

29 April 2020

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Dear Parents / Guardian,

Full Home-Based Learning (HBL) - Week 6 and School Holidays (5 May to 1 June 2020)

We are proud of our students, teachers and all of you parents for scaling the full HBL since 7 April 2020. Our students have shared that they greatly appreciated their teachers and you for supporting them in their learning and navigating the different platforms during their period of full HBL.

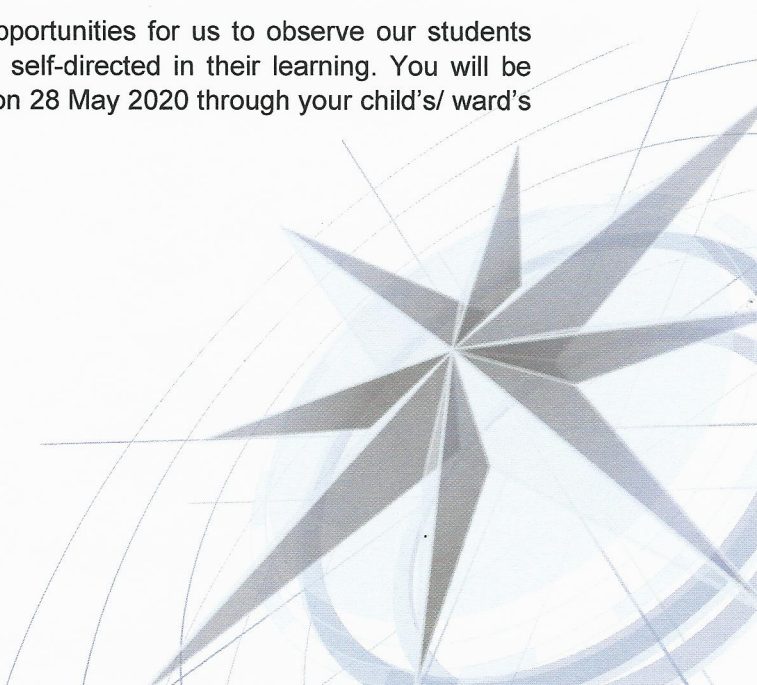
Since the launch of our Catch You Doing Good online movement last week, we have received **more than 155 CYDG stories!** Thank you for sharing these stories of your child/ ward at home with us through the level CYDG padlet boards and motivating them to be a gracious Dazhong student.

The Mid-Year School Holidays will begin on 5 May 2020 (Tuesday). Students could be meaningfully engaged in LLP/ ALP activities during this period of time. Students can look forward to our inaugural **ALP/Dare Challenge** where students are required to put on their scientific, mathematical thinking hats to creatively solve real challenges and put to use their communications; collaborative and information skills to pitch their ideas and solutions to win the judges' approval! Details will be shared at our website on 30 April 2020. We would like you to encourage your child/ ward to participate in the activities.

Under the LLP/SYF Virtual Arts Festival, students can also look forward to take part in this year's Singapore Youth Festival (SYF) which will be held virtually to enable students to continue engaging in the arts even as they stay at home. Themed 'Celebrate the Resilience of Our Youth', SYFgoesOnline! is a virtual arts festival by students from Singapore schools that showcases the creativity, vibrancy, and resilience of our youths as our nation stands united in the face of current challenges. There are many fun and easy-to-follow mini online projects involving Art, Dance and Music. We hope to have SYFgoesOnline! bringing together the voices of our students to express their hopes, dreams and desire to uplift and inspire the nation. The details will be shared at our website on 6 May 2020. Your child/ ward has what it takes to participate in these projects, do cheer them on!

DZPS Pupil Outcome Standards (POS)

The full HBL period has presented itself with opportunities for us to observe our students display the school values of being resilient and self-directed in their learning. You will be receiving the POS feedback on your child/ ward on 28 May 2020 through your child's/ ward's form teacher.



PSLE Topics to be tested for 2020

The Singapore Examinations and Assessment Board have reviewed the Topics to be tested for PSLE 2020. The following topics will not be included in the PSLE 2020 assessment.

Subject	Topics not included in PSLE 2020
Mathematics (Standard)	P6 content under Speed, Volume, Pie Charts, Solid Figures and Nets
Mathematics (Foundation)	P6 content under Geometry, Pie Charts, Volume
Science (Standard and Foundation)	Interactions within the Environment

Support for Graduating Cohort

Our P6 teachers will conduct “live” focused lessons during the last week of May Holidays (25 to 29 May 2020) in place of face to face lessons depending on the national situation. More details will be shared closer to the date via Parents Gateway.

P6 Parent-Teacher Dialogue Session (PTDS)

The Parent-Teacher Dialogue Session is a platform for teachers to conference with parents and share about your child’s/ward’s learning and progress for Semester 1. We hope that through this e-session, parents can partner the school to motivate and monitor their child/ward in their learning.

The P6 PTDS will be conducted over 2 sessions:

Session 1 will be held from **7 to 8 May 2020**. We will be conducting these sessions through zoom.

Session 2 will be conducted from **25 to 29 May 2020**. It will be conducted for parents of the rest of the students. We will communicate through the parents’ preferred modes of communication such as email, phone, Class dojo or Zoom.

More details will be shared via Parents Gateway from 30 April 2020 (Session 1 Parents) to 4 May 2020 (Session 2 Parents). We strongly encourage you to attend the PTDS session.

Student Well-Being during the School Holidays – FT Interaction Time (via Zoom)

Your child/ward’s form teachers will be checking in with your child/ward through once-a-week FT Interaction Times during the first and last week of the May Holidays. Please take note of the following timings for the FT Interaction Time:

First Week of May Holiday (5 May to 8 May 2020)	
Level	FT Interaction Time Day and Timings
Primary 1 & 2	Wednesday (06/05/2020) – 9.30am to 10.15am
Primary 3 & 4	Wednesday (06/05/2020) – 10.15am to 11.00am
Primary 5 & 6	Wednesday (06/05/2020) – 11.00am to 11.45am
Last Week of May Holiday (25 May to 29 May 2020)	
Level	FT Interaction Time Day and Timings
Primary 1 & 2	Wednesday (27/05/2020) – 9.30am to 10.15am
Primary 3 & 4	Wednesday (27/05/2020) – 10.15am to 11.00am
Primary 5 & 6	Wednesday (27/05/2020) – 1.00pm to 1.45pm

More details will be shared closer to the date through your child’s/ward’s Form Teachers.

Parents as Active Supporters

Thank you for tuning in to last week's assembly talk with your child/ ward on Peer Support. For this week's assembly, the focus will be on **Resilience** and **Personal Well-Being**. Our students will be encouraged to have a positive mindset to overcome any difficulties that they face. They will also be equipped with skills such as positive self-talk to cheer themselves on and to be thankful and praise others. By doing so, they will be more resilient and take care of their personal well-being.

During this holiday, please ensure that your child/ ward observes the Circuit Breaker Measures and remains at home as far as possible. Your child/ ward **should not** meet up with their friends in person and visit one another's homes. We will also like to emphasise the importance of practising safe and responsible use of computing devices during the holidays, you can do so by managing their screen time and their activities online.

Catch You Doing Good (CYDG) Movement

In the spirit of appreciation and to strengthen our Culture of Care, we have improved the level CYDG Padlets boards:

- Students are now encouraged to catch their parent/ guardian doing good
- Parent/ guardian and students can now appreciate their teachers by catching them doing good too!

We hope you, our Dazhong parents/guardian, and our teachers will be motivated when they see the various notes of appreciation from the various Level CYDG Padlets.

The links to the various Level CYDG Padlet Boards can be found on the school's HBL Google Site. We are counting on your support for the success of the CYDG online movement and to motivate our students to be gracious and practise self-leadership during this season!

Staff Appreciation @ Dazhong

If you would like to appreciate the good work and effort of our staff, please write an appreciation note via the Google Slides here <https://go.gov.sg/dzappreciate> (please copy and paste the link into your browser) or send your compliments to dazhong_ps@moe.edu.sg. Your words of affirmation would really encourage and motivate our staff to continue giving their best to facilitate our students' learning.

If you have any further enquiries, please email us at dazhong_ps@moe.edu.sg or through your child/ ward via their form teachers.

Yours sincerely,

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Principal