

Gongshang Bulletin

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Public Holidays

Labour Day: 1 May 2024 (Wednesday)
Vesak Day: 22 May 2024 (Wednesday)
Hari Raya Haji: 17 June 2024 (Monday)

School Holiday

Term 2 School Holidays: Saturday, 25 May 2024 – Sunday, 23 June 2024.

Parent-Child-Teacher Conference (PCTC) 2024

In line with the school's continuous effort to develop the whole child and to foster home-school partnership, we would like to invite you and your child to our online PCTC on the following dates:

Day & Date	Wednesday, 15 May 2024	Thursday, 16 May 2024
Start & End Time	0730-1530	
Format	15 min per slot (via Zoom)	

The PCTC serves to:

- provide a platform for a three-way dialogue for the child, parents and teachers to discuss the child's holistic development.
- actively involve the child in his/her learning by recognising his/her capacity to set goals, reflect and act responsibly to effect change.

Booking of your preferred appointment slot with your child's/ward's form teachers will be done via Parents Gateway (PG) on a first-come, first-served basis. The booking of the appointment will commence from **Monday, 29 April 2024, 0900h to Friday, 3 May 2024, 1700h.**

Your child/ward DOES NOT report to school from 15 to 16 May 2024.

Please refer to the letter (***Ref No. 24/E/179***) which was issued via Parents Gateway on **22 April 2024** for more details.

Primary 3 Weighted Assessment (WA)

The schedule for the Primary 3 WA was sent to you via Parents' Gateway on 19 January 2024 (Ref No: 24/E/050). A hard copy was also given to your child/ward on the same day. You may refer to the PG message/letter for more details on the WA.

Term/Week	Date	Subject	Duration
Term 2 Week 8	6 May	Math WA (1)	50 minutes

Primary 4 Weighted Assessment (WA)

The schedule for the Primary 4 WA was sent to you via Parents' Gateway on 22 February 2024 (Ref No: 24/E/070). A hard copy was also given to your child/ward on the same day. You may refer to the PG message/letter for more details on the WA.

Term/Week	Date	Subject	Duration
Term 2 Week 8	Monday, 6 May 2024	Math WA (1)	30 minutes
	Thursday, 9 May 2024	Science WA (1) (4R, 4C, 4H)	25 minutes
	Friday, 10 May 2024	Science WA (1) (4P, 4T, 4I)	25 minutes

Primary 5 Weighted Assessment (WA)

The schedule for the Primary 5 WA was sent to you via Parents' Gateway on 5 February 2024 (Ref No: 24/E/063). A hard copy was also given to your child/ward on the same day. You may refer to the PG message/letter for more details on the WA.

Term/Week	Date	Subject	Duration
Term 2 Week 8	Monday, 6 May 2024	Math WA (1)	50 minutes
	6 May -10 May 2024*	Science WA (2)	30 minutes

** Science teachers will inform their own classes nearer the week as to which exact date the WA will be held (within the stipulated week) as we do not have Science on all days of the week.*

Primary 6 Timed Practices – Semester 1

Please note the schedule for P6 Timed Practices in Term 2, Week 7 and Week 8.

Date	Time (p.m.)	Subject	Duration
Thursday, 2 May 2024	2.00 – 3.40 (MTL) 2:00 – 2:40 (FMTL)	Mother Tongue Languages (MTL) Paper 2 / Foundation Mother Tongue Languages (FMTL) Paper 1	1 h 40 min (MTL) 40 min (FMTL)
Friday, 3 May 2024	2.00 – 3.45 (SC) 2.00 – 3.15 (FSC)	Science (SC) / Foundation Science (FSC)	1 h 45 min (SC) 1 h 15 min (FSC)
Monday, 6 May 2024	2.00 – 3.20	Higher Mother Tongue Languages Paper 2	1 h 20 min

Please refer to the letter that was issued to you through your child on 18 March 2024 (Ref No: 24/E/108) for more details. A soft copy of the letter is also available on Parents Gateway.

P6 Supplementary Programme and Motivational Workshop During the Mid-Year Holiday

As we approach the mid-year holiday, we would like to inform you of the holiday programme we have planned for our Primary 6 pupils to support them in their educational journey.

From 27 to 29 May 2024, the Primary 6 subject teachers will be conducting supplementary classes to help prepare your child/ward for the PSLE. Following the supplementary classes, from 30 to 31 May 2024, we will be conducting a motivational workshop for the pupils. This workshop aims to inspire and motivate the pupils as they gear up for the challenges ahead.

Please refer to the following schedules for the P6 Supplementary Programme and Motivational Workshop:

Date/Time (h)	27 MAY (MON)	28 MAY (TUE)	29 MAY (WED)
0730 – 0900	English Language	Mathematics	Mother Tongue Languages / Higher Chinese Language
0900 – 0930	*Recess	*Recess	*Recess

0930 – 1100	Mathematics	Science	English Language
1100 – 1230	Science	Mother Tongue Languages / Higher Chinese Language	

Date/Time (h)	30 MAY	31 May
0730 – 1200 (including short break & snacks)	Motivational Workshop	Motivational Workshop
1200 – 1300	Lunch (provided by school)	
1300 – 1500	Motivational Workshop	

Please refer to the letter sent via Parents Gateway on 19 April 2024 (Ref No: 24/E/175) for more details.

NAPFA Test 2024 (For Primary 6 pupils only)

Teachers-in-charge: Mrs Rosalynn Ong (OIC), Mr Tan Chuan Song (2IC)

The school will be conducting the National Physical Fitness Assessment (NAPFA) in May for Primary 6 pupils in school. Please refer to the schedule below:

Date/ Day	Test	Classes Involved
9 May 2024 (Thursday)	5 items	6P, 6I, 6H
10 May 2024 (Friday)	5 items	6T, 6R, 6C
14 May 2024 (Tuesday)	1.6 km Run/Walk	6P, 6I, 6H
17 May 2024 (Friday)	1.6km Run/Walk	6T, 6R, 6C

Students should be dressed in PE attire for the test. They are allowed to wear their sports shoes during test days. Please ensure that they have proper breakfast in the morning and that they pack their water bottles along. Students who are exempted from the test due to medical reasons are to submit a doctor's letter to their respective PE teachers before the start of the test.

Students who have just received their vaccination should not take part in physical activities for 14 days. Students who have recovered from mild or asymptomatic COVID-19 infection can resume physical activities as tolerated. As with recovering from any illness, they should follow their doctor's advice (i.e., medical certificate) on taking part in specific strenuous physical activities.

NAPFA Test for Primary 4 students will be conducted in Semester 2. Further details will be given nearing the test date.

SENTastic Day

GSPS will be playing host to students from APSN Chaoyang School on 17 May 2024 for our SENTastic Day.

This is an inclusive event for individuals with special educational needs (SEN) from both mainstream and Special Education (SPED) schools. It aims to promote awareness, understanding, and inclusion within the school community and beyond. By showcasing the talents and capabilities of students with SEN, this event seeks to break down barriers, challenge stereotypes, and foster a culture of acceptance and empathy. It also creates opportunities for students and teachers to understand more about the challenges our students with SEN encounter through interactive activities. Ultimately, we hope to create a more inclusive and equitable learning environment where every student feels valued, respected, and supported in reaching their full potential.

Date/Day: 17 May 2024, Friday

Time: P1 to P6 recess

Venue: Foyer

Peer Support Leader (PSL) Training Session 2 (For selected Primary 3 and Primary 5 pupils only)

Date: Friday, 17 May 2024

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

Please refer to the letter sent out via Parents Gateway on 7 February 2024 (Ref. No. 24/E/043) for more information.

P3 LEARN-TO-PLAY (LTP) Sports Programme

Date	Thursday, 23rd May 2024
Time	During curriculum hours
Participants	Primary 3 students
Teacher-in-charge	Mr. Ismail Jemaah

The programme aims to provide an opportunity for all Primary 3 students to experience new sports, while promoting the learning of 21st Century competencies in the students through sports. They will be learning 2 sports - Bowling at Our Tampines Hub and Tchoukball at Gongshang Primary School.

More details for the programme will be sent via Parents Gateway nearer to the date.

P5 Virtual Vietnam International Programme

As part of our school's effort to develop concerned citizens with global awareness and cross-cultural skills, the school is arranging for a one-day Virtual Vietnam internationalization programme for Primary 5 students.

Please note that this programme is compulsory for all students in the P5 level.

The objectives of the programme:

1. Strengthen our students' foundational understanding and exposure to the region through virtual education journey.
2. Provide platform for our students to discover and experience the parallels and contrast between educational, cultural, and social systems in Singapore and Vietnam.

The students will also be able to contextualize their learning experience in an authentic real-world setting, conduct hands-on exploration, construct new knowledge and make connections via place-based learning. Students will also get a chance to go online with the Vietnamese teachers and students, go on virtual tour to historical sites and learn the Vietnamese culture and language.

Details of the programme are as follows:

Date: 23 May 2024 (Thursday)

Time: 8.30 am to 12.30 pm (curriculum hours)
(Recess and snack time will not be affected)

Venue: Gongshang Primary School

Items to bring: 1. Storybook
2. Stationery (including glue and stapler)
3. Bring books for lessons from 12.30pm to 1.30pm.

Please refer to the letter that was issued to you via Parents Gateway on 23 April 2024 (Ref No: 24/E/177) for more details.

Primary 6 Motivational Workshop 2024 (For ALL Primary 6 pupils)

Date/Time: Thursday, 30 May (7.30am to 3.00pm)
Friday, 31 May (7.30am to 12.00pm)

Teacher in charge: Mrs Yogeswari Singh

The aim of this workshop is to motivate and prepare our pupils for their upcoming Primary School Leaving Examinations. As such, we strongly encourage all our P6 pupils to participate in the workshop.

Please refer to the letter sent out via Parents Gateway (under 'Forms') on 22 April 2024 for more information.

Science Week 2024

Teachers-in-charge: Miss Ada Lye (OIC), Mrs Wendy Chu, Mrs Jessie Ong, Mrs Natalie Neo

The Science department will be organising a Science Week in Term 3 Week 1 which aims to engage Primary 3 to 6 pupils in hands-on activities related to the curriculum that they have learnt. These activities will be conducted during Science lessons. Through the application of their knowledge in situations that stretch beyond the curriculum, we hope to imbue in our pupils a sense of curiosity and develop their critical thinking skills. Primary 6 pupils will have the activities conducted as post-exam activities.

Onsite Uniform and PE Attire Sale (Primary Students)

This is to inform you that there is an onsite sale of school uniforms and PE attire in school on **21 June, 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 21 June. Online ordering will be available from 26 May to 17 June 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](#).

Primary 3 ML Cultural Performance Show – Kucing Kreatif

Date: 28 June 2024, Friday

Time: 2:00 - 3:30 pm

Venue: School Hall

Every year, the Malay Language Learning and Promotion Committee (MLLPC) distributes Cultural Performance Exposure Fund, which aims to expose students to Malay dramas and Malay language related performances.

Our school has arranged for the show Kucing Kreatif by A.D.I Concept to be performed for the P3 Malay students. The objective of the performance is to exemplify the use of Malay language in useful everyday context and discussions such as creative thinking practices. It is to give students an exposure to some of the little known peribahasa and classic pantun. It is also to allow students to practice the use of Malay language, especially during the interactive segments, through fun activities and games.

A PG letter was sent on 11 April 2024 (Ref No: 24/E/166). For more information, parents can contact Mdm Fadhilah at fadhilah.saneb@gsps.edu.sg.

English Language Week

Theme: Books Come Alive

Duration: 8 July to 12 July 2024 (Term 3 Week 3)

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 8 July 2024 (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 'Mama, Mama, Where's My Cat?' by our very own Speech and Drama Club. Fun and engaging activities will be conducted during English lessons for Primary One to Six pupils.

Special call out to all parents of Gongshangers!

Make your parenting journey memorable by joining the GSPS Parent Support Group (PSG)! We are a vibrant and passionate group of parents, actively involved in our children's learning journey to create stronger bonds between the school, parents and teachers. All parents / guardians of current Gongshang Primary School students are welcome to join PSG and/or PSG events. Use the link or scan the QR code to join our GSPS PSG and Facebook!

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 April:

Nature and Sustainability Tour (Parent-child session)

PSG has put together an enthralling Nature and Sustainability Tour at the Flower Dome, Gardens by the Bay, on 27 April 2024, designed especially for parents and children. 42 participants joined this informative excursion, guided by experienced professionals, consists of two immersive parts:

- 'Seeds and Senses -Touch Tour' and 'Carbon and Climate Tour'

We kicked off the outing with the 'Seeds and Senses Touch Tour' where we explored the amazing world of plants. Participants engaged in a hands-on learning experience where they could see, smell, and touch various plants, leaves, and seeds to explore their unique textures.

One of the highlights was the Birds Catcher Tree, famous for its sticky seeds that can attach to birds and animals, helping the plant spread its seeds far and wide.



We learned about the incredible ways plants reproduce and survive. For example, we saw plants whose leaves cleverly catch and channel water straight to their roots, ensuring they get enough water to thrive. Another thrilling part of our tour was witnessing a live experiment where we saw seed pods of Mexican Petunia burst open right before our eyes, scattering seeds just like they would in nature.

Meanwhile during our 2nd tour, Carbon and Climate tour, we discovered a lot about the different types of carbon that impact the climate. We also saw how Singapore, especially Gardens by the Bay, is working to mitigate climate change. Through engaging exhibits and talks from knowledgeable experts, we gained valuable insights and learned more about global warming, exploring how each of us can play a part in addressing this global issue.

Our trip ended in the Flower Dome that holds the Guinness World Record for the largest glass greenhouse - where the comforting cool and the picturesque surrounding served as a reminder to do more to safeguard the environment for future generations. trip was not only enjoyable but also filled with valuable information, raising awareness about nature and global warming issues.



Click [here](#) for full article and pictures.

Exciting activity lined up for May:

Balloon Sculpting Workshop



Learn how to bring your favorite characters to life with balloon sculpting! Secure your spot now for a memorable experience with your child. Please register [here](#). Limited spaces!

Date: 04 May 2024

Time: 9:00am to 11:00am

Venue: GSPS, Oracle Room Level 2

Max Participants: Max 30 pairs only (Parent and child)