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WHAT'S NEW

THEFT CHANDERS





After the one-week March holiday break, Pei Tong students were pleasantly greeted by an expanse of luxuriant foliage beside the canteen. The charm of the garden for Outdoor Experiential Learning (OEL) is characterised by two pavilions, a vertical garden, an eco-pond, fern and shrub-lined pavements. The OEL Garden is designed to bring Science out of the physical classrooms and integrate it into everyday life. Not only has the OEL Garden brightened up the entire landscape beside the canteen, but it has also attracted winged visitors such as birds and butterflies to the area, bringing the ecological interdependence between flora and fauna to a limelight and closer to the students.



The sheltered Spices and Herbs Garden helps create awareness of spices and herbs used by the different racial groups in Singapore. Undoubtedly, the two gardens would effectively engage students in their experiential learning by arousing their interest and curiosity.





WHAT'S NEW

lets welcome our new colleagues to the Pel Tong Pelmary School Family



Back row from left

- Mr Ashley Hsu, Mr Leow Guohao, Mr Ang Ming Huat

Second row from left - Mrs Ho Yee Yong, Ms Sakeena Ab Kadir, Ms Nur Hafizah Mohd Rashib

Front row from left

Ms Clarissa Choi Ming Yee, Mdm Angela Tay, Ms Revathy Manokaran, Ms Lek Hui En Eunice



Back row from left: Mr Kenny Chin, Mr Lim Zi Kai, Ms Eileen Ng,

Ms Tham Yue Hao, Ms Noelle Teh, Mdm Jerrine Lim

Front row from left: Mdm Florence Lee,

Mdm Kanmani D/O Namasivayam,

Ms Au Chuin Yin, Mrs Veron Lim-Ang Bee Kuan

Mdm Chen Ai, Mdm Ng Lai Peng

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES (CCA)

Chinese Calligraphy Contest

Five students competed in the West Zone Chinese Calligraphy hosted by Nan Hua High School. Pei Tong is proud to share that one of the students won the first place and two other students achieved the merit award. It was an opportunity for the students to pit themselves against their fellow peers and soak in the fun and excitement.



Telling Stories Through Photography - Info Comm Club



The Primary 5 and 6 Info Comm Club members attended a workshop organised by Media Club from the School of Science and Technology (SST). During the workshop, students learnt how to use photographs as a medium to convey messages to viewers. The students also designed and presented their stories through photographs to the SST students and teachers. The experience had equipped the students with communication and interpersonal skills as they strove for excellence in their IT projects.









CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES (CCA)

National Inter-Primary Schools Rugby Championships 2018 Senior Division





Our senior rugby team players were motivated and encouraged to display the spirit of resilience and perseverance in their trainings and competitions. Although the team lost their first two games, they managed to let their resilience shine through as they won their next two games to reach the quarter-finals of the Cup Competition. Following which, they won another three games and the team was eventually placed 7th in the Cup Division out of 18 schools. Muhd Haziq of Excellence 4 was also awarded the Sportsmanship Award for upholding the spirit of the game and his outstanding performance. Pei Tong wishes our junior rugby team players all the best when their season kicks off in Semester 2!



Environmental Club





Our Environmental Club members participated in Green Schools @ South West Programme. It is the second time Pei Tong has participated in this programme and the school is proud to announce that we have achieved the Gold Award for two consecutive years. Two of our teachers, Ms Lee and Mrs Lim, received the award on behalf of Pei Tong. The members of the club have learnt that it is essential to conserve and to recycle so as to sustain our ecological system.

Girls' Brigade Company Award - GOLD



The 52nd Singapore Girls' Brigade had been awarded the Gold Company Award (2017). Congratulations to the 2017 cohort of students for their faithful participation in the activities organised by the co-curricular group and Company HQ. The activities that the girls have participated in over the years include GB Friendship Day, Fast Food and Fuzz, Junior Leaders Training Camp, Low Guat Tin Challenge and Drill Competition. The teachers and officers have also planned craft activities, camps, learning journeys and parent day activities throughout the year to keep the Company Programme interesting and fun. At St Andrew Home for the Aged, the members carried out community work by putting up Chinese New Year decorations and singing to the elderly. They exercised their care value as they bonded with the latter.

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES (CCA) SYF ARTS PRESENTATION

Chinese Orchestra

Pei Tong was one of the 27 schools which participated in the Singapore Youth Festival (SYF) Arts Presentation for Chinese Orchestra. On 10 April 2018, the student representatives performed the Chinese pieces entitled 游戏 and 鲜花舞 at the Singapore Conference Hall. With the teachers' encouragement, the students were diligent and practised hard for the SYF. The students put up a good performance and were awarded the Certificate of Accomplishment.



International Dance





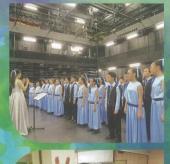


Our team of 25 girls from Primary 4 and 5 attained a Certificate of Accomplishment for SYF. Our girls had put in a lot of hard work honing their dance skills under the guidance of the instructor and teachers. It had been a new experience for the students as they learnt a dance item in the new genre, Street Dance. They enjoyed the preparation process, built stronger bonds with their fellow dance members and learnt the importance of teamwork, self-discipline and resilience while striving for excellence! Well done, Girls!

Choir



Our Choir members took part in the SYF on 18 April. Throughout these few months, the students attended additional practices and put in their best effort in preparation for the day. On the actual day, the performers performed with pride and sang well on stage, successfully achieving a Certificate of Accomplishment. The students would like to take this opportunity to thank our conductor and pianist, our teachers as well as all the parents and parent volunteers for their support and effort in helping to ensure things go smoothly.









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CELEBRATIONS AND COMMEMORATIONS

Chimese New Year

The school enjoyed a concert put up by our students and teachers. The concert began with an exciting lion dance, followed by the performance of martial arts carried out by Pei Tong's Wushu members. One of the students, Brayden Ng, enchanted the audience with a mesmerising Pipa performance as well. The students put up the decorations under the guidance of the Mother Tongue Department and the Aesthetics Department. The students also had an enjoyable time during their recesses while learning how to make oriental handicrafts. These activities had deepened the students' knowledge of Chinese culture.





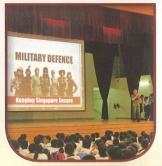




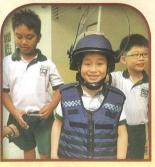


Total Defence Day









During Total Defence Day, our CCE ambassadors shared with the school on the five pillars of Total Defence. One of the teachers, Mr Liow, also shared his National Service experience as a Naval Diver. Police officers from Clementi Neighbourhood Police Centre shared about crime prevention and how everyone could play their part to keep our country safe. Our Primary 5 CCE ambassadors and several student leaders also attended the War Memorial Service held at the War Memorial Park. After attending this memorial service, our students were able to better appreciate the value of peace. Together, we'll keep Singapore strong and free!

International Eriendship Day

International Friendship Day (IFD) activities ran for three consecutive days. During one of the assembly programmes, students were reminded to celebrate friendship from all over the world. The event is also an essential part of the Social Studies and Character & Citizenship Education Programme whereby students learn that it is vital for Singapore to sustain friendly and diplomatic relations with our neighbouring countries. Students also got to know other nationalities better by taking part in activities like costume-matching, colouring of national flags, matching the capitals to their countries and writing greetings to friends during their recesses. The school would like to express our appreciation to our parent volunteers for offering their time and services during those three days.







LEVEL PROGRAMMES



Programme for Active Learning

respecting diversity.

PAL also provides students with a broad exposure to the four domains – Performing Arts, Sports and Games, Outdoor Education and Visual Arts. The students have the opportunities to learn experientially through hands-on tasks and group discussions.





To enable students to manage themselves and build strong relationships

with their peers effectively, the school designs and develops its very own PAL (Programme for Active Learning) that focuses on enhancing social emotional competencies such as team work, conflict resolution and





Social Studies Learning Journey to Singapore Discovery Centre (SDC) and the Army Museum





In the first week of Term 2, the Primary 2 students went on a guided tour to SDC and the Army Museum to gain a deeper insight of what National Service was like in the past and what it is like now. The learning journey instilled national pride in the students as they got the chance to understand what makes Singapore successful today. Apart from viewing the exhibits and enjoying a thirty-minute bus tour at the SAFTI camp, the students experienced Basic Military Training (BMT) by taking on a simple obstacle course.









SwimSafer Programme

A total of 136 Primary 3 students participated in the programme. Swimming is one of the learning areas in Physical Education (PE) curriculum. The programme aims to provide the students with knowledge and skills for water safety and self-preservation in water, as well as basic swimming competencies. The Primary 3 participants were always looking forward to the swimming sessions conducted at Clementi Swimming Complex.



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Social Studies Learning Journey to NEWater Visitor Centre

The Primary 3 students visited NEWater Visitor Centre in order to learn about Singapore's challenges to get a constant supply of drinking water for the entire country and the solutions to achieve the self-sustainability that the country enjoys currently. During the



learning journey, students put on laboratory coats and were equipped with iPod Touches while exploring the premises. Through this learning journey, students gained a better understanding of the importance of fresh water to Singapore and how everyone in Singapore could play their part to conserve the nation's valuable resources.

LEVEL PROGRAMMES



Learning Journey to Kidzania







The Primary 4 students visited Kidzania at the end of Term 1 as part of the Education and Career Guidance Programme. This learning journey provided a realistic and educational environment for students to role-play and take on some of the occupations that are available in the real world today. Besides having fun, the students became more conscious of their interests, abilities and career aspirations. Pei Tong is very thankful to the parent volunteers for accompanying the students in this purposeful learning journey.







Social Studies Learning Journey to the National Museum

The Primary 4 students visited the National Museum for their Social Studies experiential learning. The students got to observe how Singapore looked like several decades ago. In addition, they got the opportunity to touch and feel the ancient artefacts. One of these artefacts is the Singapore Stone. The students were also reminded of the sacrifices that our forefathers had made to transform Singapore from a fishing village to a modern city. The learning journey provided the students with an enriching experience and motivated them to contribute to the country.





Camp Resilience 2018



The Primary 5 cohort went for the annual Camp Resilience from 19 March to 21 March 2018. This year, the campsite was located at Sarimbun. The students had the opportunity to experience what it was like to be independent and were given a chance to test their ability to thrive outside of their

usual comfort zones, away from their homes and the bustling urban area. The activities provided more opportunities for the students to exercise their school values. Activities such as abseiling and rock climbing were the highlights of the camp. A downpour in the early evening of Day 2 did not dampen the mood of students as the teachers were treated to dance and skit performances during the campfire. The camp ended on a high note with students singing and cheering on the bus while they were on the way back to school.

Learning Journey to Lee Kong Chian Natural History Museum

At Lee Kong Chian Natural History Museum, Primary 6 students got to familiarise themselves with the biodiversity of Southeast Asia. They marvelled at the wonders of nature as they studied various characteristics and adaptations of many organisms. In addition,



they also participated in an enriching guided tour around the museum, setting their sights on some of the animals that inhabit Southeast Asia. The students were also introduced to a number of endangered species, which led them to think of ways in which they could contribute to taking care of the environment. What a fruitful and enjoyable learning journey it had been!

SPECIAL EVENTS

23RD ANNUAL COMMUNITY FUNCH







It has been a tradition in Pei Tong Primary School for our staff, students, parents and the School Advisory Committee (SAC) members to host a lunch for about 200 senior citizens in the community during the New Year Festive month. Our 23rd Annual Community Lunch was held in February and graced by Dr. Tan Wu Meng, advisor to Jurong GRC Grassroots Organization. The event helped students see the relationship between the community and themselves and provided students with avenues to express their care to the community. All the primary six students were involved in the preparation for the lunch. They took on different roles such as packing goody bags, performing for the seniors, setting up the hall and decorating for the event. Our SAC sponsored the lunch as well as 'Angbaos' for the senior citizens who attended the event.

PREFECT INVESTITURE



On 7 March this year, the school witnessed the handover of leadership for the prefect Executive Committee (EXCO). The newly-appointed prefect EXCO of 2018 is led by Camille Lim En Xiu. Camille was elected as the Head Prefect after a

voting process participated by both teachers and students. All of us at Pei Tong would like to wish the prefect EXCO batch of 2017 led by Rory Khalila, all the best for their upcoming PSLE and to thank them for their service. The school would also like to wish the prefect EXCO batch of 2018 all the best in their service this year! Serve with pride and always be good role models to others!



SPORTS CARNIVAL



29 March 2018 was the day the Primary 4, 5 and 6 students had been waiting eagerly for! The school took the Athlete's Oath and proceeded to the respective venues for their games after the Principal declared the commencement of the Sports Carnival. The students played the games with zest as they were eager to flaunt their skills. They also displayed the spirit of fairplay, teamwork and sportsmanship during the games. The students bonded with the teachers as they played against each other in the Students-Versus-Teachers matches.



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