

YLK COMMITTEE 2024-2025

The 21st Annual General Meeting was held on 9th March 2024. The new office bearers, together with the Auditor for the year 2024 to 2025, were elected as follows:

Advisor : Datuk Christopher Sim
Advisor : Br. John Nycle D'Cruz
 (Education & Training)

Chairman : Peter Yap Seng

Hon Secretary : Jacob Wong Wu Hing

Hon Treasurer : Benny Wee Hong Guep

Committee Members

Callum Sia Peh Swee	Agatha Lau Nguok Sing
Mildred Jong Lee Phin	Edwina Tan Swee Ngo
Nicholas Hu Kie Lik	Jackson Ling Tiong Kiet
Rhys Salang	

On 1st March 2024, YLK moved its hostel to a new premises at Lot 326, Section 55 Kuching Town Land District, Jalan Centre Timur, 93300 Kuching, Sarawak.

It provides accommodation for four rural students who are attending St. Joseph's Private School.



ST. JOSEPH'S PRIVATE SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP

Pierce Calvin Anak Paul (left top) from Bunan Gega, Serian, and Lizabeth Telden Rony Amud (left bottom) from Kampung Senibong, Bau, were awarded St. Joseph's Private School Scholarship to study there from Form One to Form Five starting from 2024 academic year.

Thomas Chan Hiok Ping (right top) has been serving the foundation since 2004.



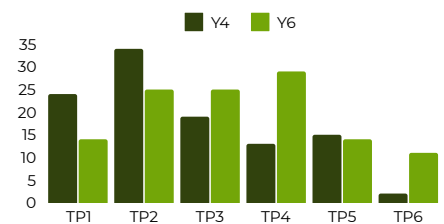
Jackson Ling (right bottom) was elected to replace him.

Many thanks to Thomas for his years of unwavering contribution to the Foundation.

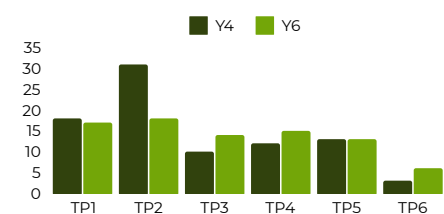


ANALYSIS OF YEAR SIX UASA RESULTS

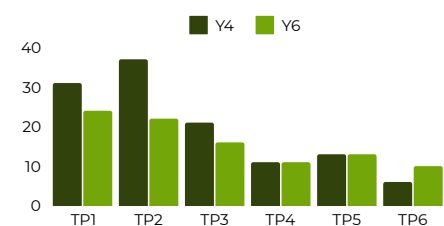
Overall English UASA Results



Overall Science UASA Results



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The Ministry of Education Malaysia has replaced UPSR with UASA assessment test for primary school students. The above graphs show the number the students in Year four (dark green bars) have done badly. After 2 years of tuition at La Salle Centres, many of them managed to achieved higher grade (light green bars).



The Foundation is deeply grateful for the continued generosity of the **Sibu Sacred Heart Secondary School Alumni Association** of Kuching, whose ongoing donations are a meaningful tribute to the late **Br. Albinus**, their beloved principal. Br. Albinus instilled invaluable life lessons and wisdom in his students, and this gesture of love reflects the lasting impact he had on their lives. In the accompanying photo (left), **Mr. Thadeus Ling Allu**, President of the Alumni Association, is seen presenting the donation to **Mr. Jacob Wong**, Hon. Secretary of YLK.

YLK would also like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all individuals, corporate partners, and government bodies whose generous contributions continue to support underprivileged students, ensuring they receive the education they deserve.



YLK VOLUNTEERS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS RETREAT 2024

On July 7-8, YLK hosted a transformative retreat for teachers, office staff, committee members, and volunteer helpers at the Gethsemane Retreat Centre in Serian. This enriching experience was enhanced by the presence of the Direct Education Services with the Poor (DESP) Team, led by Mr. George Gan, who skillfully guided participants through a series of reflective sessions.

The retreat focused on five key themes aimed at deepening the understanding of personal and professional roles:

1. Who Am I?
2. Learning about Life and from Life
3. My Vision and Mission
4. My Body, Mind, and Spirit
5. Creating a Learning Community

Participants engaged in thought-provoking talks complemented by video presentations, which encouraged deeper contemplation on fostering healthy and meaningful relationships both within the classroom and in everyday interactions. The sessions prompted educators to re-evaluate their connections with students, moving beyond traditional academic achievements to embrace holistic educational practices.

Despite their demanding schedules, the Chairman, Secretary, and several committee members joined the retreat, demonstrating their commitment to growth and collaboration. The atmosphere was one of openness, as all attendees approached the sessions eager to learn, be inspired, and engage actively in group activities.

One of the pivotal outcomes of the retreat was the introduction of a new perspective on teacher-student relationships, aligning with the Foundation's mission to nurture individuals holistically. Chairman Peter Yap expressed gratitude to the DESP Team for their dedication and insightful contributions.

Feedback from participants indicated a resounding success, with over 90% finding the retreat beneficial for their vocational and personal lives. This overwhelming response highlights the importance of such initiatives in enhancing educational practices and building stronger communities.

As YLK moves forward, the commitment to fostering an inclusive and supportive learning environment remains strong, ensuring that educators are not only teachers but also lifelong learners and mentors committed to the holistic development of every individual.



THE ARISE AND SHINE CAMP

The Arise and Shine Camp, which took place from September 14 to 16, 2024, at the St Lucas Centre in Padawan, served as a life-changing experience for YLK Year Six students. This annual 3D2N camp was made possible through the generous sponsorship of the Sarawak Social Welfare Department, and it attracted a dedicated group of 27 teachers and volunteers who participated with enthusiasm and commitment to facilitate a range of enriching activities.



The primary objectives of the camp were multi-fold. Firstly, it aimed to prepare the students for the transition into secondary school by helping them discover their identities and potential. This foundational work is crucial for ensuring that they are mentally and emotionally ready to embark on the next phase of their education. Secondly, the camp sought to instill good character traits in the campers, equipping them to live harmoniously with others and to emerge as exemplary leaders within their communities. Lastly, it aimed to strengthen the spiritual lives of the participants, fostering a sense of purpose and connection to their values.

YLK firmly believes that character development is just as essential, if not more so, as academic achievement. The programme, crafted by the Outreach Team, featured a variety of experiential activities designed to leave a lasting impact on the 96 Year Six students in attendance. These activities encouraged self-reflection and personal growth, addressing key themes such as:

1. **Who Am I?** – Promoting self-awareness and identity exploration.
2. **Responsibility** – Teaching the importance of accountability in personal and social contexts.
3. **My Talents** – Helping students recognise and appreciate their unique abilities.
4. **I Have a Dream** – Inspiring students to envision their future aspirations.
5. **Spiritual Life** – Encouraging a deeper understanding of their spiritual beliefs and values.
6. **Gratitude** – Cultivating an attitude of thankfulness for their lives and experiences.
7. **You Are Wonderfully Made** – Reinforcing the message that each individual is unique and valuable.

Through these guided activities, the campers were able to internalize important life values and lessons. The camp was not only an opportunity for learning but also a space for students to connect with one another, share experiences, and build lasting friendships.

Feedback from the campers indicated a high level of satisfaction, with over 90% reporting that the camp was very useful in helping them relate to themselves and others. Many expressed that the experience helped them gain a clearer understanding of their identities and the importance of character in their lives. The impact of the camp is expected to resonate beyond the event itself, influencing the students' attitudes and behaviors as they move forward into secondary school and beyond.



La Salle Alumni

We have some Alumni volunteer to serve in La Salle Centres or YLK organised activities.

After graduated as a teacher, while waiting for posting, Regina Kuyieh, a La Salle Centre alumni, came forward to serve at Stass Centre. Tracia still in university help and share her life to encourage the camps.



9th LASALLIAN FAMILY DAY:

A CELEBRATION OF UNITY AND FUN



On 12th October 2024, the La Salle Centres gathered to celebrate the 9th Lasallian Family Day—a day full of laughter, connection, and joy. This much-anticipated event united students, alumni, parents, teachers, and committee members for a memorable day of fun-filled activities and camaraderie.

The festivities began at 9 AM in the hall of SK St. Andrew, where attendees opened the day with a heartfelt prayer, followed by the national anthem, Ibu Pertiwiku, and the Lasallian anthem, We Are Lasallian.

Mdm Cecilia Tan, the event's organizing chairwoman, welcomed everyone warmly, emphasizing the importance of collaboration between educators and parents in shaping the future of students. She encouraged all participants to embrace the day's activities and the spirit of unity as one big family.

In his speech, Mr. Peter Yap Seng, Chairman of YLK, highlighted the day's theme, "We Are One Big Family," noting how it perfectly captured the essence of the event. He shared that the day was not only about having fun, but about strengthening the bonds that unite the Lasallian community. His words reminded everyone that the memories made today would inspire unity and solidarity for years to come. Mr. Yap also expressed his gratitude to SK St. Andrew for hosting the event and to the organizing committee for their dedication in ensuring its success.

The guest of honor, Mr. Richard Kawi, Headmaster of SK St. Andrew, shared inspiring words with the students and officially declared the games open. His presence emphasized the importance of the Lasallian values of family and community.

While the day was filled with games, it was also a time to recognize the students' achievements. Awards were presented to those who had read a significant number of English storybooks, as well as to students who had shown the most improvement in behavior and academics. These recognitions were a testament to the dedication and growth of the students within the Lasallian family.

This year, nine game stations were organized by the various La Salle Centres, offering a wide range of fun challenges for all ages. The air was filled with the sounds of laughter as children and adults alike enjoyed the games, creating memories and strengthening connections. It was a beautiful reflection of the day's theme: a celebration of being one big, happy family.

As the event drew to a close, all participants gathered to enjoy a family meal, marking the perfect end to an incredibly memorable day. It was a moment to relax, reflect, and celebrate the sense of unity that makes the Lasallian community so special.



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