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Dear Parents/Guardian.

Holistic Assessment Matters

Holistic Assessment (HA) emphasises the development of skills and values, as well as the acquisition of knowledge to enable your child to build greater confidence and nurture a stronger intrinsic motivation to learn. This will in turn help your child to develop his/her potential. With HA, we move beyond tests and examinations, and use other appropriate assessment modes to provide useful information that supports your child's learning and holistic development.

At Primary 1 and 2, there will be no examinations and weighted assessments* so that your child can transit more smoothly into formal schooling. Instead, as parents, you will receive more meaningful and regular feedback that highlights areas where your child has done well, and also ways to improve his/her learning in the different subject areas.

The feedback given is closely aligned to subject-specific Learning Outcomes (LOs) recommended by Ministry of Education. The 8 LOs for each subject is spread over 2 semesters. You will be provided with qualitative descriptors reporting on your child's learning progress in the Holistic Development Profile (HDP). Feedback will be provided based on ongoing classroom observations, assignments and performance tasks. Its purpose is to inform students of their learning progress and teachers of the ways to adjust the curriculum and instructions to respond effectively to the learning needs of students.

* Weighted assessments refer to assessments where the scores form part of the computation of a student's overall results in a subject for the year.

We have attached the Holistic Assessment Plan with LOs so that as parents, you can help guide and support your child's learning.

Please return the acknowledgement slip to your child/ward's form teachers by 21 Jan 2021.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

Ms Cecilia Lim Principal