

The background of the entire page is a photograph of two young children in a garden. They are both wearing red wide-brimmed hats and blue and white plaid shirts. The child in the foreground is holding a green-handled magnifying glass up to a pink flower on a green stem. The child behind them is holding a black-handled magnifying glass. They are both looking intently at the plants. Large green leaves are in the foreground, partially obscuring the children.

Report of Giving

Celebrating Your
Contributions in 2020/21



Above: Alexander of the 2020/21 Year 6 Global Social Leaders Team. In a self-led initiative, the team designed and produced a range of sustainable facemasks featuring Tanglin's new House emblems and, with the support of the TTS Foundation, were able to supply every member of the community with their very own mask.

On the cover:

LITTLE EXPLORERS

This year's image shows our Nursery children investigating the Infant School's new onsite Forest School area, an initiative funded by the TTS Foundation in 2020/21. The area gives the youngest members of Tanglin's community the opportunity to learn together in the open air, nurturing their confidence as well as their problem-solving and collaborative skills.

WELCOME



Craig Considine, CEO

Thank you to the donors and parent and staff advocates who contributed to the TTS Foundation in 2020/21, as well as to faculty staff who identified and conducted projects for our students. In the past year, the TTS Foundation has continued to provide exceptional opportunities and magic moments of delight for the Tanglin community, despite continuing restrictions related to COVID-19. In 2021/22, we will see a number of initiatives come to fruition through the TTS Foundation. The launch of Tanglin's on-site Forest School area will allow our youngest children to engage with nature in a safe and stimulating environment, while a fundraising programme directed at the Centenary Arts Trail will begin with the installation of a sculpture in the Atrium of the Gate C building.

In a broader sense, the Coronavirus pandemic has brought the benefits of giving and gratitude into sharp focus. The challenges associated with COVID-19 have prompted new discourse in schools and fast-tracked our thinking. Beginning with positive psychology, our dialogue has since branched into pastoral care and wellbeing, and speaking openly about our mental health has become normalised. More recently, there has been a focus on kindness, giving and gratitude, and the positive impact these have on mental health. It is reassuring to note that even in the darkest of times, we are continuing to give to, and feel grateful for, those around us – and we understand that each act of giving and moment of gratitude will have a powerful effect on us, too.

It is vital that our young people understand how to care for others, how to be kind, and how to express gratitude for what they have. For this reason, we have set ourselves a clear goal of ensuring more students than ever are engaged in service-based activities and philanthropic work. Of course, the TTS Foundation is key to enabling more of these opportunities.

We look forward to your continued support in the year ahead.



Cecilia Handel, Director of Development

TTS Foundation projects aim to inspire and empower students with new skills, unique experiences and diverse opportunities. These exceptional activities are offered to all year groups, in The Arts, Sport, Imagination, Innovation and Inquiry, and Global Issues. In 2020/21 Tanglin students were given access to a wealth of in-person events as well as virtual activities. As you will read in this year's Report of Giving, face-to-face opportunities included the TTS Foundation Instrumental Encounters, a three-week programme that enabled children across campus to enjoy live classical music; the TTS Foundation LEGO Robotics Challenge, an event that brought together budding engineers from the Infant and Junior schools; and the Singapore Young

Leader Summit, a prestigious initiative that enabled Sixth Formers to work with business leaders on sustainable solutions to local issues.

And, while local restrictions relating to COVID-19 remained in place, Senior School students continued to sign up for the Deirdre Lew Service Award, illustrating both the continued desire of young people to contribute meaningfully to their communities and the importance of the TTS Foundation in enabling them to do so.

Events are meticulously planned by the TTS Foundation to enable learners of every age and stage to learn new skills, develop existing ones, and enjoy fresh and exciting experiences. We support Tanglin in building a community of lifelong learners who can contribute with confidence to our world. This is why your participation in our Fundraising Campaigns is so important: your gift – large or small – can ensure these experiences remain a part of Tanglin life. You can find more about the 2021 Fundraising campaign at tts.edu.sg/giving.

Please consider making a donation to the TTS Foundation in 2021/22 so we can continue to provide exceptional educational opportunities for Tanglin and the communities it serves. Details of how to donate can be found on page 22.





MARVELLOUS MACHINES

The TTS Foundation LEGO Robotics Challenge is swiftly becoming a highlight of the Tanglin year. In 2021, this competitive building event welcomed more than 60 budding engineers from the Infant and Junior schools to campus on a Saturday for a collaborative tech task. Themed around biomimicry – the emulation of natural elements to solve human problems – the challenge encouraged the children to make machines inspired by animals. Working in pairs, they led their own learning in designing, coding, testing and presenting their machines, based on wobble, walk, flex, reel, grab or push mechanisms. Recognition was given for robust engineering, smartest coding, creative design, outstanding teamwork, presentation skills and resilience on the day. This ambitious challenge built upon the children's existing in-classroom knowledge, nurtured key soft skills such as creativity, communication and problem solving – and was excellent fun!



THE BEAT GOES ON

In 2021, TTS Foundation Instrumental Encounters gave our Junior percussionists and drummers a unique opportunity: to extend their existing rhythmic abilities with the support and guidance of inspirational and exceptionally talented musicians. Offering both one-to-one and ensemble tuition, the workshops built on in-classroom learning, presenting challenging material to the students that would stretch their skills. The experience highlighted the importance of percussion in Tanglin bands and orchestras, and enabled students to showcase their talents and achievements to staff and peers through a final performance. In working closely together, the sessions also helped students develop the core skills necessary for performing as an ensemble: collaboration, kindness and resilience.





“It was a great opportunity to be able to play with Morse Percussion. Working one to one with the percussionists was a very valuable experience”
- Kyran

YOUNG LEADER SUMMIT

FUTURE PERFECT

The Singapore Young Leader Summit brought together students from six international and Singaporean schools to collaborate with business leaders on solutions to the sustainability challenges faced by Singapore today, in support of the government's Green Plan. Year 13 student Alexandre is co-leader of the Reimagining Infrastructure group:



"We are a team of motivated students who are striving to make impactful change on the sustainability of Singapore's public transport. Our aim is to put together a plan of how we can change people's mindsets around public transport and come up with hypothetical solutions that could be implemented with support from the government in the

next couple of years. The experience has allowed me to lead and present, and has hugely developed my organisational and communication skills. During the week, there can be up to four meetings held by supervisors to discuss the goals we want to achieve. The project has helped me solidify my plans: I have always wanted to pursue a career in Sustainable Development and Business Management, and I now feel more confident in my choice. Ultimately, it has been a very memorable and enjoyable experience that I would recommend to any students lucky enough to be eligible to participate."





TANGLIN TRUST
SCHOOL
EST. 1984



A large photograph of children performing on a stage. They are wearing traditional Chinese clothing, including red and pink qipaos and a red jacket with a yellow collar. Some are holding red maracas, and others are holding blue ribbons. The background features a large red fan and a yellow fan. The children are performing in front of a red curtain with gold fringe. The stage is decorated with pink flowers.

ALSO IN 2020/21

Whole School

Lunar New Year Assembly (Virtual Concert)

Infant School

Toy Box Christmas Performance

TTS Foundation Visiting Performers

Minority Instrument Programme

Junior School

Year 3 Incredible India Day

Year 6 VE/VJ Day – Dance Activity

TTS Foundation Magic of Maths Show

TTS Foundation Strings Programme

TTS Foundation Wind/Brass Programme

Christmas Drama Workshops

Year 6 Global Social Leaders – Global

Goals Competition Project

Minority Instrument Programme

Senior School

Gary Friedman Online Animation Course

TTS Foundation Ceramics Workshops

Purchase of Harp for Senior Music

Deirdre Lew Service Award

Alumni

TTS Foundation Internship Programme 2020

Alumni Grant

Career Development Grant

Adventurous Expedition Award





L-R: Stephen, Pamela and Cassie are Parent Advocates for the TTS Foundation. We thank all our Parent Advocates for their contributions to our community in 2020/21.



HAVE YOU HEARD?

Our volunteer Parent Advocates are available to discuss the TTS Foundation and answer queries about projects and fundraising. In 2020/21, their determination and creativity enabled us to continue providing the exceptional educational opportunities you can see in these pages. Tanglin parent Tim Judge explains why he's a TTS Foundation Parent Advocate.



"Tanglin is a fantastic school, and the TTS Foundation allows Tanglin to go the extra mile in providing children with even more exceptional opportunities. The range of events that the TTS Foundation

provides is outstanding. For me, its support of sporting events that enables a broader inclusion of students is a highlight. My children have enjoyed several regional meets that have been supported by the TTS Foundation. For them, these have been unforgettable, once-in-a-lifetime experiences. Many parents, already paying fees, will question the need for donations. It is important to note that the TTS Foundation has proven success in creating opportunities for every child at Tanglin, regardless of their individual likes or interests, and continued donations will serve to boost these initiatives. The benefits of the TTS Foundation to our community outweigh any donation, no matter what the giving amount. It is a unique and very special contributor to Tanglin life."

REPORT



Total Raised
\$81,566



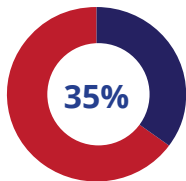
Average Donation
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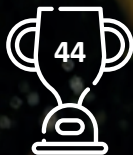
Most common
donation
\$100



Total number of
donors



Percentage of
donors who have
donated for three
consecutive years



Total number
of awards
offered to
individual
students or
Alumni



Number of
TTS Foundation
Internship
Programme
interns



Number of
Alumni Grants
awarded



Number of
Deirdre Lew
Service Awards
offered



Number of Career
Development
Grants offered

387

Number of Music
Awards offered
to Junior School
parents





New in 2020/21

In 2020/21, the TTS Foundation was proud to offer its first Adventurous Expedition Award, to Charlotte Harris (2009 cohort). The award was launched to support Alumni in audacious projects that require teamwork, endurance and tenacity. This December, Charlotte, alongside her teammate Jess, will row 3,000 miles across the Atlantic as part of the Talisker Whisky Atlantic Rowing Challenge. We wish both women success in their endeavour.

THANK YOU

from Kyran, Junior percussionist and participant
in the TTS Foundation Instrumental Encounters



THANK YOU

On behalf of the Tanglin community, we would like to extend a huge thank you to all those who generously supported the TTS Foundation between September 1, 2020 and August 31, 2021.

We would like to make a special mention of those whose cumulative donations of \$1,925 or more qualify them for the 1925 Society; members of the Lions Circle, who have made cumulative donations of \$5,000 or more; and the TTS Foundation Patrons, who have made cumulative donations of \$10,000 or more.

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The families of children in the following tutor groups: Nursery 4, 1.5, 6.3, 6.6, 6.7 and 8.6

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PARENT ADVOCATES

Our dedicated volunteer Parent Advocates make significant contributions to the TTS Foundation by promoting awareness of our work in the Tanglin community. We thank them all for their outstanding commitment in 2020/21.

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NEXT UP

Programmes and events the TTS Foundation will fund in 2021/22

Innovation, Imagination and Inquiry

TTS Foundation Internship Programme

In 2020/21, 12 Alumni interns were invited to work across faculties of the Senior School, as well as in specialist departments of the Infant and Junior Schools. Our continued support of the programme this academic year will keep campus buzzing with inspirational young adults.

Inspirational Visitor Series

The series, first established in 2016, will both build upon our existing relationships and forge new links with experts from a multitude of fields; in 2020/21 our diverse offering included a master puppeteer, musicians, and a Mathemagician!

Academic Masterclasses

Hosted by industry or scholastic experts, our ambitious masterclasses aim to raise the aspirations of all students. Due to local travel restrictions, it's expected our sessions will be delivered by local-based experts, with others taking place virtually.

Beyond the Curriculum Projects

Our support will continue for projects that encourage students to explore coding, robotics and design outside the curriculum, such as the highly successful LEGO Robotics Challenge that took place in 2020/21, opening young minds to a world of career possibilities.

The Arts

Minority Instrument Programme

This pioneering programme will offer experienced musicians learning either piano or another non-orchestral instrument the opportunity to have three to five introductory lessons and free hire of a "minority instrument": an oboe, bassoon, French horn, trombone, viola or double bass; all essential for the formation of orchestras and wind bands.

Music Awards Programme

Each year, around 400 children in Years 4 and 5 are offered the chance to play a string, wind or brass instrument. Today, there are a number of leaders in the Senior Ensembles who were first introduced to an instrument through the Music Awards, cementing the importance of this initiative as an integral part of Tanglin's Music offering.

Singer in Residence

With choirs unable to operate as "usual" in 2020/21, this programme will further develop singing opportunities and will see an expert work with small groups on both repertoire and technique, leading to a Singers Concert at the end of the academic year.

Campus Aesthetics

In 2021/22, we will continue to raise the aesthetics of the Tanglin campus by commissioning artwork from local artists, such as the installation on the Infant School site by artist Mona Choo (see right). We also look forward to unveiling artwork in the Atrium of the new Gate C building.

Music, Drama and Dance Masterclasses

Hosted by expert composers, performers and production managers, each of our classes will inspire students to push their own creative boundaries as they explore and develop their talents.

Performance Encounters

These encounters will span different genres of music and dramatic performances, in an aim to cultivate an appreciation of art. Through each encounter, we hope to build upon our connections with organisations such as the Conservatoire of Music, SOTA, Esplanade, and Marina Bay Sands.

Engaging with Global Issues

Deirdre Lew Service Awards

The aim of this Award is to encourage students to make a positive contribution to their communities and, in 2020/21, we enabled 21 individuals across Years 10-13 to do just that. With student interest in the Awards soaring despite the pandemic, we hope to support even more ventures in 2021/22.

Supporting sustainable development at Tanglin and beyond

Tanglin is committed to promoting understanding of the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Supporting initiatives proposed by various "eco" groups across the school linked to these SDGs, our project group will aim to make sustainable change in both school and local communities.

Alumni Grant

All Year 13 students and Alumni aged 18+ are eligible to apply for the Alumni Grant, that matches funding to learn or improve a skill, or to complete a service activity.

We hope to enable more students to act as positive role models, engage with their communities and give back in 2021/22.

Sports

Sports Masterclasses

Hosted by athletes representing a range of disciplines, these masterclasses aim to raise the aspirations of our young sportsmen and women. In 2021/22, it's expected the sessions will be delivered by Singapore-based athletes.

Athletes in Residence

The TTS Foundation Athletes in Residence programme supports the cost of bringing a significant athlete to Tanglin to work with and train students such as former Olympic medallist Jazz Carlin, who worked alongside our Merlions in 2019/20.

Emergence, by Mona Choo

This new installation, funded by the TTS Foundation, is made up of more than 500 clear resin cubes arranged to form the shape of an eye. The cubes each hold a small object collected or created by Infant School children.

DONATE IN 2021/22

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***Year Tanglin was founded**



Right: Artist Leilani Trinkka demonstrates technique to Year 11 students as part of the TTS Foundation Ceramics Workshop. "Listen to the clay. Everything you do is intentional; everything is considered," she told students.





NEED MORE?

Our TTS Foundation videos illustrate the support and opportunities we provide to the wider Tanglin community. Please scan the QR codes on right to see our work in action.



Alumni Grant

UK-based Daniel Shailer (Class of 2018) explains how funding for a cross-channel swim helped him push his boundaries and raise \$10,000 for charity.



Deirdre Lew Service Award

Former Tanglin Head Girl Meghan Togher (Class of 2019) recalls how an opportunity to stay at an elephant sanctuary solidified her ambition to study veterinary science.

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