



ANDERSON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians

NOVEMBER 2018 NEWSLETTER

Greetings! We are fast approaching the end of another school year. As the year is coming to a close, we would like to thank you for the tremendous support you have given in the various school programmes in 2018. To continue our communication with you as our valued partners, we would like to share the following information with you.

1. CHANGE OF SCHOOL LEADERSHIP

The Ministry of Education adopts a policy of school leadership rotation to enable new ideas to be introduced to our schools. I would like to inform all parents and guardians that I have received a new posting to head New Town Primary with effect from 15 December 2018. The new principal of the school will be Mdm Delia Hoo, current Vice-Principal (Academic) of Anderson Primary and former Vice-Principal (Academic) of Northland Secondary School. I have served Anderson Primary for 7 years since 15 December 2011 and would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your close partnership and support during my leadership stint in the school. It has been an honour and privilege shaping young lives alongside all of you. Wishing you and your families all the very best.

2. OUR SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENTS

We would like to extend our congratulations to our staff and pupils for receiving the following accolades:

- **SEC-StarHub School Green Awards (SGA) 2018**

Our school has achieved the Vanda Miss Joaquim Award in the SEC-StarHub School Green Awards (SGA) 2018. The SGA is a self-audited voluntary environmental programme which serves as a platform for pupils to develop and showcase their environmental efforts, through customised activities which will help them gain a better understanding of the environment. The Vanda Miss Joaquim Award was awarded to Anderson Primary School in recognition of our sustainable and educational environment efforts. We thank all teachers and pupils who have contributed to the attainment of this award.

- **Civil Defence (CD) Ready School Award 2018**

Our school has achieved the CD Ready School Award 2018 in recognition for our exceptional contributions in ensuring a fire safe and emergency prepared environment. We thank all teachers and pupils who have contributed to the attainment of this award.

- **National Robotics Competition (NRC) 2018**

The National Robotics Competition (NRC), previously named as the National Junior Robotics Competition (NJRC), is an annual exciting event organised by the Science Centre Singapore. It aims to engage pupils through Robotics and STEM education. On 3 September 2018, Foo Qi En, Sonja (P3.6), Xu Bowen (P4.4), Shyanne Cheong Xin Yan (P4.4), Chong Zi Yue Harry (P4.6), Christopher Uday Daniel (P5.5), Jordan Chua Jie En (P5.5), Fong Jian Wen (P5.6), Poh Yang Zhe Markus (P5.6), Ho Yu Feng Joshua (P5.6), Josiah Delroy Huang (P5.6) and Wui Jeongjun (P5.6) represented the school in this competition.

"Learners with Passion. Leaders with Heart. Citizens of Character."



- **ICAS 2018 – Medal Winners**

The following pupils have been awarded with medals at ICAS 2018.

- Lim Jye Ern Javen (P3.5) – ICAS Digital Technologies
- Wang Yong Zhi Kendrick (P2.1) – ICAS English

- **Annual Mathlympics For All Singapore Primary Schools 2018**

3 pupils participated in this competition and achieved the following accolades:

- Silver: Kang Jun Jie Joseph (P5.4)
- Bronze: Wang Shiyu (P5.6) and Wui Jeongjun (P5.6)

- **National Mathematical Olympiad of Singapore 2018**

9 pupils participated in this competition and achieved the following accolades:

- Bronze: Tan Yik Kai (P5.4), Fong Jian Wen (P5.6) and Ho Yu Feng Joshua (P5.6)
- Honourable Mention: Christopher Uday Daniel (P5.5), Siew Shui Chong (P5.6), Valerie Ng Qi Xuan (P5.6), Shaun Tan Rui Kai (P5.6), Jenna Tan Jia Xuan (P5.6) and Josiah Delroy Huang (P5.6)

- **YMCA Plain English Speaking Awards (PESA) 2018**

This is an annual event organised by YMCA of Singapore and supported by the Ministry of Education (MOE) and Speak Good English Movement (SGEM). In June 2018, Ry'anna Aliyah Sembiring Binte Rudy Sembiring (P2.1), Sophia Nadya Habib Ansari (P2.7), Kayla Chong Jin Ying (P4.6) and Ryan Ng Yiheng (P4.5) represented the school in this public speaking competition.

- **Kanga Cup 2018**

Lee Xuan Le from P3.4 represented ActiveSG Football Academy (AFA) in the Kanga Cup 2018 in Canberra, Australia from 7 – 14 July. Kanga Cup is the largest International Youth Football Tournament in the Southern Hemisphere. The team has done well and was invited and honoured during the launch of Get Active! Singapore event on 29 July at the Padang alongside ASIAN Games athletes. Xuan Le has also received a one-year scholarship at the Development Centre (DC)- a joint collaboration with the Football Association of Singapore starting January 2019.

We would also like to extend our heartiest congratulations to the following staff for receiving these accolades:

- **Associate of Academy of Singapore Teachers Award 2018**

Mdm Sarabeet Kaur d/o Hardip Singh, our Lead Teacher (Science), has been conferred the Associate of Academy of Singapore Teachers Award by the Academy of Singapore Teachers (AST). This award is in recognition of her valuable contribution to the professional development of fellow officers in the fraternity.

- **National Day Awards 2018**

The following teachers will be receiving the National Day Awards this year.

- Ms Jaime Chia, Head of Department (English Language) – Commendation Medal
- Mrs Haslinda Azhar, Lead Teacher (English Language) – 25 Years Long Service Medal
- Mdm Thilagam Ramalingam, Teacher – 25 Years Long Service Medal

They have been awarded with this esteemed medal for their valuable contributions and devotion to educating our future generations.

3. NOMINATIONS FOR PRESIDENT'S AWARD FOR TEACHERS (PAT) 2019

The President's Award for Teachers gives national recognition to the critical role that teachers play in moulding the future of our nation. It pays tribute to excellent teachers who, through word and deed, inspire both their pupils and peers. PAT 2019 nominations have commenced on 1 October 2018 Monday and will close on 22 January 2019 Tuesday.

If you wish to nominate your child's/ward's teacher(s) for this prestigious award, please submit your nomination(s) online at the Academy Awards Portal (<https://tinyurl.com/2019PAT>). We look forward to your nominations for our caring and committed teachers.

4. NOMINATIONS FOR OUTSTANDING YOUTH IN EDUCATION AWARD FOR TEACHERS (OYEA) 2019

The Outstanding Youth in Education Award (OYEA) gives national recognition to young teachers who are role models for the teaching profession. These educators motivate, challenge and inspire their pupils to realise their full potential. They personify deep passion for teaching, youthful idealism, energy and enthusiasm, and play a critical role in moulding the future of our nation.

Teachers eligible for OYEA 2019 are those born on or after 30 June 1984. Nominations for OYEA 2019 have opened on 1 October 2018 Monday and will close on 8 January 2019 Tuesday.

If you wish to nominate your child's/ward's teacher(s) for this meaningful award, please submit your nomination(s) online at the Academy Awards Portal (<https://tinyurl.com/OYEA2019>). We look forward to your nominations for our young and exemplary teachers.

5. ADMINISTRATIVE DAY (12 NOVEMBER)

The teachers will have their Administrative Day on 12 November, Monday to process the year-end results. There will be no lessons for all pupils, except for pupils involved in the Year End Concert rehearsals. If your child/ward is involved in the Year End Concert, you would have received the details of your child's/ward's involvement.

Pupils will report to school as usual on 13 November, Tuesday.

6. BOOKSHOP AND UNIFORM SERVICES

The school bookshop will operate during the school holidays for the sale of books and uniforms. Please refer to the 2019 booklist for the bookshop and uniform service operating hours and dates.

The 2019 booklist will be issued together with the report books for P1 to P5 pupils.

7. YEAR END CONCERT @ VICTORIA THEATRE (14 NOVEMBER, 7.00 PM)

In our September newsletter, we informed you about our Year End Concert at Victoria Theatre on 14 November Wednesday. We are pleased to inform you that all tickets have been sold and we look forward to an evening of performances by our talented and confident pupils.

For more information on the concert, please contact our HOD/ Aesthetics, Mrs Fion Ho, at lim_ser_yee@moe.edu.sg.

8. LAST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR 2018 AND 19TH ANNUAL PRIZE-GIVING DAY (16 NOVEMBER)

The last day of school for all pupils for this academic year will be on 16 November Friday. Pupils will be dismissed at 10.35 am. Parents/Guardians who are driving to fetch your child/ward will be allowed to drive into the school from 10.55 am. We will have our Annual Prize-Giving Day from 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm. More details will be given out at a later date to pupils who need to be present for the event.

9. ONLINE TRAVEL DECLARATION FOR YEAR-END SCHOOL HOLIDAYS 2018 (BY 16 NOVEMBER)

In view of the upcoming year-end school holidays, please complete the online travel declaration via the Learning Management System (LMS). The LMS can be found at our school website under 'Quick Links for staff & students' - http://lms.asknlearn.com/anderson_ps.

Please note that only the parents/guardians are allowed to submit the Travel Declaration for their child/ward. The 'Step-by-Step Guide' for online travel declaration is also available on our school website under the 'Announcement' tab.

As a reminder to parents/guardians of their personal role in exercising social responsibility, parents of all P1 pupils are to declare their travel plans of their P1 pupils for the November/December holidays, regardless of travel intent. All travel declaration must be completed via LMS by 16 November Friday.

Parents/Guardians of pupils in other levels are reminded to declare the travel plans of their children/wards only if their children/wards intend to travel. Similarly, all travel declaration must be completed via LMS by 16 November Friday.

10. TERM 4 SCHOOL HOLIDAYS (17 NOVEMBER 2018 SATURDAY - 1 JANUARY 2019 TUESDAY)

School will close for Term 4 School Holidays from 17 November 2018 to 1 January 2019.

The new academic year will begin on **2 January 2019, Wednesday**. The school hours for 2019 is also appended in Annex A (Item 1) for your reference.

11. DISMISSAL ARRANGEMENT FOR 2019

LTA has built a sheltered linkway from our school (Gate A) (along AMK Ave 9) to the junction of AMK Ave 6. We have also created a sheltered waiting area for parents/guardians just inside the small side gate (Gate A) next to AMK-THK Hospital. These 2 areas will provide sufficient shelter for our parents/guardians waiting to fetch their children/wards at dismissal time at Gate A.

As an added safety and security measure, parents/guardians will not be allowed into the school compound beyond the sheltered waiting area. Gate A will be opened 5 minutes before school dismissal.

Similarly, parents/guardians can wait just inside the small gate (Gate E) next to Nouvo condominium as well as the sheltered linkway along AMK Ave 9. For safety and security reasons, they will also not be allowed into the school compound beyond this waiting area.

On rainy days, we will still allow parents/guardians to wait for their children/wards at the car drop-off point during school dismissal.

The above arrangements also apply to dismissal after remedial, supplementary, and other after-school programmes (e.g. CCA).

Parents/Guardians who fetch their children/wards by cars can still enter the school to fetch their children/wards 20 minutes after dismissal time. This is to allow the school buses to leave the school compound. We urge all parents/guardians to time their arrival such that they do not block traffic along AMK Ave 9. We also remind parents/guardians to only allow their children/wards to alight from the left-side doors. Drivers are also reminded to switch off their vehicle engines while their vehicle are parked.

We have noted that there are parents/guardians who drive above the speed limit of 10kmh while in the school compound. We urge all parents/guardians to observe this speed limit for the safety of their children/wards. We also urge all parents/guardians to be patient and wait for their turn to drive off

after fetching/dropping off their children/wards. Please do not overtake vehicles still waiting in front as there may be children who alight using the right-side doors.

As an additional safety measure, we will build a road hump just at our exit gate (Gate D) to slow down traffic as they approach this exit gate. This is to enhance safety for all pedestrians crossing Gate D.

12. TERM 4 2018 SCHOOL CALENDAR

The following tables are summaries of the Term 4 school events and school/public holidays for your reference.

A) School Activities

<i>Date</i>	<i>Events</i>
▪ 12 Nov, Mon	Administrative Day (<i>Pupils do not have to report to school.</i>)
▪ 14 Nov, Wed	Year End Concert (People. Passion. Poise! II) at Victoria Theatre (7.00 pm)
▪ 16 Nov, Fri	Last Day of School for 2018 (<i>School dismissal at 10.35 am</i>) Prize-Giving Day 2.00 – 4.00 pm

B) Public Holiday & Scheduled School Holidays

<i>Date</i>	<i>Events</i>
• 6 Nov, Tue	Deepavali (<i>Hindu and Sikh staff and pupils will be dismissed at 10.30 am on Deepavali Eve 5 Nov, Mon</i>)
• 17 Nov, Sat to 31 Dec, Mon	At the End of School Year
• 1 Jan 2019, Tues	New Year's Day
• 2 Jan 2019, Wed	Start of 2019 School Term 1

13. SCHEDULE OF P2 to P6 AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMMES FOR 2019

The schedule for P2 to P6 after-school programmes for 2019 is also appended for your reference in Annex A (Item 2) to facilitate the planning for your child's/ward's after-school care and transport arrangement. Should there be any changes, we will inform you in the new academic year.

Thank you for all your support in our various school programmes towards the holistic development of our pupils. We look forward to your continued support as our partners-in-education.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Tan Wie Pin
Principal

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1. School Hours for 2019

Day	School Hour	Reporting Time	Recess Time	Pick up Time (by car)
Monday to Thursday	7.30 am to 1.30 pm	7.20 am	P1 & P4: 9.15 – 9.45 am P2 & P5: 9.45 – 10.15 am	After 1.50 pm
Friday	7.30 am to 1.15 pm	7.20 am	P3 & P6: 10.15 – 10.45 am	After 1.35 pm

- *In-class Snack Break at 12 noon every day*

2. Schedule of P2 to P6 After-School Programmes for 2019

More details for each programme will be provided in 2019. We will inform you in the new academic year should there be any change to the schedule.

(A) P3 to P6 After-School Academic Learning Schedule

	P3	P4	P5	P6
Mon	<u>EL & MA Remedial</u> 2.00 pm to 3.00 pm	<u>MTL Remedial</u> 2.00 pm to 3.00 pm	<u>MTL Supplementary</u> 2.00 pm to 3.00 pm <u>HMTL Lessons</u> HCL: 2.00 pm to 3.00 pm HML/HTL: 3.00 pm to 4.00 pm	<u>EL, MA & SC Supplementary</u> 1.30 pm to 2.00 pm 2.30 pm to 3.30 pm
Wed	<u>MTL Remedial</u> 2.00 pm to 3.00 pm	<u>EL, MA & SC Remedial</u> 2.00 pm to 3.00 pm	<u>EL, MA & SC Supplementary</u> 1.30 pm to 2.00 pm 2.30 pm to 3.30 pm	<u>MTL Supplementary</u> 2.00 pm to 3.00 pm <u>HMTL Lessons</u> HCL: 2.00 pm to 3.00 pm HML/HTL: 3.00 pm to 4.00 pm
Thu			<u>FMA Lessons</u> 2.00 pm to 3.00 pm <u>FEL Lessons</u> 3.00 pm to 3.30 pm	<u>FMA Lessons</u> 2.00 pm to 3.00 pm <u>FEL Lessons</u> 3.00 pm to 3.30 pm

- *Remedial: Support programme for selected P3 and P4 pupils.*
- *Supplementary: Compulsory programme for all P5 and P6 pupils.*

(B) P2 to P6 CCA Schedule

	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6
Tuesday	PA: Chinese Dance				
	PA: Brass Band (Percussion Ensemble only) SG: Volleyball				
Thursday	PA: Guzheng Ensemble	PA: Brass Band SG: Badminton, Basketball (Girls) & Football C: Art Club			
	SG: Volleyball				
Friday	PA: Chinese Dance, International Dance, Angklung & Kulintang Ensemble, Brass Band, Guitar Ensemble, Guzheng Ensemble & English Drama Club SG: Basketball (Boys), Badminton, Football & Gymnastics Enrichment C: GAIA Club, Infocomm Club & Robotics Club				

- C: Clubs, PA: Performing Arts & SG: Sports & Games

(C) Lunch time for students who are involved in after-school programmes

	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6
Monday		1.30 pm to 2.00 pm	1.30 pm to 2.00 pm	1.30 pm to 2.00 pm	2.00 pm to 2.30 pm
Tuesday	1.30 pm to 2.00 pm				
Wednesday		1.30 pm to 2.00 pm	1.30 pm to 2.00 pm	2.00 pm to 2.30 pm	1.30 pm to 2.00 pm
Thursday	1.30 pm to 2.00 pm				
Friday	1.15 pm to 1.45 pm				