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STUDENTS DEMONSTRATE CREATIVITY AND VOCAL TALENT AT MALAY CHORAL RECITATION COMPETITION

More than 200 students from six primary and six secondary schools advanced to the finals of Katapella 2026, Singapore's annual national Malay choral recitation competition. Competing before a live audience, students showcased their linguistic talents and creative expressions in the Malay language. Please see the [Annex](#) for the list of finalists.

2. Jointly organised by the Malay Language Learning and Promotion Committee (MLLPC) and Mediacorp, Katapella aims to foster in students a deeper appreciation for the Malay language and culture beyond the classroom.

3. The competition finals will be broadcast on Mediacorp's Suria and MeWatch over two hour-long episodes. The primary school category will air on 14 August 2026 at 8.30pm, followed by the secondary school category on 21 August 2026 at 8.30pm.

4. For more information on the MLLPC's activities, please visit <http://mllpc.moe.gov.sg>.

About the Malay Language Learning and Promotion Committee

The Malay Language Learning and Promotion Committee (MLLPC) was established in February 2006 by the Ministry of Education to bring together schools, community leaders, Malay organisations, the media and professional bodies to foster the learning of Malay language, literature and culture beyond the classroom. Currently chaired by Dr Syed Harun Alhabsyi, Senior Parliamentary Secretary at the Ministry of Education and Ministry of National Development, the MLLPC actively organises engaging and interactive activities that inspire students and nurture a lasting appreciation for Malay language and culture. For more information, please visit mllpc.moe.gov.sg.

FINALISTS FOR KATAPELLA 2026

Primary School Category:

1. Punggol View Primary School
2. Radin Mas Primary School
3. Seng Kang Primary School
4. St. Joseph's Institution Junior
5. Xingnan Primary School
6. Xishan Primary School

Secondary School Category:

1. Ang Mo Kio Secondary School
2. Changkat Changi Secondary School
3. Greendale Secondary School
4. Yio Chu Kang Secondary School
5. Yuhua Secondary School
6. Yusof Ishak Secondary School