



BENDEMEER PRIMARY SCHOOL

18 Mar 2022

Dear Parent / Guardian,

On behalf of the staff in Bendemeer Primary School, we would like to welcome all our pupils back to school after the March school holidays on 21 Mar.

1. **Recap of Term 1 Activities.** As Singapore continues to deal with the Covid-19 situation, we would like to thank you for your understanding and trust in the school to carry out our curriculum. We also would like to compliment our students for playing their part by diligently observing safe distancing measures, watching their personal hygiene and caring for others. Indeed, these are testimonies of our students taking personal responsibility, demonstrating acts of kindness, and making an impact in our community. We would like to take this opportunity to share with you some key highlights in Term 1 (see **Annex A**).





Student Development	Our school officially appointed our Prefects in their roles for 2022 during the Prefects' Investiture Ceremony on 21 Feb. This is part of the school's effort to develop our students' leadership skills.
	As part of our annual CNY Festive Outreach, our P4 student leaders joined our school leaders on 24 Jan to present oranges together with our students' beautiful tiger-themed craftwork to our non-teaching staff. This gesture allowed the school to show gratitude to our non-teaching staff and recognize their contributions to our school.
	Five P6 students participated in the Wits and Words Debate Competition in Feb 2022. The aims of Wits & Words are to provide pupils with a foundation in debate, develop research and critical thinking skills through the rigour of a formal debate, and develop confidence in oral communication.
Community Involvement	The school commemorated Total Defence Day 2022 with a series of activities to remind us of our part in building a strong, secure and cohesive nation. The static display put up by staff provided a better understanding of Singapore's military capabilities in keeping our country safe.

2. **School Activities.** The school remains committed to carry out our curriculum in a safe and conducive learning environment amidst the COVID-19 situation. The (tentative) after-school activities for the rest of the school year can be found in **Annex B**. In accordance to MOE's guidelines, the school will be conducting the following assessments for our students in 2022. The school will have **early dismissal at 1pm for P1-P5 levels during our P6 Oral Exam (Mid-Year & Prelim exams)** as additional classrooms are required to simulate the actual PSLE exam format (more details on the early dismissals will be provided nearer to dates). Please see **Annex C** for the tentative assessment dates (including **revised Prelim Exams and PSLE Time-Table**).

Level	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
P1 & P2	No Weighted Assessment and Examination			
P3 & P5	-	Weighted Assessment	Weighted Assessment	End-of-Year Exam
P4	-	Mid-Year Exam	P4 Weighted Assessment	P4 End-of-Year Exam
P6	Continual Assessment	Mid-Year Exam	P6 Prelim Exam PSLE Oral	PSLE LC & Written Exam

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3. **Term 2 Parent-Teacher Meeting (PTM) / Parent Child Teacher Conference (PCTC).**
We value building positive partnership with our parents in supporting the development of their children. Our Primary 1 and 2 teachers will be engaging parents in PCTC while our Primary 3 to Primary 6 teachers will be engaging parents in PTM. Please take note that we have scheduled **27 May (Friday) for PTM/PCTC**. Instructions on how to create your booking slots will be disseminated to you at a later date.
4. **Healthier Lifestyle (for Children).** Health Promotion Board (HPB) has prepared updated resources (Parents NewsLetter & Parents' Workshops) for parents to encourage a healthier lifestyle for our school's children.

Parents' NewsLetter (Edition 1)	Sharing of HPB programmes for students in schools, and how parents can continue building healthy habits at home for their children	 https://go.gov.sg/parentsnewsletter1
Parents' NewsLetter (Edition 2)	What parents can do to help their children through big transitions like transition to Primary or Secondary School.	 https://go.gov.sg/parentsnewsletter2
Parents' Workshop (Colours of the Mind)	Parents will learn the knowledge and skills to better communicate with their children and take control of their personal wellbeing.	 https://go.gov.sg/cotmprisch1
Parents' Workshop (Healthy Eating and Healthy Living)	Parents will learn about smart food choices for your family.	 https://go.gov.sg/healworkshopspsg

5. **School Safety.** School Safety is fundamental to the well-being of staff and students in carrying out their duties and participating in learning activities respectively. It requires a whole-school approach where we need to collaborate with our stakeholders. We continue to encourage feedback from parents and students to improve our safety management. In school premises, most students are observing safety in their commute, movement and lessons. The school will be conducting our (termly) 2-day **temperature-taking exercise** on 24-25 Mar and would like to seek your cooperation in ensuring that your child brings his/her thermometer to school on the said date. On **Road Safety**, we would like to thank parents who drive their children to school for your attention to pedestrian safety in the school vicinity.

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6. **New Parent Support Group (PSG) EXCO Committee.** The PSG is formed by a group of parents who have a keen interest in contributing towards the school community and who readily impart their skills / render their services to the school. The school welcomed the following personnel that made up the new PSG EXCO Committee for 2022:

Name	Appointment
Ms Seriwati Salim	Chairperson
Mr Muhammad Nazmi Bin Abu Bakar	Vice-Chairperson
Ms Punam Gurung	Secretary
Ms Badhar Nisha	Member
Ms Shruti Mathur	Member
Ms De Guzman Cherrylyn Flores	Member
Ms Kavita Gurung	Member

7. **Donning of New School Uniform.** We want to thank parents for your support to the school's effort to progressively roll-out our new uniform in 2021. It is mandatory for our students to wear the new uniform **from the start of 2022 Term 2 (after Mar Holidays)**. The school is allowing our P3 students to continue wearing their P2 2-in-1 uniform till they are worn-out or no longer fitting.
8. **Temporary Closure of School Dental Clinic.** We wish to inform you that the dental staff in charge of our school's dental clinic is currently being deployed to the MOE 5 - 11 year old vaccination operation for an approximate period of 3 months (January to March 2022). In the interim period, School Dental Service will schedule relief dental staff to carry out screening for our Primary 6 students. For students with *dental emergencies* that require immediate attention (e.g. facial swelling due to dental infection, dental injury), please contact School Dental Service at 6435 3782, Mondays - Fridays, 8am - 5pm.
9. **Setting up of MOE Kindergarten (MK) at Bendemeer Primary in 2023.** We have earlier shared with you that MOE will be setting up a MK within our school in 2023. In preparation for the setting up of a MK within our school in 2023, **renovation works have commenced in Nov 2021 and will be completed by end 2022.** We seek your understanding as the school put in place measures to ensure that retrofitting works are carried out safely with minimal disruption to our school operations and lessons. The MK Registration Exercise for our 2023 K1 programme was conducted from 4-8 Feb 2022. For more information on MOE Kindergarten, you can visit www.moe.gov.sg/mk, or call the MOE Customer Service Centre at 6872 2220 (Mondays to Fridays: 8.30am to 5.30pm).

Yours sincerely,


Mrs Tan-Lim Kim Gek
Principal

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Some Highlights of School Activities in Term 1



Our EXCO Prefects leading the reciting of the Prefect Oath. Our prefects receiving their tie-pins and appointment letters during the Prefects' Investiture Ceremony 2022.



The Partnership & PSG Committee carried out our annual CNY Festive Outreach with our non-teaching staff on Monday, 24 January. The activity involved both our students and school staff.

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Our school's Wits and Words Debate Competition Team participated in the following debates:

- **Online Friendly-** This House Would Support The Rise Of Child Social Media Influencers (as Team Proposition)
- **Round 1:** This House Believes That Parents Should Not Give Material Rewards For Academic Achievement (as Team Proposition)
- **Round 2:** This House Would Ban The Production And Consumption Of All Animal Meat (as Team Opposition).



The school embarked on a week-long Total Defence Programme (from 14-18 Feb 2022) to familiarize our students and staff with the various components of Total Defence.

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After-School Activities in Term 2, 2022

Week	Date	Activities	Remarks
1	Mon, 21 Mar & Thurs, 24 Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> P4, P5 & P6 after-school lessons to commence from 21 Mar (pm) 	P3 after-school lessons for selected students will commence from 28 Mar (pm)
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Support lessons for P3 level 	P3 Cohort Student Leadership on 21 Mar (pm) & 24 Mar (pm)
3	Mon, 4 Apr & Thurs, 7 Apr	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Supplementary / Support / Stretch lessons for P3-P6 levels 	
5	Fri, 15 Apr	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public Holiday – Good Friday 	No school for all students
6	Mon, 25 Apr & Tue, 26 Apr	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Supplementary / Support lessons for P3-P6 levels Early dismissal for P1-P5 levels at 1pm 	Mid-Year Exam for P6 (Oral EL/MTL); Early dismissal for other levels as additional classrooms are required to simulate the actual PSLE format
6 -8	Wed, 27 Apr to Thurs, 12 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Supplementary / Support / Stretch lessons for P3-P6 levels 	P4 & P6 Mid-Year Exam / P3 & P5 Weighted Assessments
7	Mon, 2 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public Holiday – May Day 	No school for all students
7	Tue, 3 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public Holiday – Hari Raya Puasa 	No school for all students
9	Mon, 16 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public Holiday – Vesak Day 	No school for all students
10	Fri, 27 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No school for all students 	Pupil-Child-Teacher Conference for P1 & P2; Parent-Teacher Mtg for P3 to P6
28 May to 26 Jun		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Term 2 School Holidays 	
Mon, 30 May to Wed, 1 Jun		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> P6 Supplementary Classes 	Primary 6 students only
- Mon, 30 May to Wed, 1 Jun - Wed, 22 Jun & Fri, 24 Jun		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Selected CCA sessions 	Selected CCA students Consent forms will be issued later

After-School Activities in Term 3, 2022 (tentative)

Week	Date	Activities	Remarks
1	Mon, 27 Jun & Thurs 30 Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commencement of Supplementary / Support lessons for P5-P6 levels; P4 Stretch lesson 	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Support lessons for P3-P4 levels 	P3-P4 after-school lessons will commence on 7 Jul
2	Mon, 4 Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Holiday – Youth Day 	No school for all students
3	Mon, 11 Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public Holiday – Hari Raya Haji 	No school for all students
3	Thurs, 14 Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Supplementary / Support / Stretch lessons for P3-P6 levels 	
4	Mon, 18 Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Supplementary / Support / Stretch lessons for P5 Level only 	3-Day P5 Camp@Labrador OALC
4	Thurs, 21 Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Supplementary / Support / Stretch lessons for all levels Early dismissal for P1-P5 levels at 1pm 	P6 Prelim Oral; Early dismissal for other levels as additional classrooms are required to simulate the actual PSLE format
7	Mon, 8 Aug	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Supplementary / Support / Stretch lessons for all levels Early (Staggered) Dismissal at 10.10am-10.30am for all levels 	National Day Eve
7	Tue, 9 Aug	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public Holiday – National Day 	No school for all students
7	Wed, 10 Aug	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Holiday – National Day 	No school for all students
8	Mon, 15 Aug & Tue, 16 Aug	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No school for P1-P5 students 	PSLE Oral
8	Mon, 15 Aug & Thurs, 18 Aug	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Supplementary lessons for all levels 	PSLE Oral & P6 Prelim Exam
9	Mon, 22 Aug & Thurs, 25 Aug	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Supplementary / Support / Stretch lessons for P3-P6 Levels 	P3-P5 Weighted Assessments
10	Thurs, 1 Sept	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Supplementary / Support / Stretch lessons for all levels Early Dismissal (tentatively at 12pm) 	Teachers' Day Celebration
10	Fri, 2 Sept	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Holiday – Teachers' Day 	No school for all students
3 Sept to 11 Sept		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Term 3 School Holidays 	
Thurs, 8 Sept to Fri, 9 Sept		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> P6 Supplementary Classes 	Primary 6 students only
Thurs, 8 Sept to Fri, 9 Sept		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Selected CCA sessions 	Selected CCA students (Consent forms will be issued later)

After-School Activities in Term 4, 2022 (tentative)

Week	Date	Activities	Remarks
1	Mon, 12 Sept	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commencement of Supplementary / Support/ Stretch lessons for P3-P6 levels 	
1	Thurs, 15 Sept	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Supplementary / Support/ Stretch lessons for P3-P6 levels 	
1	Fri, 16 Sept	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No School for P1 to P5 levels 	PSLE Listening Comprehension
3	Wed, 28 Sept	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Home-Based Learning for P6 Students 	
3	Thurs, 29 Sept to Fri, 30 Sept	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Home-Based Learning for P1 & P2 Students 	PSLE Exams; There will be Supplementary / Support Lessons for P3-P5 levels on 29 Sept
4	Mon, 3 Oct to Tue 4 Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Home-Based Learning for P3 & P4 Students 	PSLE Exams; There will be Supplementary / Support / Stretch Lessons for P5 levels on 3 Oct
4	Thurs, 6 Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Supplementary / Support / Stretch lessons for all levels 	Children's Day Celebration
4	Fri, 7 Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Holiday – Children's Day 	No school for all students
5	Mon, 10 Oct to Thurs, 13 Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Supplementary / Support / Stretch lessons for all levels 	End-of-Year Oral Exam & Post-Exam Admin
6	Mon, 17 Oct to Thurs, 20 Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No School for all levels 	PSLE Marking
7	Mon, 24 Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public Holiday – Deepavali 	No school for all students
7-8	Thurs, 27 Oct- Thurs 3 Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Supplementary / Support / Stretch lessons for P3-P6 levels (Assessments) 	
9	Mon, 7 Nov onwards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Supplementary / Support lessons for P6 level 	Support lessons for P3-P5 students to be conducted in Week 9 & 10
9	Fri, 11 Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No School for all levels 	P1 Orientation
10	Thurs, 17 Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No School for all levels 	Parent-Teacher Mtg for P3 to P5; Pupil-Child-Teacher Conference for P1 & P2
10	Fri, 18 Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Honours Day 2022 	Selected students to be back in school
- Mon, 21 Nov to Wed, 23 Nov - Wed, 28 Dec to Fri, 30 Dec		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Selected CCA sessions 	Selected CCA students Consent forms will be issued later

2022 Bendemeer Primary School Assessment Dates

Week	Date	Paper	Remarks
T1 / Wk 8	23 – 24 Mar (Mon & Tue)	P6 Oral Test	Make-up for 2021 P5 End-of-Year Exams
T1 / Wk 9	28 Feb (Mon)	P6 Continual Assessment EL Paper 2	
	1 Mar (Tue)	P6 Continual Assessment Maths Paper	
	2 Mar (Wed)	P6 Continual Assessment MTL Paper 2	
	3 Mar (Thurs)	P6 Continual Assessment SC	
	4 Mar (Fri)	P6 Continual Assessment HMTL Paper 2	
T2 / Wk 6	25 - 26 Apr (Mon & Tue)	P6 Mid-Year Exam Oral (EL/MTL)	- After-school conduct
	27 -28 Apr (Wed-Thurs)	P4 Mid-Year Exam Oral (EL/MTL)	- After-school conduct
T2 / Wk 7	5 May (Thurs)	P4/P6 Mid-Year Exam EL Paper 1	- More details on topics tested and duration of paper will be given at a later date
	6 May (Fri)	P4/P6 Mid-Year Exam MTL Paper 1	
T2 / Wk 8	9 May (Mon)	P4/P6 Mid-Year Exam EL Paper 2 & LC	
	10 May (Tue)	P4/P6 Mid-Year Exam Maths	
	11 May (Wed)	P4/P6 Mid-Year Exam MTL Paper 2 & LC	
	12 May (Thurs)	P4/P6 Mid-Year Exam SC	
	13 May (Fri)	P6 Mid-Year Exam HMTL Paper 1 & 2	
T2 / Wk 8 to Wk 9 (tentative)	9 May(Mon)-18 May (Wed)	P3/P5 Weighted Assessment	
T3 / Wk 4	21 – 22 Jul (Thurs & Fri)	P6 Prelim Oral (EL/MT)	- After-school conduct
T3 / Wk 6	2 Aug (Tues)	P6 Prelim LC (EL/MT)	- During curriculum time
T3 / Wk 8	18 Aug (Thurs)	P6 Prelim EL Paper 1 & 2	- More details on topics tested and duration of paper will be given at later date
	19 Aug (Fri)	P6 Prelim Maths	
T3 / Wk 9	22 Aug (Mon)	P6 Prelim MTL Paper 1 & 2	
	23 Aug (Tue)	P6 Prelim SC	
	24 Aug (Wed)	P6 Prelim HMTL Paper 1 & 2	
T3 / Wk 9 to Wk 10	22 Aug (Mon)-29 Aug (Mon)	P3 to P5 Weighted Assessment	

Week	Date	Paper	Remarks
T4 / Wk 5	10-11 Oct (Mon & Tue)	P5 End-of-Year Exam Oral (EL/MTL)	- After-school conduct
	12-13 Oct (Wed & Thurs)	P4 End-of-Year Exam Oral (EL/MTL)	
	13-14 Oct (Thurs & Fri)	P3 End-of-Year Exam Oral (EL/MTL)	- During curriculum time
T4 / Wk 7 & 8	26 Oct (Wed)	P3 to P5 End-of-Year Exam EL Paper 1	- More details on topics tested and duration of paper will be given at a later date
	27 Oct (Thurs)	P3 to P5 End-of-Year Exam MTL Paper 1	
	28 Oct (Fri)	P3 to P5 End-of-Year Exam EL Paper 2 & LC	
	31 Oct (Mon)	P3 to P5 End-of-Year Exam Maths	
	1 Nov (Tue)	P3 to P5 End-of-Year Exam MTL Paper 2 & LC	
	2 Nov (Wed)	P3 to P5 End-of-Year Exam SC	
	3 Nov (Thurs)	P5 End-of-Year Exam HMTL Paper 1 & 2	

2022 PSLE Time-Table

Week	Date	Paper
T3 / Wk 8	15 - 16 Aug (Mon & Tue)	PSLE Oral (EL/MTL)
T4 / Wk 1	16 Sept (Fri)	PSLE Listening Comprehension (EL/MT)
T4 / Wk 3 & Wk 4	29 Sept (Thurs)	EL Paper 1 & Paper 2
		Foundation EL Paper 1 & Paper 2
	30 Sept (Fri)	Mathematics Paper 1 & Paper 2
		Foundation Mathematics Paper 1 & Paper 2
	3 Oct (Mon)	Mother Tongue Language Paper 1 & Paper 2
		Foundation Mother Tongue Language Paper 1
	4 Oct (Tues)	Science
		Foundation Science
	5 Oct (Wed)	Higher Mother Tongue Language Paper 1 & Paper 2

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