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Dear Parents / Guardians,

## **NOTIFICATION TO PARENTS (TERM 4/2021)**

## Term 4 School Calendar and Days of School Closure due to PSLE Examinations and Marking

1. The schedule of events for Term 4 is listed in <u>Annex A</u>. As there are several days of school closure due to the PSLE examinations and marking, kindly take note of these dates and make the necessary childcare arrangements.

### **Health and Safety Matters**

- 2. **Safe Management Measures (SMM).** The school will continue with the SMM that have been put in place due to the Covid-19 pandemic. The measures are:
  - a. Daily temperature-taking with additional visual and question screening will continue to be carried out for all students and staff. In addition, students and staff who are unwell, **OR** who have household members (6 years old and above) on Home Quarantine Order (HQO)/Stay Home Notice (SHN) **OR** have COVID-like symptoms (e.g. fever, runny nose, cough, loss of smell) will be reminded to stay away from school.
  - b. For students who are taking the school bus, our bus drivers will continue to visually screen the boys when they board the buses. Similarly, students who are unwell, **OR** who have household members (6 years old and above) on Home Quarantine Order (HQO)/Stay Home Notice (SHN) **OR** have Covid like symptoms (e.g. *fever*, *runny nose*, *cough*, *loss of smell*) will **not** be allowed to board the bus.
  - c. Students will continue to take their temperature every morning. Please ensure that they have a working thermometer with them at all times.
  - d. Students will need to have their functioning TraceTogether Tokens with them at all times.

- e. Students will continue to be assigned fixed seating arrangement in the respective lesson venues and in the canteen.
- f. Students will need to wear their masks at all times, except during eating or drinking.
- g. Students will not be allowed to talk to one another when their masks are off, including during recess and lunch time.
- h. Students will continue to exercise strict wipe-down routines during lessons and meal times at the allocated seats. The school will clean high-touch surfaces and disinfect the premises more frequently.
- i. Students will be reminded frequently on maintaining a high level of personal hygiene such as washing their hands frequently with soap / using of hand sanitisers, refraining of touching their eyes, mouths and noses etc.
- j. Dismissal and recess timings are staggered to reduce congestions.
- k. We will continue to clean high-touch surfaces more frequently and disinfect the premises daily.
- 3. Traffic Safety. We continue to seek your cooperation in preventing potential traffic accidents at the front gate when dropping off or picking up your son/ward. Due to the heavy traffic conditions of both vehicles travelling along the road and pedestrians crossing the walkway outside of the gate along Hougang Ave 8 (main road outside the school), any stoppage of vehicles near the front gate would constitute a breach of safety. Please help the school to reinforce the importance of traffic safety and role-model safety practices by dropping off or picking up your son/ward at any of the HDB car parks next to the side gate. Parents/guardians who are dropping off or picking up their sons/wards at the school main or side gates are to observe safe distancing measures. Please do not crowd around the gates and to stand at least 1 metre apart from each other.
- 4. **Safety in the School Bus**. For parents whose children are taking the school bus, please be informed that it is a requirement that all children wear seat belts when in the school bus. We seek your help in reminding your children of the importance of wearing their seat belts and remaining seated at all times while in the school bus. Repeated failure to wear the seat belts may result in the bus company taking action against your child and preventing him from using the school bus services.

#### **School Programmes**

5. **Home-based Learning Days (HBL).** HBL days give students the opportunity to learn in a non-classroom setting. To ensure that our students have the opportunity to continue to develop self-directed learning skills, students will stay home on different days during the PSLE written examinations and marking days. The schedule for HBL is detailed below.

Level	Date of Home-based Learning (HBL)
Primary 1 & 2	30 Sep 2021
Primary 3	4 Oct 2021
Primary 4	1 Oct 2021

All P1 to P5 students are to revise and complete their work during their level's assigned HBL day.

- 6. **Children's Day Celebration.** We will celebrate Children's Day on 7 Oct 2021. School will end at 10.30am on 7 Oct 2021. If your child is not taking the school bus, please make the necessary arrangement to bring your child home.
- 7. Deepavali Celebrations. The Deepavali Celebration will be held on 12 Nov 2021 (Fri).
- 8. **Parent-Child-Teacher Conference.** Due to Covid-19 situation, the PCTC will be conducted online this year. Parents need to pre-book the online appointment slots. More details will be given nearer the dates:
  - a. 10 Nov (Wed) for P4 parents; and
  - b. 17 Nov (Wed) for P1, P2, P3 and P5 parents.
- 9. **Post PSLE Programme for P6 Students.** Attendance is compulsory after PSLE as lessons will continue. There will be curriculum recovery and the teachers will be teaching those P6 topics that were not covered due to the Circuit Breaker and HBL periods. Meaningful and interesting activities have also been planned for the students, to ensure that learning continues.
- 10. **CCA Programme.** The final session for all after-school e-CCA will be on 2 September and resume only from 2 November onwards. There will be no face-to-face sessions with instructors unless there is a change in the SMM for Primary Schools.

#### **Partnership**

11. We thank you for your support this year and look forward to working with you in the following year to provide positive educational experiences for our boys. May God bless you and your family abundantly.

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**Yours Sincerely** 

Wilbur Wong Principal

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# Calendar for Term 4 2021

DAY / DATE	EVENT
17 Sep (Fri)	PSLE Listening Comprehension Exam for English Language and Mother Tongue
	Languages
20 San (Thu)	Note: P1-P5 students will stay home for HBL  PSLE English Language and Foundation English Language Papers 1 & 2
30 Sep (Thu)	
	Home-Based Learning for P1 & P2 students  Note: P1 & P2 students do not report to school, all other levels to report as usual.
1 Oct (Fri)	PSLE Mathematics and Foundation Mathematics Papers 1 & 2
1 300 (111)	Home-Based Learning for P4 students
	Note: P4 students do not report to school, all other levels to report as usual.
4 Oct (Mon)	PSLE Mother Tongue Languages/Non-Tamil Indian Languages Papers 1 & 2 and PSLE Foundation Mother Tongue Languages Paper 1
	Home-Based Learning for P3 students
	Note: P3 students do not report to school, all other levels to report as usual.
5 Oct (Tue)	PSLE Science and Foundation Science
	<ul> <li>SA2 – P3 Oral for English Language &amp; Mother Tongue Languages (during school hours)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>SA2 – P4 Oral for English Language &amp; Mother Tongue Languages (after school hours)</li> </ul>
6 Oct (Wed)	PSLE Higher Mother Tongue Languages Paper 1 & 2
	<ul> <li>SA2 – P3 Oral for English Language &amp; Mother Tongue Languages (during school hours)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>SA2 – P5 Oral for English Language &amp; Mother Tongue Languages (during and after school hours)</li> </ul>
7 Oct (Thu)	Children's Day Celebrations
	Note: Students will be dismissed at 10:30 a.m.
8 Oct (Fri)	Children's Day - School Holiday
11 - 12 Oct (Mon -Tue)	<ul> <li>SA2 – P3 Oral for English Language &amp; Mother Tongue Languages (during school hours)</li> </ul>
14 Oct (Thu)	SA2 – English Language and Mother Tongue Languages Paper 1 (P3 - P5)
18-21 Oct (Mon-Thu)	PSLE Marking Days
	Home-Based Learning for P1 to P5 students
25 Oct /More)	Note: All students do not report to school.
25 Oct (Mon)	SA2 – Mother Tongue Languages Listening Comprehension (P3 - P5)
26 Oct (Tue)	SA2 – English Language Paper 2 & Listening Comprehension (P3 - P5)
27 Oct (Wed)	SA2 - Science (P3 - P5)
28 Oct (Thu)	SA2 – Mother Tongue Languages Paper 2 (P3 - P5)
29 Oct (Fri)	SA2 – Mathematics (P3 - P5)
1 Nov (Mon)	SA2 – Higher Mother Tongue Languages (P5)
4 Nov (Thu)	Deepavali – Public Holiday
10 Nov (Wed)	Class Allocation Day
	Online Parent-Child-Teacher Conference for P4 students
	Note: All students do not report to school.

DAY / DATE	EVENT
12 Nov (Fri)	Deepavali Celebrations
16 Nov (Tue)	Release of Report Books to Parents
	Promotion Day
17 Nov (Wed)	Online Parent-Child-Teacher Conference for P1, P2, P3 & P5 students
18 Nov (Thu)	Prize Giving Day / P6 Graduation Ceremony
	Note: Last day of school for all students.
19 Nov (Fri)	2022 P1 Orientation Day
21 Nov to 31 Dec	School Holidays
4 Jan 2022 (Tue)	Start of Term 1, 2022