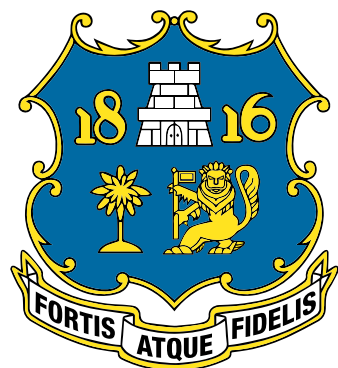


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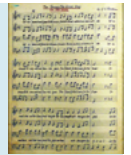
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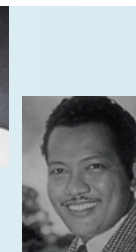
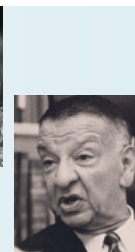
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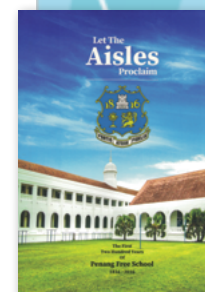
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The BOP anniversary was celebrated in May 2015 with a gala dinner at the school hall. Three commitments were made at the event, i.e. to:

- Initiate research into the BOP (the initial product was a 48-page booklet with 69 photographs of the boards dating back to 1934 and an article on the traditions and *raison d'être* of the BOP);
- Renovate and upgrade the Prefects Room (this was completed in 2016); and
- Conduct leadership training in the school not only for Prefects but also other school leaders.

As part of the training, the workshop organisers imparted narratives about the school's history. These videos serve to enhance the stories in a more comprehensive manner. They are based on the book by Quah Seng Sun, *Let the Aisles Proclaim: The First Two Hundred Years of Penang Free School 1816-2016*. Published by the Yayasan Penang Free School, it was launched during the school's Bicentenary in 2016.



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