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 PT NEWSPHERE

PREFECTS & CCE AMBASSADORS INVESTITURE CEREMONY 2016



This year, the CCE Ambassadors joined the Prefects in a combined CCE Ambassadors and Prefects Investiture Ceremony. During the ceremony, students learnt more about their leadership roles. This was followed by the introduction of our new Head Prefect for 2016, Gwyneth Sim of Resilience 6. Our outgoing Head Prefect, Mikaela Maswi, pinned on the Head Prefect's badge for Gwyneth as a symbolic gesture of the handing over of the leadership of the Prefectorial Board. We would like to thank Mikaela for her contributions to the school in leading the Prefectorial Board since 2015. Our new Assistant Head Prefect, Eyra Batrisyia, was also presented with a Letter of Appointment by our Principal, Mr Loh. Gwyneth led the Prefects in the Prefects' Pledge and this was followed by the CCE Ambassadors' Pledge. After the Investiture Ceremony, our newly-minted prefects from Primary Three were presented with their Letters of Appointment. This marked the start of a four-year leadership journey as Prefects. We hope our school's student leaders will bring Pei Tong to greater heights!

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT, SENIOR CITIZEN'S LUNCH

About 200 senior citizens from various Senior Homes were invited to attend the Community Lunch on 27th February 2016. It has been a tradition in Pei Tong Primary School for our staff, pupils, parents and the School Advisory Committee members to host a lunch for senior citizens during the Lunar New Year festive month in our school. This year, our guest of honour was Dr Tan Wu Meng, Advisor for Jurong GRC (Clementi). While being treated to a host of delicacies, our guests were also entertained by performances put up by our Wu Shu Team, Chinese Orchestra, International Dance Group, as well as our Choir.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



2015 had been a milestone year for Pei Tong Primary School as we celebrated our school's 70th Anniversary, together with SG50. It was a memorable year as we rejoiced and reflected on the hard work and success by our forefathers. We also capped off the good year with better PSLE results. In 2016, we look forward to continue the work we have started and to groom our students into responsible and caring citizens. As espoused by our vision "A Vibrant School that Inspires Excellence", we will continue to develop our students into citizens who are rooted in values, innovative in thoughts and passionate in action. I invite all parents and stakeholders to join us alongside as we embark on another fruitful year of teaching and learning for all Pei Tong students.





UPPER PRIMARY SPORTS CARNIVAL

On the 1st of April, our Upper Primary Sports Carnival 2016 saw a vibrant sea of students from Primary 3 to Primary 6, all ready for competition in the morning. It started with the opening of the event by our Principal, Mr Chris Loh, and all classes moved off to their competitive venues in anticipation to the sound of the first horn. The atmosphere was filled with cheers and competitive spirits, all in the hope to display what they have learnt during PHE lessons the past weeks. All staff and students were looking forward to the Students versus Teachers Match before the games came to an end. A video montage was also played at the end of the prize presentation ceremony for all students to relive the moments they had together with their class teams. Thank you everyone for making this Sports Carnival a huge success!



LEVEL VIBES

PRIMARY ONE

With the help of parent volunteers, our P1 students used the Trail Shuttle App to familiarise themselves in the school. The P1 students were given clues to get to each station and were required to retrieve the tasks by scanning QR codes. Their tasks included identifying a canteen stall holder from a photograph and finding the location of the main staircase and the general office. The students had an enriching experience learning about their school and appreciating the work done by school staff.



PRIMARY TWO

Aligned to our English Big Book "A Butterfly Is Born", each of our P2 classes was given six caterpillars to look after. Our students were able to observe a caterpillar's growth stages, beginning from an egg to a butterfly. Our P2 students were given the opportunity to explore a different form of writing by incorporating previously learnt ICT skills. It was an exciting and enriching experience for the students, as they were able to relate their experiences to the book read.



PRIMARY THREE

In April, our Primary 3 students attended 6 sessions of Oral Communications Workshop especially conducted by a team of trained public speakers. In this workshop, students learnt valuable public speaking skills such as what constitutes a good speaker, how to prepare for a presentation and volume control. During the 6 sessions, students got a chance to role play as they attempted different types of presentation. The workshop was rewarding as the students could apply what they had learnt in the classroom.



LEVEL VIBES

PRIMARY FOUR

Our Primary Four students' visit to the Road Safety Community Park presented them a valuable and authentic learning opportunity to practise their road safety drills in a mini-traffic environment as a go-cart driver, pedestrian or cyclist. Our students embraced and exhibited the values of respect, integrity and responsibility in completing their tasks.



PRIMARY FIVE

150 students and teachers from Lee Chi Tat Memorial School, Hong Kong, visited our school on 1st February 2016. This is the second year of our partnership with the school. Our P5 students from Resilience I, 5 and 6 were excited to meet their new friends from Hong Kong. They shared about the education system and school life in Singapore with their buddies. Through this interaction, our students also got to know Hong Kong culture better. Our students demonstrated values such as respect and care as they ensured their buddies' well-being during their stay in Pei Tong.



PRIMARY SIX

The P6 students worked tirelessly towards a warm welcome for the 200 seniors to the school for the Community Lunch on 27th February 2016. From the decorations, moving of furniture, packing of goodie bags, to ushering and accompanying our lovely guests during the sumptuous meal and table games. Each student supported the level VIA activity by volunteering to pitch in the various areas. It has indeed been a humbling and enriching experience for everyone of us.



EVENTS

Mr. Lee Kuan Yew Memorial Tree Planting event 23 March 2016

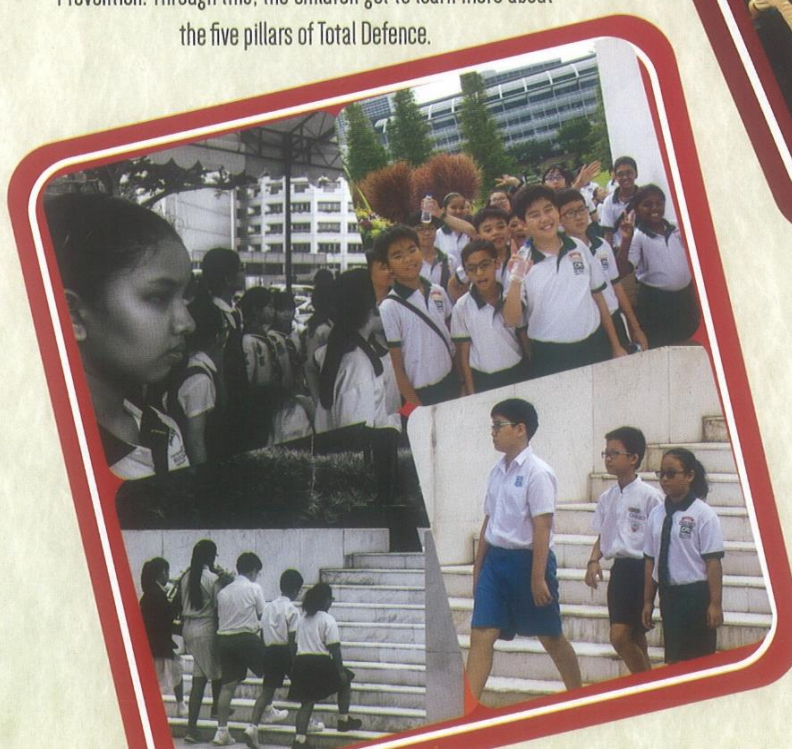
A remembrance event to commemorate the first anniversary of the passing of Mr Lee Kuan Yew, was attended by three pupils from the Environmental and Conservation Club at Jurong Lake Park on the 23rd March 2016. The students as well as the members of the public planted Mempat trees along the park on that special morning. The Mempat Tree has its significance as it was the very first tree species that Mr Lee planted at Farrer Circus in 1963. Since then, it has paved the national movement for tree planting. It was indeed a great way to celebrate the life and legacy of our founding Prime Minister, Mr Lee Kuan Yew.

Total Defence Day

This year's theme for Total Defence Day is "Together, we keep Singapore strong". Our school commemorated this day with a series of activities which students could participate with their peers during their recess, such as a simple obstacle challenge and applying first-aid. Our neighbourhood Police Officers from Clementi NPC also set up a booth to share about Crime Prevention. Through this, the children got to learn more about the five pillars of Total Defence.

TDD War Memorial Service

Our P5 and P6 CCE ambassadors attended the War Memorial Service held at the War Memorial Park on 15th February 2016, to commemorate Total Defence Day. One of our Primary 5 CCE ambassadors represented our school to lay a wreath at the Civilian War Memorial. After attending this memorial service, our students understood the value of peace better.



International Friendship Day

For International Friendship Day this year, our students were treated to an assembly show "The Town Mouse & The Country Mouse". The story taught us to empathise and be considerate and respectful to others, regardless of their race or nationality. During recess, students wrote encouragement notes on post-it notepads for their friends and pasted it up on a Friendship collage in the canteen. There was also a photo-booth where students could take photos with their friends and it was broadcast live in the canteen as part of a photo slideshow. iPads were also brought out during recess for students to learn more about different countries' national anthems.

EVENTS



Science Week Active Recess

The well-anticipated Science Week Active Recess was held from 11th April to 15th April this year. Our participating vendors set up interesting exhibits showcasing live marine organism, amphibians and avians, dissection of squid and hydroponic farming. Our students also actively took part in the hands-on activities organised by the Science department, which included building structure with Lego blocks, energy conversion kits and magnetism kits. Parent volunteers were invited to assist our teachers in managing the activities throughout the 5 days. Jurong Junior College and Tanglin Secondary School were invited to host activities and they were very well-received by our students. Thank you all for your contribution and see you next year!



CCA ACHIEVEMENTS

BADMINTON



The Junior Boys and Girls team took part in the South Zone Badminton Championship. They put in their best effort though they did not make it to the national level. However, our Senior Badminton Girls did us proud by achieving the 4th placing at the South Zone competition. They have since proceeded to the national level.

CHINESE CALLIGRAPHY



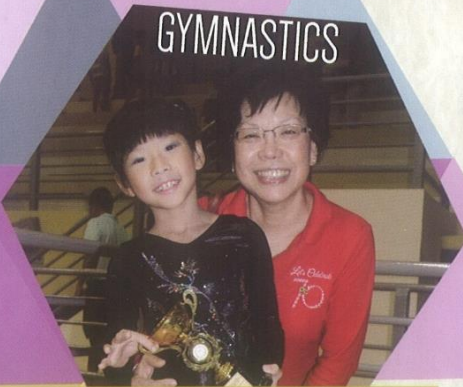
The junior and senior team took part in Hong Wen School's annual National Calligraphy Competition. They put in their best effort and displayed resilience in the competition. Our junior team members, Su Tong won the consolation prize and Low En Xu Dave came in at 4th place. Great job!

BASKETBALL



The Junior Boys and Senior Boys, as well as the Junior Girls basketball team took part in the South Zone Championship. After much hard work, we made it through the preliminary round to qualify for the second round of competition. The Boys junior team was close to clinching the 4th place in the competition, having lost just 1 point to 4th place winner in the South Zone competition. The Senior boys also put up a good fight against strong opponents and they had persevered throughout the matches. Our Junior girls had their first competitive match as the team was newly formed last year. They had gained much experience and we believe they will come back stronger next year for future competitions.

GYMNASTICS



Sara Lim took part in the National Artistic Gymnastics Championships 2016 and came in all round first for the C Division Developmental Girls. Congratulations, Sara! You have done the school proud!

RUGBY



Our senior team came in 4th in the South Zone Rugby Tournament while our junior team came in 3rd. Both teams qualified for the Nationals. Our boys also participated in U13 Mini Rugby Championship 2016 organised by the Singapore Rugby Union. The boys were also involved in HSBC Singapore Rugby Sevens through the Adopt A Country programme. They got to watch teams from all over the world in action at the National Stadium. These experiences helped each of them to be a more resilient and skilful team player.

ART BUZZ

Personalization of Student Handbook 2016

The Art Department designed the new 2016 Student Handbook that allowed students to personalise the cover. On the first day of school, students created their own design for the cover based on the respective value of their level. This activity that combined Art and CCE was intended to help students internalise the school values and develop a greater sense of ownership towards their handbooks. This in turn helped students to develop good study habits by encouraging them to use their handbooks to manage their daily work. To further encourage the students, the best 3 illustrated handbooks from each class won a prize. Visit artpeitong@blogspot.sg for our students' wonderful works!



Art Workshop for teachers, showcase teachers art work.

Riding on the positive feedback for the Tote-bag printing workshop conducted last year, the Art Department organized a canvas painting workshop for our Pei Tong staff in January. Through the workshop, participants explored the use of acrylic paints to create landscape paintings and abstract art. These masterpieces were then featured in our mini art exhibition. The workshop served as a relaxing activity for our hardworking staff and at the same time increased arts appreciation among them. The Art Department will continue to work towards creating a more vibrant arts scene in Pei Tong!



CONGRATULATIONS

TEACHER PROMOTEES



From left to right (back row) : Mr James Ng Wen Liang , Mr Chris Loh ,
Mr Liow Zhong Fa , Mr Chan Ta Hoong
From left to right (front row) : Ms Marilynn Lee , Mdm Lim Lee Wah , Ms Low Shu Min ,
Ms Li Xiao Xi , Mdm Nurhani Binte Idris , Mdm Tan Sen Lee



From left to right : Mr Gad Tan , Ms Erika Yap , Mdm Ren Lina ,
Mrs Caroline Law , Mr Teh Kee Huat

WELCOME TO PEI TONG FAMILY

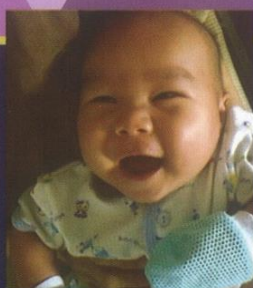


From left to right : Mdm Jayanthi , Mdm Lee Mui Tiang , Ms Juliet Khoo , Mrs Evangeline Tan , Ms Nithya , Mr Ihsan , Ms Ummu Amirrah , Ms Sim Jiayan

BUNDLES OF JOY



Claire Leow
Mdm Leow , Chia Pei San's
Princess



Caleb Lim En Xuan
Mr Jonah Lim 's Prince



Muhammad Luqmannul Hakim
Mdm Siti's Prince



Cui Yimo
Mdm Ren Lina's
Princess



Noah Adam
Mdm Linda's Prince