Anglo-Chinese School (Junior)
A Methodist Institution (Founded 1886)

4 November 2026

Dear Parents/ Guardians,

As we bring 2026 and our 140th Anniversary celebrations to a close, we give thanks to God for His faithfulness and the many opportunities our boys have had to learn, grow and serve. Guided by our theme, **ACS – A Beacon of Truth and Light,** we have encouraged our boys to **Anchor** themselves in God's truth, **Collaborate** by using their gifts to support one another, and **Serve** with humility and compassion. Through the experiences and challenges of this year, we hope our boys have learnt that being a beacon of truth and light is not only about what they achieve, but also about the everyday choices they make to do what is right, show kindness and care for others.

As our boys reflect on the year, may they give thanks for the friendships formed, lessons learnt and the people who have journeyed alongside them. Our prayer is that the values nurtured within ACS(J) will continue to guide them wherever life takes them. May they grow into ACSian gentlemen whose words and actions reflect Christ's love, bringing hope and light to those around them and giving glory to our Father in heaven.

ACS – A Beacon of Truth and Light (Matthew 5:16)

1. PSLE Written Examinations

We are proud of our Primary 6 boys for focusing on their goals and giving their utmost effort for the PSLE. We would like to express our gratitude to all parents for their unwavering support of their children, Cairnhill Methodist Church and the Chaplaincy team, who led the PSLE Prayer Night, and all teachers and staff who supported and prepared our boys for this examination.

2. Children's Day Celebration

The school celebrated Children's Day on **Thursday, 1 October 2026**. In line with this year's school theme, **ACS - A Beacon of Truth and Light,** our boys lived out the values of Integrity and Collaboration through engaging class activities, which reminded them that everyone has unique gifts and, by working together, they can achieve great things. This year, we incorporated activities on *Kahoot!* and the graduating students took fun and interesting photographs which will be shown at P6 Graduation Lunch. We are grateful to our parent volunteers and teachers for making the Children's Day celebration a memorable one.

The celebration also had a meaningful outreach component, with each student receiving a donation envelope from Community Chest's Children's Day Appeal 2026, continuing a tradition from previous years. This opportunity allowed our boys to practise empathy and generosity, reminding them of the importance of giving back and serving others.

3. Character Building and Service Learning

We are grateful to God for the opportunities provided for our Primary 6 boys to serve the wider community through their Values-in-Action (VIA) projects. Our boys put into practice the ACSian

values of Loyalty and Collaboration by working alongside others to make a positive difference in the lives of those around them.

Two Primary 6 classes partnered with students from Farrer Park Primary School in a social mixing initiative to engage and serve seniors in the community. One of the classes visited NTUC Health Nursing Home (Geylang East) to spend time with the seniors while the other class produced advocacy videos to raise awareness of seniors' strengths and needs.

As part of the **Caring Commuter Champions** initiative, a Primary 6 class visited Newton MRT Station to promote graciousness and kindness among commuters. The students invited members of the public to pen messages of appreciation and encouragement for public transport workers. They also shared their experiences with our Primary 3 boys, encouraging their juniors to be gracious and considerate commuters.

Through the **Bless A Preschool** initiative, five Primary 6 classes supported younger children in their preparation for Primary 1. They welcomed Kindergarten 2 children from a nearby preschool to familiarise them with the primary school environment and visited neighbouring preschools to engage the children through literacy and numeracy activities.

Through these meaningful experiences, our boys learnt that loyalty extends beyond the school to caring for and serving the wider community. We hope that they will carry this spirit of service well into their secondary school years and beyond.

Primary 6 Graduation Service (Tuesday, 10 November)

4. The Primary 6 Graduation Service will be held in school on **Tuesday, 10 November 2026**. The Guest of Honour for the event is Reverend Jeremy Yap, Associate Director (Ministry in Schools), who also serves as Pastor at Christ Methodist Church. Details of the event have been shared with our Primary 6 parents via Parents Gateway.

Primary 4 Subject-Based Banding (Primary) and Promotion Exercise

5. Please note that the Subject Based Banding (SBB) option forms will be given out to all Primary 4 students on **Friday, 6 November 2026**. Parents who wish to choose a different subject combination from what the school has recommended for their son/ ward are to return Part 2 of the letter by **Tuesday, 10 November 2026**.

6. There is **no school for all levels on Friday, 13 November 2026** as all staff will be involved in processing students' results for the promotion exercise.

Administration of Report Books and Result Slips

7. Result slips for Primary 1 to 5 will be distributed on **Wednesday, 18 November 2026**.

8. Please ensure that your child/ ward brings a plastic folder to school on that day to file his result slips.

9. A Parents Gateway announcement will be shared with all Primary 1 to 5 parents and guardians once the results slips have been released to your child/ ward. **Kindly acknowledge receipt through Parents Gateway and guide your child/ ward to insert the result slips into his report book.** We seek your support in reminding your child/ ward to keep the report book safely at home and to treat it with care. Together, we can guide your child/ ward to be more responsible and independent.

Thanksgiving Day 2026 (Wednesday, 18 November 2026)

10. The school will close its academic year with a Thanksgiving Programme for all staff and students. Activities planned that morning include Thanksgiving Devotion, Staff and Parent Volunteers' Appreciation and Student Reflections.

11. To be held on **Wednesday, 18 November 2026**, Thanksgiving Day will be **a full-school day for all levels**. Dismissal will be at the usual time of 1.30 pm.

Honours Day Service 2026 (Thursday, 19 November 2026)

12. The Honours Day Service will be held on **Thursday, 19 November 2026**, from 8.30 am to 11.00 am at the Performing Arts Hall (PAH). This annual event is a meaningful occasion where we affirm our boys and celebrate their achievements, as we close the school year in thanksgiving to God. We are honoured to welcome our distinguished Old Boy, Mr Kerry Mok, as our Guest of Honour.

13. Prize recipients are to report to the PAH by 7.30 am, and invited parents and guests are kindly requested to be seated by 8.15 am. The service will begin promptly at 8.30 am. We seek your kind understanding that **only one parent per prize recipient** will be allowed entry into the PAH. Additional guests will be ushered to the PAL Room (below the PAH), where the ceremony will be screened. The service will also be live-streamed on Microsoft Teams. Parents of prize recipients would have received their official invitations via Parents Gateway. Please refer to the invitation for more details.

14. Please note that there will be **no school for the rest of the students**, except for prize recipients, performers, and student leaders involved in the ceremony.

End-of-Year Meet-the-Parents (MTP) Session (Friday, 20 November 2026)

15. The End-of-Year MTP Session will take place in-person on **Friday, 20 November 2026** to support students in their transition to the next level in 2027. Please note that there is **no school for all levels on that day**. Only selected Primary 1 to 5 students and their parents will need to attend the MTP. The respective Form Teachers will inform parents if their attendance is required and provide more details of the MTP by **Thursday, 12 November 2026**, via Parents Gateway.

Travel Declaration for Year End Holidays

16. To ensure that our school remains a healthy and safe environment for all, we require parents/ guardians to make a travel declaration for your child/ward if he will be travelling for the holidays.

17. To make a travel declaration for your child/ward via Parents Gateway, go to [SERVICE > DECLARE TRAVELS]. Please declare your child/ward's travel plan(s), indicating both the country and city of travel, and any city of transit, by **Friday, 20 November 2026**. Only one parent is required to make the declaration. **If your child/ward is not travelling during the holidays, no action is required.**

18. When planning your travel, please refer to https://www.ica.gov.sg/enter-transit-depart for more information and updates. Singapore Citizens may also register travel plans with MFA at https://go.gov.sg/eregister for emergency contact abroad. **If there is a change of travel plan(s) after declaration, please submit a new travel declaration via Parents Gateway or inform the school if the travel plan(s) is cancelled.**

MOE Financial Assistance Scheme

19. The Ministry of Education provides financial assistance to needy Singaporean students in our Government and Government-Aided Schools to meet basic schooling expenses. For more information, you may refer to this link: www.moe.gov.sg/financial-matters/financial-assistance/.

20. Parents are encouraged to submit an online application via the new **Student Finance System (SFS)** e-Services portal using Singpass through Parents Gateway app [SERVICES > FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE] by **Friday, 20 November 2026**. If you require further assistance, you may contact our administrative staff, Mrs Jenny Goh, at Tel: 67337911 or acsj@moe.edu.sg.

Back to School in 2027

21. As communicated through public announcement for school reopening in 2027, **only Primary 1 students** will be physically present **on Monday, 4 January 2027** to ensure they have a smooth transition and are well acquainted with the school.

22. **All Primary 2 to 6 boys will remain at home on Monday, 4 January 2027**. They will report to school on **Tuesday, 5 January 2027**.

School Attire in 2027

23. All students will wear their **formal school uniform from Monday to Thursday**. The formal uniform comprises a white short-sleeved shirt (complete with the name tag) and a pair of navy blue school shorts. This uniform is to be worn with white shoes and socks. If track shoes are worn, they should be predominantly white. On days designated for Physical Education (PE), students are to wear their tank tops under their white shirt or change into their PE attire for PE lessons.

24. Students are allowed to change into their PE attire after morning assembly from Monday to Thursday. They will wear their tank tops under their white shirt, which they can remove after assembly, and remain in their tank top and navy-blue school shorts for the rest of the day.

25. Students will wear their **corporate T-shirt on Friday**. The corporate T-shirt is to be worn with a pair of black corporate shorts or navy blue school shorts. CCA attire can only be worn during CCA sessions.

26. Students may refer to the 2026 Student's Companion (or at https://www.acsj.moe.edu.sg/rules/) for more information about the different student attire. Information on ordering the school uniforms and corporate T-shirts can be found at https://www.acsj.moe.edu.sg/our-school/vendors/.

Affirmation of ACS(J) Teachers

27. Every year, various awards are given out to teachers in Singapore in recognition of their professional excellence. If you know of such teachers in ACS(J) and would like to nominate him/her for the following awards, please refer to the instructions accordingly.

(a) The **President's Award for Teachers (PAT)** pays tribute to experienced teachers for their role in moulding the future of our nation. This award recognises excellent and experienced educators who are role models for the teaching profession. They embody a deep passion for teaching and inspire both their students and peers through their words and deeds.

(b) The **Outstanding Youth in Education Award (OYEA)** recognises young teachers, aged 35 and below, who are inspiring role models for the teaching profession. These teachers have shown admirable passion for teaching and commitment to inspiring and nurturing their students. They embody youthful idealism, energy and enthusiasm inspiring both their students and peers through their words and deeds.

Award	Organiser	Details of nomination	Closing Date
President's Award for Teachers (PAT)	Academy of Singapore Teachers	Nominate the teacher through this link: https://go.gov.sg/pat2027	Friday, 8 January 2027
Outstanding Youth in Education Award (OYEA)	Academy of Singapore Teachers	Nominate the teacher through this link: https://go.gov.sg/oyea2027	Friday, 8 January 2027

ACS Old Boys' Association (OBA) News

28. The ACS *echo* connects the ACS family of schools as One ACS. We are pleased to inform you that the **October - November 2026** issue is now available online at https://acsecho.com

On behalf of all the staff at ACS(J), I would like to take this opportunity to thank all parents and guardians for your strong support throughout ACS's milestone year. As we continue to uphold our calling to be a beacon of Truth and Light, I look forward to your continued partnership in nurturing our boys in 2027.

Wishing one and all a restful and blessed year-end break.

To God Be The Glory. The Best Is Yet To Be!

Yours faithfully

Ms Cheryl Chee
Principal