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Valedictorian Speech by Pei Miaozihuang (Class of 2019)

"Good morning Mdm Ong, Mrs Choo, Mr Ang, teachers and fellow Greenridgeans.

I am Pei Miaozihuang, from the Class of 2019. I feel honored to be invited to the School's Annual Prize Giving Ceremony. I am glad to have served the school with passion during my time as the head prefect and to be chosen to deliver the valedictory speech today.

Through the 6 years in Greenridge Primary School, I had grown in leaps and bounds. All the knowledge I had acquired here has indeed helped me in the next phase of my life - in my current secondary school. One important thing that I have learnt in Greenridge is that we can accomplish nothing alone and that seeking help from others, when needed, is nothing to be afraid of.

Over the next few minutes, I'd like to share some highlights of my Greenridge experience and would also like to thank a few important people who have guided me through this journey.

Like all Primary One students, I also had butterflies in my stomach when I first entered this school. I was worried if I can make new friends easily and if I can settle into the new environment quickly. Luckily, the school had the P1 Buddy Programme where we were paired with the P4 students. I had an amazing time with the Primary 4 buddies, who were positive role models for us.

When I was in Primary 4, it was my turn to guide the Primary 1 students, to start their journey here on a positive note. My friends and I knew exactly how important our roles were and we carried it out to the best of our abilities. Together, we learnt how to pay it forward to the school community. Overall, it was an enriching experience and the bonds forged were life changing.

Over the years, as I grew and matured along with my peers. I was given more opportunities to further improve and develop myself, especially in terms of leadership.

The annual parent teacher meeting is a very important event and my job was to plan and organize the duties for the prefects that day.

I was given a simple timeline and an event outline of the day's activities and also what was expected of the prefects on duty. With that I started to allocated different duty roles to the prefects who were included. I still remember meeting up with my peers, Jolene and Rico, who assisted me in the planning. They gave me their perspective about some things, which really helped me understand and think about it from a different point of view. Without them and the teachers help, the parent teacher meeting will probably would not have went as smoothly. I am really grateful to have such amazing peers and teachers to guide me.

I was not the best in everything, but I never give up, persevere and continue to seek improvement. After much experience, training and guidance given by the teachers, I became the Head Prefect in 2019. However, being the head prefect was not as easy as I first thought it would be.

PSLE preparations and an increase in responsibilities in the prefectorial board meant I had to manage my time well, to make sure that I was able to complete my tasks efficiently and effectively. I was under a certain amount of stress, but I learn to cope with it and manage my time better. In addition, my family, friends and teachers were there to support me and uplift me. Special thanks to my mom, who understands me better than I do. She is the perfect balance of patience and firmness, helping me to buckle up and soar higher.



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At this juncture, I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude towards everyone who has guided me in my journey. To all the teachers who had taught me, from the bottom of my heart, a big thank you for moulding me into the person I am today. Every one of you played an important role in my development as a student and as a person, which I will forever be grateful for.

To Mdm Ong, Mrs Heng, Miss Goh and Ms Linda and many other teachers, thank you for presenting me with so many opportunities to learn and gain experience from, and for being there when I was facing difficulties. Without all of your guidance, I would not have been able to get to where I am now.

To end off, I would like to thank the school leaders, for developing Greenridge to become better through the years and for providing the students with such amazing opportunities to learn and improve. To all the teachers, for your passion in teaching and the effort you put in to allowing us to do our best. To the school staff, for helping to build Greenridge from the ground up, and last but not least, I would like to thank the student body, for making the school environment a better place for all.

To my dear juniors, I leave with you this short message - your only limitation is your imagination. What holds you back is not what you are, it's what you think you are. With that, I have come to the end of my speech.

Thank you for your kind attention and for giving me this opportunity to thank many people close to my heart.