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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome back from the mid-year break! We hope that you and your family members are keeping well.

## 1. Character and Citizenship Education

For July, the 'Value of the Month' is **Perseverance**. Our foci are as follows:

Habit 1: Be Proactive: I choose my actions, attitudes, and moods.

Habit 4: Think Win-Win: When conflicts arise, I look for a win-win solution.

Habit 4: Think Win-Win: I can problem solve when an issue comes up with another person.

Habit 6: Synergize: I value other people's strengths and learn from them.

Habit 6: Synergize: I seek out other people's ideas because I know that by teaming with others, we can create better solutions than any one of us alone.

Habit 7: Sharpen The Saw: I take care of my body by eating right, exercising and getting sleep.

For more information on perseverance and building resilience, please refer to the following:

- [The Resilience Soup](#)
- [Parenting for Resilience](#)

## 2. Stretch & Support Schedules

The Stretch-Support-Supplementary (S3) Programme for Primary 1-6 will start from Week 1 of Term 3:

| Level   | Starting Date | Day                    |
|---------|---------------|------------------------|
| P1 & P2 | 26 June       | Mondays                |
| P3 & P4 | 28 June       | Wednesdays             |
| P5 & P6 | 26 June       | Mondays and Wednesdays |

A letter with the schedule will be sent to parents of the identified students.



### **3. Temperature Taking Exercise – Wednesday, 5 July 2023**

Conducted twice per year, the temperature taking exercise aims to maintain schools' preparedness to re-activate the temperature-taking regime should there be a need to. It also serves to educate students on taking personal responsibility for their own health and practising social responsibility.

The temperature-taking exercise will be conducted on **Wednesday, 5 July 2023**.

As part of the school's preparation for the exercise, we will be conducting a pre-exercise check on the students' Oral Digital Thermometers (ODTs) on **Tuesday, 4 July 2023**. We would like to seek your assistance in ensuring that your child/ward brings his/her personal ODT on the day mentioned.

### **4. Tinkerlution Challenge – Friday, 30 June 2023**

Students will take part in various STEM-related activities that will spark curiosity and require them to apply thinking and problem-solving skills in teams. The activities also provide a platform for students to practise working in a supportive and respectful manner with others and develop strategies to resolve conflicts. While teachers put on the hat of "Facilitator", students lead the way as "Tinkerneers" understanding the value of working in teams whilst engaging in creative exploration and learning.

### **5. Mother Tongue Language (MTL) Fortnight – Monday, 17 July 2023 to Friday, 21 July 2023**

The Mother Tongue Language (MTL) Fortnight would be conducted for all students taking MTL in the school. The first part was introduced in Term 1 during the Chinese New Year period with various cultural activities. The second part will be conducted this term from 17 July 2023 to 21 July 2023. A variety of activities will be conducted within the classrooms to provide platforms for our students to actively learn about and appreciate culture so as to experience MTL as a 'living language'.

### **6. Racial Harmony Day – Friday, 21 July 2023**

Schools commemorate Racial Harmony Day on 21 July to remind students about the importance of maintaining racial harmony and social cohesion in Singapore. This year's Racial Harmony Day theme, Singapore: Our Multicultural Mosaic, focuses on the appreciation of the diverse races and religions that make up our multicultural society which contribute to our shared sense of cohesion and harmony. Students will understand how we can be different yet similar and understand how the different influences from the diverse cultures have shaped Singapore's multi-cultural heritage.

Activities will be conducted for students to explore how they can strengthen connection amongst communities and to take action to preserve racial harmony in Singapore. Lessons for lower primary will focus on building friendships with people from all ethnic communities in age-appropriate ways. For upper primary students, they will learn about standing up against unkind words and actions and appreciating the diversity across cultures.

### **7. P6 Preliminary Oral Examination – Monday, 24 July & Wednesday, 26 July 2023**

The P6 will be having their Preliminary Oral Examinations on Monday, 24 July and Wednesday, 26 July 2023. P6 students will be informed of their estimated dismissal times closer to the date. The schedule will closely follow the PSLE sequence of testing to familiarise students with the actual flow of the PSLE Oral Examinations. Hence, students will be grouped into 2 sessions (Session 1 and Session 2) for each testing day, based on their PSLE arrangement.

- Session 1: After being tested, students will move to a Quarantine Room. They will be dismissed only when all Session 1 candidates have been tested and all Session 2 candidates are accounted for.
- Session 2: Students will be dismissed after being tested.

As most teachers will be involved in the examination, all afternoon activities for the other levels will be cancelled with the exception of the following:

- P3 and P4 SDR sessions
- P1 Numeracy Programme

## 8.School Activities (26 June 2023 – 19 August 2023)

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 | Attachment / Reply slips                          |
|--------------------------------------|--|---------------------------|---|
| 29 June 2023 (Thu)                   | Public Holiday – Hari Raya Haji  | All                       |   |
| 30 June 2023 (Fri)                   | Tinkerlution Challenge   | All                       |   |
| 2 July 2023 (Sun)                    | National Education Show 1  | P5                        | <i>More details will be given nearer the date</i> |
| 3 July 2023 (Mon)                    | School Holiday – Youth Day   | All                       |   |
| 4 July 2023 (Tue)                    | Pre-Exercise Check – Students are reminded to bring their Oral Digital Thermometer (ODT) | All                       |   |
| 5 July 2023 (Wed)                    | Temperature Taking Exercise  | All                       |   |
| 17 July (Mon) to 21 July 2023 (Fri)  | Mother Tongue Language Fortnight   | All students taking MTLs  |   |
| 21 July 2023 (Fri)                   | Racial Harmony Day   | All                       |   |
| 24 July (Mon) and 26 July 2023 (Wed) | P6 Preliminary Oral Examination  | P6                        |   |

| Date                                    | Activities   | Levels & Classes involved | Attachment / Reply slips   |
|---|--|---------------------------|--|
| 31 July 2023 (Mon)                      | NAPFA Test   | P4 & P6                   | <i>More details will be given on Parents Gateway nearer the date</i> |
| 3 August (Thu) to 4 August 2022 (Fri)   | P4 2D1N Outdoor Adventure Camp                     | P4                        | <i>More details will be given on Parents Gateway nearer the date</i> |
| 7 August 2023 (Mon)                     | P6 Preliminary Listening Comprehension Examination | P6                        |  |
| 8 August 2023 (Tue)                     | National Day Celebration                           | All                       |  |
| 9 August 2023 (Wed)                     | Public Holiday – National Day                      | All                       |  |
| 10 August 2023 (Thu)                    | School Holiday – Day After National Day            | All                       |  |
| 15 August (Tue) to 16 August 2023 (Wed) | P6 PSLE Oral Examination                           | P6                        |  |
|   | P1 to P5 students need not report to school        | P1 to P5                  |  |
| 17 August (Thu) to 19 August 2023 (Sat) | P5 3D2N Outdoor Adventure Camp                     | P5                        | <i>More details will be given on Parents Gateway nearer the date</i> |

We wish our students an enriching term ahead and thank all parents/guardians for your continual support in your children's learning and development.

Yours in partnership,




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Mr Chua Choon Guan  
Principal