STAMFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parents/Guardians

Our current safe management measures have served as important safeguards to our school during this period as we continue in our teaching and learning for our students. To ride out this wave safely, it remains key that we comply with existing safe management measures and exercise personal responsibility to perform a self-test before going to school when he/she is in close contact with a positive Covid-19 case. Only then can we emerge stronger to resume our transition towards safe re-opening and living with COVID-19 as a nation.

Vaccination gives you and your child peace of mind to return to more typical activities like inperson schooling and participating in extracurricular activities. For parents/guardians who have yet to sign up their child/ward for the vaccination and would like to do so, you could leverage the March holidays to accompany your child/ward to any of the 13 Paediatric Vaccination Centres (PVC). Appointments can be made through the National Appointment System at https://child.vaccine.gov.sg/, or you can bring your child/ward under the general walk-in arrangement to any PVC from Monday to Thursday before 7pm, or Tuesday to Thursday before 4pm at Yusof Ishak Secondary School.

With the March holidays around the corner, parents/guardians are reminded to make a travel declaration for their child/ward if he/she intends to travel for the holidays to ensure schools continue to be a healthy and safe environment for all. For more details, please refer to the message sent on 28 Feb 2022 via Parents Gateway (PG) or letter to those not onboard PG.

We look forward to partner you in providing a holistic education and keeping the school safe for all.

Yours sincerely

Mdm Cassie Fan

Principal

A. KEY ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Assessment Matters for Semester 1

a) Format and Scope of Assessment (P2 to P6)

The Format and Scope of Assessment document for Semester 1 outlines how the school assesses students' learning for Weighted Assessment 1 and Mid-Year Examinations. The document can be found in Annex A.

b) Assessment Schedule (P3 to P6)

The dates of various assessments in Semester 1 including Weighted Assessments 1 (for P3 and P5 only) and Mid-Year Examinations are shown in Annex B. As P3 and P5 are transition years for students, there will be no Mid-Year Examination for these two levels. This is to ensure that P3 students have more time to enhance their learning, as well as adjust to an additional subject, Science. At the P5 level, this will help students adjust to the demands of the level after Subject Based Banding (SBB) at the end of P4.

Instead of Mid-Year Examination, P3 and P5 students will be assessed through bite-size weighted assessments. As learning is a continuous process, all students' learning will also be assessed through non-weighted assessments to help both students and teachers close the learning gaps.

Softcopies of both documents (Annexes A and B) will be made available on our school's website from 4 Mar 2022.

2. Nomination for the Arif Budiman Malay Language Teacher Award 2022

The Arif Budiman Malay Language Teacher Award aims to recognize outstanding Malay Language teachers who have made significant contributions to the teaching and learning of Malay Language in our schools. The award is jointly organized by the Malay Language Council, Singapore (MBMS), the Malay Language Teachers' Association (PGBM), Berita Harian (BH) and the Malay Language Learning and Promotion Committee (MLLPC).

We would like to encourage parents and students to nominate deserving Malay Language teachers. Nominations can be made via hardcopy forms which can be obtained from the school through our HOD MTL Mdm Sri Rahayu Bte Zainal, or online at https://go.gov.sg/agab2022. Nominations will close on 1 April 2022.

B KEY PROGRAMMES

1. ENHANCED TIMETABLE FOR PRIMARY 5 STUDENTS FROM 17 - 27 MAY 2022

We are committed to ensure that our students continue to learn and are developed holistically, even as we cope with the COVID-19 situation. To end the semester on a positive note, we have planned an enhanced timetable for our Primary 5 students from 17 to 27 May 2022 to support their holistic development and enhance their learning experience.

We will be conducting a briefing for parents on 10 March 2022, 6 p.m., to share more about the enhanced timetable. For P5 parents who are keen to attend the briefing, please indicate via the link provided in the PG's announcement on 3 March 2022 / hardcopy from Form Teacher for those not onboard PG, by 8 March 2022. You may also indicate any questions you may have so that we could address them during the session or engage you directly if you are unable to attend the session.

2. March School Holiday Programmes for Parents and Children by SportSG (for P1 – P6)

With the March school holidays round the corner, Active Parents is bringing back many signature parent-child programmes to provide engaging and interactive programmes to keep families active and healthy. SportSG has curated new programmes available on a virtual platform, suitable for 3-6 years old and 5-12 years old.



3. 'The Ride of a Lifetime' (A Guide to Reading for Your Child)

'The Ride of a Lifetime' (A Guide to Reading for Your Child) is a catalogue from the National Library Board (NLB). In it, you will find recommended titles, library guides and activities that you can do with your child. There is also information provided about NLB membership.

We encourage you to go on a journey of imagination, read with your child and sparkle a lifetime of curiosity. The catalogue will be distributed to your child at the beginning of March.

C. SUPPORT FOR PARENTS

1. Resources for Parents for a Healthy Lifestyle by Health Promotion Board (for P1 – P6)

As part of our Home-School-Community Partnership for a healthier lifestyle, please refer to the table below for some tips on *Keeping Children Healthy* and registration of workshops.

To <u>view</u> Parents' Newsletters	https://go.gov.sg/parentsnewsletter1
(Edition 1): How can Parents continue to build healthy habits at home for their children?	□ Govers A

https://go.gov.sg/parentsnewsletter2 To view Parents' Newsletters (Edition 2): What parents can do to help their children through big transitions like transition to Secondary School? https://go.gov.sg/cotmprisch1 To <u>register</u> for Workshop: Colours of the Mind (COTM) To <u>register</u> for Workshop: http://go.gov.sg/healworkshopspsg Healthy Eating and Healthy Living (HEAL)

2. Video blog featuring lower primary students and their parents on their views and experiences of the vaccination exercise.



3. Cyber Wellness Tips: Netiquette

- Is your child/ward communicating politely?
- How does your child decide if he should post content on various communication and social media platforms?
- Do use the information below to have a discussion with your child/ward to help him to "THINK" before they post?



Source: https://www.thinglink.com/scene/1276177139929972737