



# Japan to confer top honour on Mr Lee Kuan Yew



Founding prime minister Lee Kuan Yew will be awarded one of Japan's top honours for foreign leaders. PHOTO: ST FILE



Grand Cordon
of the Order
of the
Paulownia
Flowers

### The Order of the Rising Sun



旭日章, Kyokujitsu-shō



1967

### 旭日桐花大綬章, Kyokujitsu tōka daijushō



#### Foreign recipients [edit]

- Pavle Jurišić Šturm (1848-1922), 1917<sup>[4]</sup>
- Konrad Adenauer (1876–1967)<sup>[5]</sup>
- Henry Willard Denison (1846-1914), 1902<sup>[6]</sup>
- John Fisher, 1st Baron Fisher (1841–1920)<sup>[7]</sup>
- Edmund Allenby, 1st Viscount Allenby (1861-1936) 1922<sup>[8]</sup>
- Robert Walker Irwin (1844–1925)<sup>[9]</sup>
- Douglas MacArthur (1880–1964)<sup>[10]</sup>

- Ali Osman Pasha (1890)<sup>[11]</sup>
- Carl Gustaf Emil Mannerheim (1867–1951)<sup>[12]</sup>
- Mike Mansfield (1903–2001)<sup>[13]</sup>
- George Mountbatten, 2nd Marquess of Milford Haven (1892–1938)<sup>[7]</sup>
- George Schultz (1920-)<sup>[14]</sup>
- Walter Mondale (1928-), 3 November 2008
- Howard Baker (1925-2014), 3 November 2008
- Daniel Inouye (1924-2012), 24 June 2011
- François Fillon (1954–)<sup>[15]</sup>
- Tom Foley (1929-2013), 1995<sup>[16]</sup>
- Manmohan Singh (1932-), 5 November 2014
- Lee Kuan Yew (1923-2015), 23 March 2015



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# Announcement of the Conferment of Decoration on Foreign National (Conferment date: 23 March 2015)

Decoration	Name	Major Title
Grand Cordon of the Order of the Paulownia Flowers	Lee Kuan Yew	Former Prime Minister of the Republic of Singapore

Services: Contributed to strengthening relations and promoting friendship between Japan and Singapore

The Japanese Embassy in Singapore announced on its website that the conferment of the award was backdated to March 23, 2015, the day Mr Lee died. He will be posthumously conferred the Grand Cordon of the Order of the Paulownia Flowers, Japan's Chief Cabinet Secretary Yoshihide Suga said at a press conference on Tuesday.

"Mr Lee strived to strengthen relations with Japan and was successful in building a friendship between the two nations," Mr Suga told reporters after a Cabinet meeting.



A spokesman for Singapore's Ministry of Foreign Affairs said that it is <u>deeply honoured</u> and <u>appreciates</u> Japan's decision to confer the award on Mr Lee.

He added: "This is in recognition of Mr Lee's contributions to the development of relations between Singapore and Japan over several decades."

# In celebration of Japan-Singapore Bilateral Relations (since 1966) 二国間関係







Mr Lee Kuan Yew, during and after his tenure as Prime Minister, frequently visited Japan and made outstanding contributions in advancing the good and close relations between Singapore and Japan.



Singapore Headlines

Special Events

In this Oct 15, 1968 photo, Mr Lee Kuan Yew and his wife Madam Kwa Geok Choo, posed with the Japanese Emperor Hirohito and his wife Empress Nagako, in the Imperial Palace at Tokyo.



Source: www.japantimes.co.jp/news/2015/03/23/national/politics-diplomacy/japanese-leaders-pay-tribute-singapores-lee/#.Vr12PmfVxMs

### Significance to RI

Mr Lee Kuan Yew was an Old Boy of RI (1936-1940)

## Significance to RI & SJSS

First 2 non-tertiary schools from Japan & Singapore to collaborate on teaching & learning of students, and granted the SJ50 status.

We hope to create an awareness in the teaching fraternity of Singapore, to continue building friendship between both countries, at school level.

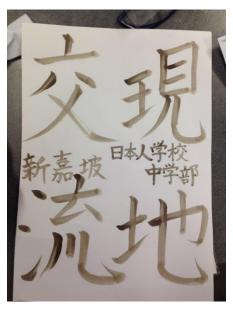








### And here we are, two years after SJSS and RI first built this friendship.





To follow the footsteps of the late Rafflesian Mr Lee Kuan Yew, to continue his legacy of contributing to the development of relations between both countries, we do it at school level, between our school and SJSS, in the sharing of Japanese culture and interests in science knowledge."



2014 September: RI visited SJSS

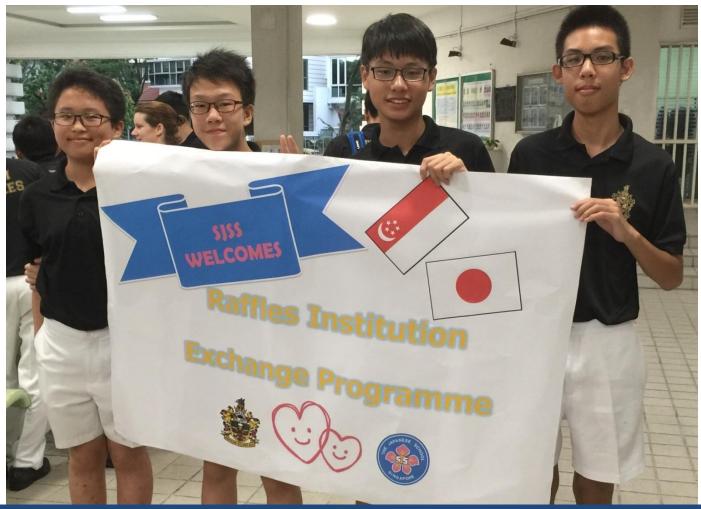


2014 September: RI visited SJSS









2016 January: SJSS welcomes RI again



It is our honour today, that we at Raffles Institution, welcome our friends from the Singapore Japanese Secondary School, to enjoy the learning of science together with us, and to celebrate the good relationship between the two schools.













