



# FERN GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

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School Vision: Joyful Learners, Caring Leaders, Resilient Innovators

School Core Values: Respect, Responsibility, Resilience, Integrity, Innovation, Care, Harmony

**T4W8  
Parents  
Notification**

5 November 2025

Dear Parents,

## ***Our Strategic Thrusts***

**ST1: Future-Ready Learners**

**ST2: Accomplished and Engaged Professionals**

**ST3: Organisational Excellence**

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1.	<p><b><u>Calendar of Events (T4W8 &amp; T4W9)</u></b></p> <p><b>T4W8</b></p> <p><b>Monday, 3 November</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 7:30am Class Contact Time: RICH in Character</li><li>• 7:30am to 1:30pm 6C 6H 6D: LLP: P6 Expedition</li><li>• 2:00pm P5: FMA Lessons</li></ul> <p><b>Tuesday, 4 November</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 11:00am to 12:30pm P6 Swimsafer</li><li>• 2:30pm P3 to P5: CCA</li></ul> <p><b>Wednesday, 5 November</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 6H 6D: AI for Fun (AiFF) Session 1</li><li>• P6 Music Milestone Programme (Post-PSLE Music Enrichment)</li></ul> <p><b>Thursday, 6 November</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 11:30am to 1:30pm P6: Set-up for Project HEARTS</li><li>• 2:00pm P3 to P5 HMTL Lessons (Except P3 &amp; P4 HML)</li></ul> <p><b>Friday, 7 November</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Project HEARTS</li><li>• 2:00pm P3 to P4 MTSP (TL) Lessons</li></ul> <p><b>T4W9</b></p> <p><b>Monday, 10 November</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 7:30am Assembly: Deepavali Celebrations</li><li>• P4 Level STEM Challenge</li><li>• P5 Level STEM Challenge</li><li>• 6H 6D: AI for Fun (AiFF) Session 2</li></ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• P6 Music Milestone Programme (Post-PSLE Music Enrichment)</li><li>• 2:00pm P5: FMA Lessons</li><li>• 2:00pm 2026 P3 HMTL/MTSP Briefing for Selected Parents</li></ul> <p><b>Tuesday, 11 November</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• P4 Level STEM Challenge</li><li>• P5 Level STEM Challenge</li><li>• 5R1 5R2 5R3: Code for Fun (CFF) Session 1</li><li>• P5 &amp; P6: Briefing on Art and Music Programmes at Secondary Level</li><li>• <b>No CCA</b></li></ul> <p><b>Wednesday, 12 November</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• School Administration Day <b>[No School]</b></li></ul> <p><b>Thursday, 13 November</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• P3 Conversational Chinese &amp; Malay (CCM) [Session 6 - During MTL periods]</li><li>• P4 Level STEM Challenge</li><li>• P5 Level STEM Challenge</li><li>• 6R3 6I 6C: AI for Fun (AiFF) Session 1</li><li>• P6 Music Milestone Programme (Post-PSLE Music Enrichment)</li><li>• 11:00am Spring Cleaning</li><li>• 2:00pm P3 to P5 HMTL Lessons (Except P3 &amp; P4 HML): e-learning (No face-to-face lessons)</li></ul> <p><b>Friday, 14 November</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• P3 Conversational Chinese &amp; Malay (CCM) [Session 7 - During MTL periods]</li><li>• P4 Level STEM Challenge</li><li>• P5 Level STEM Challenge</li><li>• 5R1 5R2 5R3: Code for Fun (CFF) Session 2</li><li>• 11:00am to 12:30pm P6 Swimsafer</li><li>• 2:00pm P3 to P4 MTSP (TL) Lessons: e-learning (No face-to-face lessons)</li><li>• 8:00am to 5:00pm P1 and P2 PTC with Form Teachers</li></ul> <p>(Events listed above are for the masses. Information is correct as on 5 November 2025. For updates or to subscribe to our calendars, please visit the school website at <a href="https://www.ferngreenpri.moe.edu.sg/general-information/School-Calendar/">https://www.ferngreenpri.moe.edu.sg/general-information/School-Calendar/</a>)</p>
2.	<p><b><u>School Administration Day on 12 November 2025 (Wednesday) [No School]</u></b></p> <p>The school has designated <b>12 November 2025 (Wednesday)</b> as our School Administration Day to facilitate the annual end-of-year results administration and promotion exercises.</p> <p>As all our teachers will be involved in results administration and the promotion exercises, please be informed that there will be no school on that day.</p> <p>School will resume on 13 November 2025 (Thursday).</p>

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3.	<p><b><u>Enhancing Home-School Partnership: Changes to Parent Communication from 2026</u></b></p> <p>As we approach the end of 2025, we would like to take this opportunity to express our heartfelt gratitude for your continued partnership and support in your children's educational journey at FGPS.</p> <p><b>1) Appreciation for Your Valuable Feedback</b></p> <p>Earlier this year, we conducted a comprehensive survey to better understand your perspectives on our school communication practices. We are pleased to share that the overwhelming majority of you found our current communication channels helpful and informative. Your thoughtful responses and constructive suggestions have provided us with invaluable insights into how we can continue to serve you and your children better.</p> <p>The feedback highlighted that whilst many of you appreciate the detailed weekly notifications, some have expressed that the frequency and volume of information can sometimes feel overwhelming. We have listened carefully to these concerns and recognise the importance of striking the right balance between keeping you well-informed and respecting your time.</p> <p><b>2) Supporting Our Teachers, Supporting Your Children</b></p> <p>Recent national studies, including the OECD Teaching and Learning International Survey, have shed light on the demanding nature of teaching in Singapore. Our teachers work tirelessly not just in the classroom, but also in planning engaging lessons, providing pastoral care, organising enriching activities, and maintaining meaningful communication with families like yours. You may refer to the following links for more information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#"><u>Singapore teachers work longer hours, report higher stress than OECD average</u></a></li><li>• <a href="#"><u>More will be done to support teachers, including managing workload: Desmond Lee   The Straits Times</u></a></li><li>• <a href="#"><u>Long hours, huge stress and VIPs (very involved parents). So what keeps a teacher in S'pore going?   The Straits Times</u></a></li></ul> <p>Our educators go beyond academic instruction—they serve as mentors, counsellors, and champions for every child in their care. However, we recognise that to sustain this level of dedication and excellence, we must ensure our teachers have the support and resources they need to thrive.</p> <p>The Ministry of Education has been actively exploring ways to manage teacher workload whilst maintaining the high-quality, holistic education that Singapore is known for. As a school community, we are committed to playing our part in these efforts.</p> <p><b>3) Changes to Parents Notification from 2026</b></p> <p>In response to your feedback and as part of our commitment to supporting teacher wellbeing, we will be implementing changes to our Parents Notification from 2026:</p> <p><b>a) What will change:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Parents Notifications will be sent termly instead of weekly</li><li>• Each notification will provide an overview of the upcoming term's key events and activities</li><li>• School and student achievements will continue to be shared when timely if not already communicated through our school website, ClassDojo, or Instagram</li><li>• Community and partnership information will remain included in a timely manner</li></ul> <p><b>b) What will remain the same:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• You will continue to receive detailed information about school events requiring your acknowledgement or consent through Parents Gateway</li></ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Our school website will maintain an up-to-date calendar of events (see <a href="#">School Calendar</a>). You can also add the school calendar to your mobile device via the link provided on the web page.</li><li>• Regular updates will continue through ClassDojo and our social media channels</li><li>• Teachers will remain accessible for individual concerns and queries via the established communication channels during school days from 7:30am to 5:00pm (see news article on national stance on communication with parents: <a href="#">Teachers need not share personal contact numbers, answer messages after school hours: Chan Chun Sing   The Straits Times</a>)</li></ul> <p><b>c) What this means for you:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• You will receive a clear preview of each term's activities before it begins, allowing for better family planning</li><li>• Event-specific communications will be more targeted and timely</li><li>• The overall quality and comprehensiveness of information will be maintained whilst reducing communication frequency</li></ul> <p><b>4) Moving Forward Together</b></p> <p>These changes reflect our commitment to creating a sustainable communication system that serves both our school community's needs and supports our teachers' wellbeing. By streamlining our processes, we enable our educators to focus more energy on what they do best—inspiring and nurturing your children's growth and development.</p> <p>We will be implementing these changes thoughtfully, with the school calendar being confirmed earlier and more comprehensively to ensure you receive accurate and stable information well in advance.</p> <p>We are confident that these adjustments will enhance rather than diminish our partnership. Your continued trust and collaboration remain essential as we work together to provide the best possible educational experience for your children.</p> <p>Thank you once again for your understanding, patience, and unwavering support. Together, we continue our mission of nurturing Joyful Learners, Caring Leaders, and Resilient Innovators.</p> <p><a href="#"><u>Back to Top</u></a></p>

Thank you.

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