

**APPEAL FOR THE PENANG FREE SCHOOL J.M.B. HUGHES AND JEAN HUGHES
FUND**

HUGHES' LEGACY. J.M.B. HUGHES taught in Penang Free School (PFS) from 1948 to 1952 and was Headmaster from 1957 to 1963. His wife, JEAN HUGHES, taught English language and literature (1957 to 1963) and was an advisor to and director of several plays performed by the Music and Drama Society (even before she joined PFS when she was a teacher at the St. Georges Girls School, Penang). All those who have known the HUGHES will readily recollect their many and long lasting contributions to the advancement of PFS, and their warm, caring concern for all their students and colleagues. Their emphasis for all to excel in their studies, shine in sporting activities, develop loyalty to school and country through respect for one another, unity among all, service to community and country, and practice intellectual integrity cannot be overstated. Their camaraderie and free fellowship with all the students were rare qualities that are fondly still reminisced. It is to commemorate and honour them that it has been decided to perpetuate their names by the award of two prizes by establishing a "HUGHES FUND" within the Penang Free School Foundation.

HUGHES' FUND. The FUND will be sourced from the sale of J.M.B. Hughes' autobiography "**THE WHITE CROCODILE'S TALE: MY MEMOIRS**", published by ARECA BOOKS, Penang, which is available at RM60/- per copy. An appeal is also made for donations to add to the revenues to be earned from the sale of the book to ensure that the prizes to be awarded can be guaranteed for at least ten years. All donations exceeding RM1000/- will be tax-free. Donations can be directly made to the PFS Foundation by filling in the donation form given below.

PRIZES. The PFS Foundation will manage the FUND and the school will be responsible for selecting the prize winners. The two prizes to be awarded are:

1. J.M.B.Hughes "Best Student Prize." This prize was initiated by the Old Frees' Association, Kuala Lumpur & Selangor in 2012 and guaranteed for ten years. The current appeal for funds is to ensure its continuation for at least another ten years after the present guarantee expires.

2. Jean Hughes "Best Music and Drama Student Prize." This prize will be launched on 21st October 2014 and will be guaranteed for at least ten years depending on availability of funds.

NATURE OF AWARDS. The prizes will be awarded on PFS Speech Day, each year on 21st October. Each prize will comprise:

- a) *Cash Prize of RM1,000/-* (may be increased depending upon funds)
- b) *An elegant specially designed certificate*
- c) A copy of the autobiography

DONATIONS. Your kind support to perpetuate their names will be gratefully acknowledged and any donation will be thankfully received.

Kindly fill in the form below:

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HUGHES FUND**

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RM.....

OR

I have made my donation for the sum of RM.....by Bank transfer to:

Bank: Maybank Account name : Penang Free School Account Number : 007152301665
SWIFT Code : MBBEMYKL

Reference : Hughes Fund, YOUR NAME

Please send Donation Form with Cheque (if applicable) to:

The Principal, Penang Free School

Jalan Masjid Negeri

11600 Penang

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Scanned forms may be sent to: penangfree@ymail.com (copy johnmachughes@me.com)

My donation is RM 1,000/- or more and I would like a receipt to claim a tax repayment

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Thank you all

John Hughes, Dato' (Dr) Anwar Fazal, Jeyaraj C. Rajarao, Dr Teoh Soong Kee