



BENDEMEER PRIMARY SCHOOL

1 Jul 2022

Dear Parent / Guardian,

We would like to update you on the following:

1. **School Holiday and Public Holiday.** Students do not need to report to school on the following days:
 - 4 Jul (Monday): Youth Day (School Holiday)
 - 11 Jul (Monday): Hari Raya Haji (Public Holiday)
2. **Racial Harmony Day on 21 Jul.** In commemoration of Racial Harmony Day, our school will be carrying out a variety of learning experiences for your child from 18 Jul to 22 Jul. Through these learning experiences, we hope to develop in our students an appreciation towards diversity and understand the needs to promote, preserve and celebrate multiculturalism.

On **21 Jul (Thu)**, students are encouraged to come to school in their ethnic dresses (for girls) and ethnic shirts and pants (for boys), and with school shoes. No accessories are to be worn on the head, hands and feet. Students are allowed to wear the ethnic attire throughout the entire day and do not need to change for PE lessons if any. The students can also choose to come dressed in their school uniform or PE attire.

If you have any query, please contact your child's form teacher or Mdm Vani Thanasekar, ST Social Studies at vani_thanasekar@schools.gov.sg.

3. **National Day Celebration on 8 Aug (Early Dismissal).** In commemoration of National Day 2022, our school has planned a variety of learning experiences for your child from 1 Aug to 8 Aug. Through the learning experiences, we hope to develop in our students the values of Adaptability, Resilience and Empathy as well as love for Singapore.

The school's National Day celebration will be held on **8 Aug (Mon)**. We would like to encourage our students to come dressed in a red T-shirt with their school skirt (with their PE shorts) for the girls and school shorts (PE) for the boys. Students are to wear their school shoes. There should be no inappropriate text or graphics on the red T-shirt. In the event that your child does not have a red T-shirt, he/she will come dressed in their PE attire. There will be a mass physical exercise on this day.

The students will report to school as per normal school day. As it is a short day, there will be no recess break. Instead, students will have a snack break at 9.00am. Please ensure that your child brings his/her own water bottle and healthy snack. The students will be dismissed at 10.30am.

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The Student Care Centre will operate as per normal. Students who are in SCC will proceed directly to SCC after dismissal.

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4. **Revised School Canteen Pricing.** The Consumer Price Index and average hawker food prices had been increasing since 2018 (data from NEA and Department of Statistics). The cost of food items had also further increased due to the current COVID-19 situation in China and Ukraine War. In view of the rising food cost, the price of canteen food was reviewed, and would be increased by \$0.10-\$0.20 from Term 3 Week 4 (18 Jul) onwards. We seek your kind understanding in this matter.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs Tan-Lim Kim Gek
Principal



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