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Dear Parents/Guardians,

As we draw the academic year to a close, it is heartening to reflect on the meaningful moments, achievements and growth we have witnessed as a school community. Guided by our motto “Making Impact,” this year’s theme — Be the Impact at Home, in the Community and Beyond — has truly come to life through the actions, spirit, and dedication of our students and staff.

Throughout the year, our students have done us proud in many areas, including sports, the uniformed groups, the performing and visual arts. These accomplishments reflect their commitment, perseverance, and growth, as well as the dedication and professionalism of our teachers and coaches who have guided and supported them every step of the way.

Equally meaningful are the rich learning experiences our students have gained through cohort camps, learning journeys and school events. These experiences have allowed them to discover new interests, form new friendships and strengthen existing bonds. More importantly, they have nurtured our students’ character, confidence, and adaptability as they collaborate with others, solve problems and take on new challenges. Such opportunities equip them with essential skills to thrive in a complex world and empower them to make a positive impact wherever they go, lessons that will continue to guide them well beyond their years in FTPPS.

As we approach the year-end break, we encourage everyone to stay safe and use the time meaningfully. Please encourage your child to learn a new skill, read a few good books, or visit places of interest with their loved ones. Most importantly, it is important for all of us to take time to rest and recharge, so that we can begin the new year with renewed energy and purpose.

We look forward to welcoming our P2 to P6 students back to school on **Monday, 5 January 2026**. Please note that students need not report to school on Friday, 2 January 2026, as that day will be dedicated to the Orientation for our new Primary 1 cohort.

To our graduating Primary 6 students, we wish you every success as you begin your next phase in secondary school. As you move forward, remember the values you have learnt here — Love, Responsibility, Respect, Integrity, and Perseverance. Let these values continue to guide your decisions and actions and inspire you to be a positive influence on those around you. Cherish the friendships and memories you have forged, and we look forward to seeing you return one day to contribute meaningfully to your alma mater.

Finally, we would like to express our heartfelt appreciation to all parents and guardians for your steadfast support and partnership throughout the year. Your encouragement and trust have been most invaluable in nurturing our students' growth and success.

Wishing everyone a safe, restful, and fulfilling December holiday.

1. Achievement, Affirmation and Appreciation

We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the following students for their outstanding achievement:

Name of Student	Award / Recognition
Huang Wanbin (3 Responsibility) Jiang Haokai (3 Integrity) Li Yunhao (3 Integrity)	Singapore Chinese Moo-O Awards 2025 (Merit Award)

We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the following staff for their outstanding achievements:

Name of Staff	MOE Service Excellence Award 2025 (Gold)	MOE Service Excellence Award 2025 (Silver)
	Fikir Amin Binti Md Said Han Heng Ee Adelyn Kong May Hua Maybeline Nurul Irdina Binte Agos Sadi Siti Maskinah Binte Muzakir	Aw Yong Bi Zhu Goh Shih Hui Gomathi Verachelvan Ho Joo Hui Effie Ivan Sim Yeow Seng Joel Prathiev Vin son Juliana Binte Ariffin Lam Lai Ngor Lee Chung Fang Lim Beng Chi Noor Yasmeen Bensmeer Binti Abdul Rahman Ong Chong Tiang Rajeshwari D/O Thangasami Siti Nur Radhiyah Binte Mohamad Subahan Stephanie Toh Bao Zhen Tan Tian Rong Whey Ai Ling Rina Wong Lucy Yeo Kirk Boone Zhao Na

2. New School Leader on Board

We are delighted to welcome **Mrs Cheryl Lim** to our school as our new **Vice Principal** effect from **27 October 2025**. Mrs Lim has previously served as Vice Principal in Marymount Convent and Clementi Primary School.

Let us extend our warmest welcome and fullest support to Mrs Lim as she embarks on this new chapter with the First Toa Payoh Primary School family.

3. Citizenship and Character Education

For November, the ‘Value of the Month’ is **Love**. Our foci are as follows:

Habit 7: Sharpen The Saw: I take time to find meaningful ways to help people.

Habit 7: Sharpen The Saw: I spend time with family and friends.

Through VIA and Gift of Love, students are involved in meaningful authentic experiences which provide the opportunity for them to develop social emotional skills to be concerned citizens and active contributors. Learning experiences for VIA and Gift of Love are designed in the following ways:

Everyday responsibilities	Activities/Projects
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Let's Clean Up! – Sparkling Classroom and Sparkling Canteen• Termly recycling drives	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Home Helper Programme• Friend of Singa project• Project Buddy Clean• Working with community partners and organisations to support their needs• Gift of Love to SCDF officers in Operation Lionheart in Myanmar and migrant workers in our school• Gift of Love to Community Chest through Children’s Day Appeal

Please refer to Annex A-1 for pictures on VIA.

4. Admin Day – Mon, 10 November 2025

The school has scheduled Monday, 10 November 2025 to be an Administrative Day for teachers to process students' results. Please be informed that all students need not report to school on that day. The Student Care Centre will operate full day from 7.30am to 7.00pm on that day.

5. Termly Recycling Drives – Thursday, 6 November 2025

As part of the school's ongoing efforts to nurture our students as environmentally responsible individuals, we will be holding our final Recycling Drive of the year in Week 8. This initiative supports our commitment to building a brighter and more sustainable, zero-waste future.

We would like to invite our students to bring the following items for recycling:

1. Plastic bottle caps and plastic bottles (500–1000 ml)
Please rinse and dry them and separate the bottle caps from the bottles.
2. Paper / newspapers
Ensure these are dry.
3. Metal cans
Rinse and clean them. Please ensure there are no sweet drinks inside.
4. Electronic waste (e-waste)
Items such as laptops, tablets, phones, switches, cameras, small audio equipment, batteries, hard drives, CDs/DVDs, etc.

Students may deposit their recyclables at the back of the canteen between 7:15 am and 7:30 am, or during their recesses. There will be clear labels indicating the collection points for the various houses and a dedicated bin for e-waste.

We look forward to your child's active participation in this meaningful effort. Thank you for your continued support in our journey towards a greener and more sustainable Earth!

6. Travel Declaration for Year-End Holiday

To ensure that schools continue to be a healthy and safe environment for all, we require parents/guardians to make **a travel declaration for your child/ward if he/she will be travelling** for the holidays.

To make a travel declaration for your child/ward via Parents' Gateway (PG), go to [SERVICE > DECLARE TRAVELS].

- Please declare your child/ward's travel plan(s), indicating both the country and city of travel, and any city of transit, by **Monday, 17 November 2025**. Only one parent is required to make the declaration.

If your child/ward is **not travelling** during the holidays, **no action is required**.

When planning your travel, please refer to <https://www.ica.gov.sg/enter-transit-depart> for more information and updates. **If there is a change in travel plan(s) after declaration, please submit a new travel declaration via PG; or inform the school if the travel plan(s) are cancelled.**

Thank you for your partnership and support to keep our school safe.

7. Affirmation Ceremony – Wed, 19 November 2025 and Fri, 21 November 2025

The school's annual Affirmation Ceremony will be held on the following dates:

- Wednesday, 19 November 2025 (Primary 1 and Primary 2 recipients)
- Friday, 21 November 2025 (Primary 3 to Primary 6 recipients)

A summary is given in the table below:

Date	Award Recipients	Remarks
Wednesday, 19 November 2025	Primary 1 and Primary 2	School functions as normal for P1 to P5 levels. P6 students to report at 11am for their graduation party.
Friday, 21 November 2025	Primary 3 to Primary 6	<p>The following students will be involved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All P5 and P6 students - Selected students from P3 and P4 - Award-recipients from P3 to P6 - Students involved in performances and official duties <p>Note: P1 to P2 students need not report to school</p>

8. Staff Lunch – Friday, 28 November 2025

Please note that the General Office will be closed from 10.00am on this day due to our annual staff lunch.

9. Important Dates and Information for 2025 Primary 6 Students

Parents are advised to take note of the tentative dates for the release of PSLE results, submission of secondary school choices and the reporting schedule for students to their posted secondary schools.

The tentative information is extracted from MOE's website for your reference:
<https://www.moe.gov.sg/secondary/s1-posting/>

Key Event		Tentative Date(s)
Release of PSLE Results		Tentatively between Monday, 24 November and Wednesday, 26 November 2025 (both dates inclusive).
Submission of options	a. via S1 Internet System	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7 calendar days, starting at 11:30am on the day of release of PSLE results. The system will be available 24 hours a day throughout the submission period. It will open at 11:30am on the first day and close at 4:30pm on the last day of the submission period.
	b. Via Primary Schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11.30am to 4:30pm on the first day; and 9am to 4:30pm from the second to the last day of the submission period

Key Event	Tentative Date(s)
Release of S1 Posting Results	Tentatively between Thursday, 18 December and Friday, 19 December 2025 via S1 Portal and SMS, and through your child's primary school.
Reporting to their posted secondary schools for registration	Different schools have different instructions for their new students. You can check the school's website to find the information to help prepare your child for the new school term: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reporting details when school reopens in January. • Familiarisation activities. • Purchase of new uniforms and textbooks. Your child should report to the posted secondary school when school reopens in January, even if you intend to appeal for a school transfer.
Useful resources for Choosing a Secondary School	Find up-to-date information about the S1 posting process on the MOE website. Use the SchoolFinder website to search and shortlist schools using easy-to-use filters such as location, CCAs, subjects and PSLE score range. SchoolFinder Website: https://www.moe.gov.sg/schoolfinder/

More information will be released closer to the date.

10. Sales of Textbooks and Uniforms during School Holiday

All parents / guardians are strongly encouraged to purchase textbooks and uniforms online to avoid having to wait in long queues. The items will be made available from 1st December 2025.

- School Textbooks : www.thecontinental.sg/ftpps
- School Uniforms : www.beauvoix.com.sg

Delivery

Please note that delivery charges apply for delivery of textbooks and uniforms. Kindly refer to the vendors' websites for more details.

Self-Collection / On-Site Purchase

You may purchase your child/ward's textbooks and uniforms online and book for an appointment to self-collect the items from the school. Alternatively, you may also walk-in to purchase textbooks and uniforms for your child/ ward. Our vendors' operating hour during the school holiday is as shown in the tabulation below.

Date	Operating Hours	Remarks	Location
Mon, 1 Dec 2025	9am to 3pm	For Walk-ins (P1 to P3)	School Canteen
Tues, 2 Dec 2025		For Walk-ins (P4 to P6)	
Wed, 3 Dec 2025		For Walk-ins (All Levels)	
Wed, 10 Dec 2025		For Walk-ins (All Levels)	

Thu, 11 Dec 2025		For Walk-ins (All Levels)	
Fri, 12 Dec 2025		For Walk-ins (All Levels)	
Tue, 23 Dec 2025		For Walk-ins (All Levels)	
Fri, 26 Dec 2025		For Walk-ins (All Levels)	

11. Donation of used school uniform and PE attire

If your child/ward has outgrown their school uniform and PE attire, we would appreciate it if you could donate them to the school if they are in good condition. To ensure that the donated items are ready for use, it would be helpful if the uniforms/PE attires are washed and ironed before being handed to the staff in the General Office. Your contribution will greatly benefit those in need and promote a sense of community and shared responsibility. The donated uniforms/PE attires will also come in handy in the event of inclement weather where our students may be caught in the rain and need a change of clothes. Thank you for your generosity and commitment to making a positive impact in our school.

12. Open for Nomination! – President’s Award for Teachers 2026 and Outstanding Youth in Education 2026

The **President’s Award for Teachers (PAT)** recognizes experienced educators who are role models for the teaching profession. These educators constantly adopt innovative approaches in their lessons and are lifelong learners and mentors to their peers. They embody deep passion for teaching and inspire their students and peers through their words and deeds.

The **Outstanding Youth in Education Award (OYEA)** recognizes young teachers, aged 35 and below, who are inspiring role models for the teaching profession. These teachers embody youthful idealism, energy, and enthusiasm, inspiring both their students and peers through their words and deeds.

Nominations for PAT 2026 and OYEA 2026 are now open until **9 January 2026, Friday, at 12pm**. Let’s show our appreciation by nominating those teachers who have made an impact in your child’s life. Your nomination will surely uplift and encourage them. It takes only 5 minutes of your time.

Nominations for both awards can be submitted online (<https://go.gov.sg/pat2026> and <https://go.gov.sg/oysa2026>).

13. First Day of School Reporting

Please be informed that only P1 and K1 students will report to school on **Friday, 2 January 2026**. Our Student Care Centre will be open from 7.30am to 7.00pm for enrolled P2 to P6 students.

We will welcome all students back to school on **Monday, 5 January 2026**.

14. 2026 Start It Right Programme – Friday, 2 January 2026 to Wednesday, 7 January 2026

To support our students in their transition to the next level of studies, we have set aside 2 Jan to 7 Jan 2026 for our Start It Right (SIR) Programme. The programme aims to establish a foundation for positive student-student and teacher-student relationships through setting expectations and providing opportunities for interaction through hands-on activities and games. We strive to provide support for a smooth transition for each student to the start of a new school year.

15. Stay Connected with First Toa Payoh Primary School

We are pleased to share that our school maintains an official presence on both **Facebook** and **Instagram**. These platforms serve as channels for us to showcase school events, student achievements, and various highlights from our vibrant school life.

Parents and guardians are encouraged to follow us through the links/QR code below to stay informed and connected with the latest updates:

Facebook: https://go.gov.sg/ftppsfb	Instagram: https://go.gov.sg/ftppsig
 https://go.gov.sg/ftppsfb	 https://go.gov.sg/ftppsig

We look forward to your continued support as we celebrate the efforts and successes of our students and staff throughout the year.

16. Grow Well SG

As part of our nation's effort to nurture healthy lifestyles in young people, the **Grow Well SG** initiative encourages children to eat well, sleep well, learn well, and exercise well — building strong habits for a brighter future.

With the year-end holidays coming up, it's a wonderful time for your children to relax, enjoy the outdoors, and spend meaningful time with family and friends. At the same time, it's easy to spend too much time on screens such as phones, computers, or online games.

We encourage parents to continue supporting your children in developing good daily habits by helping them to:

1. Eat balanced and healthy meals,
2. Get at least 9 hours of sleep each night,
3. Stay active with at least 1 hour of moderate exercise each day, and

- Keep screen time to less than 2 hours a day.

These simple habits can help your child feel refreshed, stay healthy, and be ready to start 2026 with energy and confidence.

17. School Activities (1 November 2025 to 7 January 2026)

The school will provide further details as necessary closer to the date, otherwise the schedule below serves as a notification.

Date	Activities	Levels & Classes Involved	Remarks
Fri, 7 November 2025	MK Orientation (Face to Face)	Parents of K1/ 2026 Students	
	Primary 1 Orientation (PM - Online)	Parents of P1/2026 Students (via Webinar)	
Mon, 10 November 2025	Admin Day for results processing	All students need not report to school	
Wed, 19 November 2025	Affirmation Ceremony - P1 & P2	Award recipients, invited guests, P1 to P5 students to report to school.	<i>Students will be notified closer to the date</i>
	P6 Graduation Lunch	P6	<i>P6 students to report at 11am.</i>
Fri, 21 November 2025	Affirmation Ceremony - P3 to P6 <i>P1 to P2 students need not report to school</i>	Award recipients, performers, invited guests, all P5 and P6 students and selected students from P3 and P4.	<i>Students will be notified closer to the date</i>
	Eat With Your family Day	General Office will close at 4.30pm	
Sat, 22 November 2025 to Wed, 31 December 2025	School Holiday	All	
Thu, 1 January 2026	Public Holiday – New Year	All	

Fri, 2 January 2026	First Day of School Reporting for the new P1 students P2 to P6 students (2026) need not report to school	P1 (2026)	
Mon, 5 January 2026	First Day of School Reporting for P2 to P6 students	P1 to P6 (2026)	
Friday, 2 January 2026 to Wednesday, 7 January 2025	Start It Right (SIR) Programme	All	

Once again, we wish you a restful and joyful time with loved ones this holiday.

In partnership with you,



Mrs Jennifer Choy (Principal)

Mrs Cheryl Lim (VP)

Ms Tay Yam Eng (VPA)