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Dear Chatsworth Parents, Guardians and Students (Year 6 to Year 13),

### **Re: Secondary School Language "LAh" (Language Acquisition) Celebration**

The Language "LAh" is an annual event to celebrate French, Mandarin and Spanish languages taught in Secondary School. This year it will take place on **Tuesday, 21st January 2020**.

It has been a tradition to have an assembly to celebrate it and we are very excited to offer Language "LAh" again. Students of different year groups will sing songs, recite poems, tell stories, etc. to show their language learning. We believe songs are connected well with language learning and resonate easily with the audience. Year 11 and 13 students are not involved in the performances so that they can focus on their ePortfolio / eAssessment and external examinations. Year 6 students have been invited to the Language LAh assembly to watch the performances.

The assembly will start at **12:05pm** and finish at **1:00pm** in the **Nest**. We warmly welcome all parents and guardians to the assembly too.

This year we have worked with our school canteen to prepare a special menu for the event. There will be Chinese French and Spanish themed food on the lunch menu on this day. Hope you will enjoy the food.

Enjoy the Language LAh celebration!  
Amusez-vous bien à la fête des langues LAh!  
¡Disfruta la celebración de las lenguas LAh!  
让我们欢庆语言LAh !

Yours sincerely,

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\* "lah" in Singlish is a **discourse particle** in Linguistics terms, that is, a word or a particle that does not change the semantic meaning of the sentence, but for pragmatic functions such as indicating tone. - quoted from the Quora website:  
<https://www.quora.com/Why-do-Singaporeans-say-lah-at-the-end-of-every-sentence>