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Dear Parents/Guardians,

We have come to the final weeks of the last school term for 2023. As we approach the school holidays, please ensure that you have updated your address and contact numbers in our school records so that you can be contacted in times of emergency. Please inform your child's Form Teachers, if applicable.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your partnership and involvement in the school programmes throughout the year. We look forward to your continual support in 2024.

To our P6 students, we wish them every success in their future endeavours. It has been very fulfilling and a privilege nurturing them.

1. Character and Citizenship 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.

We encourage our students to practise the 5 Love Languages through Values In Action (VIA). Through VIA, 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 are designed in the following ways:

Everyday responsibilities	Activities/Projects
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Let's Clean Up! – Sparkling Classroom and Sparkling CanteenTermly recycling drives	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Home Helper ProgrammeSecret Care Friends projectProject Buddy CleanSparkling ToiletsWorking with community partners and organisations to support their needs

Please refer to [Annex A-1](#) for pictures on VIA.



2. Admin Day – Monday, 6 November 2023

The school has scheduled Monday, 6 November 2023 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 for the full day from 7.30am to 7pm on that day.

3. Deepavali Celebrations – Friday, 10 November 2023

The Deepavali celebration will be held on Friday, 10 November 2023 during school hours. Kindly take note that students do not need to report to school on Monday, 13 November 2023 as it is a Public Holiday. We would like to take this opportunity to wish all Hindu staff, students and their families a Happy Deepavali.

4. Affirmation Ceremony – Thursday, 16 November 2023

The school's annual Affirmation Ceremony will be held on Thursday, 16 November 2023. Only prize-recipients and students involved in the Affirmation Ceremony need to be present on that day and must be in school uniform. A Parents Gateway notification will be issued to students attending the event nearer the date.

5. Important Dates and Information for 2023 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 Wednesday, 22 November and Friday, 24 November 2023 (both dates inclusive).
Submission of options	a. via S1 Internet System	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 7 calendar days, starting at 11.30 am on the day of release of PSLE results.• 24 hours, starting from 11.30 am on the first day until 3pm on the last day of submission period.• You can only make 3 amendments using the S1 Internet System during the school choice the submission period.
	b. Via Primary Schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 5 working days, starting from the release of PSLE results.• 11.30am to 3pm on the first day; and 9am to 3pm from the second to the last day of the submission period.
Release of S1 Posting Results		Tentatively between Wednesday, 20 December 2023 and Friday, 22 December 2023 via online, 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.
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. With the availability and easy access to online information about the S1 posting process and secondary schools, MOE will not be printing the information booklet on secondary schools from 2022.

	SchoolFinder Website: https://www.moe.gov.sg/schoolfinder/
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More information will be released closer to the date.

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 **Wednesday, 15 November 2023**. 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 if there is a change in travel destination; or inform the school if the travel plan(s) are cancelled.**

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

7. First Day of School Reporting

Please be informed that only P1 and K1 students will report to school on **Tuesday, 2 January 2024**. Our Student Care Centre will remain open for enrolled P2 to P6 students.

We will welcome all students back to school on **Wednesday, 3 January 2024**.

8. 2024 Start It Right Programme – Tuesday, 2 January 2024 to Friday, 5 January 2024

To support our students in their transition to the next level of studies, we have set aside 2 Jan to 5 Jan 2024 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 ample opportunities for interaction through activities and games. We strive to provide support for a smooth transition for each student to the start of a new school year.

9. 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 20 November 2023.

- 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
27 Nov 2023 (Mon)	9am to 3pm	For Walk-ins (P1 to P3)	School Canteen
28 Nov 2023 (Tue)		For Walk-ins (P4 to P6)	
30 Nov 2022 (Wed)		For Walk-ins (All Levels)	
1 Dec 2023 (Fri)		For Walk-ins (All Levels)	
7 Dec 2023 (Thu)		For Walk-ins (All Levels)	
8 Dec 2023 (Fri)		For Walk-ins (All Levels)	
21 Dec 2023 (Thu)		For Walk-ins (All Levels)	
22 Dec 2023 (Fri)		For Walk-ins (All Levels)	
26 Dec 2023 (Tue)		For Walk-ins (P1 to P3)	
27 Dec 2023 (Wed)		For Walk-ins (P4 to P6)	

10. 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.

11. School Activities (1 November 2023 to 15 January 2024)

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	Attachments / Reply Slips
6 November 2023 (Mon)	Admin Day for results processing – All students need not report to school	All	
10 November 2023 (Fri)	Deepavali Celebrations	All	
12 November 2023 (Sun)	Public Holiday – Deepavali	All	
13 November 2023 (Mon)	Public Holiday In-Lieu – Deepavali	All	
15 November 2023 (Wed)	P6 Graduation Lunch	P6	
16 November 2023 (Thu)	Affirmation Day	Invited Students and Performers	<i>Students will be notified closer to the date</i>
	All other students need not report to school	P1 to P5	

Date	Activities	Levels / Classes involved	Attachments / Reply Slips
17 November 2023 (Fri)	All students need not report to school	All	
	FTPPS P1 Orientation	Parents of P1/2024 Students	
	MOE Kindergarten @ First Toa Payoh Orientation	Parents of K1/ 2024 Students	
18 November (Sat) to 31 December 2023 (Sun)	School Holiday	All	
1 January 2024 (Mon)	Public Holiday – New Year	All	
2 January 2024 (Tue)	First Day of School Reporting for P1 students	P1 (2024)	
3 January 2024 (Wed)	First Day of School Reporting for P2 to P6 students	P2 to P6 (2024)	
2 January (Tue) to 5 January 2024 (Fri)	Start It Right (SIR) Programme	All	
11 January 2024 (Thu)	Parents' Briefing	P1, P3 & P5	
12 January 2024 (Fri)	Parents' Briefing	P2, P4 & P6	

We wish you and your child/ward a happy and enjoyable school holiday.

We look forward to welcoming back all our P1 to P5 students when school reopens on Wednesday, 3 January 2024. For our P6 students, we wish you all the best in your future endeavors.

Yours in partnership,



Mr Chua Choon Guan
Principal