



School Mission

A CHIJ School is a Christ-centered school community where all work together for the promotion of truth, justice, freedom and love, with special reference to the needs of pupils who are disadvantaged in any way.

School Vision

Girls of Today for Tomorrow

New Year Poem

At the sound of the tolling midnight bell a brand new year will begin. Let's raise our hopes in a confident toast, to the promise it ushers in.

May your battles be few, your pleasures many, your wishes and dreams fulfilled. May your confidence stand in the face of loss and give you the strength to rebuild.

May peace of heart fill all your days
May serenity grace your soul.
May tranquil moments bless your life and keep your spirit whole.

God loves you.

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Source of poem
newyearscards.blogspot.com

Dear Parents/Guardian,

I am very pleased to join as the new Principal of CHIJ Our Lady of the Nativity, and look forward to partnering you to bring up your daughters to be loving and responsible adults of tomorrow.

As an IJ alumnus myself, I deeply appreciate the warm and caring environment that is a hallmark of IJ schools. The emphasis on a well-rounded education founded on values is something I see in this school already, and one which I will work with you and my colleagues to strengthen.

In terms of professional background, I have been in the education service for many years, first as a teacher, then as a curriculum planning officer at the Ministry of Education focusing on the English Language syllabus. It was at MOE that I developed a deep interest in primary school education and a strong belief in the value of a holistic curriculum that shapes the heart and the mind of the child. This belief has been further strengthened over the past 13 years during my stints as principal of Canossa Convent Primary and St Anthony's Primary schools.

I look forward to meeting and getting to know you and your daughter. Please feel free to contact me at the school with any question or concern, or just to introduce yourself. It is easiest to contact me via email; my address is Christina_TEO@moe.edu.sg. Our working together can only enhance your child's educational experience.

Thank you & God bless,

Christina Teo (Ms)
Principal

General Information

Reporting Time

The official school hours for 2017 are as follows:

- Monday - Wednesday: 7.40am - 2.00pm
- Thursday - Friday : 7.40am - 1.30pm

Recess

Please note that the recess timing (Monday - Friday) is as follows:

- P1, P2: 10.00am - 10.25am
- P3, P4: 10.30am - 10.55am
- P5, P6: 11.00am - 11.25am

Please be assured that pupils will be allowed to have light snacks if they are hungry during school hours.

Higher Mother Tongue Language Lessons

Higher Mother Tongue Language lessons will commence from Thursday, 5 January 2017 onwards. The schedule is as follows:

Levels	Subjects	Day/Time
P5	Higher Chinese Language	Thursday / 2.00pm to 3.00pm
P5	Higher Malay Language	Thursday / 2.00pm to 3.00pm
P5	Higher Tamil Language	Thursday / 3.00pm to 4.00pm
P6	Higher Chinese Language	Thursday / 2.00pm to 3.00pm
P6	Higher Malay Language	Thursday / 2.00pm to 3.00pm
P6	Higher Tamil Language	Thursday / 3.00pm to 4.00pm

Please note that P2 to P4 pupils taking Higher Chinese Language do not have to stay back for the lessons.

Remedial Lessons

Remedial Lessons will commence for identified pupils from Monday, the respective remedial lessons is as follows:

16 January 2017 onwards. The timing for

- Monday (English Language) : 2.30pm - 3.30pm
- Tuesday (Science) : 2.30pm - 3.30pm
- Thursday (Mother Tongue Language) : 2.00pm - 3.00pm
- Friday (Mathematics) : 2.00pm - 3.00pm

Co-curricular Activities (CCA)

CCA will commence from Monday, 16 January 2017 onwards. The CCA timing is as follows:

- Monday - Wednesday : 3.30pm - 5.30pm
- Thursday : 3.00pm - 5.00pm

Day	Time	CCA	
Monday	3.30pm to 5.30pm	Bowling	DramatiX
		Chinese Dance	Floorball
		Choir	Sports Club
		Dance Inc 1	Young Scientists' Club
		Dance Inc 2	
Tuesday	3.30pm to 5.30pm	Art Club	Malay Dance
		Brass Band	Netball P3 Team
		Brownies	Netball P4 Team
		Tamil Society	Netball P5 Sch Team
		Media Broadcasting and Photography Club (Previously known as Infocomm Club)	Netball P6 Sch Team
Wednesday	3.00pm to 5.00pm	Floorball	P5, P6 Sch Team
Thursday	3.00pm to 5.00pm	Brass Band	Netball P4 Team
		Table Tennis	Netball P5 Sch Team
			Netball P6 Sch Team

Enrichment will commence from Wednesday, 18 January 2017 onwards.

Wednesday (Enrichment)	2.30pm onwards	Ballet	Speech & Drama
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If you require transport for your child after CCAs/Enrichment lessons, please contact Miss Wong or Mr Jack Ong from Min Yang Transport Company at 6288 8298 for more information. Pupils who are taking Min Yang transport home after CCAs/Enrichment lessons will need to report to the school lobby at 4.55pm.

Updating of Pupil Particulars Form (P2 - P6 only)

With the start of the new school year, we will need to update your daughter's contact details and other information. Do complete the Pupil Particulars Form and submit it to your child's Form Teacher by **Monday, 9 January 2017**.

Temperature-Taking Exercise on 6 January 2017

As part of our measures to ensure your daughters' safety, we need all pupils to be familiar with the temperature-taking process. As such, there will be a temperature-taking exercise on Friday, 6 January 2017. We seek your assistance in ensuring that your child brings her personal ODT on that day if she has not already handed her ODT to her Form Teacher for safe-keeping. All P1 pupils will be given an ODT issued by MOE and this will be kept by the Form Teachers to facilitate the temperature-taking exercises. The ODT will be returned to your child at the end of the year.

Payment for Worksheets / Art Materials

There is prior payment required for worksheets and art materials listed in the booklist for 2017. If you have not paid for the worksheets and art materials during the school holidays, please do so by Friday, 6 January 2017.

Student Organiser

Your child would have received a copy of the Pupil Organiser if payment had been made during the school holidays. All parents are encouraged to browse through the organiser to familiarise themselves with the important information in it. In addition to being a source of information for you, the Pupil Organiser can also be used as a means to communicate with your child's teachers. If you have not paid for the Pupil Organiser, your child make payment to the school bookshop by Friday, 6 January 2017. Each copy costs \$3.60.



Students' Accident Protection Scheme for 2017

The school has engaged AB Lim Pte Ltd to manage the Students' Accident Protection Scheme for 2017. The insurance policy provides 24-hour worldwide accident coverage related to school activities and/or co-curricular activities. The insurance premium will be borne by the school. Please refer to enclosed brochure for coverage details.

Bookshop

The bookshop operating hours (for parents) are as follows:

Monday to Wednesday	11.30am to 12.30pm / 2.30pm to 3.30pm
Thursday to Friday	11.30am to 12.30pm / 2.00pm to 3.00pm

You may contact the bookshop at 6384-1453 or via email at coln@pacificbookstores.com.

Sale of Uniform and PE Attire

The sale details for both uniform and PE attire are as follows:

Location	At the walkway near Side Gate 1
Day/ Dates	Every first Wednesday of each month (except during school holidays) i.e. 4/1, 11/1 (<i>Additional date</i>), 1/2, 1/3, 5/4, 3/5, 5/7, 2/8, 13/9, 4/10 and 1/11
Time	12 noon - 3.00pm

Learning Management System (MCOonline)

The school has a Learning Management System (LMS) for all pupils and this is provided by MCOonline. The LMS is an online learning portal and is accessible from home. The annual subscription fee per pupil will be borne by the school. Due to a system upgrade, the log-in details have been changed to the following:

- Website Address: www.mconline.sg
- Login ID: CHIJOLNXXXXXX (Where XXXXXX refers to the last 5 digits of the child's birth certificate number and the letter)
- Password: student01

Pupils will be prompted to change the password upon the first log-in and are required to change the password every 90 days. Please remind your child to take note of her password and not to share her password with her friends. The school will conduct a training session for all pupils in January to help them log into the LMS with the new Login ID.

Parents are advised to carry out a 'Systems Check' to ensure that the systems in the portal are compatible with your home computer. The guide for the Systems Check is uploaded on the portal. For any technical query, parents may call MCOonline at 6777-5198.

School Smart Card (SSC) for P1 and P6 pupils

There will be a photo-taking session for P1 and P6 pupils during school hours on Monday, 16 January 2017 for the issue of the School Smart Card (SSC).

Your child will need to be in her school uniform (i.e. school blouse and pinafore) and put on her name tag for the photo-taking session. If she is having a PE lesson on that day, please help to ensure that she:

- wears her PE T-shirt and pinafore to school.
- has her school blouse packed into her school bag.

P1 pupils should be able to get their SSC by April 2017. For P6 pupils, the photo taken that day will be used for the SSC to be issued in 2018 when your child goes to Secondary 1.

Chinese New Year Celebrations



Chinese New Year will be celebrated on Friday, 27 January 2017. This is an opportunity for pupils and staff of different races to come together and celebrate the Chinese tradition and culture.

Your child can bring along 2 Mandarin oranges to school on Friday, 27 January 2017 if she wants to participate in the blessing of oranges. In addition, she may wear traditional Chinese costumes (with school shoes) to celebrate this joyous occasion. If she does not have any traditional Chinese costumes, she may wear clothes with festive colours and school shoes. Your child will be told of the books to bring on that day.

As it is the eve of Chinese New Year, dismissal will be at **10.30am**. Please make the necessary transport arrangement if your child is not taking the school bus. There will be no afternoon activities i.e. CCA, remedial and enrichment programmes on that day.

There will be no school for all pupils from Saturday, 28 January to Tuesday, 31 January 2017. Pupils will return to school on Wednesday, 1 February 2017.

Safety Matters

Safe Approach Routes To and From School

For the safety of our pupils and to reduce the inconvenience to other motorists, all parents/guardians who drive to school are urged to:

- refrain from stopping along Upper Serangoon Road especially at the bus-stop outside the school.
- alight your children at the car park driveway of Block 465A.

Parents/guardians are permitted to drive their cars into the school compound from 7.20am to 7.40am during school days. However, we seek your cooperation to get your child ready a few minutes before alighting so as not to hold up the cars behind.

Appeal to Parents/Guardians who drive

The school understands that some parents/guardians who drive will wait in the open car park near Side Gate 2 (next to canteen) after dismissal. We would like to appeal to you to refrain from leaving the car engines on while waiting. This is to reduce the amount of fumes emitted which may in turn affect the health of other parents/guardians and pupils who are nearby.

Home News

We warmly welcome the following staff to the CHIJ OLN family:

- Mrs Daphne Goh
- Mdm Mary Archana

Our congratulations to Mdm Norfadilah on the birth of her baby boy.

We extend our best wishes to Mdm Aliza who has transferred to another school and Miss Suvita who is furthering her studies at NIE.



Upcoming School Events

Date	Activity/Programme	Remarks
6 Jan (Fri)	Temperature-Taking Exercise	Please refer to this issue of OLN Connect.
16 Jan (Mon)	P1 and P6 Photo-Taking for School Smart Card	Please refer to this issue of OLN Connect.
21 Jan (Sat)	P2 - P5 Networking with Parents	More details will be given at a later date.
27 Jan (Fri)	Chinese New Year Celebrations (Eve of Chinese New Year)	Dismissal is at 10.30am.
28 - 30 Jan (Sat - Mon)	Chinese New Year Public Holiday	Please refer to this issue of OLN Connect.
31 Jan (Tue)	School Holiday in lieu of Chinese New Year falling on a Saturday	Pupils are to report to school on Wednesday, 1 February 2017. There will be no classes on 30 & 31 January.
11 Feb (Sat)	P1 Networking with Parents	More details will be given at a later date.
13 Feb (Mon)	Total Defence Day Celebrations	More details will be given at a later date.
13 - 17 Feb (Mon - Fri)	Visit by Beihang Primary School	
27 Feb - 3 Mar (Mon - Fri)	CA1 Written Examinations	More details will be given at a later date.



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