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Newsflash

ASIA PACIFIC SMART SCHOOL

Gong Xi Fa Cai!

ON 19th February, the students and teachers of Asia Pacific schools came together to celebrate Chinese New Year. Also joining us were our special guests, 14 Japanese students from Chose High School, who were visiting our school for a week with their teachers.

The celebrations started off with an energetic lion dance performance, which had many students clamouring for the mandarin oranges thrown at them by the feisty felines.

Then, Ms Shareen Rahmat, along with Mrs Chee, Mr Putera, Puan Jamilah and Puan Najibah went on stage to receive the lions' offering of pomelo and mandarin oranges while officially declaring the start of Mandarin Week for the school.

After the lion dance, the audience was entertained to CNY songs from the International and primary schools, as well as a very Chinese-flavoured hip-hop dance from Secondary school students.

Here's to a great 2013!

THE year has moved swiftly into its second quarter, and so far, things in school have taken on a frenetic pace, with the Road Run, the Carnival, the Swimming Gala and the Annual Athletics Meet.

In January, we welcomed our new batch of Secondary 1 (Dragon Year) students and hope they have made a smooth transition into secondary school life.

We hope 2013 will be a fabulous year for everyone!



APSS Carnival

Food, frolic and fun were the order of the day, and a whopping RM56,000 was collected for PSG activities.

THE APSS Carnival, held from 10am -3pm, on 2nd March, was hugely successful, not only because of the number of visitors who came, but also that everything was put together so well. The icing on the cake was that everyone had fun, and to top it all, the takings for the day exceeded the target set!



The event started off a little earlier than scheduled with many hungry students tucking in to the delicious sandwiches, hot dogs and ice-cream floats. There were more than a hundred different varieties of food to choose from.

There was clearly a lot of variety at the carnival, with stalls offering not only food and drinks, but also games and novelties such as a dunking machine, a haunted house, henna and face painting, bouncy castle and karaoke.





OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

ROAD RUN

From 29th until 31st of January, students were given several practice sessions in preparation for the Road Run which was eventually held on Saturday (2nd of February). Teachers were assigned different checkpoints to ensure students' safety. The Run also saw the participation of some athletic parents.

SWIMMING GALA

THE 7th Swimming Gala held on Saturday, 23rd March, was a day when the mermaids and neptunes of the swimming pool got to show off their prowess. Many potential swimmers were identified for next year's district level swimming meet. The champion house was Blue House, followed by Green House.

OUTSTANDING SPM RESULTS

THE school achieved outstanding results in the 2012 SPM, maintaining 100% passes for English, Moral, Physics, Biology, Chemistry, Science, Art, Mandarin, Tessawur Islam, ICT and Literature in English. Congratulations to Best Student Toh Wei Tung who achieved 10A+. Wei Tung had also won the Principal's Award during the Excellence Awards held in January.

MEET THE PARENTS SESSION

ALL Secondary 3 and 5 Assessment results were given out to the students/parents on Friday afternoon (12 April) during the Meet PMR and SPM parents sessions. Many parents took time off to discuss their children's progress with the Home Room Teachers and subject teachers.



EDUCATIONAL TRIP

Students from Secondary 1 to 5 and their teachers took a break from their usual classes to go on their annual field trip.

Each form was taken to a different place such as Beryl's chocolate factory, Selangor Pewter, Pusat Kraftangan Negara, the Royal Malaysian Police and Asia Pacific University. It was truly an educational and enjoyable trip for everyone.

Minggu Bahasa Malaysia

APRIL 15: The closing ceremony for *Minggu Bahasa Malaysia* was held during Monday assembly, along with the prize giving for winners of the events that took place.

The ceremony kick-started with the *Ulek Mayang* dance by Secondary 1 and 2 students. Then, three popular athletes from S5 Science 1, Khalis, Wei Jet and Yathavan, gave a spirited, equine-inspired traditional dance from Johore, the *Kuda Kepang*.



BM Week winners:

Mendeklamasi Sajak

S1 Alya Shanaz (S1V)

S2 is Nurul Iman (S2M)

S3 Shankar Chandrasegaran (S3M)

S4 Shah Nizam (S4S1)

S5 Muhammad Ali-Adi (S5S2)

Menyusun Peribahasa

Sadhika a/p M. Barathan, Muhammad Adli and Muhammad Imran Afiq (S1 Jupiter)

Perbahasan Ala Parlimen

Khairul Annaz, Amiel Shani and Manjula (S5S1)

Bercerita

Puteri Teja Nabilah (2 Jupiter)

Syarahan

Syasha Kharina (3 Jupiter.)

Membaca Berita

Munirah and Shah Nizam (S4S1)

Kudos to the teachers of the BM department, headed by Mr Selvam and Puan Busseroa, who organized the successful event.



8th Annual Athletics Meet 2013

AFTER three weeks of grueling sports practices and marching under the hot sun, APSS students finally gathered for the 8th Annual Athletics Meet on the afternoon of 20th April at the imposing Shah Alam Stadium. It was a combined event of both Primary and Secondary schools. The guest of honour was En. Muhammad Zarif bin Abdullah Menon, the newly elected President of the PSG.

The march past performances were simply stunning and everyone was impressed with the high standard of precision marching, creativity, coordination, and cooperation. The themes ranged from Cowboys to Red Indians to Soldiers and the Navy.

The primary school march past parade was equally charming and impressive, with the little ones wearing colourful costumes while waving to the spectators.

After the pledge of sportsmanship was read by school captain Fatin Nabila, the starter fired the shot to begin the first race of the day, the inter-school Open 4x 100m race. APSS did the school proud by emerging second to STAR in a neck and neck race. This was followed by the rest of the events of the day. It was an exciting meet indeed, where the best athletes from Blue, Green, Red and Yellow Houses competed valiantly in the spirit of true sportsmanship. One could see the runners running their hearts out and straining every muscle in their bodies, in the quest to run the best race.

There were cheers of jubilation and tears of disappointment when the final results were announced. Green House emerged champion this year for Secondary School, with Blue House as runner up. For Primary School Green House (again) took the winner's cup, with Red House as runner up.

Athletes of the Year

Primary

Kendrick Khoo (B)
Aisya Ismee (R)

Secondary

Muhd Jimmie Erfan (Y)
Wan Sofea Najihah (Y)

**Till next year's
meet!**