



TAMPINES PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Our warmest wishes for a Happy 2026. We are delighted to welcome our students back to what promises to be an enriching year, with many thoughtfully planned school events and activities.

We extend a special welcome to our new Primary 1 students, as well as other students who have joined us through transfer, and to their parents as they become part of the Tampines Primary community. We look forward to your active partnership in supporting our students' learning and development.

First Day of School for P1 Students

On Friday, 2nd January 2026, **only P1 students** will report to school with two accompanying parents/guardians. Please note that P1 students will be dismissed at 12.00 pm. We gently remind P1 parents/guardians to refer to the deck of slides **Primary 1 Orientation Slides by YH for Parents of Y2026 P1 students** posted on Parents Gateway (PG) on 5th December 2025 for details.

First Day of School for P2 to P6 Students

All students, P1 – P6, will report on Monday, 5th January 2026. Parents of P1 and P2 Students are to note that dismissal for Wednesdays is at 12.30 pm.

School Hours and Dismissal Points

To decongest the gates and for safety reasons, parents/guardians are gently reminded to take special note of the staggered dismissal times and various points for the different levels for all school days:

Level	School Hours	Gates (Dismissal Only)
P1	For first 2 weeks of school (5th January - 16th January 2026) 7.50 am to 1.45 pm (Wednesday 12.30 pm) From week 3 onwards (from Monday, 19th January 2026) 7.50 am to 2.00 pm (Wednesday 12.30 pm) Note: Should P1 students need more time to settle in, the school will adjust the transition timing accordingly and P1 parents will be informed via PG.	Gate 1 (Primary School Gate)
P2	7.50 am to 2.00 pm (Wednesday 12.30 pm)	Gate 1A (Primary School Gate)
P3	7.50 am to 2.00 pm	Gate 2 (Secondary School Gate)
P4	7.50 am to 2.00 pm	Gate 1 (Primary School Gate)
P5	7.50 am to 2.00 pm	Gate 2 (Secondary School Gate)
P6	7.50 am to 2.00 pm	Gate 7 (Gate next to MK Gate 6) *

*Opened until last class dismissed at around 2.10 pm. Students with siblings will meet at foyer and use Gate 1 or 2.



You will need to inform the form teachers and your children if you wish for a different gate for dismissal. Students who wish to be dismissed with their siblings will need to inform their teachers and arrangements can be made for them to wait in the foyer. Parents are to brief their children and inform the form teachers if they choose for their children to be dismissed together. Teachers are only able to supervise the times and dismissal points attached above. Thus, clear instructions must be given to all siblings involved as to the preferred gate for dismissal. For the safety of all students, the routine of dismissal should be fixed. The support staff and the teachers will not be able to take special instructions to vary this as they are involved in their daily dismissal duties.

The orientation programme will run from 5th January – 7th January 2026 for all students to familiarize themselves with their new classes and to collaboratively set class expectations. For P1 to P4 parents, please refer to the packing list on our school's website: <https://www.tampinespri.moe.edu.sg/first-day-of-school-2026-info/>

P5 to P6 students should bring a small bag with sufficient pocket money for recess, personal thermometer, a healthy snack, pencil case, water bottle, colouring materials and a story book.

By now, all parents/guardians would have registered for their PG accounts so that they are able to receive important notifications.

From Monday, 5th January 2026, parents should only come into the school during school hours if they have made appointments to meet with the staff.

2025 PSLE Achievements

Congratulations to the class of 2025 for achieving very good results. Our belief in and practice of our school values as well as our Tampinesian Hallmarks have enabled the cohort to stay resilient and motivated. We salute the efforts of the students, their families and staff. We know that they are well prepared for the next stage of their education and we wish them success!

School Information, Calendar & Class Timetables

Please find attached the school calendar for Semester 1, 2026.

School will function from 7.50 am to 2.00 pm on all days except that on Wednesdays, P1 and P2 students will be dismissed at 12.30 pm. Students are encouraged to come to school by 7.40 am so that they can participate in our daily pre-assembly programmes such as storytelling, community singing and informative talks. **Students who arrive after 7.50 am will be noted as being latecomers. Late coming forms part of a student's behaviour record as well as conduct grade.**

Parents/guardians will be receiving introductory memos with your children's class timetables and contact details of the subject teachers. In alignment with [MOE guidelines on parent engagement](#), teachers are not required to share their personal phone numbers with parents/guardians. Parents/Guardians can contact staff using the student diary, the school's official phone number or staff's official email addresses.

The canteen stalls will also sell food for breakfast and snack breaks before morning assembly.

School Rules and Regulations on the use of e-Devices

We would like to highlight that all primary **students are strongly discouraged from bringing their handphones or wearing smartwatches (with recording and transmitting functions) to school.**

Handphones must be always switched off and communication capabilities for smart watches must be disabled within the school premises. All devices, if used inappropriately, will be confiscated



and kept by the school until a parent comes to claim it. Students would have to face disciplinary consequences for breaching the school rules. Students can continue to use their POSB Smartbuddy watches to purchase food in the canteen. We seek your active partnership to ensure that your child/ren adhere to these new school rules which will reduce the ill-effects of screen time and at the same time improve their learning.

We gently remind parents of the school rules and regulations on the use of Mobile Phones and Smart Watches (Page 24 of the 2026 Student Diary).

Student Safety

To ensure the children's safety, please help us remind your child/children to adhere to always use the pedestrian crossings, not to play near or on the road and practise the *Kerb Drill* before crossing (look right, left, right again, raise hand to indicate crossing intention, and cross only when safe). Our staff on duty at our school gates and the nearest pedestrian crossing during arrival and dismissal would be able to assist.

In addition, to ensure the school is safe and secure for all our staff and students, we do not allow strangers into the school compound. If any parent needs to come into the school, you are reminded to call the General Office to make an appointment. If there is a need for any purchase of books or uniforms, you may do so **after all students have been dismissed (2.15 pm)**. Parents must register yourselves at the guardhouse before entering the school buildings and report at the General Office before proceeding. During arrival, parents/guardians are reminded to only walk their children to the school gates as entry to the school is restricted solely to students and staff.

Parents/Guardians who drive into the school are expected to keep within the speed limits and drive with care near and within the school. We deeply appreciate parents/guardians who role-model courtesy while driving and ensuring that their children are ready to alight and board quickly. All parking lots in school are for season parking ticket holders only and visitors are to park their cars at HDB/URA car parks outside school. During dismissal, cars will only be able to drive into the school compound **after** the departure of the school buses at about 2.15 pm. If your child's mobility is affected for any reason, please approach the school for special access arrangements.

We would like to remind Parents/Guardians to refrain from delivering items that their children might have forgotten as we wish all students to learn to be responsible. Parents/Guardians and students are also discouraged from distributing birthday goody bags and cakes.

LTA has informed the school that they will be checking to ensure that parents adhere to all traffic regulations. Parents should not be parking and blocking the school exits during arrival and dismissal as these are traffic violations. Please park in the nearby HDB carparks along Tampines Street 12. Alternatively, you may want to arrange to meet your children in the nearby void decks if you find this to be more convenient.

Temperature Taking Exercise (TTEx) Wednesday, 1st April 2026

The TTEx is to ensure staff and students are prepared for a pandemic. With effect from 2026, TTEx will be carried out once yearly. A familiarization exercise will be carried out on Tuesday, 31st March 2026. This exercise will help us keep the school safe and opened for learning.

Do help your children prepare for the exercise by reminding them to bring the Oral Digital Thermometer (ODT) to school on both days. Our school will be issuing the P1 students with an ODT each over these few days and parents do not have to buy them. The form teachers will be keeping the ODTs for all P1 students in class. For P2 to P6 students, parents are to purchase a new ODT if it is lost or damaged. ODTs can be purchased from the school's bookshop.



We thank parents/guardians for their continued active efforts in ring-fencing and ensuring that Tampines Primary remains safe for all students and staff. We would like to remind parents of the following:

- Students should not report to school if they are sick and/or unwell with flu-like symptoms and to see a doctor.
- Students should not come to school until they have completed their medical leave, as given by health professionals. They should rest at home for the full duration of the medical leave.
- If your child has recovered and still exhibit mild symptoms, he/she should wear a mask and exercise personal and social responsibility in school.
- If your child is still unwell or exhibit clear flu symptoms, we will isolate your child, and you will be required to bring your child home to seek medical consultation.

Parents/guardians can liaise with the form teachers to check on schoolwork that needs to be done. We thank parents/guardians for keeping teachers informed regarding their children's well-being when they are on medical leave.

After-school Programmes in 2026

Here is the schedule for our after-school programmes in 2026. We hope that you will find the information useful. Please note that more details will be provided to students involved in these programmes next year.

Timing	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2.00pm-2.30pm	Lunch	Lunch		Lunch	
2.30pm-3.30pm	P3-P4 SDR	P3-P4 SDR P3-P5 RRP		P3-P4 SDR/RRP	
2.30pm-4.00pm	Semester 1 P4-P6 MA E2K P4 SC E2K P6 EL Debate (Term 1) P5 EL Debate (Term 2) Semester 2 P4-P5 MA E2K P5 SC E2K	P3-P6 Remedial/ Supplementary P4 EL Playwriting		P3-P6 Remedial/ Supplementary P5-P6 Higher Mother Tongue P3-P4 Higher Chinese Language	
3.30pm-5.30pm	Selected CCAs			Selected CCAs	

*Teachers are involved in professional development on Wednesday afternoons

CCA, Supplementary, Remedial & Enrichment Classes

If the teacher feels that your child needs additional support, your child will be asked to attend remedial classes. Remedial classes are arranged for selected students from P1 – P5. For P6 students, teachers will arrange for supplementary classes. The teachers will inform you via separate memos with the relevant details if your child is attending any of these programs.

From time to time, the school will work with external vendors to conduct enrichment classes that the students will need to pay using their Edusave funds and/or cash.



Should your child be chosen to represent the school in a sport or performance CCA, additional CCA practices will be held, and parental permission will be sought. If there are changes to the regular schedules, the teachers will inform you and your child via a memo. Parents/Guardians are responsible for their child/children coming to school and returning home safely. Communicate clearly with your child/children and caregivers if there are additional after-school activities and the arrangements that you have made.

Schedule for Higher Mother Tongue Languages Classes

The P5 & P6 Higher Mother Tongue Language afternoon lessons will be scheduled from 2.30 pm to 4.00 pm on Thursdays in 2026. A detailed schedule will be sent to the parents via PG in the 1st week when school re-opens in 2026.

Recognising our Teachers: President's Award for Teachers (PAT) 2026 & Outstanding Youth in Education Award (OYEA) 2026

Every year, the **President's Award for Teachers (PAT)** and the **Outstanding Youth in Education Award (OYEA)** are given out to teachers in Singapore to recognise their professional excellence. Both PAT and OYEA are national awards.

PAT pays tribute to experienced teachers. These teachers are role models for the teaching profession as they embody a deep passion for teaching, and they inspire both their students and peers through their words and deeds.

OYEA recognises young teachers who have shown admirable passion for teaching, and commitment to inspiring and nurturing their students. These teachers embody youthful idealism, energy and enthusiasm, and inspire both their students and peers through their words and deeds. Teachers who are 35 years old and below in 2026 are eligible for the award.

Nominations for PAT 2026 and OYEA 2026 are **now open** and will **close on Friday, 9th January 2026**. We would like to invite you and your child/ward to submit your nomination(s) for one or more deserving teacher(s) by clicking on the URLs or scanning the QR codes below. Your nomination(s) will be a source of encouragement for the teacher(s).

PAT 2026	OYEA 2026
 https://go.gov.sg/pat2026	 https://go.gov.sg/oysa2026

We thank you in advance for your recognition of our teachers' efforts.

Parent Engagement

Parents can contact teachers through your child's student diary, the school's official phone number or staff's official email address posted on our school' website. For urgent matters, our staff will respond within the next working day. We seek your patience that for non-urgent matters, parents can expect a response within three working days. We seek your understanding that the school will not reply to or follow-up with anonymous feedback. In all instances, we appreciate parents who provide full details of themselves and their child/children so that we can respond



accordingly. The form teachers, with the Year Heads, will likely follow up with your feedback. We have scheduled our online Parent sessions on the afternoons of Thursday, 5th and Friday, 6th February 2026. More details will be provided in due course.

Date of Parent Engagement	Levels	Time
5 th February 2026	P2, P4 and P6	
6 th February 2026	P1, P3 and P5	3 pm – 5.00 pm

Lunar New Year Celebrations – Year of the Horse

There will be a celebration on Monday, 16th February 2026 during school hours. School dismissal is at 10.30 am. Our school will close at 12.00 pm sharp. **All parents are gently reminded that they need to be punctual in fetching the child/children home on that day.**

Parents and Guardians whose child is enrolled in Student Care Centre (SCC) are to refer to Commit Learning SchoolHouse (CLS) schedule for the operating hours for that day.

Tuesday, 17th February 2026 and Wednesday, 18th February 2026 are public holidays. Students report back to school on Thursday, 19th February 2026.

2026 Project Hong Bao

In developing our Tampinesians to be caring individuals, the school has partnered Tan Tock Seng Hospital to support the hospital through the Project Hong Bao. We would like parents to help to encourage all students to try to save some of their pocket money to donate to this worthy cause. More details will be provided nearer the date via PG.

Instagram

We would like to recommend two Instagram accounts that you might like to follow:

- **MOE Parent-Focused Instagram** at <https://www.instagram.com/parentingwith.moesg>
This account shares tips and MOE resources, celebrates the ups and downs of the parenting journey, and grows with parents as a community by inspiring and supporting each other through shared experience. One of the parenting tips shared in the Instagram is on having a conversation with your child going beyond what they have learnt in the classroom.
- **Tampines Primary Instagram** at https://www.instagram.com/tampines_pri/
This account shares stories, current highlights and learning experiences of students and staff at Tampines Primary. These would include celebration of school events and activities.

Conclusion

The school's monthly updates and official memos are distributed via PG. For your convenience, these communications are also uploaded to the school website under [Letters to Parents](#), should you need to access them at any time.

We wish all our families a Happy New Year and look forward to 2026 as a year filled with opportunities and continued growth for all our students.

Yours in partnership,
Mr Hanafi Asmore
Principal



Annex

Key Dates to Note for Semester 1 2026:

Date	Events	Remarks
2 Jan	First Day of School K1 & P1	No School for P2 to P6
5 Jan	School Reopens for All levels	
7-8 Jan	P1 & P6 Smart Card Photoshoot	P1 and P6 Students to take photo in School Uniform (bring formal uniform if it is a PE day)
5 & 6 Feb	Parents Engagement 1 & 2	Details to be provided
12-14 Feb	P5 Camp	Details to be provided
16 Feb	Chinese New Year Celebration	Half Day Dismissal at 10.30am
17-18 Feb	Chinese New Year Holidays	No School
2-6 Mar	P6 Diagnostic Review (Non-weighted Assessment)	
14-22 Mar	March Holidays	No School
23 Mar	Hari Raya Puasa School Holiday	No School
31 Mar-1 Apr	Attendance and Temperature Taking Exercise	Students are reminded to bring along an Oral Digital Thermometer to school
3 Apr	Good Friday Holiday	No School
1 May	Labour Day Holiday	No School
11-15 May	P3-P5 Weighted Assessment	
27 May	Hari Raya Haji Holiday	No School
29 May	Parent Teacher Meeting Session	Details to be provided
30 May-28 Jun	June School Holidays	No School

