

Principal's Message 2024-2025

Dear parents and students,

I am thrilled to welcome you all to the 2024-2025 academic year! The bountiful 2023-2024 academic year fills me and my teachers with confidence and expectation, and we are striving to make this year even more memorable.

We usually announce the new theme of the year at the very beginning of the school year. This year, we have thought more thoroughly about it. The purpose of having a theme each year is to set a focus for everyone, aiming to integrate the values we uphold into daily life. We promote a set of values and the specific character traits that stem from these values, believing them to be essential for our students' minds and hearts. Our foundation for designing the theme of the year revolves around the question of how to introduce and nurture our students to understand, experience, and embody these important characteristics throughout their primary education. This year, we have decided to paint a broader picture.

Starting this year, our theme will encompass two of the character traits we promote. Over a span of six years, our students will have the opportunity to experience all twelve character traits we advocate, preparing them for their future journeys.

I am pleased to announce the theme of this year - Ignite Your Potential! This theme focuses on two character traits, self-confidence and proactiveness. Self-confidence leads us to become lifelong learners, while proactiveness guides us to be responsible citizens. Though the goals may seem lofty, we simply need to begin with small steps. Even just starting by creating a "dot" can ignite potential beyond what we ever imagined.

During the school commencement week, our teachers will provide each student with a goal-setting card, allowing them to write down or draw three small goals. These goals could include activities like "read three books a week," "make new friends," or "help mom tidy up." By commencing with a small "dot," we aim for our students to experience success, dot by dot, fostering self-confidence and encouraging them to be proactive in creating something remarkable.

I wish everyone a journey filled with progress alongside their friends and family, supporting one another every step of the way.

This year marks the continuation of our three-year development plan, where we will keep

focusing on three key areas:

Building Positive Character and Values (Social Emotional Learning)

Elevating Teaching and Learning (Educational Technology)

Serving the Community

In addition, we will set new goals and strategies in the areas of curriculum development, teaching methodologies, home-school partnership, and school governance. With the support and cooperation of students, teachers, and parents, I am confident that our school will steadily advance, striving to become a leading primary school in the district.

As we embark on this new academic year, I encourage all of you to continue making your marks, believe in yourselves, and never underestimate the power of creativity and encouragement. Let's work together to ignite our potential and make this school year truly extraordinary.

Wishing you all a blessed and successful school year ahead!

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Principal