



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

A New Year's Prayer

May God make your year a happy one
Not by shielding you from sorrows and pain,
But by strengthening you to bear it as it comes;

Not by making your path easy,
But by making you sturdy to travel any path;

Not by taking hardships from you,
But by taking fear from your heart;

Not by granting you unbroken sunshine,
But by keeping your face bright even in the shadows;

Not by making your life always pleasant,
But by showing you when people and their causes need you most
and by making you anxious to be there to help.

God's love, peace, hope and joy to you in the year ahead.

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Principal's Message

We are excited to welcome all our girls back to school after their fulfilling year-end holiday with you.

2018 was an exciting year with events such as our collaboration with MOE's Security and Emergency Planning Office (SEMPO) and the Singapore Police Force (SPF) to conduct a large-scale emergency exercise. In 2018, we also completed the construction of our new classroom block, the Mother Mathilde block and we will start to use the rooms to enhance teaching and learning soon. We also hope to start the student care services in Mother Mathilde Block with effect from 2020.

Project *Dream* is a journey that we embarked on in 2016 to raise funds for our PERI upgrading project. Over the last 3 years, we have raised about \$740,000 to co-fund our 5% share of the project costs. We thank all of you for your support and generosity.

2019 will be a special year as we will be commemorating CHIJ's 165th Anniversary in Singapore with a line-up of events such as the Eucharistic Mass at Singapore Sports Hub for all 11 CHIJ schools and the CHIJ Forum. We will also be planning meaningful school-based activities such as service and environment projects to mark this joyous occasion. We look forward to our pupils' involvement and your support in making CHIJ 165th Anniversary a memorable one.

As always, please feel free to contact me via email at christina_teo@moe.edu.sg with your suggestions or concerns. I am looking forward to partnering you in your children's education!

Thank you & God bless,

Christina Teo (Ms)
Principal

General Information

Reporting Time

The official school hours for 2019 are as follows:

- Monday - Tuesday : 7.45am - 2.00pm
- Wednesday - Friday : 7.45am - 1.30pm

All pupils are expected to report to the hall daily by **7.40am**. Assembly will begin promptly at 7.45am and pupils who are not with their class for assembly at 7.45am will be considered late.

If your child is absent from school, please log into the school website at www.chijourladyofthenativity.moe.edu.sg and provide the required information via the google form - name of pupil, class, reason and the number of days of absence. You will still need to submit a medical certificate or a letter of excuse to the school upon your child's return.

Recess

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

- P1 and P4: 10.00am to 10.25am (*Snack time: anytime between 12noon and 12.30pm*)
- P2 and P5: 10.30am to 10.55am (*Snack time: anytime between 12noon and 12.30pm*)
- P3 and P6: 11.00am to 11.25am (*Snack time: anytime between 9am and 9.30am*)

Higher Mother Tongue Language Lessons

Higher Mother Tongue Language lessons will begin on Thursday, 17 January 2019. The schedule is as follows:

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

Support Lessons

Support Lessons will begin for **identified pupils** from Thursday, 17 January 2019. The list of identified pupils and Support Lesson schedule will be made known by Friday, 11 January 2019.



Co-curricular Activities (CCA)

CCA will begin on Thursday, 17 January 2019. The CCA timing is as follows:

Day	Time	CCA	
Monday	3.30pm to 5.30pm	Art Club	Floorball
		Bowling	Dance Inc - Malay Dance
		Brass Band	Netball P5 Sch Team
		Dance Inc - Chinese Dance	Netball P6 Sch Team
		Choir	Sports Club
		Dance Inc - International Dance	Tamil Society
			Young Scientists' Club
Tuesday	3.30pm to 5.30pm	Brownies	Netball P4 Team
		Choir	Netball P5 Sch Team
		DramatiX	Netball P6 Sch Team
		Media Broadcasting and Photography Club	Table Tennis (P3 and P6)
Wednesday	2.30pm to 5.00pm	Floorball	
Thursday	3.00pm to 5.00pm	Art Club	Netball P4 Team
		Brass Band	Netball P5 Sch Team
		Table Tennis (P4 and P5)	Netball P6 Sch Team
Friday	3.00pm to 5.00pm	Netball P3 Team	

Enrichment programmes will begin on Wednesday, 23 January 2019.

Wednesday (Enrichment)	2.00pm	Ballet	Speech & Drama
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You can

refer to the school website for the Term 1 CCA Schedules.

If you require transport for your child after HMTL/Support/CCAs/Enrichment lessons, please contact Min Yang Transport Company at 6288 8298 for more information. Pupils who are taking the Min Yang buses home after such lessons will need to report to the school lobby at 4.55pm as the buses will leave from the school at 5pm sharp.

Updating of Pupil Particulars Form (P2 - P6 only)



With the start of the new school year, we will need to update your contact details and other information. You will receive the Pupil Particulars Form through your child. Please complete it and submit it to your child's Form Teacher by **Friday, 4 January 2019**.

Temperature-Taking Exercise on 7 January 2019

As part of our measures to ensure your child's safety, we need all pupils to be familiar with the temperature-taking process. As such, there will be a temperature-taking exercise on Monday, 7 January 2019. Please ensure that your child brings her personal oral digital thermometer (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.

Prior Payment required for the School Organiser, GRACIA booklet, worksheets and art materials

There is prior payment required for the School Organiser, GRACIA booklet, worksheets and art materials listed in the 2019 booklist. If you have not paid for them during the school holidays, please make payment to the bookshop by **Friday, 4 January 2019**.

School Organiser

Your child will receive a copy of the School 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 an information resource, the School Organiser can also be used as a means to communicate with your child's teachers.

Students' Accident Protection Scheme for 2019

MOE has engaged NTUC Income to manage the Students' Accident Protection Scheme for 2019. The insurance policy provides accident coverage related to school activities and/or co-curricular activities. The insurance premium will be borne by MOE. Please refer to the enclosed brochure for coverage details and submission procedures.

Birthday Gifts and Goodies

This is a reminder that the school does not accept any goodie bags or food items from parents to be given to your child's classmates for birthday celebrations.

New Vendor for Bookshop



With effect from Monday, 14 January 2019, BL Marketing Pte Ltd will take over as the new bookshop vendor. The bookshop's operating hours (for parents) are as follows:

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

You may contact the vendor's office at 62819274 or via email at sales@blmarketing.sg.

New Vendor for Uniform and PE Attire

With effect from Wednesday, 2 January 2019 onwards, Beau Voix Uniform will be the new vendor for school uniform and PE attire. The school uniform and PE attire will be available for sale at the school bookshop from Wednesday, 2 January 2019 during the bookshop's operating hours, except 9 - 11 January 2019 due to a changeover of bookshop vendors.

Alternatively, you can purchase the school uniform and PE attire online at <https://www.beauvoix.com/> (available from Monday, 14 January 2019 onwards) or visit their office at 2 Sims Close, Gemini @ Sims #03-08 S (387298) from Monday to Friday at 10.00am to 5.00pm. The contact number is 6743 6645.

Do note that the sizing is different from previous vendors. The size chart will be put up on the school website for your information.

Project *Dream* - School Building Upgrading Updates - Phase 3 (1 Oct 2018 to 30 Sep 2019)

The school is in Phase 3 of Project *Dream* which involves the construction of an indoor sports hall. Parents will only be allowed to drive into the school from 7.20am to 7.40am to drop their child off at the new Mother Mathilde Block.

For safety purposes, all visitors will continue to access the school from Side Gate 2 instead of the main gate. Please note that all visitors will be required to provide their identification details to the security guards.

If you are driving and need to pick your child up after dismissal / CCA / support lessons, please pick her up from the carpark adjoining Side Gate 2 / Block 465A. There will be no access via the main gate. Please refrain from leaving your car engines on while waiting; the fumes emitted may affect the health of other parents/guardians and pupils who are near the area.

Please be assured that the school will be taking strict precautionary and mitigating measures to ensure the safety and wellbeing of our pupils. Do refer to the school website for more details on the traffic situation and on Project *Dream* (<http://chijourladyofthenativity.moe.edu.sg/others/project-dream/project-dream-updates>).

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, 14 January 2019. 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 has a PE lesson on that day, please ensure that she has her school blouse packed into her school bag.

P1 pupils should be able to get their SSC by April 2019. For P6 pupils, the photo taken that day will be used for the SSC to be issued in 2020 when your child goes to Secondary 1.

Chinese New Year Celebrations on Monday, 4 February 2019

Chinese New Year celebrations will be held on Monday, 4 February 2019. 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 Monday, 4 February 2019 if she wants to participate in the blessing of oranges. In addition, she may wear traditional Chinese costumes or clothes with festive colours (with school shoes). Lessons will be conducted from 8.00am to 9.00am, followed by a celebration in the hall until 10.30am.

As it is the eve of Chinese New Year, dismissal will be at **10.30am**. Please make the necessary transport arrangement for your child to return home if she is not taking the school bus. There will be no afternoon activities (i.e. CCA, support lessons and enrichment programmes) conducted that day.

There will be no classes for all pupils from Tuesday, 5 February to Wednesday 6 February 2019. Pupils will return to school on Thursday, 7 February 2019.

Home News

Our congratulations to Mdm Farhanna who has been promoted to Subject Head (Information Technology) and Ms Wong Hui Erl who has been promoted to Subject Head (Citizenship and Character Education).

Our congratulations to Ms Amanda Wong and Mrs Sim Yingru who have given birth to baby boys in October and November last year respectively.

Home News



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

- Mrs Eileen Goh (Senior Teacher - Mathematics)
- Mdm Noor Hayati Yusof (Senior Teacher - English Language)
- Ms Cabrina Seow, Teacher
- Mrs Eadelin Marzinek, Teacher
- Mrs Laura Stephen, Teacher
- Ms Alena Ho, NIE Trainee
- Ms Brindha Menon, NIE Trainee
- Ms Krystal Koh, NIE Trainee

We extend our best wishes to the following officers:

- Mdm Teo Lang See who has joined Sengkang Green Primary
- Mdm Yeo Yet Tie who has joined Teck Whye Primary
- Mr Leow Wei Yuan who has joined Huamin Primary
- Mdm Nadia Zain who has joined Naval Base Primary
- Ms Lim Weitong who has left the service with effect from 31 Dec 2018

Achievements

Our congratulations to the following officers!

The MOE Innergy Award recognises teams that have spent time developing, testing and implementing innovations that bring about significant benefits to MOE. We are proud that our team, comprising Mdm Lai Meiyu, Mr Ng Yee Hong and Ms Serene Ler has been chosen as a recipient of the MOE Innergy Bronze Award.

The Outstanding Contribution Award (OSCA) recognises significant contributions made by individual staff and teams. The OSCA enables schools to reward staff who have made outstanding value-added contributions. We are proud to announce the following awardees:

Individual Awards

- Mrs Emily Chew
- Mrs Lorraine Lim
- Mr Wong Sin Cheong

Team Awards

- Ms Bai Huixin, Ms Cassie Yung, Ms Wendy Woo (Project ASPIRE)
- Mrs Emily Chew, Mrs Gan Pei Ying, Ms Helen Tan (Musically Yours)

Upcoming School Events



Date	Activity/Programme	Remarks
2 - 4 Jan (Wed to Fri)	Back to School Programme	All pupils are required to bring their oral digital thermometers, stationery, report books and snacks on the first day of school.
7 Jan (Mon)	Temperature-Taking Exercise	
7 Jan (Mon)	New Year Mass	
17 Jan (Thu)	Commencement of Higher Mother Tongue Language, Support Lessons and CCAs	
18 Jan (Fri)	P1 to P4 Networking Session	More details will be given later.
25 Jan (Fri)	P5 to P6 Networking Session	
4 Feb (Mon)	Chinese New Year Celebrations (Eve of Chinese New Year)	Dismissal is at 10.30am.
5 to 6 Feb (Tue to Wed)	Chinese New Year Public Holiday	Non-school day for P1 to P6 pupils. Pupils are to report to school on Thursday, 7 February 2019.
11 Feb (Mon)	Total Defence Day Celebrations	More details will be given later.
11 to 13 Feb (Mon to Wed)	P5 Camp	
28 Feb to 6 Mar (Thu to Wed)	CA1 Written Examinations	

Copies of letters issued to you through your child can be found on our website at <http://chijourladyofthenativity.moe.edu.sg/information-for-parents/letters-to-parents>

Email addresses of staff are available at <http://chijourladyofthenativity.moe.edu.sg/school-information/about-us/school-staff>

Term 1 CCA Schedules are available at <http://chijourladyofthenativity.moe.edu.sg/others/2019-individual-cca-schedule>



Download a QR code reader app on your smartphone and scan this code to view our school website. The OLN Connect is available in our school website. If your child is absent from school, please log into the school website at <https://chijourladyofthenativity.moe.edu.sg/others/notification-of-absences-from-school> and provide the required information via the google form - name of pupil, class, reason and the number of days of absence. You will still need to submit a medical certificate or a letter of excuse to the school upon your child's return.

