society and work force."

"It has managed to give me a better idea of the possibilities of my son's future learning journey and skills"

"It was really inspiring to see how the team here works together and the various programs and facilities you have! Really thankful to know this school is available for some of our kids who require such support. The talks by each AHP discipline were also really helpful"



P@C Booth

The CPASS West Open House 2024 was a celebration of inclusivity, innovation, and collaboration. We look forward to welcoming new students and continuing our mission of empowering young minds.

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CPAS PRODUCTIVITY AND EFFICIENCY AWARD 2023

Mrs Koh-Lim Ai Lay (Principal)

This staff award was introduced to inculcate work practices that promote an increase in quality, speed, and savings with practical outcomes and significant improvements made. CPASS West is pleased to announce the recipients for this inaugural award.

Individual Awards:

Mr Lin Xiuxing (Administrative and Operations Manager)

Mr Xiuxing has demonstrated extraordinary dedication and commitment in overseeing the moving and setting up of CPASS West. He worked closely with the school management team to ensure the procurement of suitable furniture for the school. This included acquiring adjustable tables, chairs, cabinets, sinks, and changing beds for each classroom.

In preparation for the new school, he tirelessly worked to assemble new chairs for all the staff and classroom tables for the students, with the help of other colleagues. This is a demonstration of his dedication to creating a conducive environment for both the students and staff. He also explores the best and most economical options to optimise the use of school funding. His meticulous attention to detail and proactive approach have greatly enhanced our students' learning experience and comfort.



Mr Lin Xiuxing (Administrative and Operations Manager) receiving his award from Mrs Koh-Lim Ai Lay (Principal)



Mithela Devi D/O Raveendran (Administrative Executive) receiving her award from Mrs Koh-Lim Ai Lay (Principal)

As a result of her efforts, the school has transformed into an exceptionally welcoming and uplifting environment for both teachers and staff to thrive.

Mithela Devi D/O Raveendran (Administrative Executive)

Ms Mithela consistently goes beyond by offering extra help and never hesitates to assist when needed. For example, she arrives early to set up the boardroom for meetings, meticulously decorating the room to create a warm and welcoming atmosphere for the guests. Additionally, without needing any prompts, she takes the initiative to prepare and update inspirational quotes and strategically paste them around the school, inspiring and motivating the colleagues.

She is a fast learner and able to complete her tasks with excellent results and minimal guidance. For example, she took the initiative to independently design and create the posters for the school's mission, vision and values displayed at the school foyer.

She also ensured that all the necessary equipment and stationaries were pre-ordered and well stocked before the staff reported to school on 1st June 2023. This helped the staff go straight to creating resources and teaching materials in preparation for students reporting to school on 26 June 2023.

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Team Award: Character and Citizenship Education (CCE) Workgroup

Ms Siti Aisha Umar Pulavar, Ms Indra Shamini D/O Ravisanthiran and Ms Akshaya Karuppaiyan

In 2023, the team planned, coordinated and implemented weekly assembly programme to ensure that values education is consistently reinforced, making the values part of the student's educational experience. These included activities that encouraged student's active participation through role play, videos, quizzes and Quote of the Week to ensure that students were more able to relate to explicit behaviours on how to display the school values.



Ms Indra Shamini (Teacher Aide) receiving her award from Ms Latha Kutty (Executive Director)



Ms Siti Aisha Umar Pulavar (Teacher) receiving her award from Mrs Koh-Lim Ai Lay (Principal)



Ms Akshaya Karuppaiyan (IT Resource Teacher) receiving her award from Ms Latha Kutty (Executive Director)

Other CCE programmes initiated by this team included:

- Drop Everything and Read (DEAR) programme which encourages students to take a greater interest in reading.
- Stop Everything and Talk (SEAT) programme to build confidence in the students as they chat with their school mates or make requests for toys using picture cards or Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC) devices.
- Recycling Programme to raise awareness in the students on the type of materials to recycle for the three recycling bins made available in school
- Earth Hour which was implemented for students to experience real life situations on the rationale to conserve energy to save the earth



Through the team's dedicated efforts, school staff become more pro-active in inculcating school values and recycling efforts. They also participate more actively in the CCE school-wide programme as the activities emphasize on collective responsibilities

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FIRE DRILL



Ms Kwok Ping Ping Lanny (Covering Vice-Principal)

In CPASS West we take our responsibility for the well-being of our students and staff very seriously. On 11 April 2024 (Thursday), we conducted our second fire drill, and I am pleased to announce that it was a resounding success.

This year's fire drill was not just a repetition of the previous one; rather, we took proactive steps to enhance its effectiveness and realism. One notable addition was the inclusion of a staff member acting as a casualty. This allowed us to simulate a scenario where immediate first aid and evacuation procedures were necessary, ensuring that our response team was well-prepared for any eventuality.

Moreover, we incorporated dry ice to create a realistic smoke effect, further immersing participants in the simulation and providing a more authentic experience. This addition not only heightened awareness but also stressed the importance of remaining calm and following evacuation protocols in the event of a fire.

Additionally, members of our first response team had the invaluable opportunity to use a real fire extinguisher to extinguish a mock fire. This hands-on experience equipped them with practical skills and confidence in handling fire emergencies, thereby strengthening our overall preparedness.

We are very grateful for the continued support from our neighboring school, Rulang Primary School. Their generosity in allowing us to utilize their sheltered basketball court as our external holding area during the drill contributed significantly to its smooth execution. This collaborative spirit highlighted the importance of community support in ensuring the safety and well-being of our students.



2nd I/C of Emergency Response Team (ERT), Ms Quah Yew Kin Mavis (Senior Occupational Therapist) using a fire extinguisher to extinguish a mock fire.

Ms Noor Aisah Binte Latif (Nurse) attending to our simulated casualty, Mr Tan Wei Zhi (Cleaner)

From the pictures captured during the drill, it was evident to see our staff fully geared with Personal Protective Equipment (PTT) and our dedicated nurse providing care to the simulated casualty. These visuals serve as a testimony to our commitment to safeguarding our school. Moving forward, we remain committed to enhancing our emergency response protocols and fostering partnerships that prioritize the safety and well-being of our students and staff.

Thank you to everyone involved in making our fire drill a success.



Ms Ni Ni Swe (Senior Physiotherapist), in charge of Assembly, getting all the signages ready for assembly at the external holding area.



Kudos to our in-house first responders, Ms Karupaiyan Akshaya (IT Resource Teacher), Ms Quah Yew Kin Mavis (Senior Occupational Therapist), Ms Athimoolan Sakthi Sulochana (Physiotherapy Aide), Mr Lim Thiam Seng (Driver) & Mr Lin Xiuxing (Administrative & Operations Manager) (from left to right)

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PREFECT INVESTITURE CEREMONY

Ms Noredah Bte Mohd Yatim (Senior Teacher)

19 March 2024 (Tuesday) was a significant moment for CPASS West as it witnessed its first inauguration of the Prefects Investiture Ceremony. Five students from the Functional Senior Programme classes were nominated to be the student leaders for the school.

During the investiture ceremony, the prefects were presented with a vest and a badge by the School Principal Mrs Koh-Lim Ai Lay. In her speech, Mrs Koh-Lim Ai Lay (Principal) reiterated the importance of prefects upholding the school's value of confidence and integrity in their duties and role as a student leader. She also hoped that more students would aspire to become school prefects and follow the exemplary responsibilities demonstrated by the pioneer prefects.

Since the beginning of the term, the prefects had already demonstrated their dedication to serve the school even before they were conferred the prefect badge. They assisted their peers on wheelchair to move from the alighting bay to the assembly area during arrival and dismissal. They are also responsible in leading the assembly and pledge taking. The prefects are also required to perform the role of ushers when there were visitors to the school.



Mrs Koh-Lim Ai Lay (Principal) presenting Vithur Raj (Falcon 6C) with his prefect vest



Prefects group picture with Mrs Koh-Lim Ai Lay (Principal)



Students from Falcon 6C, Janelle Han Xin En, Muhd Luthfil Hadi bin Azman, Cheong Nur Faidisha Qistina and Vithur Raj taking the prefect's pledge with their schoolmates in attendance

Their efforts demonstrated the commitment of the prefects in performing their duties and reinforcing the importance of leadership and service to the school. May these prefects continue to lead by example, inspiring others to follow in their footsteps!



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Vithur Raj (Falcon 6C)



Janelle Han Xin En (Falcon 6C)



Muhd Luthfil Hadi bin Azman (Falcon 6C)



Cheong Nur Faidisha Qistina (Falcon 6C)



Harith Bin Hazli (Falcon 5C)



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HARI RAYA CELEBRATIONS

Ms Nur Hanna Frida Binte Rupaii (Teacher)

The Hari Raya Aidilfitri celebration on 18 April 2024 (Thursday) exemplified the spirit of compassion and cultural understanding. One of the highlights of the celebration was the launch of Project Bag of Blessing, an initiative that aimed to instil the value of sharing and generosity. The food donation drive for SASCO@Hongsan, a safe home for destitute elderly individuals, received overwhelming support from students, parents, and staff, reflecting the compassionate and caring community within the school.



Food items that were contributed by students, parents and staff.

Students learnt about the significance of Hari Raya Aidilfitri through hands on activities such as learning to tie kain sampung for the male students and trying on of headscarves for female students.



Left to right: Cheong Nur Faidisha Qistina (Falcon 6C), Samera Mohamed Shafir (Swan 4D) & Koh Yu Xin Jolee (Swan 1C)



The inter-class Wau (kite) design competition set the tone for the celebration.



Left to right: Chong Zhi Hao (Falcon 6D), Mohamed Elqi Iffwan (Falcon 6D), Yan Jun Jie Lucas (Falcon 6C) & Vithur Raj (Falcon 6C)



Left to right: Ms Nur Hanna Frida (Teacher), Ms Sharmila Begum (Teacher Aide), Ms Noor Aisah (Nurse) & Ms Leiqi Adira (Occupational Therapy Aide)

The day culminated in a special treat during snack time, featuring traditional delights such as lontong, sayur lodeh, and chicken rendang, delighting the senses and providing a taste of authentic Hari Raya cuisine.



A visual spectacle of female staff and caregivers in burst of colours of traditional Hari Raya attire.

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SPORTS DAY

Mr Ryan Loh Junjie and Ms Sumathi Selvaraj (Teachers)

On 27 April 2024 (Saturday), we held our joint Sports Day celebrations at Tampines Meridian Junior College (TMJC) with the entirety of Cerebral Palsy Alliance Singapore (CPAS), including Cerebral Palsy Alliance Singapore School West (CPASS West), Cerebral Palsy Alliance Singapore School East (CPASS East), Early Intervention Programme for Infants and Children (EIPIC), and Adult Services.



CPASS West staff headed to TMJC

On the day before, all teachers and teacher aides headed from CPASS West to TMJC to help decorate the hall at TMJC.



The medal table all prepped and ready for the races



The blue house marching in for their introduction segment

From the moment the starting whistle blew, the air crackled with excitement, as the various houses marched in to showcase their decorations, costumes, and various cheers. Each participant was vying to win the various medals laid out on the trophy table.

CPASS West did not lack in participants, with Harith Bin Hazli (Falcon 5C) and Cheong Nur Faidisha Qistina (Falcon 6C) joining forces in the Clean Up event and fighting hard in their own event!

As the sun set on another unforgettable CPAS Sports Day, the memories lingered—a tapestry woven with moments of joy, triumph, and unity.

It is a reminder that every milestone is a victory, and every child is a champion. As we look forward to next year's festivities, one thing remains certain: our spirits will soar, our hearts will unite, and together, we will continue to celebrate the extraordinary in every child.



Harith bin Hazli (Falcon 5C) and Cheong Nur Faidisha Qistina (Falcon 6C) with Ms Aifaa Liyana Binte Norazhar (Teacher)

IMPORTANT DATES IN TERM 3 (24 Jun 2024 to 30 Aug 2024)

Note on Contact Tracing

To ensure that we can contact all parents/ guardians/ caregivers for emergencies and to help the School in communicating effectively, please inform your child's teacher of any change in the following:

* Contact details (mobile /email address/home telephone number)

* Home address

30 Jun 2024	Youth Day
1 Jul 2024	Youth Day Off in Lieu
22 Jul 2024	Racial Harmony Day
8 Aug 2024	National Day Celebrations
9 Aug 2024	National Day
29 Aug 2024	Teachers' Day Celebrations
30 Aug 2024	Teachers' Day
School Closure: 1 Jul , Monday 9 Aug , Friday 30 Aug , Friday	