



A Note from the Principal

Dear Parents/Guardians,

I hope that you have had a wonderful time, spending the June school holidays together as a family. All good things must come to an end, and here we are, in the second semester of 2023! However, that may not be a bad thing...schooling today need not be something to dread and for Qifa, in particular, many of our students are always eager to be back, especially to meet their friends again after the break.

I warmly welcome all Qifa students, and look forward to seeing their happy, eager faces this term, as they discover their strengths, grow in their competencies and enjoy their learning.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Catherine Chiang
Principal

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1. Tier 3 Student Leaders and Class Photo taking

The annual photo taking session is scheduled on 26 and 27 July 2023.

All students are reminded to be in proper school attire (prefects to bring their ties) for the session.

2. Punctuality

Being punctual for school is an important virtue for children where they learn and acknowledge the importance and value of time. We truly appreciate and thank parents/guardians who have consistently ensured your child/ward arrive in school either earlier or on time. For those who have yet to do so, we strongly encourage you to leverage the new term to enforce a more consistent routine for your child/ward so that he/she will turn up for school on time.

3. Absence from School

Regular school attendance is very important to help students establish strong connections to all aspects of classroom and school learning and enhance their social development. Therefore, students should avoid missing out school unless due to valid reason/s such as falling sick.

Please be reminded of the following guidelines:

- All absence should be supported by MC or letter from parent/guardian. Please note that the number of parent's/guardian's letters is **capped at 5 per term per student**.
- Notify your child's/ward's Form Teachers regarding the reason/s for his/her absence **within 5 working days**, failing which the absence will be reflected as "**Absent (No Valid Reason)**" in the System.



Ms Kasturi Selvarajoo
Administration Manager

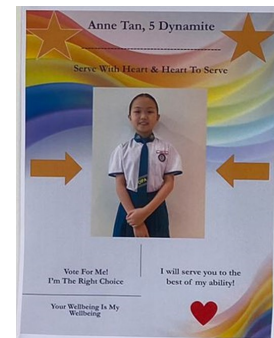
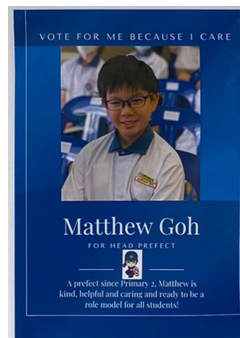
Key Updates

1. Head Prefect Elections & Students Leaders' Investiture Ceremony

At Qifa Primary School, we believe in empowering our students to become confident and responsible leaders. In April, an exciting Head Prefect Election took place, where four outstanding candidates campaigned for the pinnacle role of leadership in our school. Following this, our Student Leaders' Investiture Ceremony was held on 25 May to recognise the newly-appointed Tier 3 and Tier 4 Student Leaders who will play essential roles in guiding their peers and contributing to the school community.

Head Prefect Elections

The Head Prefect Election is a rigorous process that allows students to showcase their leadership potential. After a series of self-application, interview rounds conducted by Prefects, Teachers, and Level Teachers, and final endorsement by the Form Teachers, four candidates were selected for the coveted role. Their campaign mandates were displayed through posters in the school canteen and along the corridors, capturing their enthusiasm and dedication.



The Head Prefect candidates exhibited their passion and dedication by delivering inspiring speeches during the assembly, addressing the entire school community. Their speeches not only showcased their leadership abilities but also emphasized their commitment to serving their fellow students and making a positive impact in Qifa Primary School.

Key Updates — Head Prefect Elections & Students Leaders' Investiture Ceremony (cont'd)

Student Leaders' Investiture Ceremony

The Investiture Ceremony is an important event in the Qifa calendar, where we acknowledge and celebrate our student leaders' commitment and capabilities. This year's theme, "Growing Seeds of Leadership," highlights our belief that each Qifa student possesses leadership potential, waiting to flourish. It also encapsulates our confidence that within each Qifa student lies the potential to become a capable and influential leader. Just as a seed holds the promise of growth and transformation, we recognise that our students possess the inherent qualities needed to flourish as leaders. The ceremony took place in the school hall and served as an opportunity to introduce the newly-appointed Tier 3 and Tier 4 Student Leaders to their peers.



During the Student Leaders' Investiture Ceremony, our student leaders took the Student Leaders' Pledge, symbolising their dedication to serving their schoolmates and the school. This pledge reinforces their commitment to lead by example. Through their participation in the Student Leaders' Investiture Ceremony and their acceptance of the Student Leaders' Pledge, our student leaders embrace this theme and commit themselves to lead with integrity, empathy, and dedication.

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The Investiture Ceremony not only recognizes the achievements of our student leaders but also instills a sense of pride and motivation among the entire student body. It serves as a reminder that leadership begins with self-discipline and personal growth before extending to leading and inspiring others.



Some pictures of Tier 4 Student Leaders and our newly-elected Head Prefect, Matthew Goh (right)

Key Updates — Head Prefect Elections & Students Leaders' Investiture Ceremony (cont'd)

We are pleased to announce the appointment of the following Tier 4 Student Leaders:

Name	Appointment Title
Matthew Goh Jun Han	Head Prefect
Mehar Chadha	Vice-Head Prefect
Jhanvi Krishna	Head of Administration (Prefect EXCO)
Darren Ooi Yu Ye	Head of Manpower (Prefect EXCO)
Anne Tan Shi Xuan	Head of Logistics (Prefect EXCO)
Wong Kai Xin Celest	Head of Well-being (Prefect EXCO)
Yee Hao Jie	Head of Peer Support Leaders
Ong Jia Hui Megane	Vice-Head of Peer Support Leaders
Poh Yu Zhen	Head of National Education Ambassadors
Nurhan Daiyan Bin Nur Syamsul Nazmi	Vice-Head of National Education Ambassadors
Ong Chern Hee Kimberly	Head of Clubs & Uniformed Groups CCA
Chua Xin Tong, Trixi	Head of Sports CCA
Peng Yanbo, Brian	Head of Performing Arts

Developing Leaders in Our Students

The Head Prefect Election and Student Leaders' Investiture Ceremony are significant milestones that highlight our commitment to nurturing leadership qualities in our students. As we continue to foster a culture of leadership at Qifa, we are proud of all our student leaders and their dedication to serving the school community. Let us support and encourage their efforts as they embark on this exciting journey of leadership and personal growth!



Mr Mohamad Faisal Jamain
HOD / Leadership, Engagement, Advocacy & Partnerships (LEAP)

Key Updates

2. Cultivating Values: Primary 4's "Happy Toilets!" VIA Project

We believe in nurturing well-rounded individuals who not only excel academically but demonstrate strong values and a sense of responsibility towards their community. Recently, our Primary 4 students embarked on a Values-in-Action (VIA) project called "Happy Toilets!" Through this project, our students learned about the needs of people in their community, worked together to create a caring and pleasant school environment, and reflected on their actions.

The "Happy Toilets!" VIA project provided an opportunity for our Primary 4 students to understand the importance of maintaining clean and hygienic facilities in their school. They engaged in discussions and activities to explore the needs of their peers, teachers, and staff members who use the school toilets daily. Understanding the impact of a clean and pleasant environment on the well-being and comfort of everyone, the students were motivated to make a positive change.



Each Primary 4 class adopted a toilet in the school as part of the "Happy Toilets!" VIA project. Working collaboratively, the students brainstormed ideas and developed plans to spruce up their designated toilet spaces. They focused not only on enhancing the physical appearance but also on educating the toilet users about the importance of cleanliness and hygiene. Students designed posters and created decorative items to promote responsible toilet habits among their peers.

Key Updates — *Cultivating Values: Primary 4's "Happy Toilets!" VIA Project (cont'd)*

The Primary 4 students' creativity and enthusiasm shone through as they transformed their adopted toilets into clean, inviting, and aesthetically pleasing spaces. They utilised their artistic skills to decorate the walls with colourful artwork, positive messages, and informative posters about maintaining hygiene. By infusing vibrant elements into the toilets, the students aimed to create an atmosphere that encourages cleanliness and respect for shared spaces.



The "Happy Toilets!" VIA project undertaken by our Primary 4 students exemplifies our school's commitment to cultivating values and instilling a sense of community and responsibility in our students. We commend our Primary 4 students for their creativity, teamwork, and commitment to making a positive impact on their school community. Their "Happy Toilets!" project serves as an example of how small actions can bring about changes and foster a culture of responsibility and cleanliness.

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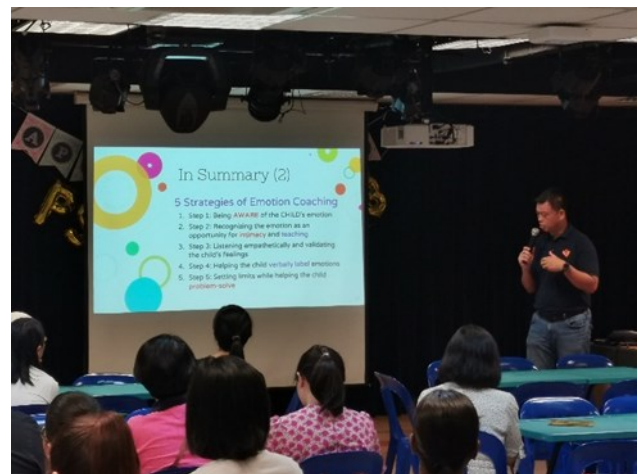
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3. Parenting Seminar-cum-Appreciation for Parent Volunteers

As part of our school's commitment to fostering a strong home-school partnership and empowering parents, we recently organised a highly informative and engaging seminar on "Raising an Emotionally Intelligent Child." Held on May 13, 2023, this seminar aimed to equip parents with valuable knowledge and essential skills to guide their young children through the journey of emotional intelligence development.

The seminar delved into the significance of emotional intelligence in a child's overall development. We explored various strategies and techniques that parents can employ to nurture emotional intelligence in their children. From understanding and expressing emotions to developing empathy and effective communication skills, the seminar covered a range of topics essential for raising emotionally intelligent children.



Parent Engagement and Empowerment

The seminar received an overwhelmingly positive response from the parents who attended. Through interactive discussions and expert insights, parents gained a deeper understanding of their role in fostering emotional intelligence and learned practical techniques to apply in their everyday interactions with their children. We are pleased to share some snapshots from the seminar below, capturing the enthusiastic participation of parents and the engaging sessions led by our experienced speakers.

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Importance of Home-School Partnership

At Qifa Primary School, we believe in the power of collaboration between parents and educators. By organising such seminars, we aim to strengthen the bond between our school and families, creating a supportive environment for our young learners. The seminar was also an opportunity to express our heartfelt appreciation for the invaluable contributions made by our Parent Support Group volunteers.

Key Updates — *Parenting Seminar-cum-Appreciation for Parent Volunteers (cont'd)*



We extend our deepest gratitude to the parent volunteers from our Parent Support Group who have selflessly contributed to various school activities. These dedicated individuals have played vital roles in organising reading programs, supporting learning journeys, and fulfilling duties in the canteen and library. Their unwavering commitment and support have greatly enhanced the educational experiences of our students.

Continuing the Journey

We understand the importance of equipping parents with the knowledge and skills they need to guide their children effectively. The parenting seminar served as a stepping stone in our ongoing efforts to strengthen home-school partnership. We are grateful for the active participation and positive feedback from parents who attended the seminar, and we look forward to empowering our parents in their parenting journey.

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"It takes a village to raise a child."

Mr Mohamad Faisal Jamain
HOD / Leadership, Engagement, Advocacy & Partnerships (LEAP)

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4. Chinese Language Book Recommendations for July 2023

“假期阅读乐 Holiday Reading Fun” 推荐书单

The Committee to Promote Chinese Language Learning (CPCLL) and National Library Board (NLB) has recommended some e-books and physical books for the month of July to cultivate reading habits and interest in reading Chinese books. The book recommendations for the month of July include local picture books and folktales. Your child/ward can refer to the recommended booklist to select books of his/her interest and then borrow the E-books. Otherwise, he/she can scan the QR code and explore the Libby website to search for other book recommendations.

低年级

曹冲称象
Cao Chong Weighs an Elephant

火烧赤壁

勇敢的柳细细
学会选择 不盲从

高年级

儿童阅读推荐

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<https://go.gov.sg/children-books-we-love>

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Key Updates — CL Book Recommendations for July 2023 (cont'd)

想象力与思维能力 儿童阅读推荐

小学低年级

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100万只猫


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月亮冰淇淋


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挖鼻孔的大英雄



小学高年级

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烦恼没关系


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救援爸爸


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深见善夫桥梁书



