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## From the Principal's Office (Sep 2021)

#### STUDENT-RELATED MATTERS

## Teachers' Day Celebration

The school will be celebrating Teachers' Day on **Thursday, 2 Sep 2021**. All students are required to report to school by 7.30am and will be dismissed after the celebrations at 9.30 am. Dismissal will be carried out at staggered timing: 9.30am (P1 to P2), 9.35am (P3 to P4) & 9.40am (P5 to P6).

Parents and students are advised not to purchase any expensive gifts for our teachers and we strongly encourage our students to be creative in making their own tokens of appreciation for their teachers.

Please remind your child/ward to go home directly after dismissal and not loiter around in public places such as playgrounds and malls. Operating hours for the Student Care Centre (SCC) will remain the same and students attending the SCC will proceed to the SCC after dismissal.

We thank you for your warm response to our call for nominations for our school's Caring Teacher Award (CTA). We will be sharing the names of the CTA winners on Thu 2 Sep with the school. In addition, we would like to invite you and your child to pen a note to our teachers on the MOE Thank You 'Cher Gratitude Portal at <a href="https://thankyoucher.edu.sg">https://thankyoucher.edu.sg</a>. You and your child can affirm our teacher(s), share an anecdote and even post a drawing or appropriate photo. Do send your message before <a href="fri3 Sep 2021">Fri 3 Sep 2021</a>. Your heartfelt note will go a long way in encouraging our teachers to continue their good work.

Please note that Fri 3 Sep 2021 is a school holiday and students need not report to school on that day. School will resume on 13 Sep 2021 (Mon) after the September School Holidays.



https://thankyoucher.edu.sg

## PSLE Listening Comprehension (17 Sep) & Written Examinations (30 Sep to 6 Oct)

The PSLE Listening Comprehension will take place on **Fri 17 Sep 2021**. Only Primary 6 students need to attend school on that day. Students from P1 to P5 need not report to school. School will resume on 20 September 2021, Monday for all students.

The PSLE Written Examination for P6 students will take place from **Thu 30 Sep 2021 to Wed 6 Oct 2021**. School hours remain unchanged for students from P1 to P5 on these days. P6 students will be informed by their teachers of the dismissal time for each day of the examination.

## Edusave Character Award (ECHA)

The Ministry Of Education introduced the Edusave Character Award (ECHA) in 2012 to enable schools to recognise students who demonstrate exemplary character and outstanding personal qualities through their behaviour and actions. Believing in the value of strong home-school partnerships and parental involvement, the school has opened the nomination of ECHA to parents since 2019.

Criteria for nomination

Your child must meet the school-based selection criteria:

- Students must be Singaporeans studying in Kranji Primary School
- 2) Students must, on a consistent basis, be identified for demonstrating:
  - a. School values of Compassion, Integrity, Resilience, Respect and Responsibility. E.g. These would be students who have persevered despite facing difficult circumstances (e.g. financial problems, family issues, health issues, Covid-19 etc.), and managed to overcome the odds and still do commendably well in academic and/ or non-academic domains. For details on school values and relevant character targets, please refer to pages

- 30 to 32 of the Student Handbook 2021.
- A high level of civic responsibility.
   E.g. These would be students who are concerned about issues in the community or issues faced by others, initiating action to address these issues or participated in activities to improve the lives of others, and committed to make a positive difference;

Parents who wish to nominate their child for ECHA are invited to submit their nominations at the following link or QR code from today.

Deadline for submission is Sun 12 Sep 2021. If you have enquiries, please contact Mr Wilson Ng, HOD/CCE at ng whye shoen wilson@moe.edu.sg or 6763-4812.



https://go.gov.sg/kranjips-echa

"Shoot for the moon, even if you miss, you will land among the stars "-Les Brown

## Primary 3 to 5 Class-based Co-Curricular Activities for Term 4

Co-Curricular Activities (CCA) play an important role in the Holistic Development of our Kranjians. Since the start of Home-Based Learning in May, in-person CCA has been suspended and eCCA sessions have been conducted after school to support students in continuing with the acquisition of CCA knowledge, skills and values as an alternative. In our efforts to provide quality learning experiences and maximize participation for our students in P3 to P5, the school will be bringing back in-person CCA in Term 4 during curriculum time on 4 Fridays with a change in format to **class-based CCA** to reduce inter & intra level mingling.

Through class-based CCA, we hope to provide opportunities for students to experience and learn about another CCA, acquire and/ or deepen new knowledge, skills and attitudes, work in teams and strengthen class spirit and in turn, help our Kranjians to discover personal strengths and interests. In Term 4, each class will experience 4 different CCAs from the range of CCA offered in school facilitated by teachers and instructors/ coaches (for CCA with external instructors/ coaches). This will include an introduction to the CCA, activities to allow students to experience the CCA and learn skill/s and conclude with a teacher led reflection. Students will be informed about the CCAs assigned to their classes when school reopens in Term 4. School Team trainings for selected CCA during the school holidays and after-school in Term 4 will continue to be conducted virtually.

## **National Chinese Story-Writing Competition**

Lingzi Media Pte Ltd and Anglican High School had jointly organized the National Chinese Story-Writing Competition for Primary & Secondary School Students on Fri 12 Mar 2021. The objective of the competition was to provide a platform for primary and secondary school students to showcase their writing skills in the Chinese Language. 2 of our Primary 6 Chinese Language students took part in this competition and we are pleased to announce that Liu Yuqi from 6 Integrity has won the Merit Award in this competition.

## Showcase of School's National Day Celebration Activities

In conjunction with our National Day celebration, the school was invited by Stagmont Park Residents Committee to participate in their National Day Décor Competition. Apart from a National Day theme for the competition, the art work created also used recycled materials. In preparation for this, some Primary 5 students who are also Environment Champions, came together to research on the unique architectural features of shophouses. Our innovative efforts to celebrate National Day was picked up by 8world News and publicised in multiple platforms, and one of our P5 students Nor Sarah Sofia Binte Mohamed Mohamed Izhar was also featured in an interview.



## Food cum Stationery Donation Drive

This year the 'Food cum Stationery Donation Drive' will be carried out in Term 4 Week 2, from Mon 20 Sep 2021 to Wed 22 Sep 2021. In line with the theme for National Day this year - 'Together, Our Singapore Spirit', Kranji Primary School pledges to help those in need by collaborating with Fei Yue Family Service Center to bring some cheer to needy families. We would like to encourage all Kranjians to support this event by donating the following items:

#### (A) Non-perishable food items such as

- rice (preferred)
- oil (preferred)
- instant noodles
- biscuits
- canned food
- instant drinks (Coffee/Tea/Milo/Cereal)

#### Kindly note that

- \* All donated food items must have at least 6 months till its expiry date.
- \* Ensure that the donated food items are from the original packaging and are unopened.
- \* HALAL items preferred.

#### (B) Stationery

- Pencil cases (new/used but in good condition)
- School bags (new/used but in good condition)

If you wish to donate, please deposit the donated items at the canteen and place them in the boxes according to the item types by Term 4 Week 2, Wednesday 22/9.

## Travel Advisory during School Holidays

Students should continue to defer overseas travel unless it is permissible under the prevailing MOH travel advisory. If you intend to travel to countries/regions approved in the MOH travel advisory, please inform the school of your travel plans. Please check the entry requirements imposed by these countries, and take the necessary precautions. Please be reminded that the following would apply:

- a. Requirement to apply for entry approval for
  - i) International Students (Student Pass) to obtain approval from MOE
  - ii) International Students (Dependant Pass) (IS-DP) To obtain approval from MOM through employer of parents/guardian
- b. Stay-Home Notice (SHN) may be issued upon return to Singapore and may be chargeable if served at an SHN Dedicated Facility (refer to ICA website at <a href="https://safetravel.ica.gov.sg/sc-pr/requirements-and-process">https://safetravel.ica.gov.sg/sc-pr/requirements-and-process</a> for updated list of countries, where individuals would have to serve SHN at dedicated facilities);
- c. For specific requirements for travellers returning from different countries, please refer to <a href="https://safetravel.ica.gov.sg/sc-pr/shn-and-swab-summary">https://safetravel.ica.gov.sg/sc-pr/shn-and-swab-summary</a>;
- d. Mandatory travel insurance and unsubsidised healthcare if detected with COVID-19 upon return.

## Handbrakes Requirement for Bicycles (LTA)

To improve safety, all bicycles must have at least one functioning handbrake to be ridden on public paths and roads. Bicycles without handbrakes will not be allowed on public paths and roads from 1 Sep 2021. Visit go.gov.sg/amrules for more information.



## Keep Safe during the Sept School Holidays

As the risk of community infections is still present, we wish to remind all students to continue to remain vigilant during the September school holidays and observe Safe Management measures at all times; by observing social distancing, regular hand-washing and wearing of face mask. Please avoid peak periods and crowded places such as shopping malls and minimize social outings where possible. In addition, all who are unwell, including those showing early/mild symptoms of cough, sore throat, runny nose, loss of smell, should see a doctor immediately and stay at home to prevent spreading illness to others. This is the best way we can protect ourselves, our loved ones, and our community. We have attached some hygiene resources for your information.

Practise Good Hygiene Add a touch of style to hand washing with soap and water with our handwashing guide.	https://www.healthhub.sg/programmes/170/StayWell#practise-good-hygiene
How Germs Spread A gentle reminder to practice hand hygiene to wash our hands regularly to break the chain of infection.	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4Ds8C5AufcM

We would also like to remind parents/guardians to be extra vigilant about the safety of your child/ward during the school holidays and ensure your child/ward is engaged in meaningful activities in a safe manner at home and outside.

## Quiz on Safety Videos by WSH Council

Students are invited to watch 2 safety videos by the WSH council to answer a quiz and stand to win a pint of healthy ice-cream!



#### PARENT-RELATED MATTERS

## **Parenting Support Programmes**

We have put together some programmes this September to help you forge a better relationship with your child.



#### **Parenting Talk:**

Title: Building Bridges, Not Walls

Speaker: Mr Roy Tan, Snr School Counsellor

Date: Sat, 18 September 2021

Time: 9.30 am to 11.30 am

Venue: Zoom
Sign up via this link:

https://form.gov.sg/60f8fc36d0fde7001229de37



Join our school counsellor as he explores the theme of **communication** and shares tips and resources for more effective communication between you and your child. This talk aims to help parents better understand:

- The 'Why' of children's behavior
- ❖ How to make children listen

POSITIVE

**PARENTING** 

**THROUGH** 

**EFFECTIVE** 

**OMMUNICATION** 

- The love languages in communication
- ❖The actions you could take to communicate effectively and to strengthen the relationship

## Parent-Child Bonding Painting The World Around You

Enjoy the meditative art of watercolour painting using different techniques. Unleash your artistic side through moments of discovery with your child!





#### REGISTRATION CLOSED

Registered participants, see you in Zoom on Sat, 4 September!

Time: 9.30 to 11.30 am

Things to prepare: Watercolour palette, paint brushes & water container

Water colour paper will be provided.

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#### PARENT-RELATED MATTERS

#### Mental Health and Well-Being



During this period, some programmes have been put on hold in line with the Safe Management Measures. To support parents, the Health Promotion Board has prepared some resources comprising a mixture of resources such as articles, videos and tool kit on Mental Health and Hygiene.

Please click on the links below for the resources.

https://www.healthhub.sg/programmes/170/StayWell#families-stay-healthy

# Stay Strong with these 5 parenting tips Here are 5 tips to help you get back to the essentials that will help you navigate these bumpy times. Stay Well To Stay Strong Here are some useful resources that can help you relax, destress and stay positive through it all. When we face challenging situations, it can help to talk to someone who can provide a listening ear and to offer you a different perspec-



#### **SCHOOL-RELATED MATTERS**

## Public Holidays and Major School Events in Term $4\,$

Date	Event	Remarks
Thu 2 Sep	Teachers' Day Celebration	The celebration will be conducted from 7.30am to 9.30am.
		<ul> <li>Dismissal will be staggered at 9.30am (P1 to P2), 9.35am (P3 to P4) &amp; 9.40am (P5 to P6).</li> </ul>
Fri 3 Sep	Teachers' Day School Holiday	No school for students
		<ul> <li>School will resume on Mon 13 Sep 2021 after the September School Holidays.</li> </ul>
4 Sep, Sat to 12 Sep, Sun	School Holidays	-
Thu 9 Sep & Fri 10 Sep	Study camp	For P6 students only
		Please report to the school canteen by 7.45am.
Fri 17 Sep	PSLE Listening Comprehension Exam	No school for P1 to P5 students
Thu 30 Sep to Wed 6 Oct	PSLE Written Examinations	Normal curriculum hours for P1 to P5 students
Thu 7 Oct	Children's Day Cele- bration	Normal curriculum hours for all students
		The celebration will be conducted during curriculum hours.
Fri 8 Oct	Children's Day School Holiday	No school for students
Thu 4 Nov	Deepavali Public Holi- day	No school for students