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Dear parents/guardians

We hope this letter finds you and your family in good health. We are looking forward to working with you again this term and would like to provide you with information on the key events for Term 2.

Additional Academic Support

The beginning of Term 2 marks the formal start to the provision of additional academic support across all levels. Non-CCA days (Tues and Thurs) have been assigned to various subject disciplines (see **Annex** on pg. 7). On these days, the respective subject teachers may identify students in need of additional academic support to provide coaching to; alternatively, students may approach their teachers to make appointments for consultation. Such sessions may take place in person in school, or over Zoom.

Additional academic support is not restricted to Tues and Thurs. If both the teacher and student(s) are available on the other weekday afternoons, they may wish to go ahead to set up appointments accordingly. Students may also wish to submit additional work or resubmit work for feedback.

Through this support model, we hope to be able to cultivate in our students a proactive learning disposition, as they will have more opportunities to take greater ownership over their learning by seeking help when needed, and identifying their own areas of need early.

KEY EVENTS IN TERM 2

1. Sec 3NT Applied Learning Modules at ITE (ApLM@ITE)

The objectives of the ApLM@ITE are to:

- extend and build on the learning objectives of Normal Technical course subjects;
- introduce a course of study in post-secondary education to students; and
- help students build an awareness of possible career paths.

Class	Programme	Venue	Date/Time	Instructions
3/7	ApLM@ITE	ITE College Central	27 Mar (8.00am – 5.00pm)	1. Students to report to school and assemble in the parade square by 7.20am. 2. Teachers and students to walk to ITE College Central by 8.00am.
			28 & 29 Mar (8.00am – 5.00pm)	1. Students to report directly to ITE College Central by 8.00am.

2. English Language Oral Examination (Internal) (Sec 4 and 5)

The English Language Oral Examination will be conducted on the following dates. The marks will count towards students' Preliminary Examination Oral component.

Level	Date	Time	Venue
4Exp/5NA	25 Apr	3.15pm – 6.00pm Reporting Time: 3.00pm	Hall & Classrooms
4Exp/5NA	27 Apr		
4NA & 4NT	2 May		

** Students taking subject-based banding will be scheduled to take their oral exam with the relevant course (e.g. 4N(A) students taking O-level EL will be scheduled for their exam on 25 or 27 Apr).

3. Mother Tongue Language (MTL) Oral Examination (Internal) (Sec 4, 5 and 3 Higher MTL students)

In preparation for the O-Level Mother Tongue Language Oral Examination in July, the school will be conducting an internal oral examination for different groups of students. The marks for 4Exp, 4NA & 5NA will count towards students' Preliminary Examination Oral component while the marks for 3Exp will count towards students' End-of-Year Examination Oral component.

Level	Date	Time	Venue
4Exp MTL	11 Apr	3.15pm – 6.00pm Reporting Time: 3.00pm	Hall & Classrooms
4Exp HMTL	13 Apr		
4NA MTL	18 Apr		
5NA MTL and 3Exp HMTL	20 Apr		

4. Humanities Learning Journey – History & Geography (Secondary 1)

The lower secondary students will be able to witness their learning come alive through a combined Humanities learning journey in Term 2 to the Singapore River. Students will experience how both their Geography and History learning can be applied to the same areas around the National Gallery and Asian Civilisations Museum, on the following dates:

Date	Class	Time
28 Mar	1T, 1H & 1I	2.30pm - 5.30pm
29 Mar	1N & 1R	
30 Mar	1E & 1K	

5. 53rd Speech Day (Secondary 4 and 5)

We are pleased to announce that we will be celebrating our 53rd Speech Day this year on 11 May 2023. This is an important school event that enables us to recognise and celebrate the hard work of our students, staff and partners. Only the Sec 4 and 5 classes are required to attend this event.

Lessons will be carried out as usual in the morning, and students from all levels will be dismissed from school at **12.30pm**, which is earlier than the usual timing.

Sec 4 and 5 students are to refer to the following details.

Date	Venue	Instructions
11 May	School Hall	School Dismissal: 12.30pm. Sec 4 & 5 students are advised to have their lunch and report to school again by 4.45pm in their respective classrooms. Dismissal is approximately at 7.00pm for Sec 4 & 5 students.

6. CCA Stand Down

CCA for Sec 4 and 5 will stand down by 12 May 2023. CCA will be conducted as usual for Sec 1 to Sec 3 students as there are no mid-year examinations for these levels.

7. Science Learning Journeys

Science Department will be organising learning journeys to encourage the learning of complex Biology, Chemistry and Physics concepts through various hands-on activities.

The experiential learning journeys will be conducted at the National Kidney Foundation for Biology students and NUS Science Faculty Demonstration Lab in Term 2 and one day in the June holiday. Please take note of the following schedule:

Date	Time	Venue	Classes
29 May (Mon)	9.00am to 11.00am (Bus will depart at 8.15am) 2.00pm to 4.00pm (Bus will depart at 1:15 pm)	NUS Science Faculty Demonstration Lab	Name list will be issued on Parents Gateway Class 3/3 (38 students) + Class 3/4 (4 students) Class 3/1 (38 students) + Class 3/2 (2 students)
30 May (Tues)	2.00pm to 4.00pm (Bus will depart at 1.15pm)	National Kidney Foundation	Class 3/1 and Class 3/2
5 Jun (Mon)	9.00am to 11.00am (Bus will depart at 8.15am) 2.00pm to 4.00pm (Bus will depart at 1.15pm)	NUS Science Faculty Demonstration Lab	Name list will be issued on Parents Gateway Class 3-4 (34 students) Class 3-2 (33 students)

8. Home-Based Learning (HBL)

Our students have demonstrated their ability to engage in self-directed learning through fortnight HBL. For Term 2, the HBL days will be as follows:

- 31 Mar 2023, Friday
- 14 Apr 2023, Friday
- 28 Apr 2023, Friday
- 12 May 2023, Friday

Students are encouraged to engage in Student-Initiated Learning (SIL) on topics of their own interest, including their hobbies or topics outside of the syllabus, for at least one hour on HBL days. We encourage you to engage your child/ward (especially lower secondary students) in conversation regarding their Personal SIL Plan and learning experience.

9. Sports & Physical Education

To promote class bonding and cultivate team spirit through sport, we will be starting the Inter-Class Games in Term 2 with Sec 1 on 16 May 2023 (Tues) and Sec 4 on 15 May 2023 (Mon). The games will take place after school, from 3.00-6.00pm.

The National Physical Fitness Award (NAPFA) Test will be conducted during PE lessons for Sec 2, 4 and 5 students. Sec 1 and 3 students are not required to take the NAPFA test.

10. MTL Intensive Revision Programme for Sec 4 and 5 MTL Students

From 16 May to 26 May 2023, the MTL Department will be conducting intensive revision sessions for Sec 4 and 5 students to prepare them for the O-Level Mother Tongue Language Examination on 29 May and 30 May. The sessions will be held from 3.00pm to 5.15pm in the respective MTL classrooms.

11. Parent-Teacher Meeting (PTM)

The PTM has been scheduled for Friday, 26 May 2023. More updates will be provided in the middle of May.

12. Mid-Year School Holiday Academic Support for Sec 4 and 5

Lessons and consultation sessions will be conducted for Sec 4 and 5 students from 30 May to 5 Jun 2023. The timetable and details of the lessons or consultation sessions will be provided in May.

13. Public Holidays

There are three public holidays in Term 2 and students are not required to report to school on the following days.

Occasion	Date
Good Friday	7 Apr (Fri)
Hari Raya Puasa	24 Apr (Mon) (Off-in-lieu)
Labour Day	1 May (Mon)

14. Mid-Year School Holidays

Mid-year school holidays will begin on Saturday, 27 May. Students will report to school on Monday, 26 June 2023 for the new term.

15. Submission of Device Management Application (DMA) option for Personal Learning Device (Parents of Sec 1 Students)

We would like to thank parents of Sec 1 students who have submitted their PLD DMA option via Parents Gateway. Please refer to the PG message which was posted on 9 March 2023 if you need more information.

We hope the information that we have provided is useful to you. We look forward to partnering with you in ensuring your child's/ward's progress in school.

Thank you.

Yours faithfully
Ms Tan Po Chin
Principal

Annex

Additional Academic Support – Term 2 2023

Week	Day	Date	Departments	
T2W1	Tue	21-Mar	Sci	MTL
T2W1	Thu	23-Mar	Math	MTL
T2W2	Tue	28-Mar	A&T	Hum & CPA
T2W2	Thu	30-Mar	Sci	EL & Lit
T2W3	Tue	4-Apr	A&T	Hum & CPA
T2W3	Thu	6-Apr	Math	Hum & CPA
T2W4	Tue	11-Apr	Hum & CPA	MTL
T2W4	Thu	13-Apr	Math	MTL
T2W5	Tue	18-Apr	Sci	EL & Lit
T2W5	Thu	20-Apr	A&T	Sci
T2W6	Tue	25-Apr	Math	EL & Lit
T2W6	Thu	27-Apr	A&T	EL & Lit
T2W7	Tue	2-May	A&T	Hum & CPA
T2W7	Thu	4-May	Math	Hum & CPA
T2W8	Tue	9-May	Sci	EL & Lit
T2W8	Thu	11-May	Speech Day	
T2W9	Tue	16-May	Sci	MTL
T2W9	Thu	18-May	Math	MTL
T2W10	Tue	23-May	A&T	Hum & CPA
T2W10	Thu	25-May	Sci	EL & Lit

A&T – Aesthetics & Design (Art, D&T, FCE, Music and Principles of Account)

CPA – Computer Applications

EL – English Language

Hum – Humanities

Lit – Literature

MTL – Mother Tongue Languages

Sci – Science