



# JURONGVILLE SECONDARY SCHOOL

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4 September 2023

Dear Parents and Guardians

## **Bringing Term 3 to a Close**

1. We are into the last leg of the school year. Our students have had an intense 30 weeks both within and outside the classroom. All of us – both parents and teachers too, deserve a pat on the back for having gone through the good part of 30 weeks of school as well.
2. One of the greatest joys of being an educator is to observe how our students rise to the occasion especially when they think no one is watching. My colleagues and I experience this joy and privilege almost daily. From observing how a student who “typically” acts up in class exercising leadership and providing a reassuring presence during an emergency; to sitting in awe as our students respond with both poise and grace to harsh feedback during a competition. Our students’ energy and ability to surprise us continue to inspire everyone.
3. It is timely as well to celebrate our students’ achievements and service to our community. Our students have performed commendably at this year’s National School Games and the Singapore Youth Festival. Beyond these platforms, our students also competed and performed well at various other competitions. Our students reached the finals of the Infocomm Media Development Authority’s (IMDA) National Youth Tech Championship where they had the opportunity to be mentored by Google Engineers. Most notably, their perseverance and sportsmanship in this competition won them special accolades and praises from the Chief Executive of IMDA.
4. Aside from competitions, our students supported Jurong Central’s National Day Observance Ceremony. The rousing performance of our Chinese Orchestra and Batucada groups gave a good start to the celebrations. A good number of our students also mentored primary school students in the KidsRead programme in collaboration with the National Library Board. Through these and more, we received many praises for our students, notably for their confidence and willingness to make a difference. Participation in community events is important because they help anchor our students’ worldview, values and cement the mindset that we should contribute when and where we can.
5. I have appended a list of students’ achievements in **Annex A**. Please join me in congratulating and encouraging our students.
6. We celebrated Teachers’ Day as a school on Thursday, 31 August 2023. On behalf of my colleagues, I would like to thank you for your kind wishes and continued partnership. As a testament to our students’ ability to thrive in volatile situations, I must give absolute credit to our student leaders’ and their teacher advisors, who despite much uncertainty and last-minute changes, organised a fantastic teachers’ day celebrations. It is my sincere wish that all our students continue to draw inspiration from such school experiences and develop a deep-seated belief that they can overcome anything and everything.



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7. Our publications committee is working hard on publishing our annual E-newsletter which we aim to publish in the first weeks of Term Four. I hope you will enjoy the various student written pieces and that the E-newsletter will give you further insight into the happenings in school.

## **Looking Ahead to Term 3**

8. As the academic year draws to a close, focus naturally turns towards the year end and national examinations. As much as these are important milestones, I must stress that these form a small part of the year - just 2-3 weeks of a 40-week academic year. Your children have achieved so much in the preceding months and are not defined by what happens during these 2-3 weeks.

9. Encourage your children to put in consistent work; that they are not alone in their struggles. All our students enjoy learning but experience varying levels of stress and fear when they are put to the test. Reassure them that this feeling of nervousness is natural and is best met with good preparation and consistent work.

10. For parents of our younger students, many of them have told me they still enjoy and need your attention. An activity that was suggested by many of them was for you to help them plan out a revision schedule that included **both** time for revision, time practices and white space for them to relax and enjoy.

11. For parents of our older students, it is natural to feel at a lost as to the best ways to support your teenaged children. Continue to encourage your children and help them keep a proper perspective of why they should be putting in consistent effort. It is also worth bearing in mind that we, as parents, are not going through this alone. I hope you can also find hope and solace in this.



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## **Partnership with Parents**

12. As my colleagues are finalising plans for the 2024 academic year, I hope to be able to inform you of our plans in my next letter.

13. If you can open positions for short internships for students during the year end school holidays, please contact Ms Karmila Binte Asari via [karmila\\_asari@schools.gov.sg](mailto:karmila_asari@schools.gov.sg). We believe that these experiences are valuable to our students as they prepare for active and responsible citizenry.

14. I would like to encourage you to follow us on [Instagram](#), @jurongville.secondary, where you can get updates about the latest happenings in and around school.

15. I look forward to welcoming your child/ward back on Tuesday, 12 Sept 2023.

Yours Sincerely,

Philibert Leow  
Principal



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## Annex A: Summary of Student Achievements in 2023 (as of 4 September 2023)

### National School Games 2023

Team	Girls		Boys	
	C Div	B Div	C Div	B Div
Badminton	4th- 1st Round Zonal	Top 4 - 2nd Round Zonal	3rd- 1st Round Zonal	5th - 1st Round Zonal
Basketball			2nd Round- Zonal	1st Round- Zonal
Football			Top 8 - National League 1	Top 8 - National League 1
Netball	1st Round Zonal	1st Round Zonal		
Sepak Takraw			4th - National	1st Round
Tchoukball	4 <sup>th</sup> - National	3 <sup>rd</sup> - National	5 <sup>th</sup> - National	2 <sup>nd</sup> - National

### Students Representing School in Non-School Based CCA

1. Tae Kwon Do (Poom Sae) B Div - 2nd National, **Cherly Koh Yang Hee** 3EM
2. Track & Field 400 M Hurdles B Div - Qualifying Round, **Enzo Yeo Zixian** 4DP
3. Track & Field High Jump B Div - 11th National, **Enzo Yeo Zixian** 4DP

### Singapore Youth Festival

	SYF Awards	Any Other Notable Awards/Performances
Angklung & Kulintang Ensemble	Certificate of Accomplishment	
Chinese Orchestra	Certificate of Distinction	Jurong Green CC NDP performance 2023
Concert Band	Certificate of Accomplishment	
English Drama Club	Certificate of Accomplishment	
Modern Dance	Certificate of Accomplishment	
Percussion Ensemble (Batucada)		World Water Day on 17-18 March 23 & Jurong Green CC NDP performance 2023



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## Uniform Groups

	Unit Awards in Full	Awards gained by Students
Boys' Brigade	J M Fraser Award for Excellence - High Distinction	Founder's Award <b>Ruban Joyson Judah Jeberson</b> 4DP <b>Jerrick Lam Jun Yi</b> 4IN
Girl Guides	Puan Noor Aishah Award - Gold	Baden - Powell Award <b>Chapparapu Harini</b> 4RP
NCC	Unit Recognition Award - Participation	
NPCC	Unit Overall Proficiency Award - Gold	Best Unit Cadet Badge <b>Veeramahendran Amirtha</b> 4IN <b>Xiao En Qi, Jerlyn</b> 4RS  SPF-NPCC Badge <b>Nur Ulfah Bte Md Taha</b> 4IN <b>N Metra</b> 4RS
Scouts	Frank Cooper Sands - Gold	

## Infomedia Club

1. National First Lego League (Gracious Professional Award Special Recognition)
2. National Youth Tech Competition Top 20



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## Subject Based Competitions

Subject Area	Name Of Competition	Name of Student/s	Achievement
Art	Live On Festival 2024	Fu Jiarui Grace (2DP)	Winner
Art	Live On Festival 2024	Chin Na Ling (2IN)	Winner
Chinese Language	第六届全国课文朗诵比赛 6th National Text Recital Competition	Chew Wen Hui (2PE)	Silver
Chinese Language	2023“新空下”全国学生新谣音乐节 【歌唱组（合唱）】 National Schools Xinyao Festival 2023 (Chorus)	Fidelia Lo Miao Ting (3RP) Ngu Yi Jeanne (3EM) Karis Goh(3RP)	2nd
CPA	Animation and Game Making (AGM) Competition 2023	Liu Zhicai Tony (2PE)	Bronze
CPA	Animation and Game Making (AGM) Competition 2023	Low Zhi Sen (3PE)	Gold
English Language & Literature	National Schools Literature Festival 2023 Choral Reading Competition	Muhammad Shah Daniel bin Abdullah (1IN) Cadmus Soh Wen Zhuo (1IN) Hannah Lim Xi Er (1IN) Loh Yu Xuan (1DP) Harshini Saravanan (1RP) Evan Goh Yu Zhe (1RP) S Lavinah (2EM) Bazil Ehsan Mohamed Shahrulfadillah (2EM) Nam Fang Ning Charmaine (2IN) Nurhakim Hairil Ali (2DP)	Commendation Award
Humanities	River Valley Model United Nations	Muhammad Zahirulhaq Bin Mohamed Hazimin (4IN) Kosuru Inmayihassini (4IN) Travis Ten Jun Ming (4DP) Rameshbabu Kavitha Varshaa (4RP)	Participation
Humanities	NUS Geography Challenge	Chapparapu Harini (4RP) Dinglasan Casandra Antonia Sarmiento (4RP) Ho Zhen Yi (4RP) Wan Sai Qian Joshua (4RP)	Bronze
Leadership	Young Trailblazers Competition	Chit Su Thu (3IN) Christine Goh (3IN) Tan Ke Xiu (3IN) Riyyan (3RP)	Finalist
Leadership	Young Trailblazers Competition	Laxetti Akshaya (3EM) Daaver Raj Denosh S/O Mohan (3RP) Ng Shu Lin (3RS) Murshidha Binte Mohamed Noordeen (3RS)	Participation



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Malay	Saya Boleh Mengarang 2023 (Writing Competition)	Jess Rihanna Hanafie (3PA)	Bronze
Malay	Saya Boleh Mengarang 2023 (Writing Competition)	Muhammad Rizky Bin Ahmad (3IN)	Bronze
Malay	Saya Boleh Mengarang 2023 (Writing Competition)	Nurul Barniyah Hamizan (3IN)	Bronze
Malay	Saya Boleh Mengarang 2023 (Writing Competition)	Siti Nurzaherah Az-zahrah Binte Kamarruzaman (3EM)	Bronze
Malay	Saya Boleh Mengarang 2023 (Writing Competition)	Nur Hadhinah Binte Hashim (3DP)	Silver
Malay	Saya Boleh Mengarang 2023 (Writing Competition)	Muhd Rian Ashraf (3IN)	Gold with Distinction
Mathematics	Singapore & Asian Schools Math Olympiad	Adeline Tan and Alecia Ho (2IN)	Honourable Mention
Mathematics	Singapore & Asian Schools Math Olympiad	Eliz Wong (2DP) Fayden Chen (2DP)	Bronze
Mathematics	Singapore & Asian Schools Math Olympiad	Maruthavanan (2EM) Josh Yong (3EM)	Bronze
Physics	Singapore Junior Physics Olympiad	Daren Ang(4RP)	Bronze
Physics	Singapore Junior Physics Olympiad	Kenji Loh(4IN); Kwek Sin En(4IN) Lok Ying Han(4RP);	Honorable Mention
Principles of Accounts	National Accounting Challenge	Muthukumaran Sarika (3 IN) Muhd Rian (3 IN) Pua Xuan Kai (3RP)	Participation
Science	NXplorer	Kin Zhong Liang (3DP) Quek Xiang Hong (Guo Xianghong) (3EM) Low Jiayang, Jayden (3EM) Mohammed Faizal (3EM)	Top 20
Science	International Elementz Fair	Pari Vedika (3EM) Ramanathan Abinaya (3EM) Teng Min Yi Angela (3IN) Christine Goh Yu En (3IN) Yeo Charmaine (3PA)	Bronze
Science	Singapore International STEM Innovation Challenge (SISTEMIC) 2023	Tong Pui Hon (Tang Peihan) (2DP) Chiang Jia Wen Verlyn (2DP) Wong Yu Lin Eliz (2DP)	Participation



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STEM	IDE Maker competition	Louis Hoe(3DP); Anya Wong(3IN); Koo Ming Qian(3DP)	Innovation Award
STEM	Ignite Skills Challenge	Chia Yow Hui (3RS); Hayden Aaron Rahmat(3PA); Tsui Chi Yeein (3PA)	3rd
Tamil	Advertisement competition – Lower Sec(Cluster Level)	Dhinakaran Deepak Narayan (2 EM) Manivannan Ashwin(2 EM) Maruthavanan Mithulesh(2 EM)	1st
Tamil	Advertisement competition – Upper Sec(Cluster Level)	Kandhavelu Girishankar (3EM) Sherwin Raja (3IN) Mahendran Sanjay (3RS)	1st
Tamil	Role play Competition lower sec(Cluster Level)	Magesh Kumar Rashmitha (1PA)	3rd
Tamil	Role play Competition Upper sec (Cluster Level)	Daaver Raj Denosh S/O Mohan D (3RP) Nerajarun S/O Saravanan (3DP)	Consolation
Tamil	Show and tell Lower Sec (Cluster Level)	Ramesh Kumar Narmadha (1EM) Sivaganeshan Shivani (1PE)	Consolation
Tamil	Show and tell upper Sec (Cluster Level)	Govindarajan Porcheria (3RP)	Consolation
Tamil	Best Budding Artistes' Award(National Level)	Pichakutty Yukta (3IN) N Metra (4RS) Sanushka Kalaimani (1PE)	Top 16