



SERANGOON SECONDARY SCHOOL

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Singapore 534237



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Through Principal

Mdm Tay Siok Hwa
Principal
Serangoon Secondary School

Dear Parents/Guardians,

End-of-Year Updates for Sec 1 Students

1. We are glad to share with you that your child/ward has completed the End-of-Year Examinations. In this letter, we would like to update you on:

- Co-Curricular Activities
- Post-Examination Programme
- Parent Engagement Sessions
- NRIC Registration (for students who are turning 15 years old)
- Sales of Books and Uniforms

Co-Curricular Activities (CCAs)

2. Since 27 Jul 2020, secondary schools have gradually resumed selected CCAs and other school activities. With improved national capabilities to detect and trace COVID-19 cases, MOE has increased the overall group cap from 20 to 50 persons, except for higher-risk activities which remain suspended or limited to a smaller group cap.
3. In our school, face-to-face CCA sessions and e-CCA sessions resume from 14 Oct 2020 after the End-of-Year Examinations, subject to the prevailing Safe Management Measures. CCA teachers will disseminate more information directly to students.

Post-Examination Programme

4. To conclude the year, we will be organising several **in-school activities** to enrich our students' learning experiences. The Sec 1 End-of-Year Post-Examination Programme will be conducted on 22 and 23 Oct 2020.

Date	Thu, 22 Oct 2020	Fri, 23 Oct 2020
Time	8.00am to 1.00pm	8.00am to 12.10pm
Overview	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Restorative Practices workshop 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Last day of term assembly • Games by Math Department • Mental health awareness • SSSHINE – VIA for our school

5. Please refer to **Annex A** for the other school events for the rest of this year. Relevant details will be provided to students at a later date.

Parent Engagement Sessions (PES)

6. The objectives of the PES are to:
- review progress of, and discuss strategies to support, your child's/ward's academic performance; and
 - discuss matters related to your child's/ward's holistic development of students (e.g. CCA).
7. Due to the COVID-19 situation, you will be informed of your child's/ward's progress via phone conversations. Form Teachers will contact you between 23 Oct and 6 Nov 2020.

NRIC Registration (for students who are turning 15 years old)

8. Singapore Citizens and Singapore Permanent Residents (PRs) who are turning 15 years old will be required to register for NRIC. Due to the COVID-19 situation, the NRIC Registration originally scheduled on 17 Apr 2020 is now postponed to **2 Nov 2020 (Mon)**. All eligible Sec 1 students should report to Seminar Rooms 1 and 2 punctually at **2.50pm**.

9. Please ask your child/ward to bring the following items:

- Completed ICA NRIC registration form
- EZ-Link card/School Smart Card with sufficient value (\$10 for Singapore citizens and \$50 for PRs)
- Birth Certificate (photocopy)
- One recent passport size colour photograph (35 by 45 mm dimension) taken against a white background and with a matt or semi-matt finish. Eyebrows should not be covered by hair.
- Foreign Passport with valid re-entry permit (original and photocopy) [for PRs only]
- Certificate of Identity [for PRs only]
- Supporting document if there is change in name:
 - Baptism / religion certificates (for inserting of religious name)
 - Deed poll (for change in name including ethnic name). If one parent executes the deed poll, the other parent must execute a statutory declaration to state that he/she has consented to the name change of the child.

10. **Please note that ICA does not accept cash and NETS Flashpay. Students without sufficient value in their EZ-Link card/School Smart Card will be rejected for registration and they will have to go to the ICA Building for NRIC registration.**

11. All students should be appropriately dressed for the NRIC registration. They are allowed to wear half school uniform (PE shirt and skirt/pants).

Sales of Books and Uniforms

12. In view of the COVID-19 situation, we strongly encourage you to purchase books and uniform online and have them delivered to your home. However, if you prefer to self-collect your online orders or prefer walk-in purchase, you may do so at the school bookshop for textbooks/stationery and at the uniform retail store at Geylang for school attire.

13. If you choose to self-collect or do a walk-in purchase of textbooks/stationery at the school bookshop, we seek your cooperation to follow the schedule planned by the school. This is necessary to safeguard your and your child's/ward's safety and well-being.

- Ensure that your child/ward submits the completed order to his/her Form Teacher latest by 22 Oct 2020 (Thu).
- The bookshop will pre-pack your order.
- **Only one** parent/guardian is to accompany the child/ward on the recommended collection date stated in the Booklist (serangoonsec.moe.edu.sg/parents-n-students/booklist-2021). In the event that you are unable to visit school on the recommended collection date, you may visit the school on other days within the same week. Priority access will be given to students who keep to the schedule given to them.
- Bookshop operating hours: 9am to 4pm.

14. For more info, please visit serangoonsec.moe.edu.sg/others/announcements/sale-of-books-and-uniform.

School-Home Partnerships

15. In line with MOE's launch of Parents Gateway (PG) to strengthen school-home partnerships to support our children in their educational journey, official school communication will be disseminated via the PG mobile app and the school website, and no longer in hard copy. For parents/guardians who are not on board yet, please download the PG mobile app and perform a one-time registration process. The steps are as follows:

- (a) Download and install the Parents Gateway Mobile App from Apple or Google Play Store
- (b) Perform a one-time registration process
- (c) Enable 'Allow Notifications' to receive push notifications

16. In addition, you may also use the '**ASKnLearn Mobile App for Parents**' to obtain more information about your child/ward. Please follow these three simple steps to begin using the ASKnLearn Mobile App for Parents (more details can be found at serangoonsec.moe.edu.sg/parents-n-students/parents-guide-to-lms):

- (a) download the ASKnLearn App from Apple or Play Store
- (b) select login as parent and use default password "parents"
- (c) change default password and update personal profile

17. Teachers can be contacted at **6385 1589** during **weekdays** between **7.30 am and 6.00 pm**. Alternatively, you may reach our staff by sending an email to serangoon_ss@moe.edu.sg.

18. You may also wish to visit our school website (serangoonsec.moe.edu.sg) for updates and key information about our school programmes.

19. We thank you for your continued support of the school and our programmes. If you require any clarifications, please do not hesitate to contact the following personnel at 6385 1589:

- Mdm Low Siew Ping, Year Head (Lower Sec)
- Ms Moritza Lim Fang Min, Assistant Year Head (Sec 2) (Covering)
- Ms Lee Zhi Li, Assistant Year Head (Sec 1)

20. A copy of this letter is uploaded on the school website. We wish your child/ward a meaningful and restful school holidays ahead, and look forward to seeing him/her again when school re-opens on 4 Jan 2021 (Mon).

Yours sincerely,



Mdm Low Siew Ping
Year Head (Lower Sec)

Serangoon Secondary School – School Events, Programmes and Holidays 2020

Term 4						
Date (tentative)	Event	Sec 1	Sec 2	Sec 3	Sec 4/5	Parents/ Guardians
1 – 13 Oct	GCE O-Level Science Practical Examinations				✓*	
5 Oct – 16 Oct	GCE N-Level Written Examinations				✓*	
12 Oct	Marking Day (no school for Sec 1 to 3 students)	✓	✓	✓		
13 – 15 Oct	Feedback on Sec 1 to 3 End-of-Year Examinations	✓	✓	✓		
16 Oct	Regular Lessons	✓	✓	✓		
19 Oct	Promotion Exercise (<u>no school</u> for Sec 1 to 3 students)	✓	✓	✓		
19 Oct – 12 Nov	GCE O-Level Written Examinations				✓*	
20 Oct	Regular Lessons	✓	✓	✓		
21 Oct	Regular Lessons (Post-Examination Activities for Sec 2 NA students only)	✓	✓*	✓		
22 – 23 Oct	Post-Examination Programme	✓	✓	✓		
23 Oct	Collection of Results Slips	✓	✓	✓		
23 – 6 Nov	Parent Engagement Sessions	✓	✓	✓		✓
26 – 30 Oct	Sec 3NA/NT Bridging Programme			✓*		
26 Oct – 6 Nov	Sec 3E Bridging Programme			✓*		
2 Nov	NRIC Registration (for Singapore Citizen and Singapore Permanent Resident students born in 2005)		✓*	✓		
16 Nov	Deepavali (School Holiday)	✓	✓	✓	✓	
28 Nov	e-Open House	✓*	✓*	✓*	✓*	

*For selected students only