

PEIYING PRIMARY SCHOOL

School Vision: Lifelong Learners, Leaders of Character School Mission: Building Character, Enriching Lives, Stretching Potential

> Keeping in Touch Letter to Parents 47/2024

6 September 2024

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We hope that you had a good September Holiday bonding with your child/ward. We will be sharing with you updates of our Term 4 programmes and we look forward to another term of impactful school activities with your child/ward.

HOME-SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP

1. Term 4 School Calendar

Please refer to **Annex A** for Term 4 school calendar. Alternatively, you can also view the calendar on our school website https://www.peiyingpri.moe.edu.sg/about-us/school-calendar/.

2. P1 Orientation Day

We would have our P1 Orientation Day in the afternoon of 8 November to welcome the P1 cohort for 2025.

3. Mother Tongue Languages Symposium (MTLS) 2024

The MTLS is a biennial event organised by the Ministry of Education to promote our Mother Tongue Languages (MTLs). The theme of this year's MTLS is "Our Mother Tongues as Living Languages", and the symposium will be held on Saturday, 14 September 2024, at the Suntec Singapore Convention & Exhibition Centre. Parents/Guardians who are interested to attend the event with their child/ward can register at https://www.mtls.edu.sg/registration/.

4. Prize Presentation Day cum P6 Graduation Day

To celebrate the efforts and achievements of our students and staff, we would be having our Prize Presentation Day cum P6 Graduation Day on 15 November. The theme for this year is "A Symphony of Brilliance". Only P3 to P5 prize recipients and all P6 students would attend the ceremony. Students would report in their full school uniform. Invitation letters would be issued to the parents of the prize recipients at a later date. The General Office would be closed at 1 pm on that day as there is a Staff Appreciation Lunch.

5. Parent Support Group (PSG) Meeting

Our school would be holding our PSG Meeting on 8 November afternoon. We would be celebrating the efforts and active involvement of members for this year. PSG Exco would be organising bonding activities for members. This would be a great opportunity for parent volunteers to get to know one another. Join us as a PSG member to volunteer your time, talents and thoughts, and bond with fellow parents by signing up at https://go.gov.sg/pypsg.

6. Eat with Your Family Day (EWYFD)

EWYFD is a nation-wide initiative to encourage Singaporeans to consciously set aside time on that day to be with their families. We hope you could also take time from your work on 15 November 2024 to have dinner with your family on this date.

7. Refreshed School PE T-shirt

To better suit Singapore's warm climate and enhance student comfort, our school will refresh our PE T-shirts and shorts. The new T-shirts will be made of breathable Dri-FIT material, which is lightweight, quick-drying and durable. The new design includes a smart casual Mandarin collar with two front buttons and black slimming trimmings for a neater look. The house name will be on the sleeve to foster camaraderie and a sense of identity among students. Images of the refreshed PE T-shirts are shown below:



Students may continue to wear their existing PE T-shirts and shorts for school activities. The refreshed PE T-shirts and shorts will be available for purchase at the end of this year.

STUDENT WELL-BEING AND DEVELOPMENT

8. Students Achievements

Our students participated in the National School Games (NSG). We are proud to announce that our Sepak Takraw Junior Boys team achieved Achievement Pin (2nd Place Tier 1 Gold – Peiying Team 1) and Medal (1st Place Tier 3 Silver 2 – Peiying Team 2) in their NSG competition.

We would also like to congratulate these students for their efforts and achievements:

NSG Competition	Achievement	Name	Class
Table Tennis	Achievement Pin	Li Junyao	31
Taekwondo Poomsae	Achievement Pin	Wong Zi Xuan Xiao Zhi Tong	4P 5D
Taekwondo Kyorugi	Bronze Medal Gold Medal	Cendrick Goh Lee Zong En	6D 5I
Tennis (Orange Ball)	Achievement Pin	Zoraan Dua Kumar Risay Zoltan	2I 2E
Tennis (Green Ball)	Gold Medal	Kumar Xuan Treef	5E

We would like to commend and congratulate our students for their efforts and achievements in the following competitions. They have displayed curiosity for learning and resilience.

Competition	Achievement	Name	Class
25th International Chinese Language Competition (ICLC) 2024 – Creative Writing	Silver (National) Bronze (international)	Xiao Zhitong	5D

Competition	Achievement	Name	Class
10 th National Primary School Picture Book Creation Competition 2024 (Chinese Language Competition)	Merit Award Juliette Tan Xin Xuan Xiao Zhitong Yin Zhiyu Ju Shen Xin April Hoe Qian Le		5D 5D 5E 5E 5E
2024 North Zone Schools Speech Competition (Chinese Language Competition)	The Most Promising Award	Chew Rui Xue, Tracy Rae Yap Rui Jun	3E 3I
Nee Soon IAEC Tamil Literary Competition	Consolation (Oratorical Competition)	Sivanantham Samyuktha	6D
	Consolation (Online Quiz)	Naanila Deenadayal	4P
Peraduan Saya Boleh Mengarang 2024 (National Writing Competition)	Gold (National)	Muhammad Daniyal Bin Muhammad Suhail	3E
	Bronze (National)	Rayna Maryam Collins	3E
	Gold (National)	Falisya Zara Binte Mohamad Fakulraziz	4D
	Bronze (National)	Saffiya Ariana D/O Sunder	41
17th Annual Mathlympics 2024	Participation	Xiao Zhitong Juliette Tan Xin Xuan Kumar Xuan Treef	5D 5D 5E
	Merit	Chan Yu Hong Nikhil Nair Chew Yi Bei Swaminathan Arjun	5D 5D 5E 5E
	Bronze	Issac Ng Zi Feng Celeste Tong Wenxin Rudransh Ranjit Khare	5D 5D 5D
22 nd Elementz Science Competition 2024	Certificate of Participation	Maryanne Lim Wei Xuan Ray Tan Yuwen Abby Tan Yan Wen Poo Min Yi Athena Ow De Xun John	4P 4I 4E 4E 4E
	Certificate of Commendation	Liu Zichen Chang Xi Hao Tan Din Tze Maw Kunn Swaminathan Arjun	6D 6I 5D 5E 5E
	Silver	Issac Ng Zi Feng Zhai Jiaxuan Kyan Ong Chen Yi Bhan Shivika Kumar Xuan Treef	5D 5D 5D 5E 5E
2024 English Creative Writing Programme (Primary) Camp	Participation	Chloe Ling Fang Yi	5D

9. Student Health Matters

We seek parents' support in inculcating personal and social responsibility in your child. If your child/ward is unwell, please ensure that he/she stays at home and seeks medical attention if necessary. Students should only come back to school when they are well. After returning to school from their absence, students must submit the medical certificate or proof of Ag+ to their Form or co-Form Teacher promptly.

10. Leading Self

To support our students in leading self, we would like to remind and seek your partnership in the following matters:

a) Punctuality and Attendance

All students must report to the school to attend the flag-raising and pledge-taking ceremony at 7.30 am. Students who arrive after 7.35 am (at the end of pledge-taking) would be considered late. Late-coming is considered a school offence.

Regular school attendance is essential for our students to learn effectively. We urge parents and guardians to work closely with the school to ensure your child/ward attends school regularly. Any absence from school should be covered by a medical certificate or proof of Ag+. A signed letter from parent/guardian will be taken into consideration on a case-by-case basis. Please note that the number of signed letters from parent/guardian should not exceed five per semester.

Please also note that absence from school due to private vacation is considered "absent without valid reason". We would like to remind parents not to book any holidays during the school term, especially for the P6 students after their PSLE. The school has planned programmes for the P6 students after their PSLE. Absence without valid reason is considered a school offence.

b) Maintaining Neat Appearance

Students are required to maintain a neat appearance. They are not allowed to wear accessories like bracelet or necklace to school. Please note that iron-on nametag must be placed and ironed above the pocket of shirt/blouse and above the school badge on the PE T-shirt.

In view of the warmer weather, we would continue to allow our students to put on their half-uniform PE T-shirts and shorts (for boys) /skirts (for girls) instead of full uniform on non-PE days during this period for additional comfort. All T-shirts must be tucked in neatly.

c) Preventive Drug Education Efforts

As part of our preventive drug education efforts, the school conducted an Anti-Drug Assembly Programme in Term 3. We also incorporated activities into our Physical Education lessons to emphasise the importance of staying drug-free. We appreciate the parents who have already completed the online pledge to stay drug-free, as mentioned in our earlier announcement through PG. Your support is invaluable in reinforcing this message at home. If you have not completed the pledge, we strongly encourage you and your child/ward to do so using this link https://www.cnb.gov.sg/drugvictimsremembranceday/2024/promises/#make-a-promise. We have attached conversation starters in **Annex B** to help you discuss the dangers of drugs with your child/ward. Thank you for your support in keeping our community drug-free.

CURRICULUM MATTERS

11. Academic Support

Remedial, supplementary lessons and support programmes will carry on as per normal from Term 4 Week 1 or 2. Students would receive a consent form if they were selected.

12. P6 Study Break

The school would implement a study break for P6 students from 23 to 25 September. To provide support for our P6 students, the school has planned for either online Zoom revision or face-to-face revision in school during the study break on 23 and 24 Sep with their English, Mathematics, Science and MTL teachers. Parents of P6 students are advised to refer to the notification that will be sent via Parents Gateway for more information.

13. Assessment

a) Holistic Assessment (HA)

As informed previously, there would be no weighted assessments for P1 and P2 students. Our teachers are using HA to gather information about the students' learning to provide targeted support to the students and build their confidence and desire to learn (please refer to the Letter to Parents 41/a/b/2024 issued on 11 July for the Semester 2 learning plans). Parents would be given a learning progress report at the end of Term 4 to inform them of the level of acquisition of skills of their child in the different subjects.

b) P3 to P5 End-of-Year Examinations (EOY)

There would be End-of-Year Examinations for P3 to P5 students. The percentage weightage for EOY is 60%. To prepare for the examinations, we urge parents to remind your children to be consistent and regular in revising their schoolwork. Please refer to **Annex C** for details.

c) Access Arrangement (AA) for P3 to P5 End-of-Year Examinations (EOY)

Students with diagnosed learning needs may receive AA during examinations. If your child has been recommended to receive AA and you have not notified the school, please do so by Mon 16 September via your child's Form/co-Form Teacher. A copy of psychological/ professional medical report that clearly states the specific learning needs/ medical conditions and the recommended access arrangement is required.

d) Absence for P3 to P5 End-of-Year Examinations (EOY)

If your child is absent for the oral examination, he/she would be able to do a make-up examination on another day arranged by the school. We would like to inform parents/guardians that <u>make-up session would only be conducted for oral examination</u>. Do note that there is <u>no make-up for all written papers</u>. This is in line with the examination practice for national examinations.

If your child is absent for any of the written papers during the EOY, the teacher would allow your child to attempt the paper as a practice exercise at a later date. The paper would be marked to enable your child to learn and gauge his/her performance. However, the marks would not be recorded.

Students who are absent on the exam day(s) must produce a Medical Certificate from a licensed medical officer, proof of Ag+ or have other valid reasons (such as bereavement of family members) for their absence. Their marks would then be computed based on this consideration.

Students who are absent from examinations without a valid reason would be marked as being absent without valid reason. No marks would be awarded for the paper that they have missed.

e) Primary School Leaving Examination (PSLE)

Our P6 students would be sitting for the PSLE Listening Comprehension Examinations on 13 September and written examinations from 26 September to 2 October.

There is <u>no school</u> for:

- P1 to P5 students on 13 September
- P1 and P2 students on 26 & 27 September
- P3 students on 30 September

Students would be having Home-based Learning (HBL) on these days.

All P6 students would have received their PSLE examination schedule which was given together with their entry proof. A copy of the examination timetable can be found in **Annex D**. For more information on PSLE dates, parents can refer to the SEAB website https://www.seab.gov.sg/docs/default-source/examination-timetable/2024-psle-exam-timetable.pdf?sfvrsn=5ef9c2bc 2

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14. Term 4 School Programme Highlights

Please refer to **Annex E** for programme highlights. We would like to bring your attention to the following events:

a) Children's Day Celebration and P1&P2 Games Carnival on 3 October

Our school would be celebrating Children's Day on 3 October. School hours would be from 7.30 am to 11 am. There would be no after-school activities. In conjunction with the celebration, we would be organising a concert and level programmes as follows.

P1 & P2	P3	P4	P5	P6
Games Carnival	Student Leadership Programme		Education and Career Guidance	
			Progra	amme

STUDENT SAFETY AND SECURITY

15. Safety

We would like to continue to urge parents/guardians to educate your child to use the designated zebra crossings to cross the road with your child. Jaywalking is dangerous.

We would also like to share with parents that SGSecure has launched its first music video, "Foiled Once More", and Instagram account (@SGSecureOfficial) this year. You may like to follow the Instagram account, @SGSecureOfficial to stay updated on key SGSecure advisories.

Thank you and we look forward to your continued partnership.

Your Partner-In-Education,

Mrs Peh-Wong Wei Yong Principal

Term 4 Calendar

Date	Events / Activities	Remarks
Fri 13 Sep	PSLE Listening Comprehension	 For P6 students only No school day for P1 to P5 students (Home Based Learning)
Mon 23 Sep – Wed 25 Sep	P6 Study Break	 For P6 students only P6 students will have online revision sessions or be required to come to school for academic support revision on 23 & 24 Sep. P1-P5 students report to school as per normal
Thu 26 Sep – Wed 2 Oct	PSLE Written Examinations	 For P6 students only (Refer to Annex D for the PSLE examinations timetable) P1-P5 students report to school as per normal except No school day for P1 & P2 students only on 26 & 27 Sep (Home Based Learning) No school day for P3 students only on 30 Sep (Home Based Learning)
Thu 3 Oct	Children's Day Celebrations & Lower Primary Games Carnival	 Dismissal from 11.00 am No after-school activities
Fri 4 Oct	Children's Day	School Holiday
Thu 10 Oct – Thu 24 Oct	P3 to P5 End-of- Year Listening Comprehension & Written Examinations	 Refer to Annex C for timetable Level timetable will be provided at a later date
Mon 14 – Wed 16 Oct	PSLE Marking Exercise	 No school day for P1 to P5 students All P5 students would participate in Science Enrichment Programme (Sparkle Cards) on Mon, 14 Oct. Consent form will be issued at a later date. Selected P4 students would participate in CCM Programme from Mon 14 - Wed 16 Oct.
Thu 31 Oct	Deepavali	Public Holiday
Wed 6 Nov	Staff Administration Day	No school day for P1 to P6 students
Fri 8 Nov	P1 Orientation Day afternoon	For 2025 P1 cohort
Fri 15 Nov	Prize Presentation Day cum P6 Graduation Day	 Only P3 to P5 prize winners and all P6 students need to come to school Students to report in their full school uniform
Sat 16 Nov – Tue 31 Dec	Year End Holidays	 School will reopen on Thu 2 Jan 2025 for P1 students P2 to P6 will start school on Fri 3 Jan 2025

P3-P5 End-of-Year (EOY) Examinations Timetable

Date	Paper
Mon 16 Sep and Thu 19 Sep	P5 Oral (English/ Foundation English & Mother Tongue Languages/ Foundation Mother Tongue Languages) *To be conducted in the afternoon, more information will be provided at a later date.
Mon 23 Sep	P3 Oral (Mother Tongue Languages) P4 Oral (English) *To be conducted in the afternoon, more information will be provided at a later date.
Mon 7 Oct	P3 Oral (English) P4 Oral (Mother Tongue Languages) *To be conducted in the afternoon, more information will be provided at a later date.
Thu 10 Oct	P3, P4 English Language Paper 1 P3, P4 Mother Tongue Languages Listening Comprehension P5 English/ Foundation English Language Paper 1 P5 Mother Tongue Languages/ Foundation Mother Tongue Languages Listening Comprehension
Fri 11 Oct	P3, P4 Mother Tongue Languages Paper 1 P3, P4 English Language Listening Comprehension P5 Mother Tongue Languages Paper 1 P5 English/ P5 Foundation English Language Listening Comprehension
Fri 18 Oct	P3, P4 Science P5 Science/ P5 Foundation Science
Mon 21 Oct	P3, P4 English Language Paper 2
	P5 English Language Paper 2/ P5 Foundation English Language Paper 2
Tue 22 Oct	P3, P4 Mother Tongue Languages Paper 2
	P5 Mother Tongue Languages Paper 2/ P5 Foundation Mother Tongue Languages Paper 1
Wed 23 Oct	P3, P4 Mathematics Paper 1 and 2
	P5 Mathematics Paper 1 and 2/ P5 Foundation Mathematics Paper 1 and Paper 2
Thu 24 Oct	P5 Higher Mother Tongue Languages Paper 1 and Paper 2

The examinations would take place during normal curriculum hours (7.30 am – 1.30 pm).

^{*}A timetable of the examination dates by <u>level</u> would be disseminated at a later date.

ANNEX D

PSLE Examinations Timetable (For P6 Students only)

Date	Paper
Fri 13 Sep	Listening Comprehension (English/ Foundation English & Mother Tongue Languages/ Foundation Mother Tongue Languages)
Thu 26 Sep	Paper 1 – English/ Foundation English Language Paper 2 – English/ Foundation English Language
Fri 27 Sep	Paper 1 – Mathematics/ Foundation Mathematics Paper 2 – Mathematics/ Foundation Mathematics
Mon 30 Sep	Paper 1 – Mother Tongue Languages/ Foundation Mother Tongue Languages Paper 2 – Mother Tongue Languages
Tues 1 Oct	Science Foundation Science
Wed 2 Oct	Paper 1 – Higher Mother Tongue Languages Paper 2 – Higher Mother Tongue Languages

Term 4 School Level Highlights

a) P2 CCA Experience Day

The Primary 2 Co-Curricular Activities(CCA) Experience Day would be conducted on 16 September during curriculum hours. Our P2 students would be introduced to the range of CCAs offered in the school and have the chance to explore their interests and talents. We hope that through this experience, our P2 students would have a better idea of what they may expect when they come for their weekly CCA sessions in Primary 3 and empower them to make informed choices about their preferred CCA. Details on the selection of CCA through an online form would be provided at a later date.

b) P5 Science "Sparkle Card" Workshop

To spark our students' passion for Science and deepen their understanding of "Electricity", we would be organising a workshop for our Primary 5 students on Monday, 14 October from 7.30 am to 10.30 am. This engaging session will allow students to explore the wonders of electricity through hands-on learning. They would have the opportunity to learn to connect electrical components and create their own customised LED greeting cards, blending science with creativity. We look forward to your partnership for our students to experience the excitement of science and see their knowledge come to life in a fun and meaningful way.

c) P6 Post PSLE Activities

Students are expected to be present after PSLE as the school has planned activities for students to develop important life skills and to learn beyond the classrooms. The activities include:

- Career Seminar and Secondary School Talks for Education and Career Guidance
- Next-Steps Transition to Secondary School Workshop
- Values-In-Action (VIA) for Character and Citizenship Education
- e-PRIDE book on Environment Sustainability as part of Applied Learning Programme
- Experiential Bowling as part of Learning for Life Programme
- Chinese Opera Appreciation for Arts and Cultural Experience
- Code for Fun for Digital Literacy

Details of the activities would be sent after the PSLE Examination. We would like to remind parents that students have to return to school after PSLE examinations. Parents should not book personal holidays during this period as this is not a school holiday.