



Canossa Newsbites

January 2025

Home News

We welcome to the Canossian Family the following teachers:

- Ms Marie Tay
- Mdm Lim Bee Leng
- Mdm Poh Chiew Hui
- Mdm Catherine Lam
- Mdm Khatijah Bte Mohamed Khalit
- Ms Anastasia Chan
- Mr Marcus Goh
- Ms Li Yali
- Ms Erika Sng Zhi-Min

Teachers/ Coordinators
(for Designate Hearing Loss Programme)

- Mdm Mary Lim
- Ms Alice Ng
- Ms Serena Lee
- Mrs Sarala Tamilsegar
- Mr Ko Kuen Woei
- Ms Pauline Tay
- Ms Doris Ang
- Ms Gloria Teo
- Ms Isabel Chew

Farewell to:

- Ms Penny Ng (VPA)
- Ms Tan Sze Hua
- Ms Isadora Soh
- Ms Teo Yan Chun
- Ms Tan Lee Lee Theresa
- Mdm Neo Shu Ling
- Ms Valerie Wang Qinghui
- Ms Chai Min Yee
- Ms Jasmyn

We wish them all the best in their future endeavours.

“ I desire that **God**
may set your
heart on fire since
love knows no
burden.”

School Mission

Nurturing each in his/ her own way by forming hearts, enlightening minds and empowering spirits to live in The Way, The Truth and The Life

School Vision

Leaders of Hope
Sowers of Change

Core Values

Charity, Humility, Forgiveness, Faith



Principal's Message

Welcome Back, Dear Parents!

A blessed New Year to all of you and a warm welcome back to a new academic school year at Canossa Catholic! We also extend a warm and heartfelt welcome to the children and parents across Primary 1 to Primary 6 who have just joined us here at Canossa.

This year, our guiding theme is *Anchored on Hope* — being living hope and a beacon in the world. We want to be inspired to trust in God's plan and embrace the promise of new beginnings.

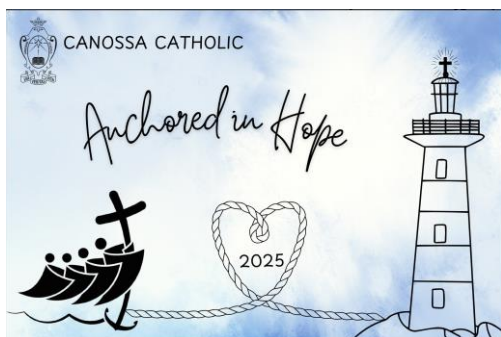
In our Canossian tradition, hope is more than optimism. It is a deep-rooted trust in God's presence in our lives. It encourages us to see challenges as opportunities for growth and to nurture our core values of charity, humility, forgiveness and faith in our children as well as grow resilience and courage in them.

Your children are at the heart of our mission and we are privileged to be co-educators with you in their formation. Together, we provide that nurturing environment where every child feels loved, cared, supported and inspired to reach their God-given potential. As parents, your unwavering love and encouragement are the foundation of your children's hope. Let us continue to work together with kindness and gentleness, closely and cohesively, as ONE to grow the gifts of our children.

Thank you for your trust and thoughtfulness always. May this year be filled with blessings of good health, joy and abundant hope for us all.

God bless and keep all of you safe always.

Mrs Eugenie Tan
Principal



Did You Know?

Our school vision is:

Leaders of Hope, Sowers of Change.

Our theme for 2025 is:

Anchored On Hope

“ A person, who no matter how desperate the situation, **gives others hope, is a true leader.**”

- Daisaku Ikeda

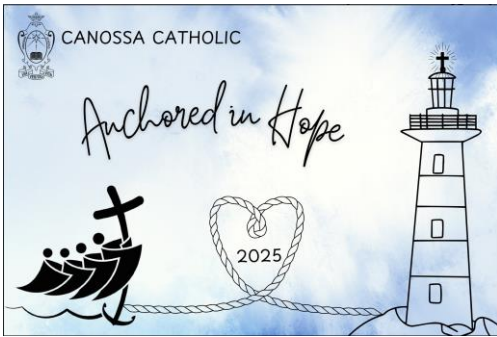
Year Heads 2025

The Year Heads who will be journeying with you and your child are:

P1 P2	Ms Tan Wei Wei	tan_wei_wei_katherine@moe.edu.sg
P3 P4	Mrs Josephine Chua	Josephine_tan_mei_ting@moe.edu.sg
P5 P6	Mrs Priscilla Ho	priscilla_gwyneth_goh_liangjin@moe.edu.sg

Calendar of Events (January)

Date	Events	Remarks
1 Jan	New Year's Day	Public Holiday
2 Jan	P1 Starts School	Formal school uniform to be worn daily in the first week of school.
3 Jan	First Day of School for P2-P6 students	Formal school uniform to be worn daily in the first week of school.
15 Jan	Temperature Taking Exercise	Students to bring thermometer starting from 6 Jan. P1 children will each be given a thermometer.
17 to 18 Jan	Prefects' Overnight Camp	More information will be given at a later date.
17 Jan	P1 & P6 School Smartcard Photo taking	Students to bring formal school uniform to change into if they have PE on 17 Jan.
20 Jan	Opening of School Year Mass	Whole school
28 Jan	Eve of Chinese New Year CNY Celebration	Dismissal at 10.30am
29 Jan to 30 Jan	Chinese New Year	Public Holiday
31 Jan to 6 Feb	P1-P6 School Health Visit	School as normal P1 and P5 students to hand in their Health Booklet to their Form Teacher for the School Health Visit. Students to bring their PE attire on the day of their School Health Visit.
7 to 8 Feb	Tier 2 Student Leaders' Overnight Camp	More details will be given at a later date.



Did You Know?

Leadership skills play a vital role in a child's personal and future success. By taking charge of situations, making decisions, and guiding others, children learn to trust themselves and their judgment. This confidence extends to various aspects of their lives, such as academics, social interactions, and extracurricular activities.

To read the full article, visit
<https://www.campliveoakfl.com/raising-future-leaders-heres-what-parents-must-do/>

“Let us welcome the children as we would welcome Jesus Himself.”

- St. Magdalene of Canossa

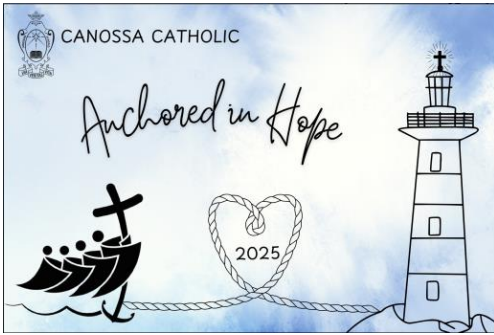
School Safety & Security Reminders

The school places great emphasis on school safety and security. We seek parents' cooperation in the following ways:

- If you need to meet your child's teacher, please make an appointment. Please enter only via Gate 2 and register at the Guard House. Do report to the General Office to meet the teacher/staff.
- Please put on the Visitor's Tag while on the school grounds and return this when you leave.
- Please do not make changes to your child's dismissal arrangements, unless there is a medical/family emergency.
- Parents who wish to pick their child up before dismissal time must report to the General Office to sign their child out.
- We are part of a larger Village. Please do not wander into the school blocks, whether the Primary or the other sectors or go into the canteen for a meal or drink.
- Students are to bring only the necessary stationery items to school. No scissors, penknives or any sharp objects are to be brought to school.

Traffic Safety

- If you are driving to school in the morning, please ensure that your child alights promptly with his/her school bag when your vehicle comes to a halt at the drop-off zone in school. As there are other vehicles waiting behind yours, please drive off immediately after dropping your child off.
 - Always maintain a safe speed of 10km/hr when driving within the school compound.
 - As you are an important role model to your child, please observe road traffic rules at all times when driving:
 - Please comply with the "No Right Turn" restriction at the Sallim Road-Aljunied Road junction during the periods indicated on the sign ("7am-7.30am" and "1.30pm-2pm" on weekdays except public holidays). This helps to ease the traffic flow at peak times along Sallim Road for other road users.
 - Avoid waiting in LTA's "No Waiting" zone along Sallim Road. Instead, plan to arrive 5 minutes or more after dismissal times, as your child will take time to make his/her way to the pick-up point in school.
 - Should you ride an e-bike (Power-Assisted Bicycle) to school with your child, please note that it is not allowed on footpaths such as those outside the school. E-bikes are only permitted on roads and shared paths like park connectors.
 - Parking is not allowed in the school except for parents fetching students who are unwell or have special assistance needs. The nearest public carparks are located at the Circuit Road Hawker Centre, or the Lion City Sailors' Training Centre at Mattar Road.



Did You Know?

Parents must nurture skills like effective communication, problem-solving abilities, responsibility, empathy, teamwork, initiative, and adaptability to prepare their children to thrive in various contexts and become well-rounded individuals.

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“Be the change you wish to **see in the world.**

- Mahatma Gandhi

Absence from School

If your child is unable to attend school, please call the General Office at 6844 1418 from 7.00 am to 7.30 am.

Students must have a valid reason for absence from school. Absence from school for a long period of time will affect your child’s progress in school.

If your child is absent for medical reasons, a medical certificate (MC) has to be produced and submitted to the Form Teacher when your child returns to school.

If your child is absent for valid reasons other than medical, a letter of explanation from the parent with documentary proof (where applicable, e.g. notice for piano examination, bereavement of family member, etc.) has to be submitted to the Form Teacher.

In addition, a Medical Certificate or a letter of explanation from parents must be submitted for all absences from Co-Curricular Activities and enrichment even if parents had earlier given consent for your child to attend the lessons.

Students must not be absent during term time to travel abroad without valid reasons. The school will have to be informed in writing and permission must be granted by the Principal prior to the purchase of travel tickets.

Temperature-Taking Exercise

All Primary 1 children will be given a thermometer in class. There is no need to make any purchase.

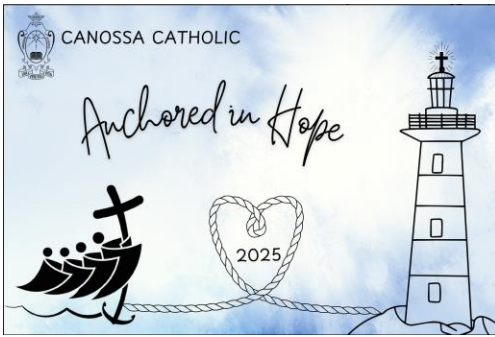
P2 - P6 children should start bringing their own oral digital thermometer on 6 January 2025 in preparation for the Temperature-Taking exercise on 15 January 2025.

Should your child need to purchase a thermometer, he/she can do so at the school bookshop.

After-School Activities

Level(s)	Activity	Commencement of Activity
P1-P6	Designate HL Programme	Term 1 Week 3
Selected P2-P6	Commencement of Percussion Band Co-Curricular Activity	Term 1 Week 1
P3-P6	Commencement of all other Co-Curricular Activities	Term 1 Week 3
P6	Commencement of Enrichment	Term 1 Week 3

***Consent forms will be given out by the respective teachers before the start of the sessions.**



Did You Know?

Children learn a great deal from observing their parents' behaviour. Model the qualities and values you want your child to develop, such as integrity, empathy, resilience, and a strong work ethic. Act as a positive role model and demonstrate leadership skills in your own life.

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“Charity is a fire that spreads and tries to embrace everything in its path.”

- St. Magdalene of Canossa

2025 School Vacation

Date	Events	Remarks
15 March – 23 March	School Vacation	Between Terms 1 and Term 2
31 May – 29 June	School Vacation	Between Semesters 1 and 2
6 September – 14 September	School Vacation	Between Terms 3 and Term 4
22 November – 31 December	School Vacation	At End of School Year

2025 Scheduled School Holidays

Date	Events	Remarks
6 July	Youth Day	
7 July	Youth Day	School Holiday
5 September	Teachers' Day	
3 October	Children's Day	

2025 Public Holidays

Date	Events
1 Jan	New Year's Day
29-30 Jan	Chinese New Year
31 Mar	Hari Raya Puasa
18 April	Good Friday
1 May	Labour Day
12 May	Vesak Day
7 Jun	Hari Raya Haji
9 Aug	National Day
20 Oct	Deepavali
25 Dec	Christmas Day

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