

SoulTalk

a monthly newsletter to parents

Director's Teapot

The year 2020 started not with a big bang but with a tiny "bug". To this day, the 2019 nCoV is still lurking and claiming more lives than the hands that can handle it. Many remained homeless or displaced because of Taal Volcano's eruption last January 12. Many hearts are still hurting and in shock with the tragic death of basketball star, Kobe Bryant, age 41 and his daughter age 14. These and many other events that opened the year 2020 are worth reflecting. Below are some of my reflections:

- Life is short and uncertain. Live as if today is your last; build memories worth reminiscing.
- Death strikes anyone – the rich and famous, the poor and ordinary, the educated or ignorant; we are all equal, we all live on borrowed time. So in life, don't be a grabber, don't be proud, don't be self-seeking, don't be rude, don't be spiteful; after all, we are not invincible or immortal.

6TH NATIONAL PHOENIX ARALINKS QUEST

Phoenix Publishing House, Inc.
Quezon City, Metro Manila
January 28 – 31, 2020

MATTHEW JEDRICK Y. UY
(GR. 3 ALMOND)

Badge of Achievement

For being the top 7 Finalist – Primary Division in the Elimination Round

Badge of Merit

As the Primary Division – Side Quest Top Performing Team

Badge of Excellence

As the Primary Division – Team Stage Champion

Badge of Excellence

As the Primary Division Second Runner-Up

Coach: Ms. Cabañog

▪ The world still has a few good and empathetic people. I am touched by the selfless spirit of doctors, nurses and other health care workers, who round the clock, are attending to those infected by the deadly nCoV. They are risking their own lives.

▪ The world also has many philanthropic people who give generously to those severely affected by calamities such as the volcano's eruption and treatment of the nCoV. These individuals and organizations never seemed to run out of resources to give. Because the more they give, the more they are blessed.

▪ I am amazed that there are people who are fighting relentlessly to put out the bushfires in Australia. The bushfire had been spreading across Australia since September, 2019.

These firefighters are putting their lives in danger.

▪ But I am also disturbed and upset that there are people who are greedy and who would take advantage of the misfortunes of others by hoarding goods and services, by increasing prices of basic commodities, etc.

▪ Let us pray for peace, for comfort, for deliverance, for sobriety, and for wisdom. Jesus said, "I've told you all these so that trusting me, you will be unshakable and assured, deeply at peace. In this godless world you will continue to experience difficulties. But take heart! I've conquered the world." (John 16:33, MSG).

33RD INTER-HIGH SCHOOL MATH OLYMPIAD

University of the Philippines
Lahug, Cebu City
February 6, 2020

2nd Place

JOSHUA DAVID L. TAN
(GR. 10 WISDOM)

JOSHUA ALBERT G. GO
(GR. 10 LOYALTY)

ANGELA JAMIE P. TAN
(GR. 10 LOYALTY)

Coach: Ms. Lazaro

RELEASE OF CARDS

Cards with the 3rd quarter grades will be given to your child on **Friday, February 14**. You do NOT need to come to school on February 15.

EDUCATION USA FAIR 2020

(free and open to parents and students)

Meet some 20-30 U.S. university representatives and find the best fit for you!

February 28, 2020 at 1:00pm – 4:00pm

Santa Maria Ballroom, Radisson Blu Hotel

For more info and pre-registration, visit:

  @educationusa.Philippines

Email: Manila@educationusa.org

PCGS 72ND FOUNDER'S DAY

Due to unavoidable circumstances, activities to celebrate the school's 72nd anniversary are modified as follows:

PCGS SUNDAY

February 23 at CGC, 9:00am.

All teaching & non-teaching staff & some selected students

FIELD DEMONSTRATION

In compliance to the DepEd directive to refrain from holding big assembly or public gathering, we regret to inform you that this year's field demonstration WILL NOT BE OPENED to the public (parents & guests). Only participants will be allowed inside the court. Instead, you may watch it live as scheduled below or watch on Kian Kee Facebook (@PCGSofficial). Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

PRE-ELEMENTARY & GRADES 1-3

February 27 | Thursday | 9:30am

GRADES 4 - 12

February 28 | Friday | 9:30am

KIAN KEE FAIR

Postponed indefinitely

HOLIDAYS

February 24 (Mon) Cebu City Charter Day

February 25 (Tue) EDSA People Power Day

March 2 (Mon) Founder's Day Rest Day

This is the reply portion, please cut and return to your child's class adviser on or before February 19, 2020.
To PCGS Administration: Acknowledge receipt of your newsletter SOULTALK to us dated February 12, 2020.