# **COMPASSVALE SECONDARY SCHOOL**



2023 Term 4 Letter to Parents

# Welcome to Term 4 of Academic Year 2023

This is a short but intense term. Our graduating levels will be preparing and sitting for their GCEs. We wish them all the best, as they take their first step to pursue their dreams and aspirations.

Term 3 has been meaningful and enriching, with the school celebrating several important days - Teachers' Day, for example, saw our North Stars express their gratitude to their teachers. The rigour and quality of the school's learning experiences were also recognised nationally and internationally. We are one of two Singapore schools recognised as an ASEAN Eco-School for high-quality environment education efforts. We are also the recipient of the Total Defence Award 2023 for exemplary Citizenship Education and support of NS commitments.

As a school, we have achieved much. We will continue to refresh our learning and student experiences to allow all our students to *Realise their Star Within*.

Thank you for partnering with us in growing and nurturing your child.

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

#### 4th ASEAN Eco-Schools Award

Our school was recognised as an ASEAN Eco-School (Secondary Schools Category) at the 4th ASEAN Eco-Schools Award Ceremony in Vientiane, Lao PDR.

The ASEAN Eco-Schools Award recognises the exceptional dedication of our school towards environment education and highlights our commitment to fostering environmental consciousness among our students.



## NS Mark (Gold) and Total Defence Award 2023 - NS Advocate Award

Our school has been successfully accredited with NS Mark (Gold). NSMark Gold accreditation recognises organisations with policies, advocacy efforts and human resource practices that support National Service and Total Defence.

We were also invited to exclusive events like the SAF Day Parade on 1 July and RSAF55 Open House on 7 Sep 2023 at Paya Lebar Air Base. The school was also selected as one of the recipients of the TDA 2023 NS Advocate Award for Organisations. The TDA is the highest national accolade that recognises the exemplary support for NS by stakeholders, including individuals and organisations.

# #RealisingTheStarWithin

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#### Term 3 Highlights

## Youth Day Celebration by Parent Support Group (PSG)

To commemorate Youth Day, our Parent Support Group (PSG) prepared an inaugural carnival to celebrate the vitality of our youths on 2 July during the students' recesses. A photo booth, popcorn station, balloon sculpting, and song dedication corner were set up in the canteen. The candy-themed photo booth was a highlight, with students taking turns to capture beautiful moments with their friends and teachers. It was a welcomed surprise during their recess, which brought much joy and cheers to the North Stars! Thank you, PSG!



## **Commemoration of Racial Harmony Day**

Based on the theme "Singapore our Cultural Mosaic", Racial Harmony Day was commemorated from 17 July to 21 July 2023 through a series of CCE and reading activities. Sec 2 students took part in a Racial Harmony Carnival in which they experienced Henna painting, played traditional games such as yo yo, paper ball and Chapteh and enjoyed traditional snacks such as ice gem biscuits and peanuts. Students also enjoyed an assembly programme to gain a better understanding of our multi-racial society and how they should be sensitive to the different races. Students were encouraged to wear ethnic attire to appreciate our diverse cultures and heritage.



National Day Celebrations

This year's National Day celebrations began with the marching in of our flag party that kicked off the Observance Ceremony. Representatives of our uniformed groups marched to the music performed live by our school band. This was followed by the Inspection of the Parade by the School Principal and an impressive Freestyle Drill Performance by selected NCC(Air) cadets. 8 students representing the various UG CCAs also supported Compassvale Primary School's National Observance Ceremony as flag bearers. Students also participated in the recitation of Recollections, Quizzes, and enjoyed the NDP 2023 Medley by the School Choir. The celebrations ended with a sing-along led by our Choir, student and teacher performers.



#### **National Day Parade Virtual Choir**

This year's National Day Parade (NDP) was particularly special for Compassvale Secondary School Choir as we had the privilege to be part of the NDP 2023 Virtual Choir. Together with four other schools as well as talents from SG Enable and Voices of Singapore Starlight Voices, the choir recorded a medley of popular NDP songs such as 'We Will Get There' and 'In a Heartbeat'. The music video -a befitting gift to the nation on its birthday- was broadcast over national television and social media platforms during the NDP celebrations.



#### 'One School One Country' Programme



Our school hosted the Indonesian delegation of competitors of the ASEAN World Skills competition in Singapore in July as part of the 'One School One Country' programme. Our student ambassadors had an opportunity to interact with the Indonesian competitors and gained more awareness of professional skilled careers in the commercial and industrial sectors. During the cultural exchange, our student ambassadors shared the uniqueness of Singapore's language, food, transport and tourist attractions. We also did modified Chinese calligraphy. The student ambassadors and Indonesian competitors had fun learning about each other's culture through games, dance and classroom immersion.

#### **Mega Mamee Madness**

To highlight our school's commitment to fostering positive mental health and nurturing a robust peer support culture, our Peer Support Leaders came together to organize a "Mega Mamee Madness" event. Students enthusiastically pledged to become peer supporters for their friends. This empowered our school community to be more attentive, empathetic, and understanding towards one another. It has bolstered our efforts to create a safe and supportive environment where every student feels valued and heard.





#### **Teachers Day Celebrations**

Our Teachers Day Celebrations this year were organised with a blended approach to honor our dedicated educators with an intimate and meaningful experience.

Students organised class parties to celebrate their teachers. They shared heartfelt messages and creative presentations to express their gratitude. Classes also competed in Teachers Day-themed station games for prizes and the celebrations were made complete with a Teachers' Day e-Concert. It was a day filled with appreciation, laughter, and heartwarming moments that showcased the strong bonds between our students and their mentors.



#### **National School Games**

Our 'C' Div Boys Team came in 4th in the National School Softball Championships 2023. This is the best performance the school has achieved in the Softball Championships, well done North Stars!

# Singapore Olympic Foundation - Peter Lim Scholarship 2023

Cheryl Fernandez Rachmadi (3E4) (Rollersports) Andrea Fernandez Rachmadi(2E4) (Rollersports)

National Digital Explorer 2023 ICDL ASIA DIGITAL LITERACY DAY International Round Wong Zhi Ying (3E4), Silver Award

#### Local Round - Emerging Technology

Category certificate in Cloud Computing, Emerging Technology and Artificial Intelligence Wong Zhi Ying (3E4), Gold Award Lucas Thien (2E1), Silver Award

#### Prove It! Contest 2023

1st Place (Written Category) Balisetti Manu Asrith (2E4), Er Bo Xuan (2E4), Suhani Arora (2E4), Jerell Ling Chun Feng (2E4)

Silver Award (Video Category) Ng Xuan Le (1-3), Desiree Yang Xin En (1-3), Lai Ke En (1-3), Foo Chi Xin (2E3)

# 21st Elementz Science Project Competition

Gold Award Andrea Fernandez Rachmadi, Arora Suhani, Jerell Ling, Jacob Yew (2E4)

Commendation Award Jayden Lim, Pascual Light Cruz, Jaden Sin, Isaac Ong, Mervin Tan (2E2)

#### National Schools Literature Festival (NSLF)

Unseen Debate: Winning Team Erica Lim (3E1), Muhammad Hazlam (4E2), Khor Shao Jun (4E2), Tey Yee Fei (4E4)

#### Book Trailer: Commendation Award

Angel Yong Yujing (2E1), Choong Kar Mun Nicole (2E1), Dong Qiyuan (2E1), Nicole Ainsley Chandra (2E1), Cheng Yao Liang (2N3), Adani Farisha (2E2), Lye Shi Han (2E2), Safia Sabbirhusen (2E2), Nursyafiqah Ayien (2E3), Yu Yanting (2E4)

#### Choral Speaking: Bronze Award

Ng Gek Min (2E1), Rachel Ting Xuan Qi (2E1), Teo Xin Rui Ashlyn (2E1), Kieran Ong (2E1), Amalia Nila Adeilah (2E2), Julien Soo (2E3), Ng Kai Jie Bryant (2E3), Arora Suhani (2E4), Andrea Fernandez Rachmadi (2E4), Low See Teng Janelle (2E4)

#### Flash Fiction:

Bronze Award (Lower Sec)- Aaliyah Kaif (2E3) Bronze Award (Upper Sec)- Erika Sarah Netto (3E1)

# Essay Writing Competition "Saya Boleh Mengarang" 2023

Gold with Distinction - Muhammad Syazwan Bin Mansor (3E4)

Silver Award - Alya Nur Nazeeha Binte Abdul Noorzai (1-8), Nur Alfian Afiq Bin Halim (2E3), Nazurah Sajidah Binte Muhammad Najib (3E1)

Bronze Award - Daania Falisha Binte Suhaimi (1-4), Aaliyah Kaif Binte Khairul Nizam (2E3), Qeisya Daneen Binte Dinohairry (2E4), Nur Irdina Binte Mohd Fadzuli (3N1), Alya Irdina Binte Muhammad Azalie (4N2), Alfiah Firzana binte Muhammad Firdaus (4N2), Nurfarzana Binte Muhammad Radzlan (1-1), Rifqah Nurjannah Binte Mohammad Shukor (5N2), Siti Hajjar Binte Hosni (3N2)

#### 6th National Text Recital Competition (第六届课文朗诵 比赛)

Kayden, Toh Zhun Hao (3T1), 1st Position and Gold Award in the Upper Secondary – Chinese Language 'B'/ Basic Chinese Language/ Chinese Special Programme (Individual) Category

Sarah Tan Yu Han (3E4), Bronze Award in the Upper Secondary – Higher Chinese/ Express/ Normal Academic (Individual) Category

# Singapore Junior Science Olympiads Singapore Junior Biology Olympiad 2023 Silver

Ho Wei En Josephine (4E1)

Bronze Chua Hui En Callisto (4E1)

#### **Singapore Junior Chemistry Olympiad 2023** Bronze Chen Quan Zhi (4E5)

#### Singapore Junior Physics Olympiad 2023

Individual Awards - Honourable Mention Lin Jun (4E3), Lucas Goh Zong En (4E3), Ong Jun Heng, Rainier (4E5), Tear Sheng Tian (4E5), Yong Hao Xuan, Jeshua (4E3)

Team Awards - Honourable Mention Chen Quan Zhi (4E5), Tear Sheng Tian (4E5), Vaith Ng Rong (4E5) and Yap Keng Weng Eros (4E5)

#### Singapore Math Kangaroo Contest

Silver Award - Ng Jia Wei, Lance (2E2), Chua Kai Jun Jave (2E1), Gioven Tan (2E1), Lucas Thien (2E1), Ang Hui En (2E3), Andrea Fernandez Rachmadi (2E4), Arora Suhani (2E4)

Bronze Award - Yu Yanting (2E4), Tay Bing Hern (2E2), Julien Soo (2E3), Ezekiel Ruazol Gonzales (2E3), Yap Xin Ru (2E3), Chong Teng Seet (2E3), Nicole Ainsley Chandra (2E1), Yago Rommel Angelo Limpin (2E1), Angel Yong (2E1)

Honorable Mention - Balisetti Manu Asrith (2E4), Jaden Sin (2E2), Tristyn Lee (2E2), Er Bo Xuan (2E4), Isaac Ong (2E2), Samuel Cillian Cox (2E4)

#### **National Day Awards**

Mr Kuan Wai Kit, HOD/ICT (Commendation Medal) Mdm Karpagam Thanabalan, HOD/Mathematics (Long Service Medal) Mr Arman Sujak (Long Service Medal) Mr Nur Azam Bin Jaffar (Long Service Medal) Mr Chua Choon Heong (Long Service Medal)

#### Term 4 School Calendar

Date	Day	Major School Programmes & Events
Term 4		
11 Sep	Mon	Teachers Day Holiday
12 and 20 Sep	Tue, Wed	GCE N-Level Listening Comprehension Examinations [Students will be dismissed at 2.30pm]
2-12 Oct	Mon-Thu	Sec 1-3 End of Year Examinations
13 Oct	Fri	Marking Day and HBL Day (for Sec 1-3 only)
20 Oct	Fri	Results Management Day [Students need not report to school]
23-26 Oct	Mon-Thu	Term-End-Programme 3 [Last Day of School on 26 Oct, Thu]
27 Oct	Fri	Parent-Teacher Conference [Students need not report to school]
14 Nov	Thu	Sec 4/5 Graduation Night
18 Nov	Sat	Open House