



Public Holiday

Polling Day: 1 September 2023 (Friday)

School Holiday

Term 3 Break: 2 – 10 September 2023

Teachers' Day: 11 September 2023 (Monday)

Important Note

Primary 1 to Primary 5 pupils will not report to school on 15 September 2023 (Friday) as it is the day of the PSLE Listening Comprehension.

Onsite Uniform and PE Attire Sale

This is to inform you that there is an onsite sale of school uniforms and PE attire in school on **8 September, Friday from 10.00am to 2.30pm**. Parents/Guardians are encouraged to call the uniform vendor, Chop Kong Chong, to check on the availability of sizes prior to coming down to school.

You can also place an order online and collect your order onsite on 8 September. Online ordering will be available from 21 August to 3 September for onsite collection and a delivery fee will be collected but will be refunded when the order is collected onsite. For non-collection of online orders, the vendor will contact you for delivery to your home address.

Alternatively, you may also make your purchases by visiting their retail outlet. The contact details of the vendor are available on the [school's website](#).

Implementation of Pre-PSLE Study Break for Primary 6

In line with MOE's directive, our school will implement a study break for Primary 6 students from 25 to 27 September 2023 in the lead up to the year-end National Examinations. This is to support student well-being prior to the PSLE. More details will be provided nearer to the date.

2023 PSLE Timetable

TIMETABLE FOR PSLE 2023			
Date/Day	Subject	Time (hours)	Duration
15 September 2023 Friday	Chinese/ Malay Listening Comprehension (LC)	0900 – 0935	*35 min
	Foundation Chinese/Foundation Malay LC	0900 – 0940	*40 min
	English Language/Foundation English LC	1115 – 1150	*35 min
28 September 2023 Thursday	English Language Paper 1	0815 – 0925	1 h 10 min
	English Language Paper 2	1030 – 1220	1 h 50 min
	Foundation English Paper 1	0815 – 0925	1 h 10 min
	Foundation English Paper 2	1030 – 1150	1 h 20 min
29 September 2023 Friday	Mathematics Paper 1	0815 – 0915	1 h
	Mathematics Paper 2	1030 – 1200	1 h 30 min
	Foundation Mathematics Paper 1	0815 – 0915	1 h
	Foundation Mathematics Paper 2	1030 – 1130	1 h
2 October 2023 Monday	Chinese/Malay/NTIL Paper 1	0815 – 0905	50 min
	Chinese/Malay/NTIL Paper 2	1015 – 1155	1 h 40 min
	Foundation Chinese/Foundation Malay Paper 1	0815 – 0855	40 min
3 October 2023 Tuesday	Science	0815 – 1000	1 h 45 min
	Foundation Science	0815 – 0930	1 h 15 min
4 October 2023 Wednesday	Higher Chinese/Higher Malay Paper 1	0815 – 0905	50 min
	Higher Chinese/Higher Malay Paper 2	1015 – 1135	1 h 20 min

**Actual duration of the Listening Comprehension examinations may differ slightly*

Notes:

(1) For Listening Comprehension (LC) examination, pupils will be dismissed once all the examination scripts are collected and accounted for. The **estimated** time of dismissal is **12.30 p.m.** For the other written papers, a letter with the estimated time of dismissal has been sent to you on 28 August 2023 via PG. Students with access arrangement will receive a personalised letter on 12 September 2023.

(2) For the LC examination, pupils are to be in the school hall **by 7.30 a.m.** to have their attendance taken. Pupils who are exempted from Mother Tongue Languages need not report at 7.30 a.m. These pupils have to report for EL/FEL LC exam at **9.45 a.m.**

(3) For all other written examinations, pupils are to be in the hall **by 7.15 a.m.** to have their attendance taken.

(4) Pupils not taking Mother Tongue Languages and/or Higher Mother Tongue Languages do not need to report to school on the day(s) of the exam(s).

Providing Breakfast for our P6 Pupils

To improve our P6 pupils' concentration and boost their performance during the PSLE, the school will be providing them with a light breakfast consisting of a bun and a packet of Milo (from 28 September 2023 to 4 October 2023). It will be served daily from 6.45 a.m. to 7.20 a.m. at the canteen. Pupils will eat their breakfast in the canteen before proceeding to the exam venue.

Primary 3 to Primary 5 Oral Examination 2023

Primary 3

Term/Week	Date	Subject	Duration
Term 4 Week 1	Wednesday, 13 September 2023	English Language Oral Examination 3T, 3R, 3C Chinese Language / Malay Language Oral Examination 3P, 3I, 3H	During curriculum hours
	Thursday, 14 September 2023	English Language Oral Examination 3P, 3I, 3H Chinese Language / Malay Language Oral Examination 3T, 3R, 3C	
Term 4 Week 2	Monday 18 September 2023	Science WA (3)	

Primary 4

Term/Week	Date	Subject	Duration
Term 4 Week 3	Monday, 25 September 2023	English Language Oral Examination 4T, 4R, 4C Chinese Language / Malay Language Oral Examination 4P, 4I, 4H	During curriculum hours
	Tuesday, 26 September 2023	English Language Oral Examination 4P, 4I, 4H Chinese Language / Malay Language Oral Examination 4T, 4R, 4C	

Primary 5

Term/Week	Date	Subject	Duration
Term 4 Week 2	Monday, 18 September 2023	English Language Oral Examination 5P, 5I, 5H Chinese Language / Malay Language Oral Examination 5T, 5R, 5C	After curriculum hours
	Tuesday, 18 September 2023	English Language Oral Examination 5T, 5R, 5C Chinese Language / Malay Language Oral Examination 5P, 5I, 5H	

Home-Based Learning During PSLE Written Examination

According to MOE guidelines, schools have the autonomy to implement HBL for selected cohorts during the PSLE written examination period, based on school-based context and needs.

The school will be implementing Home-Based Learning for **Primary 2, Primary 3** and **Primary 4** students only during the PSLE written examination on the following dates below:

Level	Day/Date
P4	Thursday, 28 September
P3	Friday, 29 September
P2	Monday, 2 October

During the stipulated Home-Based Learning periods, P2-P4 students are strongly encouraged to remain at home and complete the assigned work. Please make the necessary childcare arrangements on the stipulated days of HBL to support your child's learning and completion of work.

The Student Care Centre in school (SCC) will remain open in the afternoon from 1.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. during the Home-Based Learning Days for families of enrolled SCC children who require the service. Please contact the SCC personnel directly to make the necessary arrangements.

Hazards posed by toys that do not meet safety standards

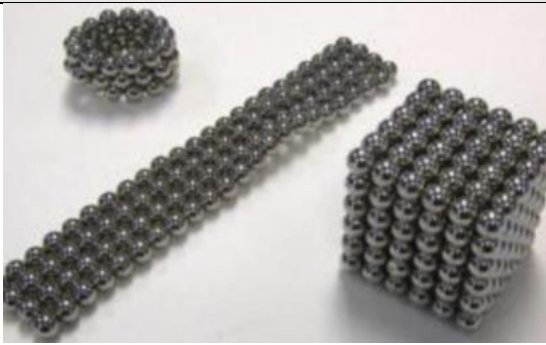


General consumer goods, such as toys and children's products, are required to meet applicable safety standards formulated or adopted and published by international standards bodies and organisations. Non-compliant toys should not be supplied or sold.

This notice highlights the potential safety hazards posed by three categories of toys that do not comply with toy safety standards:

- i) magnetic ball toys;**
- ii) water beads**
- iii) electric toys containing button batteries that are improperly secured (e.g. the button batteries are accessible without the aid of a tool or through a single action).**

Parents are advised to keep a lookout and ensure that these three categories of toys are not made accessible to children. Parents are also encouraged to avoid using magnetic ball toys and water beads as sensory toys for children. Button batteries should also be kept out of reach of children, and electronic devices containing button batteries should be properly secured (e.g. accessible only with the aid of a tool) if they are made accessible to children.

Parents are also advised to warn children or caregivers of the hazards posed by these three types of products. Details on the safety hazards of these three items are as follows:

No.		Item	Hazard
1		Magnetic ball toys	<p>Magnetic ball toys are small but powerful, with a high magnetic flux.</p> <p>If two or more pieces are swallowed, they can cause serious harm or death by pinching or perforating the intestines and will require surgery for removal.</p>
No.		Item	Hazard
2		Water beads / jelly beads / gel beads / water orbs / hydro orbs / orbeez	Water beads are very small and absorb liquid slowly to expand. Over time, they can expand to hundreds of times their initial size.
3		Button batteries / coin batteries	If swallowed, a button battery can react with saliva and trigger a chemical reaction that can cause severe burns to the child's throat and internal organs, potentially leading to death.

For further enquiries, please contact the Consumer Product Safety Office (CPSO) at 6898 1800, email to consumerproductsafety@enterprisesg.gov.sg or visit our website at <https://www.consumerproductsafety.gov.sg/>.

About the Consumer Product Safety Office (CPSO):

The CPSO administers the Consumer Protection (Consumer Goods Safety Requirements) Regulations (CGSR), which regulates general consumer products such as toys and children's products.

Enhanced Financial Assistance for North East Residents

Life's unexpected circumstances can put families in a tough situation. North East CDC strives to ensure that residents receive the help they need to weather these challenges. Assistance schemes have been enhanced to provide support to a larger number of residents.

Additionally, the transport subsidy scheme has been expanded to encompass tertiary students, and the subsidy amount for primary and secondary school students will be doubled. If you know someone who could benefit from these assistance schemes, share this with them! More details on go.gov.sg/supportatne

Support for residents in the North East District

Financial & Social Assistance

WeCare @ North East

One-time or up to three months of cash assistance to provide support for low-income residents

North East Growth Fund

Assistance for formula milk and diaper purchase for young children (6 years & below)

Dedicated North East Ambulance Service

Subsidised ambulance services for residents with chronic health problems and are immobile to travel to their place of medical treatments

School Transport Assistance and Relief Scheme (STARS)

Transport subsidies to assist eligible students with their public transportation to school

The infographic features a light blue background with white clouds. At the top right is the North East CDC logo. Below the title is an icon of two hands holding a heart. The four assistance schemes are presented in orange-bordered boxes with icons: three hands holding hearts for WeCare, a baby bottle and diaper for the Growth Fund, an ambulance for the Ambulance Service, and a school bus for STARS. The background also shows a stylized illustration of a residential building and people walking.



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



Highlights for August:

Lower Primary Games Day

The Primary 1 and Primary 2 pupils had their day of fun playing games amongst each other, against their teachers and PSG on 08 August 2023! Check out the [PSG Facebook](#) to have a glimpse!



Singapore Navy Museum Tour

Fathers@Gongshang once again created a meaningful family bonding activity by bringing our members to the Singapore Navy Museum on 19 August 2023. It couldn't have been more coincidental to meet Senior Minister and Coordinating Minister for National Security, Mr. Teo Chee Hean who moved along with our group throughout our private tour. Check out our [PSG Facebook](#) to see them in action.



“Did you know” series

Keen to know more about GSPS new CCA – Floorball? Want to see how the pupils train? Visit [PSG Facebook](#) right away!