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Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are pleased to welcome our students back to school after the Term 1 school vacation. We hope you have had a restful break with your child/ward. As Term 2 begins, the school would like to update you on the upcoming programmes and activities. We also seek your continual partnership and support in the holistic development of your child/ward.

1. Character & Citizenship Education

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

Habit 5 Seek First to Understand, Then to Be Understood: I listen to others without interrupting

Habit 5 Seek First to Understand, Then to Be Understood: I listen to other people's ideas and feelings

Habit 5 Seek First to Understand, Then to Be Understood: I see things from the viewpoint of others

Habit 5 Seek First to Understand, Then to Be Understood: I listen with my ears, my eyes, and my heart

Habit 6 Synergize: I get along well with others, even people who are different from me

Respect means caring for the dignity of others in what one says or does. In line with that, students are taught social skills like using an appropriate voice level and listening which are practised school wide. In addition, FTGP lessons this month will also focus on the skills for managing peer relations and friendships. Please refer to [Annex A-1](#) for the resources.

2. International Friendship Day

The school will be commemorating International Friendship Day (IFD) on 31 March 2023. This year, the theme for IFD is **Singapore in Asia**. International cooperation remains key in our complex world. Asia is the world's fastest-growing region, and Singapore continues to facilitate closer economic, political, social, and cultural cooperation within ASEAN and in Asia.

By recognising the importance of connectedness between our neighbouring countries, our youth can play an active role in fostering people-to-people ties, and thus celebrate the region's diversity and vibrancy and promote the spirit of friendship and collaboration. We have planned various activities to help our students to be acquainted with the diverse and colourful culture and traditions of ASEAN and nurture in them the spirit of friendship and collaboration.



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3. Hari Raya Puasa Celebration – Friday, 28 April 2023

This year, Hari Raya Puasa falls on Saturday, 22 April 2023. In celebration of Hari Raya Puasa, Muslim students will be dismissed at 10.30am on Friday, 21 April 2023, being eve of Hari Raya Puasa. All other students will be dismissed at the normal school dismissal time at 1.15pm for Primary 1 students and 1.30pm for Primary 2 to Primary 6 students.

Parents/guardians of Muslim students who wish to give consent for their child's/ward's early dismissal on the eve of Hari Raya Puasa are to submit their consent through a separate consent form issued through Parents Gateway.

Monday, 24 April 2023 is a school holiday and school will resume on Tuesday, 25 April 2023.

The school will hold its Hari Raya Puasa Celebration on Friday, 28 April 2023.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all our Muslim students and their families Selamat Hari Raya Aidilfitri.

4. Earth Day – Saturday, 22 April 2023

There will be a slew of environmental activities this term in conjunction with World Water Day (22 March), Earth Day (22 April) and Biodiversity Day (22 May). Activities will be carried out for students to understand the key messages behind each commemoration and note the importance of everyone playing a part in protecting the environment.

5. Parent-Teacher-Student Conference (PTSC) – Thursday, 25 May 2023

The Parent-Teacher-Student Conference (PTSC) will be held on Thursday, 25 May 2023, between 8am and 4pm in school. We would like to invite you to the PTSC to discuss your child's holistic development and foster a stronger home-school partnership.

Please note that there will be no lessons on that day. However, students should attend the PTSC with their parents/guardians at the allocated timeslot. Students must be in full school uniform.

The details of the booking information will be sent to you separately by the Form Teachers via Parents Gateway in May 2023. You may start booking your preferred slot from 8 to 12 May 2023.

You may choose to meet the Mother Tongue Language teacher on a 'first come first served' basis, before or after your scheduled timeslot with your child's Form Teacher. The Mother Tongue Language teachers will be stationed in the Harmony Hall while the Form Teachers are in their respective classrooms. We seek your understanding and co-operation to keep your conversation with the teachers to within 10 minutes, so as to allow other parents to have the chance to meet with the teachers as well.

All report books are to be returned to the Form Teachers on Monday, 30 June 2023.

6. 2023 PSLE Timetable

The 2023 PSLE Timetable is attached in [Annex P6](#).

Below is a summary of the examination dates:

- Oral Examinations: Tuesday, 15 August & Wednesday, 16 August
- Listening Comprehension Examination: Friday, 15 September
- Written Examinations: Thursday, 28 September to Wednesday, 4 October

7. School Activities (1 April to 15 May 2023)

The school will provide further details of these activities, if any, closer to the date. Otherwise, the schedule below serves as a notification.

Date	Activities	Levels & Classes involved	Attachment/ Reply slips
7 April 2023 (Fri)	Public Holiday – Good Friday	All	
17 April (Mon) & 19 April 2023 (Wed)	P6 Mid-Year Review (Oral) *	P6	<i>*See note below this table</i>
21 April 2023 (Fri)	Eve of Hari Raya Puasa <u>Muslim students with parents' consent will be dismissed at 10.30am</u>	All	<i>Please provide your consent through Parents Gateway</i>
22 April 2023 (Sat)	Public Holiday – Hari Raya Puasa	All	
24 April 2023 (Mon)	School Holiday In-Lieu – Hari Raya Puasa	All	
26 April (Wed) & 28 April 2023 (Fri)	P4 Sports Education Programme [Archery]	P4	<i>Letter will be posted on PG nearer the date</i>
1 May 2023 (Mon)	Public Holiday – Labour Day	All	
10 May (Wed) & 17 May 2023 (Wed)	P5 Sports Education Programme [Bowling]	P5	<i>Letter will be posted on PG nearer the date</i>
11 May 2023 (Thu) to 18 May 2023 (Thu)	Annual Health Visit for Students	All	
25 May 2023 (Thu)	Parent-Teacher-Student Conference (PTSC)	All	

**The P6 Mid-Year Review (Oral) will be conducted in the afternoon. The dismissal time of the students will vary, depending on the order in which they are assessed. Students are dismissed once they have completed their oral that day. Students will be informed of their estimated dismissal time before the day of the review. Students may request to use the telephone in the General Office to contact their parents after their oral assessment, if needed.*

Yours in partnership,



Mr Chua Choon Guan
Principal