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Dear Parents/Guardians,

How quickly time flies! As Term 1 draws to a close, I would like to take this opportunity to affirm our students and parents for the hard work and collaboration with the school, as well as to provide an update on the key programmes and events for the month of March.

1. Character & Citizenship Education

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

Habit 1: Be Proactive: I do the right thing without being asked, even when no one is looking

Habit 1: Be Proactive: I do not blame others for my wrong actions

In teaching integrity, we highlight the importance of upholding what is good, just and true even when no one is looking. Students are taught to practise Stop-Think-Do as part of their decision-making process in demonstrating integrity. This is emphasized in their FTGP lessons as well. To help students make responsible and ethical decisions, they are explicitly taught to think about their decisions using GSAC – Golden Rule, School, Adult, Consequences before acting on them.

For more information on Stop-Think-Do and GSAC, please refer to Annex A-1.

2. Sports-for-All – Friday, 10 March 2023

Sports-for-All will be held in school on Friday, 10 March 2023 for P1 to P6 students. We will be creating a fun learning environment for all our students through mini-sports activities. Our P1-P2 students will get to test out their fundamental skills through station games and a Spartan Junior Race. This event will also be the culminating event for all P3-P6 students after 8 weeks of House Practice. Students are to come to school in their House T-shirts and PE shorts. They are strongly encouraged to bring along a water bottle. They do not need to bring any books on that day.













3. Letters Covering Student Absence

Unless a valid reason is provided with official documentation, such as a medical certificate, all students must attend school on all school days. However, the school has been receiving requests to excuse children from school for reasons that are not supported by official documents. These requests have been considered on a case-by-case basis.

Starting from Term 2 of 2023, the school will only accept letters for up to four days of student absences per term without medical certificates, for reasons such as family issues and self-medication. Each letter can cover up to two consecutive days per instance. Letters related to absences on compassionate grounds will be reviewed separately. Students who are absent beyond these four days must provide official medical certificates to account for their absence due to medical reasons. In the interests of our students' well-being, the school advises that unwell students should seek medical attention.

4. Travel Declaration for 2023 March Holidays

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 by 10 Mar 2023 (Friday). We encourage you to do so via the Parents' Gateway (PG) app.

If your child/ward is travelling, please indicate clearly both the country and city of travel. 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 child/ward's 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 inform the school as soon as possible. Thank you for your partnership and support to keep our school safe.

5. School Activities (1 March to 15 April 2023)

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

Date	Activities	Levels/ Class Involved	Attachment/ Reply Slip
1 March 2023 (Wed) to 3 March 2023 (Fri)	P2 Sports Education Programme (Mini Golf)	1 Mar: P2 RT & P2 RY 2 Mar: P2 LO & P2 IN 3 Mar: P2 PE & P2 EX	More details will be given on PG nearer the date.
3 March 2023 (Fri)	P3 Outdoor Adventure Experience	P3	More details will be given on PG nearer the date.
10 March 2023 (Fri)	Sports-for-All	All	
13 March (Mon) to 19 March 2023 (Sun)	School Holidays	All	
7 April 2023 (Fri)	Public Holiday – Good Friday	All	

Finally, we would like to wish our students a safe and joyful holiday during the March school break. We look forward to seeing energised and cheerful children when Term 2 begins on Monday, 20 March 2023.

Happy Holidays!

Yours in partnership,

Mr Chua Choon Guan

Principal