

Welcome to Term 3 of Academic Year 2024

As a community, we achieved many things in Semester 1 of 2024.

In Term 2, we invited back our distinguished alumnus, Dr Bala, to give out awards to recognise more than 150 students for their outstanding achievements, service to school and exemplary character. Our Outstanding North Star, Ms Edlyn Teo, was also shortlisted for the Lee Kuan Yew All-Round Excellence Award 2024.

Our Secondary 2 students attended the inaugural Performing Arts-based Learning experience, where they learned about musical expressions from the Singapore Symphony Orchestra@Victoria Concert Hall.

A group of Secondary 3 students also embarked on their SG-Indonesia Overseas Learning Experience. Designed with a comparative approach, our students examined the themes of Place and Space via organisations, natural environments and cultural elements of Singapore and Indonesia. They also made friends with students from our partner school. We look forward with anticipation to the SG-China OLE in Term 4.

Term 3 is a term of consolidation. Students start to put all their learning together, leading towards the higher-key assessments that check their knowledge in Term 4. For our graduating students, it is a time of mental preparation for their GCE 'O' or 'N' levels. As always, their teachers are there to support them. We encourage you to be their emotional pillars at home as well.

Together, we will help your child Learn, Grow and Lead. We thank you for your partnership in this process.

The School Leadership Team,
Mr Chua Tung Kian, Mr Sukhdev Singh, Mrs Jacqueline Tang

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A Message from the
School Leadership
Team

Term 2 Highlights

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School Calendar 2024
(Term 3-4)

Infrastructure Upgrades and Traffic Safety



The school is undergoing several infrastructure upgrades to make our environment safer and more conducive. One of these changes is a new zebra crossing near our front porch. This will enhance road safety for our students during dismissal time. Students are reminded to be vigilant and more aware of their surroundings when moving in and out of the school compound.

Annual Awards Day

On 26 April, we commemorated our Annual Awards Day, themed 'Rooted to Rise'. The event was graced by Dr Bala Davient, a distinguished alumnus who is now an A*STAR Scientist. 100 graduating students and 52 alumni were recognised for their outstanding achievements in the national examinations, their dedicated service to the school and their exemplary character. The Outstanding North Star award was presented to Ms Edlyn Teo from S4-N1 (2023), the highest accolade any student can receive. This memorable event not only affirmed academic and personal excellence but also reinforced our school values, truly 'Rooted to Rise'.



Student Leaders Investiture

On 20 May 2024, we honoured our outgoing student leaders for their dedication and service throughout their term of service in the past year. Their leadership left a lasting impact on our school community.

We also recognised and invested our new leaders stepping up to lead in their classes, CCAs and as councillors in 2024. We wish them all the best as they embark on their leadership journey and carry forward our Student Leadership motto of 'Serve, Lead, Inspire'.

Performing Arts Showcase - Spotlight!

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Members of the Student Council confidently took on the role of masters of ceremony for the showcase, highlighting the synergy within our school community!



Sec 1 Outdoor Adventure Learning Camp

The Secondary 1 OAL Camp, held from 15 to 17 July, was an enriching experience designed to promote self-discovery, develop social-emotional competencies, instill school values, and foster interactions among students and teachers through a variety of outdoor activities. Students went through a range of activities including team bonding games, kayaking at Kallang Basin, hiking at Faber Park, outdoor cooking and the highlight of the camp - an evening campfire of songs, stories and class performances. Students forged lasting friendships that will support them through their journey in CVSS.



Sec 2 Battlefield Tour

Our Secondary 2 students embarked on a Battlefield Field Tour to Labrador Park, Changi Museum and Chapel, Reflections at Bukit Chandu, Fort Siloso and the Former Ford Motor Factory on 15 May. Students learnt to appreciate Singapore's vulnerabilities and struggles during the period of the Japanese Invasion and Occupation of Singapore. In particular, the War Remembrance Ceremony at Kranji War Memorial left a deep impression on the minds of students about the sacrifices made by some of our war heroes, enhancing students' awareness about the importance of the role of Total Defence.



Sec 2 Performing Arts Based Learning (PABL)

PABL 2024: Expression Avenue - The Secondary 2 North Stars attended a live concert experience presented by Singapore Symphony Orchestra @ the Victoria Concert Hall on 21 May. They were treated to performances of Falla's Ritual Fire Dance, Smetana's Ma Vlast, Chen Zhangyi's Rain from Rain Tree and selections from Stravinsky's Firebird Suite led by conductor Jason Lai. The students were taken on an information journey to find out more about how composers draw inspiration from their surroundings and use Music to express themselves.

Sec 3 Applied Learning Modules

As part of the STAR 2 Programme, our Secondary 3 students went through 3 days of Applied Learning Module (ApLM) of their choice in the area of STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics). The experiences helped them better understand their strengths and interests, as well as the various post-secondary and career opportunities available.



CCA Experience Days

On 20 and 21 May, the school had its CCA Experience Days as part of the STAR 2 programme. Our CCAs took the opportunity to organise unique experiences for members, and the senior members developed their leadership competencies through leading their juniors in the activities. Secondary one students were also given the opportunity to experience other CCAs.



SG-Indonesia Overseas Learning Experience

From 24 to 30 May, 24 Secondary 3 North Stars embarked on their Overseas Learning Experience (OLE) to Indonesia. The OLE was planned to allow the students to make a comparative examination between Singapore and Indonesia. Before they embarked on the trip, students learned about different Singapore organisations and cultural monuments; whilst in Jakarta and Bandung, they experienced the difference in place and space through hiking in the highlands, exploring an active volcano, and engaging in cultural activities such as batik and angklung. They also had the unique opportunity to visit the Huawei office in Jakarta, the largest in Southeast Asia, as well as travel in Southeast Asia's first high-speed railway. The highlight of the trip was the long-lasting bonds and memories forged with their buddies from SMAN1 Margaasih during their two-day school exchange programme. Stay tuned for the SG-Indonesia OLE 2025!



Green Compass Programme

Secondary 1

Our Secondary 1 North Stars embarked on a journey exploring the world of plastic recycling as part of the Green Compass Programme. They participated in a plastic bottle recycling competition. After which, they attended a workshop where the collected plastic bottle caps were creatively turned into carabiners and coasters. These unique items became corporate gifts for our Annual Awards Day 2024. Together, our North Stars are dedicated to making a positive environmental impact, one bottle cap at a time!



Secondary 3

The participation of our Secondary 3 North Stars in the Green Compass Programme was truly heartwarming. They guided children from the Chinese Development Assistance Council (CDAC), PCF Sparkletots, Joy Connection, and Morning Star on a journey of waste sorting, enriched with engaging sustainability stories, songs, and games. This initiative not only instilled a sense of environmental responsibility in our students but also forged meaningful community connections. Our North Stars played a vital role in planting the seeds of green habits in children's lives, demonstrating their dedication to building a more sustainable future.



National School Games - B-Division Floorball (Girls) -
National 4th

Girl Guides Puan Noor Aishah Award (Gold)

Boys Brigade JM Fraser for Excellence Award (High Distinction)

NCC (Air) Freestyle Drills (FSD) Grand Finals - Top 5

Boys Brigade Founder's Award
Estanislao John Gleoffe Hornilla (4E1)

Boys Brigade Best Boy Medal
Teo Tze Rei Elliott (4E4)

NCC Outstanding Cadet Awards 2024
Hooi Lok Yu Renee (4E4)
Loh Tze Chieh (4E4)

2024 North Zone Schools (Primary/Secondary)

Chinese Speech Competition

2024年北区中小学华语演讲比赛

Tear Wen Hui (1-4) - Most Promising Award 最佳潜力奖

35th National School Chinese Calligraphy

Competition 第35届全国书法比赛

Yeo Xuan Qing (4E2)- Consolation Prize 安慰奖

First Lego League Singapore - Rising Star Award
Tenji Liew Tian Ci (2-4), Chin Yun Yu (2-3), Chow Zhi Ying (2-8), Chan Qing Rui (2-8), Yeo Hansel (2-8)

World Scholars Cup - 2 Trophies, 34 Gold Medals & 59 Silver Medals

Nichole Ho Jing Xuan (4E1), Loa Chun Jun (4E2), Zainab Nabihah (4E2), Novelonio Nixie Chloe Calimbass (4E3), Rhea Rigzin (4E3), Erica Lim Si En (4E1), Looi Zhi Xuan Derek (4E4), Daniel Zhang (4E1) Choong Kar Mun Nicole (3E3), Lye Shi Han (3E2), Mervin Tan Bai Xing (3E4), Nursyafiqah Ayien Binti Hasrin (3E2), Toh Kai En Elijah (3E2), Lucas Zhi Heng Thien (3E4), Dong Qiyuan (3E4), Koh Jing Yi, Elizabeth (3E1), Arora Suhani (3E4), Duvvuru Shanmukha Keerthi (3E4), Ng Gek Min (3E2), Tong Kar Eu Alexia (3E1), Lee Weng Yan (3E2) Peh Yuhan Crystal (2-5), Ang Rui Ze Ashton (2-8), Audie Guo Ting Jie (2-5), Lai Ke En (2-3), Lim Jia Xuan Vivian (2-1), Yeoh Yik Hae (2-1) Neo Cheng Hao (1-7), Pang Yu Hao Melvin (1-7), Aren Teo Khai Fong (1-6), Lee Jinxiang Logan (1-6), Alicia Andrew (1-6), Hayden Quek Ren Yee (1-6), Ellivier Pan Wen (1-7), Madiri Nikita Angel (1-7), Balaquiot Caitlin Penticostes (1-7)

Staff Changes

We bid farewell to Ms Lee Han (Subject Head/Educational Support) who has left CVSS in June 2024.

We warmly welcome the following staff to CVSS:

- Mr Manimaran (Operations Manager)
- Ms Faith Nah (Subject Head/English Language)
- Mr Anthony Yap (D&T Teacher)
- Mr Daniel Chye (Chemistry Teacher)
- Ms Yang Jie (Chinese Language Teacher)



School Calendar of Major Events/Programmes and HBL Days (Term 3-4)

(Accurate as of June 2024. Subjected to changes)

Term	Date	Date	Day	Major School Programmes, Events and HBL Days
TERM 3	2	1 Jul	Mon	<i>School Holiday for Youth Day</i>
		2 Jul	Tue	HBL Day (Sec 1-2 only)
		1-5 Jul	Mon-Fri	Sec 3 OBS
	5	23-25 Jul	Tue-Thu	HBL Days (Sec 1-3 only)
	6-7	29 Jul-7 Aug	Mon-Wed	Sec 4 N-Level Preliminary Examinations
	7	8 Aug	Thu	National Day Celebrations (Students will be dismissed at 10.30am)
	9	19 Aug	Mon	HBL Day (Sec 1-3 only)
		19-28 Aug	Mon-Wed	Sec 4/5 O-Level Preliminary Examinations
	10	29 Aug	Thu	Teachers' Day Celebration (Students will be dismissed at 10.30am)
		30 Aug	Fri	<i>School Holiday for Teachers' Day</i>
TERM 4	1	10 Sep	Tue	HBL Day (Sec 1-3 only)
	3-5	26 Sep-8 Oct	Thu-Tue	Sec 1-3 End-of-Year Examinations
	5	9 Oct	Wed	Marking Day (Students need not report to school)
	6	18 Oct	Fri	Results Management Day (Students need not report to school)
	6-7	16-17, 21-24 Oct	Wed-Thu, Mon-Thu	Sec 1-3 STAR 3 (Last Day of School on 24 Oct, Thu)
	7	25 Oct	Fri	Sec 1-3 Parent Teacher Conference
	7	26 Oct-2 Nov	Sat-Sat	Sec 3 Overseas Learning Experience (China)
	10	16 Nov	Sat	Open House for P6 pupils / parents