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AN OPEN LETTER SEPTEMBER 2018

Dear Parents / Guardians,

1. Warm greetings from Queenstown Primary School. On 31 August, we honour and acknowledge the contributions of our teachers as we celebrate Teachers' Day. Interestingly, Teachers' Day is celebrated on a different date in different countries. Nonetheless, the spirit behind the celebration is the same – to recognise the contributions of all the teachers and show gratitude to our teachers.

2. In this rapidly changing world, teachers have to ensure that their students acquire the essential values, skills and knowledge to equip them adequately for the future. Despite the increasing complexity of the work of teachers, teachers are persevering in their efforts to produce quality work, both in terms of academic work as well as character building. Please join us in saluting our teachers. Happy Teachers' Day!

In Celebration...

National Day Award

3. Behind every successful school is a team of dedicated and committed staff and it gives us great pleasure and joy to share with you a group of staff who will be receiving the 2018 National Day Award. Congratulations to all the recipients and thank you for your commitment and dedication towards the education service,

No	Name of Staff	Award Title
1	Mr Feng Wenfu	Commendation Medal
2	Miss Geraldine Lim Hong Hoon	Long Service Medal
3	Mdm Siti-Hamesiah Bte Samsudin	Long Service Medal
4	Miss Yap Ee Lim	Long Service Medal

Singapore Youth Science Fair (SYSF)

4. SYSF is an annual national event celebrating the dynamism of Science, Engineering, Technology, Biomedicine and beyond. The SYSF provides an opportunity for students to put Science into practice and exercise their creativity to solve Science-related issues for the society. A group of our students participated in this event and we want to commend them for taking up this challenge. They are:

Award	Participants	Class
Participation	Aarav Malik & Alpha Eh Kre Thu	5 Honesty
	Teo Poh Huan, Xu Anlei, Ni Haoran & Chia Kae Lyn	5 Joy

Upcoming Activities...

Mass Borrowing Activity by National Library Board (NLB)

5. Reading is a lifelong habit that we aim to nurture in our Queenstowners. Many efforts have been put in to promote reading in QtPS. In collaboration with NLB, we will be conducting termly mass borrowing sessions for our students. During these sessions, a wide variety of books will be brought to the school for our students to browse and borrow on the spot. Students can also approach

the NLB librarians for book recommendations. In Term 4, the mass borrowing sessions will be conducted from **Wednesday, 12 September to Thursday, 13 September**.

6. We would like to take this opportunity to remind you of the following so that your child/ward will be able to borrow the books.

- Ensure your child/ward brings his/her school EZ-Link card / library card and a bag to store the books borrowed from 12 September to 13 September 2018.
- Pay the fines (if any) in your child's/ward's library account.
- Return all books in your child's/ward's account before the mass borrowing activity.
- If your child/ward has lost his/her library card, please report the loss at any public library and make a new library card. (Note: A fee will apply for a new library card).

7. Kindly ensure that the NLB books borrowed in the school from **12 September to 13 September 2018** are returned to any public library by the due date that is indicated on the loan receipt. This is a teachable moment parents/guardians can tap on to share with your child/ward the importance of being a *'Responsible Individual'*.

PSLE Listening Comprehension & Written Examination

8. On Friday, 14 September, our P6 students will be sitting for the PSLE Listening Comprehension Examination. P6 students will be given separate instructions on their reporting time. **All P1 to P5 students need not report to school on that day.**

9. The PSLE **written papers will be held from 27 September to 3 October**. As mobile phones and/or any electronic devices capable of storing and retrieving information are not allowed during the National Examination, please do not allow your child/ward to bring them to school. Please note that possession of mobile phones and/or any electronic devices during the National Examination is a serious offence. **Lessons are as per normal for all P1 to P5 students.**

10. Our P6 students, along with their teachers, have been preparing hard for the coming PSLE. As the examination draws near, please help us by ensuring that your child/ward has balanced and nutritious meals and sufficient sleep at night. This is particularly critical during the duration of the examination. With encouragement from home and school, we wish our P6 students success in their coming PSLE. Queenstownians, you can do it!

SA2 for P2 to P5 students

11. We thought it might be helpful to you in planning the revision schedule with your child/ward by alerting you to the schedule for the end-of-year SA2 examination for our P2 to P5 students. A more detailed exam schedule will be given to students in Term 4.

Date	Subject	Level
Monday, 17 September Tuesday, 18 September Monday, 24 September Tuesday, 25 September	EL/MTL Oral Examination	P2 – P5
Thursday, 11 October	EL/FEL Paper 1	P2 – P5
	MTL Paper 1	P3 – P5
Friday, 12 October	EL/FEL & MTL/FMTL Listening Comprehension	P2 – P5
Wednesday, 24 October	HMTL	Selected P5 students only
Thursday, 25 October	EL & Foundation EL Paper 2	P2 – P5
Friday, 26 October	MTL & Foundation MTL Paper 2	P2 – P5
Monday, 29 October	Math & Foundation Math	P2 – P5
Tuesday, 30 October	Science & Foundation Science	P3 – P5

General Information ...

Queenstown Primary Parent Support Group (QtPSG) News Bytes

12. This is a monthly newsletter published by our QtPSG committee which will feature past and upcoming events/projects and parenting tips. The September issue is attached to this letter for your reading pleasure.

School's Calendar of Events (COE)

13. Please access the calendar of events for the month of September at our website, <http://queenstownpri.moe.edu.sg/useful-links/school-calendar-of-events> or through the QR code below.



Concluding Remarks...

“People forget how fast you did a job- but they remember how well you did it.”

Howard Newton

14. For the month of September, we would like to focus on the school value of **Quality Work**. Quality is an attitude of wanting to do things right or better, even if it takes a little longer time or requires a greater effort to do so. The quality in our work reflects our commitment towards it. When we strive to do something better, we almost always get better results, so let's continue to encourage our children to give their best in whatever they do and to always strive to produce quality work.

15. Thank you and have a wonderful month ahead! We would like to wish our students a safe and meaningful holiday during the September school break. Do encourage your child/ward to read widely during this term break and if time permits, spend time reading to/ with your child, or perhaps just engaging your child/ward in a conversation about what's happening in the world around us. This is one way to bond with your child/ward meaningfully during the school break. Enjoy your quality time with your child/ward and we look forward to seeing your children when Term 4 begins on Monday, 10 September 2018.

Warmest regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Pearly Ng'.

Ms Pearly Ng

Principal

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NEWS BYTES



Queenstown Primary School Parent Support Group Newsletter

SEPTEMBER 2018



Movie Night @ QtPS

The school hall was opened to 50 families on 17th August for a special screening of the movie 'Coco'! This QtPS-organised event was a big hit with the families. The show supplied a good laugh, a couple of twists and a heart-warming ending. Children also learnt to:

1. Always believe in themselves
2. Follow their dreams
3. Embrace other cultures
4. Understand that things are not always what they appear to be

A great big "Thank You" to Parent Volunteers who were present, helping out, selling snacks and drinks, etc. to complete the movie experience.

We might organise another movie screening in the coming year and we look forward to your participation.

"One book, one pen, one child, and one *teacher* can change the world."

Malala Yousafzai

Forest Adventure

17 father and child pairs took on the challenge of Forest Adventure (Singapore's largest tree top adventure park) on Saturday, 25th August. It proved to be a great bonding session between fathers and their children as they spent quality time together, enjoying themselves while conquering the high elements at the park.



Events : September 2018

1st – 9th September
Term Break

12th September
Leaders Meeting

- Look out for our **PSG Family Day** date to be released soon

Wishing all educators

Happy Teacher's Day

