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#### Dear Parents/Guardians

Welcome to our first issue of the PGVP Quarterly for 2024 and a warm welcome to our new students and parents who have joined us this year. The PGVP Quarterly is a termly school newsletter to keep students and parents updated on the news and happenings in our school.

In Punggol View Primary School, we remain focused on developing the whole child, aiming to mold our students into Confident learners and Active citizens with the appropriate traits and Learning Dispositions. To nurture our students into confident learners and active citizens, we believe that our children must be taught not only what to think but "how" to think. We want them to be developed into Effective and Empathetic Communicators and have the capacity to think well, think clearly and think creatively. This will ensure they are well-equipped to navigate the complexities of the modern world.

The school is committed to prepare our students to be Future Ready by employing our innovative  $ABC^2D$  approach. This approach encapsulates Assessment Literacy, Blended Learning, Critical and Inventive Thinking (CIT), Effective and Empathetic Communication to cater to the 21st Century Competencies, and Differentiation in the classroom to ensure no child is left behind. This comprehensive strategy ensures that every student is included and catered to, fostering critical, inventive skills. Students also need to embrace adaptive thinking, sizing up unexpected situations, considering possible options and deciding on the best solution. Therefore, the school not only focuses on academic pursuits but also prepares students to adapt and respond to unforeseen challenges effectively.

In PGVP, we actively create various learning opportunities, extending education beyond the conventional classroom environment. Looking forward, and in line with the 2023 MOE Workplan Seminar directions, the school aims to reinforce the idea of "the World as our school" for both students and teachers. This is achieved by increasing exposure to diverse learning platforms beyond the school's boundaries, thus broadening the educational experience and preparing students for global challenges and opportunities.

### Expected Behaviours of PGVP students - Strengthening 4As in our students

Punggol View Primary School (PGVP) will continue to pursue our vision of developing every student to become "Confident Learners and Active Citizens" and to this end we are committed to provide a values-based, holistic education in a caring and rich learning environment so that our students will become persons of character who are good and useful citizens of tomorrow.

In building up our students' character we aim to develop every student to be a **self-leader** who is **anchored in the R³ICH values** (Respect, Responsibility, Resilience, Integrity, Care, Harmony). We believe that as self-leaders, students are aware of their own strengths and talents and will take greater responsibility for their learning. Therefore, we seek to educate and empower our students to **learn positive behaviours** and internalise the R³ICH values right from the start as these will go a long way in supporting their growth.

In PGVP all students are expected to uphold the good name of the school and demonstrate good behaviour at all times. Students are guided by the 4As of values-based behaviour - Attendance, Appearance, Attitude and Assignment in how they learn and how they present themselves to their teachers and peers. Students are expected to display the 4As in their daily life.

To remind students of their responsibilities in relation to the school rules and regulations, students should constantly refer to the 4As set of expectations. Broadly they are defined as the following:

#### Attendance

Attendance in school is important for learning so all students must be present and be punctual.

### • Appearance

All students must look their best at all times, wear the school uniform smartly and project a good image of themselves.

#### Attitude

Students must be exemplary in their conduct and live our values of Respect, Responsibility, Resilience, Integrity, Care and Harmony every day.

#### Assignment

Commit to doing your school work with pride and submit them on time.

The school places high importance for the adherence to the 4As and will be monitoring the students closely. As partners in your child's education, we seek your support in inculcating and reinforcing these 4As in your child.

In the first week of each term, your child's Form Teacher (FT) will send home an **Appearance checklist**. The checklist seeks to affirm your child's effort in maintaining good appearance and also serves as a reminder if there are areas to rectify over the weekend. We again seek your support to follow-up accordingly. We encourage you to work closely with your child's FT in this regard.

A student who displays the 4As well and constantly displays the right values will succeed in whatever he / she embarks on. We will engage you further as the year progresses.

#### Staff News

### Staff Movement

The school bids farewell to the following staff members as we start the new year:

- Mrs Lydia Leong
- Mdm Sohana Bte Abd Halim
- Miss Charmaine Wong
- Mr Loh Hao Jie
- Mdm Noor Adzilah Bte Tahir
- Mdm Samihah Bte Abd Kader
- Ms Karen Low Lai Fong
- Mdm Siti Noor Fatimah Bte Jabbar

- Ms Ponniamal d/o R Suppan
- Mr Ariffin Bin Ab. Latif
- Ms Susan Sng
- Mdm Hairon Bibi Bte Zahiruddin
- Mdm Nor Adilah Binte Abdul Hamid

We thank them for their contributions to the school.

Our Vice Principal, Mr Zensen Goh will also be leaving the school on 31 Jan 2024. We want to thank him for his many years of contribution to the school and education service. Here's wishing him and all those who are leaving us all the best as they embark on their new endeavours.

We want to welcome Mrs Sandra Theseira, who has been posted to our school as Vice Principal with effect from 15 Dec 2023.

We would also like to extend a warm welcome to the following staff who have joined the PGVP Family:

- Mdm Aryani Binte Abdul Rahman
- Mdm Claire Yap Ziwen

- Mr Reuben Dominic Phay
- Mrs Ang Si Min

- Mdm Fauziah Bte Mohamad
- Mrs Rachael Sng
- Mdm Razidah Amat

- Mdm Mardiana Mahat
- Mrs Liew Bee Lin

### Staff Appointments

We are happy to announce that the following staff have been officially appointed with effect from 1 Jan 2024:

Year Head (Upper Years)
 Mdm Lim Hwee Li

• Level Head 2 (Mathematics) : Mr Reuben Dominic Phay

### Staff Achievement

### MOE Innergy Award 2023 - Commendation

We want to congratulate Mr Fabian Koh for winning the above award for his work on the ARPT (Automated Relief Planning Template) which helped our relief planning team to be more effective and efficient in their daily relief planning process. The MOE Innergy Award recognises teams/individuals in MOE Schools, Divisions, and Statutory Boards for successfully developing and implementing innovations that bring about significant benefits and impact at their workplaces.

## Inspiring Teacher of English Award 2023

We are proud to announce that Mdm Rosnita Bte Abdul Rahim (Mdm Rose) has been nominated for the Inspiring Teacher of English Award 2023. This award recognises teachers of English who are role models to both their students and colleagues and are passionate about making English interesting and relevant to their students through innovative and engaging methods of teaching. We are confident that this nomination will spur her and the EL team to work even harder to inspire our students in English language learning!

## MOE Outstanding Contribution Award (OCA)

We are happy to announce that the following staff and teams have been awarded the 2023 MOE Outstanding Contribution Award:

#### Individual award:

- Mdm Shannon Pang
- Mdm Goh Poh Khim

#### Team award:

- ML Core Reading Programme
- PAMtastic Week
- P1 Writer's Tea
- Teachers' Band

### National Day Long Service Medal and MOE Long Service Award

We are also happy to announce that the following staff have received the MOE Long Service Award:

- Mdm Lyly Suriani
- Mdm Teng Xiu Yin Agneta
- Mr Lim Wei Cheng
- Mr Ng Yi Qin Ryan
- Mr Mohd Bilal Bin Obayadulla
- Mr Iskandar Bin Abdul Hamid
- Mr Kumaran S/O Muniandi
- Mdm Siti Nadia Bte Mohd Rafii
- Mdm Raihanah Binte Ali
- Mdm Sarina Binti Sapari
- Mdm Noor Adzilah Binte Tahir

- Mr Loh Hao Jie
- Mdm Chew Chai Lian Violette
- Mdm Sylvia Wang
- Mdm Liang Hong Wen
- Mr Muhd Nazriff bin Nasser
- Mr Jaya Balan Kanagasundram
- Mdm Gumutha do Murugathasan
- Mdm Teng Yi Wen
- Mdm Madeline Tan Hwee Li
- Mdm Sharifah Samirah
- Ms Cheng Chin Ying Jamie

We want to thank them for the many years of support and dedication to the education service and Punggol View Primary School.

#### Students' Achievements

### PSLE Results 2023

Our 2023 cohort of P6 students have made us proud by performing very well in their PSLE. We want to congratulate the following students who have performed exceedingly well in the PSLE 2023. We also want to acknowledge the efforts of our

teachers and parents for their unwavering support of our students for their PSLE! Our top 3 students achieved a perfect score of 4 for PSLE 2023. They are:

Ng Jian HaoChua Yu HengLim Say Jeong6RU

We have a total of 23 students who have done very well, achieving a PSLE Score of 10 or better. The students are:

No.	Name of Student	Class	No.	Name of Student	Class
1	Ng Jian Hao	6RU	13	Wong Yue Tong	6EM
2	Chua Yu Heng	6RU	14	Phoebe Tan Yu Tong	6RU
3	Lim Say Jeong	6EM	15	Clavance Ang	6EM
4	Goh Xu Jia	6EM	16	Ilayarasu Avinash	6RU
5	Teo Wen Le, Dylan	6EM	17	Emmanuel Tao Lun Feng	6RU
6	Yap Xin Ying	6EM	18	Raelynnes Sieu	6RU
7	Nicholas Lee Wen Le	6RU	19	Ryan William Tenando	6EM
8	Richie Lian Li Qi	6EM	20	Sharis Kua	6EM
9	Wong Wei Kai, Lucas	6RU	21	Javier Quek Jia Jun	6RU
10	Ameerah Tasneema	6RU	22	Koh Raecus	6RU
11	Cheng Xuan Yi, Charis	6RU	23	Lee Jay-en	6RU
12	Muhammad Shaqeel Bin Jailani	6RU			

In PGVP, our students are also given various opportunities to pursue diverse pathways in their educational journey. We are happy to announce that this year, we have 24 students who are admitted through DSA, up from 12 in 2022. The following students have qualified and are posted into the school of their choice under the Direct School Admission (DSA).

No.	Name of Student	Class	Secondary School Posted To (DSA)
1	Choo Junhao, Javier	6AM	Pei Hwa Secondary School
2	Lim Yu Jin	6AM	Pei Hwa Secondary School

3	Lai Xuanhui, Zirrea	6AM	Zhonghua Secondary School
4	Damien Chua Kai Jie	6EM Tanjong Katong Secondary School	
5	Gracelyn Tan Xin En	6EM	School of the Arts, Singapore
6	Wong Wei Kai, Lucas	6EM	School of Science and Technology, Singapore
7	Er Kayo	6EM	Cedar Girls' Secondary School (IP)
8	Xu Lemin Natalie	6EM	Tanjong Katong Girls' School
9	Idraki Ahnaf Bin Anis Dahiren	6J <i>A</i>	Compassvale Secondary School
10	Liang Kaisheng Kayden	6J <i>A</i>	St Andrew's Secondary School
11	Ong Chin Say	6J <i>A</i>	St Andrew's Secondary School
12	Furutani Kenichi	6OP	Zhonghua Secondary School
13	Arianna Binte Idris	6OP	Methodist Girls' School (Secondary)
14	Eiliyah Sofia Binte Iskandar	6OP	Pei Hwa Secondary School
15	Jayren Ng Jie Ren	6OP	North Vista Secondary School
16	Muhammad Dany Qaiser Bin Girda	6PE	Damai Secondary School
17	Sun Wei Qiang Ashton	6PE	St Andrew's Secondary School
18	Muhammad Ryyan Mohammed Rizal	6PE	Springfield Secondary School
19	Aleenah Diyanah Binte Mohammad Hafiz	6PE	Tanjong Katong Girls' School
20	Loke Junrong Rafael	6RU	St Joseph Institution
21	Ng Jian Hao	6RU	Hwa Chong Institution
22	Javier Quek Jia Jun	6RU	Victoria School (IP)
23	Muhammad Shaqeel Bin Jailani	6RU	School of the Arts, Singapore
24	Michael James Tan	6RU	Maris Stella High School

Congratulations to all students on their achievements! A big thank you to all parents for your support as well. We wish our graduates all the best as they embark on their secondary school education and beyond!

### School curriculum hours

## School Hours and reporting venues 2024

Our flag raising ceremony, which is to be attended by all, will begin at 7.30am. Based on the morning's programme, students will report to either the hall/ISH or classrooms. Students will be informed before-hand of the reporting venue/s. Unless otherwise stated, the reporting venues are as follows:

Days	Reporting Venues	Remarks
Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri	P1-P3 : School Hall	Teachers will announce
	P4-P6 : ISH	beforehand if the assembly
Thu	Classrooms	venue is different.

We urge parents to plan the morning arrival hours for your child so as not to arrive too early. However, all students must arrive in good time and <u>be in their respective</u> reporting venues by 7.25am (See below on Attendance and Punctuality).

### Curriculum Time

Days	Report to respective venues	Curriculum Start Time	Curriculum End Time
Monday to Friday	6.55am - 7.25 am	7.30 am	P1 - P5 : 1.30pm P6* : 1.30pm (Tue, Wed & Fri) 2.00pm (Mon & Thu)

<sup>\*</sup>P6 students will have their formal curriculum end at 2.00pm on Mondays and Thursdays. They will then proceed to their respective after school programme before ending at 3.30pm. On days where there are no after school programme, the P6 students will continue to be dismissed at 2.00pm. Parents will have to make their own transport arrangement in the above case.

# Recess, Snack Break and Early Lunch Break

Levels	Recess Snack / Lunch Break		
P1	9.00 am - 9.30 am	11.55 am	
P2	9.30 am - 10.00 am	11.55 am	
P3	10.00 am - 10.30 am	11.55 am	
P4	10.30 am - 11.00 am	8.25 am	
P5	11.00 am - 11.30 am	8.25 am	
P6	8.30am - 9.00am	Mon / Thu  No snack break  Lunch break from  12.30pm - 1.00pm  Tue / Wed / Fri  Snack break at 11.55am	

# After School Schedule

The table below details the schedule for the various after school programmes and activities. Separate notifications will be sent for the various programmes.

Activity	Days	Timing	Remarks
Lunch (for students attending after school programmes)	Mon - Fri	1.30pm - 2.00pm	Lunch in canteen
CCA	Mon & Thu	3.30pm - 5.00pm / 5.30pm	Please refer to respective CCA
CCA	Tue	2.00pm - 4.30pm	schedules to be issued
P6 Starlite / P4&P5 CARE / e2K Math / e2K Science etc	Mon & Thu	2.00pm - 3.30pm	Please refer to individual programme schedule to be issued
Higher Mother Tongue Languages (HMTL)	Fri	2.00pm - 3.00pm / 2.30pm - 3.30pm	HMTL for P3, P5 & P6 (Refer to HMTL letter to be issued.)

#### P6 Starlite, P4 & P5 CARE and E2K

The following are after-school stretch and support programmes available for specific students. CARE focuses on helping specific students bridge the learning gap for each subject. It is conducted for each subject for selected P4 and P5 students. Identification of selected students for P4 and P5 CARE is conducted on a semestral basis. CARE sessions will begin in <a href="Term 1 Week 5">Term 1 Week 5</a> to allow teachers sufficient time to identify the students involved. P6 Starlite is a programme for the P6 cohort focusing on helping to stretch students' conceptual understanding of each subject and allow for better subject fluency. P6 Starlite will begin in <a href="Term 1 Week 3">Term 1 Week 3</a>. E2K Math and E2K Science are stretch programmes in Mathematics and Science respectively. They are conducted for <a href="selected students">selected students</a> in P4 and P5. More details for each of the programmes will be sent to parents via P6 soon.

### Weighted Assessment (WA)

Since 2023, there are no more mid-year examinations for all levels to reduce the over-inflation of effort taken to prepare for exams. We monitor student progression via weighted assessments (WA) to determine the learning progress of your child throughout the year. Other than WA, teachers will also closely monitor your child's development during regular class sessions (eg. Observation of seat work and classroom interactions). The removal of mid-year examinations frees up curriculum time from which teachers will tap on to enhance and deepen learning and teaching. The details of the WA can be found in the Student Handbook under Assessment Policy and Guidelines. In addition, more information about the WA will also be separately sent to parents.

### Co-Curricular Activies (CCA) and CCA Open House

Students will have CCA from P3 onwards. Our school offer a variety of CCA to cater to the different interest of students. Please refer to the student handbook for more information on CCA. Our CCA programme will start from Term 1 Week 3 for P4-P6.

To allow our P3 students to experience the different CCAs, we will be conducting our CCA Open House in Term 2 on Tue, 23 Apr and Tue, 30 Apr. We strongly believe that students benefit from having a hands-on exposure of the various CCAs offered before making their CCA choices. More information on CCA Open House will be provided later. Formal CCA for the P3 level will start in Term 3.

### Cultivating the Value of Responsibility

### Attendance and Punctuality matters

Cultivating the good habit of being punctual in our students is important for their learning and development.

Students must attend the flag-raising and pledge-taking ceremony which starts at 7.30 a.m. and stand at attention. As such, all students must be in the respective venues by 7.25 a.m. for morning announcements and flag-raising ceremony.

Students will be considered late if they report to school after 7.30am. Any absence from school must be covered by a medical certificate or a letter (no more than 5 letters per semester) with valid reasons from the parent/guardian. Parents are reminded that it is compulsory for students to attend school during curriculum days.

#### School Uniform

We would like to thank parents for ensuring that your children come in full uniform on days when there is no PE. Do ensure that their name tags are sewn on both the PE attire and full uniform. They are to be positioned above the school crest on the top left. For boys, the names are to be positioned above the shirt pocket. There should not be any modifications to the school uniform. <u>Please refer to the Student Handbook</u> for more information about the school uniform.

## Looking after personal belongings

We seek your support to cultivate a habit in your child to take responsibility of their belongings. Before you replace a lost item for your child, please ask your child to check:

- a) the "Lost and Found" trolley at the canteen for missing water bottles and lunch boxes.
- b) with our staff at the General Office for all other missing items, such as watches, wallets, keys, pencil cases, etc.

In addition, we would like to encourage students to pack their own school bags each evening and remember to bring the required items to school every day. Students are to avoid bringing excessive money and valuables to school.

To help your child become more independent and learn from the consequences of their actions in the early years, please refrain from delivering your child's forgotten items (e.g. homework, pocket money) to school. If the student has forgotten to bring his or her pocket money, he/she may approach the General Office for assistance. We seek your kind understanding on this matter.

### <u>Homework</u>

A well-designed homework reinforces learning in the classroom and allows the students to deepen their understanding of the concepts taught. Your child/ward will receive homework according to our homework policy guidelines, which you can find in the Student Handbook 2024. Our teachers will be encouraging students to write down their daily homework assignments using their student handbook. You may wish to refer to this should you want to monitor your child/ward's homework completion and submission.

### Communication Platforms with parents

PGVP uses various communication platforms such as the Parents Gateway (PG), our school website and the PGVP Quarterly to ensure that we keep our parents and students updated on school matters.

## Parents Gateway (PG)

Parents who have not downloaded and activated your MOE Parents Gateway app, please do so as soon as possible. Most, if not all school notifications and consent forms, including this PGVP Quarterly are delivered through the PG platform. MOE will also push down timely notifications to parents directly. For those who are new to PG, you may access the following web address to find out more about the PG app and its useful functions: https://pq.moe.edu.sq/#home

## Student Handbook 2024

The student handbook is also an important channel of communication between our teachers and parents. The first copy of our student handbook is provided **free** for students and is therefore not in the booklist. The handbook is an important source of information about the school, our vision, mission, philosophy and values. We have also included important guidelines on all aspects of your child's school life inside this handbook. As mentioned above, teachers will be getting students to record their

homework and reflections into the student handbook. Your child will be receiving the student handbook via their Form Teachers in the coming week.

### Email and Contacting teachers

Parents may also contact our teachers via email. Our teachers' email addresses can be found on our website. However, parents may also contact the school to leave a message for teachers. Our office staff will then pass on the message to your child's teacher. We seek your understanding that our teachers will strive to attend to your query and get back to you as soon as possible. However, they will only be able to do so when they are not in the class. If the query is received after office hours, please understand that our teachers will need to attend to their own families outside of working hours and will only be able to respond to you on the next working day.

## Parent Teacher Conferences (PTC)

In PGVP, parents learn about their child's progress through interactive 3-directional (3D) dialogues held during the PTC. Through the 3D dialogues, parents are better able to understand and validate their child's progress, as they will get to see their child demonstrate a learned skill during the dialogue session. In 2024, each academic level will have 2 sessions of

Level	Schedule	
P1		
P2	End Term 1 and Term 4	
Р3	End Term I and Term 4	
P4*		
P5	End Term 2 and Term 4	
P6**	End Term 1 and Term 2	

\*For selected P4 parents in end Term 1
\*\* Selected P6 parents in end Term 2

PTC. Please refer to the table for an overview of the PTC schedule for the year.

The Term 1 PTC will coincide with our school's OEL Week to maximise curriculum time. The details and booking of slots via Parents Gateway will be sent to you separately.

## Principal's Engagement Sessions with Parents

I will also be engaging parents of P1 to P6 at different times to share about specific matters relating to each level. One such session was the recently concluded Breakfast with the Principal on Tue, 2 Jan for our P1 parents. We want to thank parents for your active participation in the engagement and hope that you have gained some insights to help your child cope with the transition to Primary school.

Date	Time	Level	Remarks
Fri, 19 Jan, T1W3	6.00pm - 8.15pm	P1	Curriculum Briefing for P1 Parents
Thu, 29 Feb, T1W9	6.00pm - 8.15pm	P6	PSLE and Indicative Cut-off Points
Wed, 6 Mar, T1W10	6.00pm - 8.15pm	Р3	During OEL Wk
Thu, 7 Mar, T1W10	6.00pm - 8.15pm		In conjunction with P4 Subject-
		P4	based Banding (SBB), during OEL
			Wk
Thu, 11 Jul, T3W3	6.00pm - 8.15pm	P5	

All the other engagements will be via Zoom unless otherwise stated.

### School-Home Partnership

All the above strategies speak of the importance of inculcating a strong school-home partnership. MOE has developed a set of guidelines to guide parents to work in partnership with schools to help your child pick up self-management skills, build resilience and take ownership of their learning. You may access the information at the following link on our school website: School Home Partnership (moe.edu.sg)

### Upcoming Events in Term 1

Please find attached to this newsletter, a detailed schedule of school events for Term 1.

# P1 and P6 Photo taking for smart cards

MOE has arranged for our P1 and P6 students to have their photos taken for their student EZ Link cards on Mon & Tue, 8 - 9 Jan 2024.

The photos for the P6 students will be used for their secondary school cards in 2025. <u>Please ensure that your child is wearing his or her school uniform for the photo taking</u>. (Please refer to the notification PGVP/001/2024 sent on 2 Jan 2024)

## <u>Curriculum Workshops for Parents</u>

We organise annual curriculum workshops to help parents keep abreast of the curriculum approaches adopted by our different departments. Since last year, the workshops have been hosted on our online e-learning platform (Student Learning Space - SLS) to benefit parents' self-paced learning. The workshop will allow parents learn to better support your children's learning at home. Please lookout for more

information about our curriculum workshops in a separate notification. These sessions will be scheduled in Semester 1. Please look out for the notification for the workshops which will be sent in due course.

### Museum-based Learning (MBL) series

### P6 MBL - Asian Adventures

Our P6 students will be going on a cohort learning journey to Asian Civilisations Museum (ACM) in January. This is an interactive museum tour led by Museum Educators who will be role-playing as key characters from the past. We hope this learning experience will enrich and deepen students' appreciation of our local heritage and culture as well as instil a sense of pride in Singapore. Please refer to the separate consent form to be sent via PG for more details.

### P5 MBL - Sights and Sounds of Little India

Our P5 cohort will be embarking on an exploration of Little India to soak in the sights, sounds of the area in small groups between February and May. They will also visit the Indian Heritage Centre to learn about the culture and heritage of the Indian community in Singapore, their contributions to Singapore through the theme of Indian cultural art forms (performing arts).

## P4 MBL - Kreta Ayer Culture Archives

Similarly, the P4 cohort will get to visit the Kreta Ayer district and the Kreta Ayer Heritage Centre in Chinatown. The visit will also allow our students to gain a deeper understanding of Chinatown's cultural heritage by learning about the history and significance of the street names in the area.

## Chinese New Year

Chinese New Year falls on Sat, 10 Feb 2024. Fri, 9 Feb 2024 is Chinese New Year eve, school will operate for half a day and students will be dismissed at 10.30am. Please make the necessary dismissal arrangements for your child. We will send out more information on our celebration event later.

Event	Date	Remarks
Chinese New Year	Fri, 9 Feb 2024	Students will be dismissed
Celebration in School		at 10.30am

Chinese New Year	Sat, 10 Feb 2024	Public Holiday
Chinese New Year Public Holidays	Sun, 11 Jan 2024 Mon, 12 Jan 2024	Public Holiday
School Holiday (Designated Day Off In Lieu)	Tue, 13 Feb 2024	School, General Office, Student Care Centre will be closed.

Our students will only return to school on Wed, 14 Feb 2024.

### Annual School Health Screening

Our annual school health screening for P1 to P6 students will be carried out between 14 and 28 Feb 2024. The team of doctors and nurses from School Health Services, Health Promotion Board, will be conducting age-appropriate developmental screening and/or immunization for our students. More information, including specific instructions, will be shared with you via PG Notification.

### Outdoor Experiential Learning (OEL) Week

As part of our efforts in streamlining school programmes, we will be holding our Outdoor Experiential Learning (OEL) Week in Term 1 Week 10, on 6, 7 and 8 Mar 2024. The OEL week comprises camps and learning journeys for all our student levels. These are scheduled during the OEL Week to minimise disruptions to the curriculum.

We have also scheduled our P1-P3, P6 and selected P4 PTCs (see above section on PTC) and parent engagement sessions (see above section on Principal's engagement with parents) during that week. More details will be given nearer the dates.

### Safety and Security Measures for Entry and Exit Points

### School gates

The school gates and their locations are listed on the right. A layout plan is also found in the 2024 Student Handbook.

Gate name	Location
Gate 1 - Main Gate	Main gate for vehicles and the small gate at the security guard post for walk-in visitors.
Gate 2 - Punggol Place Gate	Next to bus stop
Gate 3 - Back Gate	At the community basketball court
Gate 4 - Field Gate (for dismissal only)	At the school field
Gate 5 - Annex Gate	Between school field and MK block (shared by school and MK)
Gate 6 - MK Gate	MK block (used by MK only)
Gate 7 - Side Gate	Beside the power substation (unused)
Gate 8 - Coralinus Gate	Beside linkway to <u>Coralinus</u> estate, next to <u>Blk</u> 302

### Morning Arrival

Students are to use the following gates when they come to school in the morning. Please refer to the summary below.

Gate 1-Main Gate	Gate 2-Punggol Place Gate	Gate 8-Coralinus Gate
7.30am onwards (for	7.00am to 7.30am	7.00am to 7.30am
latecomers)		

<sup>\*</sup>The school's Gate 1, 2 and 8 will be opened until 7.45am during inclement weather.

#### Walking into the school

Gates 2 and 8 are opened between 7.00am and 7.30am for students only. For the security of your child, please note that parents and adult care-givers will not be given access into the school through these two gates. Parents who wish to meet your child/ward's teacher, please inform the teacher in advance, and register your purpose at the Security Guard Post.

• Arriving by cars (pls see below on application for Drive-through Car Decal) Gate 1 for vehicle entry will be opened from 6.30am to 7.30am. Students can alight inside the school compound at the designated drop-off point. Parents are discouraged from alighting from the vehicle as this will slow down or hold up the traffic. Gate 1 will be closed at 7.30am for our school's flag raising ceremony and re-opened after the ceremony.

### After-school Dismissal

Please refer to the earlier notification regarding start of school matters (PGVP/288a/2023 or PGVP/288b/2023 dated 29 Dec 2023) for information on the dismissal arrangements.

After dismissal, at 1.50pm, all remaining students at the back gates whose parents and caregivers have not arrived will be sent to the Foyer. If you find that the Gates are closed, please proceed to the Foyer via the security at Gate 1 to pick up your child/ward after signing in.

During the Gate 3 renovation, Gate 5 will be used for the dismissal of students from the afternoon activities such as CARE, Starlite and CCA. Gate 3 will be used for this purpose once the works are complete.

### Pick-up by cars during dismissal

Vehicle entry for dismissal is from about 1.40pm after the school buses have left. For your children's safety, all children will only be led to the car pick up area after the school buses have left. We seek your kind understanding and support on this matter.

### Visitor Entry into the School

For the safety of all our staff and students, we seek your understanding to adhere to our security measures in the school. All visitors (including parents) must register at the security guard post before they can enter the school compound. A visitor sticker must be clearly displayed when in the school compound to allow for quick identification of visitors. Please note that parents are not allowed to go to the classrooms.

To allow for smooth and safe dismissal of our students, we seek your understanding that there will be strictly **no entry** for parents at Gate 1 and Gate 2 during the main dismissal timing between 1.20pm and 1.50pm.

# Buying of books and stationery

Parents can buy books and stationery from the bookshop after school dismissal from 1.50pm to 2.30pm. Please register at the Security Guard Post before entering. The bookshop will be closed at 2.30pm. As we want PGVP students to be self-confident and independent, we hope your child will buy the necessary items on his/her own. The bookshop accepts cashless payments via the POSB Smart Buddy.

### Student Care Centre (SCC)

Please follow the new SCC dismissal schedule which the SCC has shared with you. During this time, parents may enter the school to pick up their child. **Do not park at the foyer/drop-off point**. Please refer to the SCC notification for more details.

### <u>Drive-through Car Decal</u>

For the safety and security of our students, we want to ensure that only authorised vehicles enter the school at all times. The Drive-through Car Decal applies to pick-up, drop-off of students for both school and SCC.



The School will issue up to 2 free-of-charge Drive-through decal per family to allow parents to drive in during the designated pick-up and drop-off timings. Parents who wish

to apply for the Drive-through decal will need to register your vehicle/s with the school. The Drive-through decal must be visibly displayed on the top left corner (passenger side) of your vehicle. The drive through decal is valid until the graduation of your youngest child from the school. Do apply for a replacement decal if your car plate number has changed or if you have registered another younger child in the school. We will issue you with a new decal when you surrender your old copy. Please note that the Drive-through decals are not transferable. If you wish to apply for the Drive-through decal, please submit the e-form by scanning the QR Code. Upon successful registration, the General Office will contact you to collect your decal. Please note that the Drive-through decal does not allow the cars to be parked in the school unless you are driving in between 5pm and 7pm for SCC pick-up (see above paragraph under SCC). For safety reasons parents' vehicles are not allowed to be parked at the drop off point at the foyer.

We seek your understanding and cooperation in helping us to enforce our safety and security measures. Together, we will make PGVP a safe and secure learning environment for your child.

### Photography and Videography by the school

Photograph(s) or video image(s) of parents/guardians and students may be captured during school activities and events such as classroom lessons, CCA, school camps or school concerts. Please note that the school may use and publish such photographs

and/or video recordings in school publications, website, social media channels, and other official school communication channels.

### Parent Support Group

We have an active Parent Support Group in PGVP. The PSG members have contributed their valuable time and effort to support many of our school programmes such as Teachers' Day and the End of Year events to name a few. There are many intangible benefits to joining the PSG. Please do not hesitate to step up and join this vibrant and dynamic team. For more information on PSG, parents may contact our teacher in charge, Mdm Lim Hwee Li



(lim\_hwee\_li@moe.edu.sg). You can download the PSG application form from our school website or click on the QR code above.

Please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher if you have further queries on the school programmes or concerns about your child's learning. Wishing you a great 2024 ahead!

Yours in partnership

Dr Vivien Ang Wek Cheng Principal

Term 1 Calendar of Events 2024 (A summary of the calendar can be accessed via the PG Calendar function)				
Day / Date	Level	Event / Activity	Remark(s)	
Tue, 2 Jan	P1	Start of school for P1 Breakfast with Principal for P1 Parents.	Only P1 students report to school.	
Wed, 3 Jan	P2-P6	Start of School for P2-P6 students		
Tue, 2 Jan – Thu, 4 Jan	P1-P6	Start it Right Programme (Time-table suspended)	P1 : 2 - 4 Jan P2-P6 : 3 and 4 Jan	
Mon, 8 Jan – Tue, 9 Jan	P1 and P6	MOE Photo taking for smart cards	Students are to be in school uniform for the photo-taking. Students are to ensure that they are well groomed for the photo taking session.	
Wed, 10 Jan	All	Temperature Taking Exercise	Students are to have their thermometers ready for checking on Fri, 5 Jan 2024.  Please ensure that your child brings the thermometer along with them every day.	
Tue, 9 Jan Thu, 11 Jan & Wed, 17 Jan	P6	P6 Museum-based Learning: Asian Adventure	After school activity. Refer to the PG notification for class schedule.	
Term 1 Week 3	P6 P4-P6	Start of P6 Starlite Start of CCA	Refer to the respective PG Notifications for details	
Fri, 19 Jan	P1	P1 Curriculum Briefing for Parents	Via Zoom 6.00pm - 8.15pm Refer to PG notification for details	
Term 1 Week 5	P4 - P5	Start of P4 and P5 CARE sessions	Refer to the respective PG notifications for details.	
Fri, 9 Feb	All	Chinese New Year (CNY) Celebrations	Half-day, school will end at 10.30 am (Eve of CNY)	
Mon, 12 Feb	All	Public Holiday in-lieu of Chinese New Year	School General Office, SCC and KCare will not be open.	

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Tue, 13 Feb	All	School Holiday (Designated Day-off-in lieu)	School will resume on Wed, 14 Feb	
Wed, 14 Feb - Wed, 28 Feb	All	Annual School Health Screening	Refer to PG Notification for details and schedule	
Wed, 14 Feb	All	Total Defence Day	School-based activities	
Tue, 20 Feb, Fri, 23 Feb, Tue, 16 Apr & Tue, 7 May	P5	P5 Museum-based Learning : Sights and Sounds of Little India	Refer to PG Notification for details and class schedule	
27, 28 & 29 Feb, 1 Mar	P4	P4 Museum-based Learning : Kreta Ayer Culture Archives	Refer to PG Notification for details and class schedule	
Thu, 29 Feb	P6	Principal's Engagement with P6 Parents (PSLE)	Via Zoom 6.00pm - 8.15pm A letter will be posted on PG.	
Wed, 6 Mar	Р3	Principal's Engagement with P3 Parents	Via Zoom 6.00pm - 8.15pm A letter will be posted on PG.	
Thu, 7 Mar	P4	Principal's Engagement with P4 Parents (SBB)	Via Zoom 6.00pm - 8.15pm A letter will be posted on PG.	
Wed, 6 Mar – Fri, 8 Mar	All	PTC	PTC Scheduled for: All students: P1-P3 & P6 Selected students: P4  A letter will be posted on PG with booking details.	
Wed, 6 Mar - Fri, 8 Mar	P5	3D2N Camp Resilience	OEL Week.  A letter will be posted on PG.	
Wed, 6 Mar & Thu, 7 Mar	P4	2D1N Camp Harmony	OEL Week.  A letter will be posted on PG.	
Wed, 6 Mar	P6	Motivational Camp	OEL Week.  A letter will be posted on PG.	

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Wed, 6 Mar - Fri, 8 Mar	P1 / P2	School-based Outdoor Experiential Learning Journey	OEL Week PTC slots will be scheduled.  A letter will be posted on PG	
Fri, 8 Mar	Р3	1D Camp Care	OEL Week.  A letter will be posted on PG.	
Sat, 9 Mar to Sun, 17 Mar	P1 - P6	School Holidays	SCC is open from 7.30am to 7.00pm from Tue to Fri. (SCC is closed on Mon, 11 Mar)	
Mon, 18 Mar	P1 - P6	First Day of Term 2	School starts as per normal at 7.30am. Students are to report to respective venues for morning assembly by 7.25am.	