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Dear Parents / Guardians,

## NOTIFICATION TO PARENTS (TERM 4/2022)

### **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 **Annex A**. Programmes have been planned for some levels during the PSLE examinations and marking days. Please make the necessary childcare arrangements if your child/ward is not expected to be in school during those days.

### **Health and Safety Matters**

2. ***Safe Management Measures (SMM)***. The school will continue with the community SMMs, in alignment with national posture, as Singapore become more Covid-resilient:
  - a. Daily visual and question screening will continue to be carried out for all students and staff. Students and staff who are unwell **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, will **not** be allowed to board the bus.
  - c. Students will continue to bring a working thermometer with them daily as part of social responsibility to check their own temperature whenever they feel unwell. They are **no longer** required to bring their TraceTogether tokens to school.
  - d. The wearing of masks for all activities remains optional, including during their rides in the school buses. It would be recommended for students who have slight symptoms to continue to wear a face mask until they have fully recovered.
  - e. Students will continue to exercise strict wipe-down routines during lessons and mealtimes. The school will continue to clean high-touch surfaces and disinfect the premises regularly.
  - f. Students will be reminded 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.

- g. Dismissal and recess timings will remain staggered to reduce congestions.
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.

***Consideration for Residents.***

4. The school seek your understanding when you are dropping off your sons/wards in the residential carparks nearby in the following:
- a. Do make full use of all 3 available carparks near the school to prevent congestion and bottlenecks in any one of them, especially the one nearest to side gate (between blocks 526 and 527). This carpark has been observed to be overly congested during peak period (usually close to 7.30 am). Cars have been observed to maneuvered dangerously on some occasions by concerned residents as well.
  - b. In the event there is a congestion in the carparks, do exercise patience and avoid sounding the horns unnecessarily as we have received distress calls from residents on numerous occasions. You can thus help to role-model the school values of Respect and Compassion to your sons/wards and help the school to maintain our cordial relationship with the community.
  - c. The school thus strongly encourages you to send your sons/wards to school earlier, to minimise the risks of them hurting themselves while rushing to classroom/hall/parade square for flag-raising ceremony. Arriving earlier will also allow the teachers to check in on their well-being and for the boys to interact with their peers to start the day better. On this note, the school takes a strong stance in punctuality, and we seek the parents'/guardians' partnership to instill the same message as well.
5. **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 always remaining seated while in the school bus. Repeated failure to wear the seat belts may result in the bus company preventing your child/ward from using the school bus services.

**School Programmes**

6. **Home-based Learning Days (HBL) for Primary 1 to 5.** HBL days give students the opportunity to learn in a non-classroom setting. To ensure that our students will continue to develop self-directed learning skills, students will stay home on different days during the PSLE written examinations and marking days. All P1 to P5 students are to revise and complete their work during their level's assigned HBL day. The schedule for HBL is detailed below.

Level	Date of Home-based Learning (HBL)
P1 to P5	16 Sep
Primary 1	29 Sep & 20 Oct
Primary 2	4 Oct & 17 to 20 Oct
Primary 3	3 Oct & 17 to 20 Oct
Primary 4	30 Sep & 17 to 20 Oct

**7. Student curriculum programmes during PSLE Marking for Primary 1 students and Primary 5 students (17 to 19 October)**

- a. Primary 1 and Primary 5 students will be undergoing student development programmes on the dates shown in the table below. The student development programmes seek to further enrich students' learning experience situated within MJS' boy-centric, value-centric and future-centric curriculum, undergirded by the Maker Education approach.
- b. The programmes for Primary 1 and Primary 5 will start at 7.40am and school dismissal is at 1.30pm. The canteen will be opened for recess. As the canteen will not open before 7.40am, do ensure that your child/ward has his breakfast before coming to school. The details of the programmes are as follows:

Level	Date	Programme	Time	Remarks
Pri 1	17 to 19 Oct	<u>Speech and Drama Programme</u> Students will further develop their communication and collaborative skills as they work towards a class performance in end Term 4. <u>Math Learning Day</u> Students will get to apply Math concepts through play.	7.40am to 1.30pm	A letter will be posted on Parents Gateway to communicate the details of the Speech and Drama programme at a later date.
Pri 5	17 to 19 Oct	Curriculum subject lessons: English, Mother Tongue, Mathematics, Science, Art, Music & PE	7.40am to 1.30pm	

- c. **School Bus Operation.** School buses will operate as usual from 17 Oct to 20 Oct. If your child/ward is taking the school bus, do check with the school bus operator on the pick-up and drop-off time on these days.
- d. **Student Care Centre.** Student Care Centre (SCC) will operate as per usual from 17 to 20 Oct. Your child can proceed to SSC at the end of the day's programme. Do check with the SSC operator for further details.

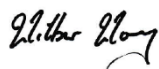
- e. **P5 Outdoor Adventure Camp (20 Oct to 22 Oct).** P5 students will gather for a camp safety briefing at 7.20 am in MJS Indoor Sports Hall on 20 Oct before moving off to the MOE Dairy Farm Campsite.
8. **Children's Day Celebration.** We will celebrate Children's Day on 6 Oct 2022. School will end as usual at 1.30 pm on 6 Oct 2022. This Children's Day, we will be bringing back **Book Character Day**. In celebrating our students, the Book Character Day aims to trigger their imagination and creativity and reignite the love of reading. In Term 3 Week 10, all students have been briefed and given an activity sheet to guide their preparation for the Book Character Day. Students can approach their English / Mother Tongue language teachers for assistance. We look forward to seeing all our students dressed as their favourite book character on that day. Lessons would be as per class timetable before recess.
9. **Deepavali Celebrations.** The Deepavali Celebration will be held on 4 Nov 2022 (Fri).
10. **Parent-Child-Teacher Conference (PCTC).** The PCTC will be conducted on 9 Nov 2022 for P4 and 16 Nov 2022 for P1, P2, P3 & P5. A follow-up letter with booking details will be sent at a later date. There will be no lessons on 9 Nov and 16 Nov.
11. **Post PSLE Programme for P6 Students.** Attendance is compulsory after PSLE as lessons will continue. Meaningful and interesting activities have been planned for your child / ward, to ensure that learning continues. We will also be arranging sessions to guide them on their transition to secondary schooling.
12. **CCA Programme.** All after-school CCA will end on 22 Sep and resume from 3 Nov onwards.

### **Partnership**

13. 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

## Calendar for Term 4 2022

DAY / DATE	EVENT
16 Sep (Fri)	PSLE Listening Comprehension Exam for English Language and Mother Tongue Languages <b>Note: P1-P5 students do not come to school and will stay home for HBL</b>
23 Sep (Fri)	Pre-PSLE Mass For All Pri 6 Students
29 Sep (Thu)	PSLE English Language and Foundation English Language Papers 1 & 2 Home-Based Learning for <b>P1</b> students <b>Note: P1 students do not report to school, all other levels to report as usual.</b>
30 Sep (Fri)	PSLE Mathematics and Foundation Mathematics Papers 1 & 2 Home-Based Learning for <b>P4</b> students <b>Note: P4 students do not report to school, all other levels to report as usual.</b>
3 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 <b>P3</b> students <b>Note: P3 students do not report to school, all other levels to report as usual.</b>
4 Oct (Tue)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PSLE Science and Foundation Science</li> <li>SA2 - P4 Oral for English Language &amp; Mother Tongue Languages (after school hours)</li> </ul> Home-Based Learning for <b>P2</b> students <b>Note: P2 students do not report to school, all other levels to report as usual.</b>
5 Oct (Wed)	PSLE Higher Mother Tongue Languages Paper 1 & 2 <b>Note: P1 to P5 students to report to school as usual.</b>
6 Oct (Thu)	Children's Day Celebrations. Dismissal as usual at 1.30 pm
7 Oct (Fri)	<b>Children's Day - School Holiday</b>
10-12 Oct (Mon -Wed)	SA2 - P3 Oral for English Language & Mother Tongue Languages (During curriculum hours)
10 - 11 Oct (Mon -Tue)	SA2 - P5 Oral for English Language & Mother Tongue Languages (After school hours)
13 Oct (Thu)	SA2 - English Language and Mother Tongue Languages Paper 1 (P3 - P5)
17-20 Oct (Mon-Thu)	PSLE Marking Days Home-Based Learning for P2 to P4 students For P1 & P5 students – refer to points 6-8
20 Oct – 22 Oct (Thu-Sat)	P5 Outdoor Adventure Camp at MOE Diary Farm Campsite
24 Oct (Mon)	<b>Deepavali – Public Holiday</b>
26 Oct (Wed)	SA2 - English Language Paper 2 & Listening Comprehension (P3 - P5)
27 Oct (Thu)	SA2 - Science (P3 - P5)
28 Oct (Fri)	SA2 - Mother Tongue Languages Listening Comprehension (P3 - P5) SA2 - Mother Tongue Languages Paper 2 (P3 - P5)

DAY / DATE	EVENT
31 Oct (Mon)	SA2 - Mathematics (P3 - P5)
1 Nov (Tue)	SA2 - Higher Mother Tongue Languages (P5)
4 Nov (Fri)	Deepavali Celebrations
9 Nov (Wed)	Class Allocation Day Parent-Child-Teacher Conference for P4 students <b>Note: All students do not report to school.</b>
15 Nov (Tue)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thanksgiving Mass</li> <li>• Release of Report Books to Parents</li> <li>• Promotion Day</li> </ul>
16 Nov (Wed)	Parent-Child-Teacher Conference for P1, P2, P3 & P5 students <b>Note: All students do not report to school.</b>
17 Nov (Thu)	Prize Giving Day / P6 Graduation Ceremony <b>Note: Last day of school for all students.</b>
18 Nov (Fri)	P1 (2023) Orientation Day
21 Nov (Mon) - 30 Dec (Fri)	School Holidays
3 Jan 2022 (Tue)	Start of Term 1, 2023