



PARK VIEW PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Principal's Message

Warm Greetings from Park View Primary School and welcome to 2023! From all of us here at Park View Primary School, we hope you have had a restful December break with your children.

2. 2022 was an exciting year as we celebrated the school's 25th Anniversary and achievements by our students in the various areas, together with the resumption of many school-wide events. These programmes and events have allowed our students to go through the Park View experience that we have sought out to provide for each and every Park View student throughout their time here. The Park View experience is a unique suite of programmes that we have customized for our students to ensure that they can discover themselves and grow into Leaders of Character. Your children can continue to look forward to these and more in 2023.

3. I would also like to take this opportunity to once again, congratulate the class of 2022 for having done their best for their PSLE in 2022. I am glad to share with you that 100% of our students are eligible for Secondary School. Our students have also done well across all subjects and we wish them all the best as they embark on a new milestone of their life in Secondary School. A big Thank You goes out as well to our teachers and parents who have walked this journey with them.

4. As our class of 2022 moves on, we welcome our new members of the Park View family; the Primary 1 students of 2023. They will also be starting a new journey and I believe I speak on behalf of the rest of the PVPS family when I say that we are excited to meet each and every one of the new members to the family. We hope that, just like the seniors, they will find PVPS a warm and vibrant place to call home.

5. As you enter the school in 2023, you will also see some changes to the façade of the school. We are continuously looking at ways to make the school vibrant and welcoming and as such you will see some changes in colour and designs to the walls and buildings. We hope that this will create a more conducive environment for our students.

6. Lastly, attached to this letter are some important and useful information for you as your child starts the year. We look forward to our continued partnership for 2023. I would also like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year. Do continue to keep well and stay safe!

Yours sincerely,

Miss Jamie Lie
Principal

A. 2023 SCHOOL DAY MATTERS

Please be reminded that **Primary 1** students will report for their first day of school on **Tuesday, 3 January 2023**. **Primary 2 to 6** students will report to school on **Wednesday, 4 January 2023**.

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Flag-raising begins at **7.30am** sharp. We would like to encourage your child/ward to arrive in school before 7.30am to do his/her silent reading and get ready for learning. Lessons will be conducted from thereafter to 1.30pm.

As shared in our previous letter, from 2023 onwards, the time-table for Primary 4 to Primary 6 will be extended by 1 hour to 2.30pm every Monday. This change will take effect from Monday, 9 January 2023 onwards. Due to the extension of curriculum hours, we will include a 30-minute lunch break for our Primary 4 to 6 students every Monday from 12.30pm to 1.00pm in replacement of the 10 minutes snack break.

Please take note of the staggered recess timing for the various levels to prevent overcrowding at the canteen:

Staggered Recess	P1 & P4	P2 & P5	P3 & P6
	9.30am-10am	10am-10.30am	10.30am-11am

To reduce overcrowding during dismissal, we will continue to implement the following dismissal schedule in 2023. Please refer to the table below on the schedule for 2023. We will inform our school bus operators and school's student care centre on the timing.

Staggered Dismissal	P1 & P2	P3 to P6
	1.25pm	1.30pm

B. SAFETY AND SECURITY MATTERS

Students who walk to school will be able to enter the school using the main gate (Gate A) or side gate (Gate D). Please note that the gates are only open during these timings:

Main Gate (Gate A)	7.00am – 6.00pm	Walk-in Gate: Open
	7.00am – 7.30am	Vehicle Gate: Open
	7.30am – 6.00pm	Vehicle Gate: Closed (open for authorised entry only)
Side Gate (Gate D)	7.00am – 7.30am	Open
	<u>Mon</u> 1.30pm – 2.00pm 2.00pm – 2.30pm	Open
	<u>Tues – Fri</u> 1.30pm – 2.00pm	

We seek parents' co-operation on the following safety matters:

- For parents who drive into the school in the morning, do reduce your speed and watch out for our staff who are reversing their cars to park at the parking lots along the driveway. Please drive off immediately once your child/ward alights at the drop-off point especially on rainy days to facilitate smooth traffic flow.
- During dismissal, do not park outside the school main gate which could cause potential safety hazards. Do use the nearby HDB carpark to ensure the safety of all.

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All parents/visitors are to register at the Security Post accessible via the front gate (Gate A) and proceed to General Office for assistance.

To deliver lunch boxes for your child/ward, parents/caregivers may:

- hand the lunch box directly to your child/ward at the front gate (Gate A) or side gate (Gate D) if delivering during school dismissal time; or
- place the clearly labelled lunch box (with the child's/ward's name and class) at the front gate (Gate A) if delivering earlier than school dismissal time. Do make prior arrangement for your child/ward to collect the lunch box from the security guard post.

C. TEMPERATURE-TAKING EXERCISE

Please note that our school will conduct Temperature-Taking Exercise on **Wednesday, 11 January 2023**. The objective of this exercise is to maintain schools' preparedness to reactivate temperature-taking regime should there be a need to, and to educate our students to take personal responsibility for their own health and practice social responsibility. Your child/ward will be required to bring his/her oral thermometer in working condition to school on that day.

New Primary 1 students will be given a thermometer in working condition during the first week of school. If your child/ward needs a new thermometer, he/she can purchase one at the bookshop for \$4.90 each.

D. DAILY ATTENDANCE MONITORING & STUDENT WELL-BEING

Please be informed that if your child/ward is not present during the attendance-taking, you will receive the following SMS notification:

"Dear Parent/Guardian, your child/ward is not in school today. Please contact the General Office at 6585 1421 for clarifications if any. Thank you."

Do inform your child's/ward's Form Teacher of the reason for his absence and submit the respective supporting document such as medical certificate (MC) or doctor's memo, etc. the next day when he reports to school.

The well-being of our students is important to us. If your child/ward is unwell, please seek medical attention promptly and adhere to the instructions given by the doctor. Your child/ward should be well before returning to school. We would appreciate it if you could inform the school immediately if your child/ward is diagnosed with COVID-19, chicken pox, Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease (HFMD) or other illness that may be contagious so that the school can take necessary precautionary measures.

If your child/ward has been tested with COVID-19, please follow the protocol 2 under MOH's portal <https://www.covid.gov.sg/>. If your child/ward is feeling unwell when he/she is in school, we will contact you to pick him/her from the General Office and seek medical attention immediately. Students are not permitted to go home on their own during school hours for safety reasons.

E. USAGE OF STUDENTS' IMAGE IN SCHOOL MEDIA

Photographs or video images of your child/ward may be captured during school programmes, activities and events such as classroom lessons, CCA, school camps and school concerts, etc. The school may use and publish such photographs and/or video recordings in school publications, website, social media channels and other communication channels.

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F. BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS IN SCHOOL

We understand that some parents would like their child/ward to celebrate his/her birthday in school. To safeguard the safety of all students especially those with food allergies and dietary restrictions, birthday cakes and goodie bags with food items are not permitted. Other items like gift packs are strongly discouraged. We seek your kind understanding and cooperation in this matter.

G. PHOTO-TAKING FOR P1 AND P6 STUDENTS, FRIDAY 6TH JANUARY 2023

MOE will be conducting the yearly photo-taking exercise for all students in Primary One (P1) and Primary Six (P6) for the purpose of generating the School Smart Card (SSC). The photo-taking will be conducted by Transit Link's appointed vendor on behalf of MOE. The SSC serves as the student's identification card and can be used for concessionary travel on public transport and to borrow library books from the National Library Board and the school's library, amongst other usage.

The photo-taking session for our school is scheduled on **Friday, 6 January 2023**. Following the photo-taking, P1 students will get their SSCs by end March 2023, while the photos for P6 students will be used for the printing of Secondary SSCs when they are promoted to Secondary One in 2024. For P1 students, while pending the receipt of the SSCs, students can continue to use the Child Concession Card for free travel on public transport until 30 April 2023.

Please be informed that all P1 and P6 students are required to be dressed in their school uniform for the photo-taking session. Please also ensure that your child's/ward's hair is neat and tidy.

If your child/ward is unable to attend the photo-taking session, the school will either arrange for him/her to have his/her photo taken on another day or request the parent/guardian to submit a softcopy photo to the school.

H. GENERAL REPAIR AND REDECORATION (GR&R)

Our school commenced the GR&R works for our existing school building during the November/December school holidays. We are happy to share that the painting works for the teaching areas have been completed. For the remaining areas, we will continue to work with our contractors to complete the painting as soon as possible to minimize any inconvenience caused.

Together with the contractors, will take all necessary measures to ensure the safety and security of our students and staff.

I. CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR TERM 1

Please find attached the Term 1 Calendar of events under Annex A for your planning ahead with your child/ward. We look forward to your continued partnership and support as we journey the year 2023 together to help our children to learn for life and develop a sense of purpose in life.

Let us continue to exercise our personal hygiene and social responsibilities in school, at home or out in the community to keep everyone safe. Thank you so much.

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