School Reference Number: JWSS/2020/0336

19 June 2020

Dear parents/guardians,

## Revised School-Based Assessment Plan for Secondary 1-3 Students in Semester 2

- 1. Thank you for the close guidance you have given to your child and the strong support for the school during the Circuit Breaker (CB) period as well as Phase 1 of Safe Reopening since 2 June 2020. Students, parents as well as teachers have been adjusting to the new normal in learning and despite some initial adjustment issues faced by some students, students are now coping well with blended learning which will continue till 26 June (Friday). We will need to continue working together very closely to support and guide our students.
- 2. The school will continue to ensure that students are provided with the time and support to re-acclimatise to school life and to re-connect with their peers and teachers as we progressively return to normal teaching and learning.
- 3. Assessment is integral to teaching and learning. In our letter dated 4 May 2020, we had shared with you that there will be amendments to the modes of school-based assessment in Semester 2. In light of the impact that the extended CB period has on curriculum time and to further allay students' and parents' concerns and anxiety about catching up with the curriculum, we have, in accordance to guidelines by MOE, made the necessary amendments to our assessment modes for Secondary 1-3 students. We will be implementing assessment in a progressive manner for students such that the focus is on checking for understanding and using feedback from the practice to address possible learning gaps.
- 4. Please refer to Annex A of this letter for a summary of the revised School-Based Assessment Plan for Secondary 1-3 students.
- 5. To support our students and to ensure they have time to consolidate their learning so that they are able to adequately prepare for the End-of-Year Examination (EYE), in line with MOE's guidelines, we will be removing about three weeks' worth of syllabus content for the content-based subjects. This ensures that students and teachers do not need to feel rushed and there will be sufficient time to revise and prepare for the EYE.

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6. Subject teachers of content-based subjects will be informing students of the relevant topics/chapters that will be removed from the EYE. You may access the topics/chapters that has been removed on the school website under "letters to parents" tab or at the following web address:

https://jurongwestsec.moe.edu.sg/parents/letters-to-parents

\*Note: Parent's password access only

- 7. To ensure continuity in learning, teachers will still teach the content that have been removed from the EYE during the post-EYE period or at the beginning of the next school year in 2021.
- 8. Your child/ward has been briefed on the above details by his/her Form Teacher during Form Teacher Time on Friday, 19 June 2020. We will be sharing more details on the Class Test and Common Test shortly.
- 9. Should you require further clarifications of any of the above points, please do not hesitate to get in touch with Mr Rayner Goh (HOD Student Development) at Rayner\_GOH@moe.edu.sg
- 10. Thank you for your continued strong support and partnership as we work together to guide and support our students.
- 11. Let us continue to Stay Safe, Stay Strong, Stay Healthy and Stay Home and work together to overcome this challenge as one united people.

#TeamJWSS #SGUnited #wearebehindyou

Yours sincerely

Mr Michael Muhunthan

Principal



## Annex A

## Revised School-Based Assessment Plan for Secondary 1-3 Students

| No. | Assessment                             | Dates                       | Remarks  |
|-----|--|-----------------------------|--|
| 1   | Practice Papers for different subjects | 17 - 23 June                | Given as homework and subject teachers will go through the papers with students (Unweighted) |
| 2   | Class Test                             | 7 – 17 July                 | Unweighted   |
| 3   | Common Test                            | 12 – 18 August              | Weighted (20%)   |
| 4   | End-of-Year<br>Examinations            | 28 September –<br>9 October | Weighted (70%)   |

Please note that the remaining 10% which makes up the Overall Results for the year comes from the Weighted Assessment 1 conducted in Term 1.

