



Public Holiday

National Day: 9 August 2023 (Wednesday)

School Holiday

Day after National Day: 10 August 2023 (Thursday)

- *Early dismissal on 8 August 2023. Refer to Page 5 for details.*
- *P1- P5 pupils do not report to school on 15 & 16 August 2023. Refer to Page 3 for details.*
- *Early dismissal on 31 August 2023. Refer to Page 8 for details.*

Edusave Character Award (ECHA) 2023

Nomination Period: 1 August 2023 to 25 August 2023

Closing Date: 25th August 2023 (Friday) by 5.00 p.m.

Submission of Forms: PDF format via email to heng_mui_gek_anne@moe.edu.sg

Teachers-in-charge: Mdm Anne Heng & Ms. Hamidah

The Edusave Character Award (ECHA) is open for nomination by the staff, parents, coaches and pupils of Gongshang Primary School.

The objectives of the award are:

- (a) To send a clear and strong signal of the importance that MOE places on character and values, on par with achievements in the academic domain;
- (b) To recognize outstanding pupils in each school who are exemplary in character and who can be role models to inspire others.

If you wish to nominate a child for the award, please download the nomination form from the announcement page of the school website from 1 August 2023 (Tuesday) onwards. More information about the ECHA can be found on the school website.

Primary 3 and 4 Weighted Assessment (WA)

Term/Week	Date	Subject	Duration
Term 3 Week 6	Tuesday 1 August 2023	Science WA (2)	25 min
Term 3 Week 8	Monday 14 August 2023	English WA (2)	40 min
Term 3 Week 9	Monday 21 August 2023	Primary 3- Math WA (3)	5 min
		Primary 4- Math WA (2)	30 min
	Tuesday 22 August 2023	MTL WA (2)	50 min

Please refer to the Weighted Assessment (WA) & End-of-Year Assessment (EYE) 2023 – Semester 2 letter issued on 5 July 2023 (P3- Ref/E/186) and 7 July 2023 (P4- Ref/E/187) for more information.

Primary 5 Weighted Assessment (WA)

Term/Week	Date	Subject	Duration
Term 3 Week 6	Tuesday 1 August 2023	Science WA(3) (Science Practical Assessment)	During curriculum hours
Term 3 Week 8	Monday 14 August 2023	English Language (EL) WA (2)	45 min
Term 3 Week 9	Monday 21 August 2023	Mathematics/ Foundation Mathematics WA (2)	1 h
	Tuesday 22 August 2023	Mother Tongue Languages (MTL) WA (2)	45 min
	Thursday 24 August 2023	Higher Mother Tongue Languages (HMTL) WA (2)	50 min

Please refer to the Primary 5 Weighted Assessment (WA) & End-of-Year Assessment (EYE) 2023 – Semester 2 letter (Ref: 23/E/229) that was issued on 7 July 2023 for more information.

PSLE Oral Examinations 2023

The PSLE Oral Examinations 2023 will be held on 15 August 2023 (Tuesday) and 16 August 2023 (Wednesday). **Primary 1 to Primary 5 pupils will not report to school on both days.**

Date/Day	Subject	Time (hours)
15 August 2023 Tuesday	English Language / Foundation English Language / Mother Tongue Language Oral Examination (Day 1)	Reporting time will depend on your child's/ward's grouping.
16 August 2023 Wednesday	English Language / Mother Tongue Language / Foundation Mother Tongue Language / Non-Tamil Mother Tongue Language Oral Examination (Day 2)	Reporting time will depend on your child's/ward's grouping.

Please refer to the P6 Examination Timetables 2023 letter (Ref: 23/E/232) that was issued on 7 July 2023 for more information. More details will be given to all Primary 6 pupils in a separate letter.

Primary 6 Preliminary Examination 2023

Date/Day	Subject	Duration	Dismissal (hours)
17 August 2023 Thursday	Chinese/Malay Language Listening Comprehension (LC)	*35 min	1330
	Foundation Chinese/Foundation Malay Language LC	*40 min	
	English Language/Foundation English Language LC	*35 min	
**18 August 2023 Friday	English Language Paper 1	1 h 10 min	
	English Language Paper 2	1 h 50 min	
	Foundation English Language Paper 1	1 h 10 min	
	Foundation English Language Paper 2	1 h 20 min	
**21 August 2023 Monday	Mathematics Paper 1	1 h	
	Mathematics Paper 2	1 h 30 min	

	Foundation Mathematics Paper 1	1 h	
	Foundation Mathematics Paper 2	1 h	
**22 August 2023 Tuesday	Chinese/Malay Language Paper 1	50 min	
	Chinese/Malay Language Paper 2	1 h 40 min	
	Foundation Chinese/Foundation Malay Language Paper 1	40 min	
23 August 2023 Wednesday	Science	1 h 45 min	
	Foundation Science	1 h 15 min	
24 August 2023 Thursday	Higher Chinese/Higher Malay Language Paper 1	50 min	
	Higher Chinese/Higher Malay Language Paper 2	1 h 20 min	

**Actual duration of the Listening Comprehension examination may differ slightly.*

Please refer to the P6 Examination Timetables 2023 letter (Ref: 23/E/232) that was issued on 7 July 2023 for more information.

Reminder Regarding Weighted Assessments and Preliminary Examinations

Please note that if your child/ward misses the WA or Preliminary Examination with a valid reason, an MC must be submitted to the form teacher. Marks will be pro-rated accordingly. Please note that no marks will be awarded if your child/ward is absent from any WA / Preliminary Examination without a valid reason. There will not be any make up assessment for absentees.

National Day Celebration cum Lower Primary Games Day (LPGD)

Date	Tuesday, 8 August 2023
School Hours	7.30am to 10.30am
Dismissal Timing	10.20 a.m. : P1 10.25 a.m. : P2 10.30 a.m. : P3, P4, P5 & P6 Kindly take note of the staggered dismissal timing for the different levels and make the necessary arrangements to fetch your child.
Teachers-in-charge	Ms Fong Shiyan Dorcas Mdm Syahirah Mohd Said
Theme for 2023	Onward As One
Attire	Red or white T-shirt with PE shorts
Activities	Whole School: National Day Observance Ceremony P1 and P2: Lower Primary Games Day P3 to P6: NE Activity followed by Sing Singapore

This year's National Day Theme "*Onward As One*" calls upon Singaporeans to look forward confidently and move onward together in building our shared future as one united people. "*Onward*" reflects a nation that is forward looking and resilient to any challenges that lie ahead. "*As One*" underscores the collective ownership of Singapore's future and the importance of inclusivity and unity.

Lower Primary Games Day (LPGD)

Besides the National Day Observance Ceremony, the school will also be having the Lower Primary Games Day (LPGD) for the Primary 1 and 2 pupils on Tuesday, 8 August 2023, as part of the National Day Celebration. It is a good platform for the pupils to build character and resilience and to showcase the skills which they have learnt in their PE lessons. The pupils are to report to school as usual by 7.30am in PE attire and sports shoes / school shoes, and bring along their water bottles and some light snacks. There will be no lessons on that day.

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More details will be given to all Primary 6 pupils in a separate letter.

Gifted Education Programme 2024 - Screening Exercise

Date: 17 August 2023 (Thursday)

Time: During curriculum hours

Teacher-in-Charge: Mrs. Angie Wong

Please refer to the message sent out via Parents Gateway (PG) on 17 July 2023 regarding the Screening Exercise. Details of the Screening Exercise can be found in the letter attached in the PG message.

Kindly reply to the PG message by 5 August 2023, with a 'Yes' to give consent to your child or a 'No' if you do not want your child to take part in the Screening Exercise. Please take note that students not taking part in the Screening Exercise will come to school as per usual on 17 August 2023.

Peer Support Leader (PSL) Training Session 3

(For selected Primary 3 and Primary 5 pupils only)

Date: Friday, 18 August 2023

Time: 2.15 p.m. to 4.00 p.m.

Please refer to the letter issued on 6 February 2023 (Ref. No. 23/E/059) for more information.

English Language Week

Theme: Books Bring Us Together

Duration: Monday 28 August 2023 to Thursday 31 August 2023.

Objectives: To reignite our students' passion for reading and the English Language through games

The week will kick start with Dress as a Book Character Day on 28 August 2023 (Monday). **Students and staff are encouraged to come to school dressed as their favourite book character on this day.** Pupils are encouraged to be as creative as possible by making costumes or adapting clothes to fit in with their chosen book character. They can choose to wear their costume for the entire day or change out of it during recess. There will be a drama performance 'Pandora' by our very own Speech and Drama Club. Spelling Bee will be conducted during English lessons for Primary One to Six pupils.

Co-Curricular Activities (CCAs) Selection for Primary 2 pupils

CCA selection will be open to Primary 2 pupils from Term 3 Week 10. There will be a CCA Fair for all Primary 2 pupils to see the CCA booths set up and learn more about the various CCAs.

CCA Fair: Wednesday 30 Aug 2023

CCA Registration via Parent Gateway: 28 Aug to 7 Sep 2023

A letter via Parent Gateway will be sent prior to the CCA Fair, with the link for CCA selection.

Teachers' Day Celebrations

Date: Thursday, 31 Aug 2023

Teacher-in-charge: Mdm Nisha (OIC)

Attire For Pupils	P.E / School Uniform
School Hours	7.30 am – 10.30 am
Activities	Primary 1-5: Bonding Activities Primary 6: Inter-Class Flight Challenge (Team)
Items To Bring	<u>Primary 1 -5</u> A book for silent reading, snack, stationery (pencil, pen, eraser, ruler) <u>Primary 6</u> A book for silent reading, snack, stationery (pencil, eraser, ruler), materials as needed for flight challenge (based on pupils' own preference)
Snack Break	There will be no recess period and the canteen will be closed . Pupils are to bring their own food for the snack break.
Dismissal	10.20 am: Primary 1 & pupils taking the school bus 10.25 am: Primary 2 pupils 10.30 am: Primary 3 - 6 pupils

In recognition of the teachers' hard work throughout the school year, there will be no formal lessons on that day.

Ex-pupils will be allowed to visit the school after 10.30 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. Pupils are strongly encouraged to make prior appointments with their teachers to avoid disappointments. Ex-pupils will need to register as visitors at the security post and are restricted only to the canteen area.

Last but not least, pupils are also strongly encouraged to show their appreciation to their teachers through non-monetary means e.g. appreciation cards.

Parent Support Group (PSG) Social Media Housekeeping

PSG has garnered much interest and support from like-minded parents like you, with a strong membership increase of more than 150% since our facelift in 2022. With the intention of sharing precious moments with PSG members only, the PSG Gongshang Primary School Facebook page was re-ignited to have a wider outreach and increase engagement with its members.

With the steady increase in membership, it is of utmost importance to ensure our pupils' privacy are protected by implementing strong gatekeeping measures as pictures and videos are shared on the platform. One of the ways is to ask requestors to complete certain details upon requesting for membership, thereby ascertaining the legitimacy. Details include:

1. Please indicate your Child's name, Class, and Form Teacher's name
2. Do you want to be kept informed of upcoming events in Gongshang by joining Parents Support Group?
3. Do you agree to the rules from the admins?

We seek your understanding in signing up as PSG member and completing above questions before submitting your request to join the group. Looking forward to your participation in and out of social media for the betterment of our pupils!

To sign up as a PSG member, click [here](#) or scan the QR code



All PSG members are invited to join the PSG Facebook. Click [here](#) or scan the QR code



Upcoming Activity in August:

Movie Night – The Super Mario Bros. Movie

Whether you are a Mario Bros fan or not, this movie has something for everyone as we join the Mario Bros in their adventure. Join in the fun by dressing in Mario themed attire and stand to win the “Best Dressed Family” prize.

Date: 25 August 2023, 7:30pm (Entry from 7:00pm)

Venue: GSPS School Hall

Max capacity: 125 families

Recommended Attire: Mario themed

If interested, please sign up [here](#).

Points to Note

- Only participants who have successfully registered for Movie Night will be allowed in.
- As Movie Night is meant to promote family bonding time, children who come without any of their parents will not be allowed into the school hall.
- Limited parking lots are available at the school compound. Allocation will be on a first-come first-served basis.
- Final admission at 8pm. Gate will be closed after 8pm.



Highlights for July:

Parent & Child Craft Workshop

Led by PSG ExCo, 30 pairs of parents and children came together to make flower-pens in hand painted terracotta pots and cards in preparation for the upcoming Teacher's Day. Check out the [PSG Facebook](#) to see them in action!



Racial Harmony Day

Why is celebrating Racial Harmony Day so important in Singapore? What is the significance of it?

In line with this year's Racial Harmony Day theme of Singapore: A Multicultural Mosaic, GSPS focused on the ethnic costumes in Singapore. This year, we see more students wearing ethnic costumes during the event. Thank you to all parents for putting effort into it. See the students in action [here](#)!

