





YUHUA SECONDARY SCHOOL

A Community Where Learners Flourish

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Dear Parents / Guardians,

MESSAGE BY PRINCIPAL FOR TERM 2 2024

I hope you had an enjoyable break with your child/ward over the March holidays!

Term 1 2024 has quickly passed us by, and it was a term of many highlights. We are delighted to welcome a bumper cohort of 290 Secondary One students, while we celebrate the good performance of our graduated students at the 2023 'O' Levels results release. As the regular tempo of Term 1 gathered momentum, we are also proud of our sporting CCAs playing for Team Yuhua with pride. There are plenty of heroes across different B Division teams, and we delight especially for our B Division Boys Volleyball team, who qualified for the Nationals by emerging champions of West Zone NSG 2024. Significant school achievements are summarized in **Annex A** at the end of the letter, for your easy reference.

There is much to celebrate, and we must continue to see the potential of every child in Yuhua as we embody Positive Education to spur Team Yuhua on towards excellence and a flourishing life. The rallying call for Yuhuans in 2024 is to **Brave The Future: Courage to Care, Connect, Contribute**. The world presents an increasingly complex landscape, where our young ones are challenged to adopt adaptability, embody inventive thinking, display a strong collaborative spirit with a grounded sense of civic mindedness to make a difference. We persevere with the varied programmes in school, with an emphasis on strong teacher-student and student-student relationships to enable our signature 'Care, Connect, Contribute' to blossom and grow.

I hope every child has found time over the March Holidays to share with you how their Term 1 ended on a high, with our flagship Flourish Week programme. The cohort camps at Secondary One and Three were designed to build a stronger bond between peers and with teachers, while building a greater sense of confidence by each individual Yuhuan. Secondary Twos journeyed to various parts of Singapore to appreciate greater our heritage, histories and identity while our graduating cohort were introduced to a suite of Educational and Career Guidance experiences, ranging from workshops with professionals in multiple industries, to mock interviews and Early Admissions Exercise preparations. Positive experiences to grow a strong sense of togetherness were also injected for every cohort, and we hope these contribute to a collective sense of purpose. Different highlights are shared on our social media platforms (Facebook and Instagram), which I encourage you to follow as it gives you the pulse and heartbeat of the school.

The key to success for our Yuhuans in the future, begins with the Courage to Care, Connect Contribute while they are still currently in school. With this spirit, we look forward to a fruitful Term 2, as regular curriculum continue to gain momentum. Through all lessons, CCAs, competitions, Weighted Assessments and every teachable moment – let's inspire in our Yuhuans a positive growth mindset, and a keen passion to Care, Connect, Contribute.

As we look forward to Term 2, key information under the following areas are for your attention:

To receive information and perform a range of administrative functions such as giving consent for school trips, please download the Parents Gateway mobile app @ <https://go.gov.sg/yhpg>

1 Nurturing Flourishing Yuhuans Through Student Development

1.1 Values of the Term

The Values of the Term (VoT) seeks to help students build performance and moral character by learning and applying our school values. Our Values of the Term (Term 2) will be **Curiosity & Responsibility**. Below are some ways we hope to see Yuhuans apply these values and hope that you can support us by also encouraging your child to live out these values both in school and at home:

- **Curiosity** - *To explore one's environment, research and discover new information, ask questions, investigate concepts, search for meaning, connect with people and nature, and seek new learning experiences.*
- **Responsibility** –
 - **Personal:** *To be prepared for classes with all necessary learning materials, attend classes on time, manage deadlines, and take care of one's safety and well-being.*
 - **Social:** *To be a contributing member in one's class and CCA, do one's best to carry out assigned duties in a team, respect school property, and care for the safety and well-being of others.*

In summary, our hope is for all Yuhuans to adopt courage to care, connect and contribute, by staying curious and being responsible to self, others and the community.

1.2 Reminders on Reporting Times

Since the beginning of Term 1, the school has noticed a significant number of latecomers on Wednesdays. Please be reminded that while the reporting time to school is 7.30am on all days, the reporting time for **late-start Wednesdays is at 8.25am**.

As communicated to all students, as well as parents / guardians via our Term 1 letter, this adjustment to the start time on Wednesdays is due to the conversion of our **timetabled periods to be of 35 minutes length**. This will allow all students to have 35 minutes for recess and lunch break each day, thus having sufficient time to eat and rest in between lessons.

Please encourage your child/ward to plan his / her journey well and aim to be in school at least 10 minutes early in case of traffic congestion. This will inculcate the habit of punctuality and ensure that there is no loss of curriculum time due to late-coming.

2 Nurturing Flourishing Yuhuans Through Teaching and Learning

2.1 Internal Class Test, Exam and HBL Dates for Term 2, 2024

Please note the following important dates in Term 2:

Term II	Weighted Assessment: 29 Apr to 17 May 2024
	GCE O Level MTL Exams: 27 May 2024
	GCE O Level MTL B Exams: 27 May 2024

2.2 Blended Learning

We will be having Home Based Learning (HBL) days that will be scheduled for the following Even Week Fridays during this term:

Conduct of HBL	Additional Information
Term 2 Week 2, 29 March (Fri)	There will be no HBL or school on 29 March 2024, as it is Good Friday .
Term 2 Week 4, 12 April (Fri)	
Term 2 Week 6, 26 April (Fri)	
Term 2 Week 8, 10 May (Fri)	
Term 2 Week 10, 24 May (Fri)	There will be no HBL or school on 24 May 2024, as this day will be reserved for Parent-Teacher Meetings. More details will be provided by FTs nearer the date.

- Please refer to **Annex B** for the detailed HBL Day schedule for Term 2, 2024.

On these days, students will report online for their daily check-in with their form class and be attired in half-uniform (Blue school Polo-Tee and school skorts/shorts/long pants), as we show our readiness to learn as one Yuhua. Students who do not complete their HBL will be asked to report to school physically for the next HBL. We seek your close partnership in this endeavour.

3 **Build a Flourishing Staff Community**

3.1 Thank You and Well Wishes

We bid farewell to the following staff and thank them for their dedicated service:

Name	Designation
Tan Geck Wah, Nancy	School Counsellor (Flexi Adjunct)

3.2 Welcome

We warmly welcome the following staff to the school:

Name	Designation
Azidah Bte Kamis	Malay Language Teacher (Flexi Adjunct)
Darryl Ong Jun Jie	Design & Technology Teacher (Untrained)
Joia Lim	Geography Teacher (Relief)
Sudheer Kumar Girish	History Teacher (Relief)
Syed Ibrahim Haja Abdul Wadood	Desk Engineer (NCS)

4 Build a Flourishing Ecosystem of Community and Support

4.1 Key Events in Term 2

As the saying goes, *'It takes a village to raise a child'*. The partnership between the school and parents is important to the learning and development of the child. We hope to continue to work closely with parents/guardians to forge a deep partnership to achieve our vision of building **A Community Where Learners Flourish**.

Parents/guardians are warmly encouraged to join the Yuhua Parents Support Group and continue to take an active part in our school activities. The table below presents to you the key events for Term 2 and we hope to host parents/guardians at various opportunities possible.

This year, Sterling Awards (winners from 2023) will be presented to the recipients by level as indicated in the table. This series of presentations will culminate in the final ceremony on 28 June 2024 for recipients of Flourish Awards and school-based scholarships. Do mark out the dates in your calendar.

S/N	Name of Event	Date
1	Last Day of CCA for Graduating Students (unless involved with NSG)	22 Mar 2024
2	Secondary 2 Subject Selection Briefing for Students/Parents	22 Mar 2024
3	NRIC Registration Exercise for 15-Year-Old Students	28 Mar 2024
4	Level Presentation of Sterling Awards for Joy of Yuhua (JOY) Ceremony <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ceremony for Sec 1 (2023)• Ceremony for Sec 2 (2023)• Ceremony for Sec 3 (2023)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 11 Apr 2024• 18 Apr 2024• 25 Apr 2024
5	Weighted Assessment 2 (WA2)	29 April – 17 May 2024
6	Sec 3 NRIC Ceremony	14 May 2024
7	Meet-the-Parents' Session (Sec 1 – 5)	24 May 2024

As we adopt courage to care, connect, contribute as one Team Yuhua, we hope to work closely with you to provide a quality school experience for your child/ward. Do check in at our website (www.yuhuasec.com.edu.sg), Facebook (@yuhuass) and Instagram (@yuhuasecondaryschool) sites for the latest updates, as we look forward to partnering with you closely as we build our mission to Care, Connect and Contribute.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,



Mr Kevin Pang
Principal
Yuhua Secondary School

Annex A - Student / School / Staff Achievements

In line with our PERMA philosophy, we are sharing the latest accomplishments of the school as we celebrate the achievements and strengths of each and every individual in Yuhua.

Details of the school's achievements are available at our school website (<https://yuhuasec.moe.edu.sg/our-achievements>).

School Achievements

National School Games

- 'B' Division Boys Volleyball - 1st Place in West Zone

Uniformed Groups Awards

- NCC Unit Recognition Award - Certificate of Accomplishment 2023
- NPCC Unit Overall Proficiency Award (UOPA) - Distinction 2023

Green Schools @ South West Award Ceremony

3 Stars Award for Year 2023

Annex B – HBL Schedule for Term 2

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Secondary 1 G1

Week	Subject #1 (0800 – 1000)	Subject #2 (1030 – 1230)
29 March 2024 (T2W2)	GOOD FRIDAY (No HBL)	
12 April 2024 (T2W4)	Mother Tongue	Humanities (G1)
26 April 2024 (T2W6)	Humanities (G1)	Mathematics
10 May 2024 (T2W8)	English	FCE
24 May 2024 (T2W10)	PARENT-TEACHER MEETINGS (Last day of Term 2)	

Secondary 1 G2 and G3

Week	Subject #1 (0800 – 1000)	Subject #2 (1030 – 1230)
29 March 2024 (T2W2)	GOOD FRIDAY (No HBL)	
12 April 2024 (T2W4)	Mother Tongue	History/Geography
26 April 2024 (T2W6)	Literature	Mathematics
10 May 2024 (T2W8)	English	FCE
24 May 2024 (T2W10)	PARENT-TEACHER MEETINGS (Last day of Term 2)	

Secondary 2 G1

Week	Subject #1 (0800 – 1000)	Subject #2 (1030 – 1230)
29 March 2024 (T2W2)	GOOD FRIDAY (No HBL)	
12 April 2024 (T2W4)	English	CPA
26 April 2024 (T2W6)	Mother Tongue	Social Studies
10 May 2024 (T2W8)	Science	Mathematics
24 May 2024 (T2W10)	PARENT-TEACHER MEETINGS (Last day of Term 2)	

Secondary 2 G2 and G3

Week	Subject #1 (0800 – 1000)	Subject #2 (1030 – 1230)
29 March 2024 (T2W2)	GOOD FRIDAY (No HBL)	
12 April 2024 (T2W4)	English	History/Geography
26 April 2024 (T2W6)	Mother Tongue	Literature
10 May 2024 (T2W8)	Science	Mathematics
24 May 2024 (T2W10)	PARENT-TEACHER MEETINGS (Last day of Term 2)	

Secondary 3 Express / Normal (Academic)

Week	Subject #1 (0800 – 1000)	Subject #2 (1030 – 1230)
29 March 2024 (T2W2)	GOOD FRIDAY (No HBL)	
12 April 2024 (T2W4)	Physics/Biology	D&T/NFS/Art/Electronics/ Additional Mathematics (for 3 Contribute)
26 April 2024 (T2W6)	History/Geography/Literature	English
10 May 2024 (T2W8)	Social Studies/PE	Mother Tongue
24 May 2024 (T2W10)	PARENT-TEACHER MEETINGS (Last day of Term 2)	

Secondary 3 Normal (Technical)

Week	Subject #1 (0800 – 1000)	Subject #2 (1030 – 1230)
29 March 2024 (T2W2)	GOOD FRIDAY (No HBL)	
12 April 2024 (T2W4)	Science/EBS	D&T/Art/Mobile Robotics
26 April 2024 (T2W6)	CPA	English
10 May 2024 (T2W8)	Social Studies/PE	Mother Tongue
24 May 2024 (T2W10)	PARENT-TEACHER MEETINGS (Last day of Term 2)	

Secondary 4 Express / Normal (Academic) & Secondary 5 Normal (Academic)

Week	Subject #1 (0800 – 1000)	Subject #2 (1030 – 1230)
29 March 2024 (T2W2)	GOOD FRIDAY (No HBL)	
12 April 2024 (T2W4)	Physics/Biology	D&T/NFS/Art/Electronics/ Additional Mathematics (for 4 Contribute)
26 April 2024 (T2W6)	Mathematics	Chemistry
10 May 2024 (T2W8)	History/Geography/Literature	Mother Tongue
24 May 2024 (T2W10)	PARENT-TEACHER MEETINGS (Last day of Term 2)	

Secondary 4 Normal (Technical)

Week	Subject #1 (0800 – 1000)	Subject #2 (1030 – 1230)
29 March 2024 (T2W2)	GOOD FRIDAY (No HBL)	
12 April 2024 (T2W4)	English	D&T/Art
26 April 2024 (T2W6)	Mathematics	Science/EBS
10 May 2024 (T2W8)	CPA	Mother Tongue
24 May 2024 (T2W10)	PARENT-TEACHER MEETINGS (Last day of Term 2)	