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IN LINK Bulletin

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Dear Parents,

We have come to the end of another academic year. Thank all for your contribution and partnership in the nurturing and education of your children. Please find the last ILB for 2019 herein.

1. Prize Giving Day

White Sand Primary will be having her Annual Prize Giving Ceremony on two days; <u>14 November for Primary 1 to Primary 3</u> and <u>15 November for Primary 4 to Primary 6</u>. The theme for this year's Prize Giving Ceremony is "Blazing Ahead: One Heart – One Mind – One Team". It signifies the spirit of togetherness in our pupils achieving excellence.

The details for the respective Prize Giving Ceremony days are as follow:

| All pupils except Primary 6 pupils are to report to school as usual. November 2019 The Prize Giving Ceremony for Primary 1 to Primary 3 will be from 10. a.m. to 1.45 p.m. All Primary 1 to Primary 3 pupils will be required |
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| The Prize Giving Ceremony for Primary 1 to Primary 3 will be from 10. a.m. to 1.45 p.m. All Primary 1 to Primary 3 pupils will be required |
| attend the ceremony. |
| Primary 4 and Primary 5 pupils will be dismissed at 10.00 a.m. after t promotion exercise. Parents are requested to make the necessat transport arrangements to send and fetch their child/children. |
| • The school bus will fetch pupils to school in the morning as per t normal school timing and fetch pupils home at 1.45 p.m. after the pri giving ceremony. |
| Arrangements will be made for Primary 4 and Primary 5 pupils who a waiting to take the school bus home to join in the Prize Giving Ceremo in the hall while waiting for the school bus. # |
| November 2019 Only Primary 4 to Primary 6 pupils are required to report to school pupils are required to school pupils are required to report to school pupils are required to school pupils are re |
| The Prize Giving Ceremony for Primary 4 to Primary 6 will be held from 9.00 a.m. to 11.15 a.m. |
| Prize winners* will meet at AVA Room and all other pupils will meet their respective C4RE classrooms. Parents are requested to make the necessary transport arrangements to send and fetch their child/children. |
| The school bus will fetch pupils to school in the morning as per to normal school timing. The school bus will send pupils home after to ceremony at 11.30 a.m. |
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| Primary 4 & Primary 5 pupils who come to school by school bus will st in the school foyer until 8.00 am before proceeding to the C4RE class Attire Full school uniform (Pupils should not be wearing their PE attire) |

[#] Please complete Annex A if your child takes the school bus.

^{*}Prize winners will be notified separately.

Our congratulation goes to all pupils for putting in their best effort, regardless of whether they are prize winners. We also wish to recognise parents, teachers and non-teaching staff for their dedication and hard work in support of their pupils' growth and development.

2. CCA Discovery Day for Primary 2

CCA is an important platform for pupils to develop their character as well as learn skills and values that help prepare them for life. The CCA Discovery Day is organized to assist the parents of our Primary 2 pupils make an informed decision on the choice of CCA for their children. This event, which showcases the various CCAs in action, will take place on 7 November 2019 from 2.15 p.m. to 3.45 p.m. Interested parents of our Primary 2 pupils are invited to gather at the school foyer at 2.15 p.m. for a short briefing before the event. The P2 CCA selection form has been given out on 23 Oct 2019. Please make your selection for your child's CCA participation via the given website by 9 November.

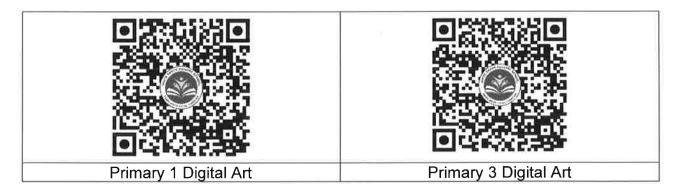
All Primary 3 to Primary 5 pupils are reminded to report for their respective CCAs on 7 November 2019 at venues as shown below.

| CCA | Venue |
|-------------------------|--------------------|
| Angklung | Music Rm 1 |
| Choir | Music Rm 2 |
| Guzheng | AVA Room |
| Chinese Dance | Dance Studio |
| Malay Dance | PAL room |
| International Dance | School Hall |
| Art Club | Art rooms |
| Environmental Club | P2B Classroom |
| Infocomm Club | Computer labs(1&2) |
| Photography Club | P2E Classroom |
| New Media Club | Teaching Lab |
| Scouts | Amphitheatre |
| Tchoukball | Indoor Sports Hall |
| Netball | School Hall |
| Table Tennis | Canteen |
| Football (Boys & Girls) | Field |

3. Pupils' Art Artefacts Online

To support the school's efforts in environment conservation, digital artworks of our Primary 1 and Primary 3 pupils will no longer be printed. Instead, the Aesthetic department has embarked on the usage of the online platform, Padlet, for the display of pupils' artwork. This platform allows for pupils to upload their work directly from the mobile device they were working on. Pupils are also able to view the works of their peers to provide comments and feedback.

Parents can access the respective levels of pupils' work from the links or the QR codes provided below.



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4. Release of PSLE Results

The tentative date for the release of the 2019 PSLE results will be on Thursday, 21 November 2019. The actual date of release will be announced via the media usually a week before.

On the day of the release of the PSLE results, Primary 6 pupils are to report in the school hall by 11.30am properly dressed in their full school uniform. We strongly encourage all parents to accompany your children to collect the results as there will be announcements regarding online processing of the secondary school application.

5. Donation of School Uniform and PE attire (Primary 6)

We would like to appeal to the parents of our Primary 6 pupils to donate your child's school uniform or the PE attire to the school if they are still in good condition. The donated uniform/PE attire will be used as spare sets for pupils who may require a change of attire during the school day. You may leave the neatly folded uniform/PE attire with the General Office after the release of the PSLE results. Do remember to remove the name tag from the uniform / PE attire.

6. School curriculum hours 2020

As shared in the September 2019 issue of IN LINK bulletin, we would like to remind you of the **changes to curriculum hours for 2020**. We have also included the tentative schedule of planned after-curriculum activity for your early planning. You will be informed in January 2020 should there be any changes to the after curriculum hours schedule. However, please note that there may be ad-hoc learning journeys, activities or outside school competitions planned on some Thursdays and Fridays. For such activities, we will provide you with ample notice for your pre-planning.

| Day | Curriculum hours | After curriculum hours | |
|-----------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------------------|--|
| Monday | 7.45 a.m. – 1.30 p.m. | Pupil related sessions, for example, Enrichment, | |
| - | | Pupil Leaders' meeting | |
| Tuesday | 7.45 a.m 1.30 p.m. | HMT, Remedial classes | |
| Wednesday | 7.45 a.m 1.30 p.m. | P3 - P6 CCA (2.00pm - 3.30pm) | |
| Thursday | 7.45 a.m. – 1.30 p.m. | No Planned Pupil Programme | |
| Friday | 7.45 a.m 1.15 p.m. | No Planned Pupil Programme | |

Daily Assembly and punctuality

The flag-raising ceremony will begin at 7.35 a.m. in 2020. All pupils are to be present in the hall/classroom for the ceremony. Pupils who are not present for the flag-raising ceremony in the hall/classroom will be considered as late for school. We seek parents' cooperation to send your child to school by 7.30 a.m. so as to allow your child enough time to settle down and start the day right.

Recess

There will also be a change in recess and snack break timings for some levels in 2020. The timings are as follows:

| Levels | Recess Timing | Snack Break Timing |
|--------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| P1 & 4 | 9.15 a.m 9.45 a.m. | |
| P2 & 5 | 9.45 a.m 10.15 a.m. | 12.05 p.m. |
| P3 & 6 | 10.15 a.m 10.45 a.m. | |

7. First Day of School for 2020

School re-opens on <u>Thursday</u>, <u>2 January 2020</u>. We look forward to seeing our pupils well-groomed and properly attired when they return on the first day of school next year.

Please note that there will be a temperature-taking exercise on <u>Thursday</u>, <u>16 January 2020</u>. Please ensure that your child has a working oral digital thermometer (ODT) for the exercise.

8. Name Tag for pupils

We have observed that some pupils do not have their name tags on their school shirt/blouse or PE T-shirts. Please note that the name tag is part of the school attire. Hence, we like to seek the cooperation from parents or guardians to assist in this matter. Below is a guide to display the name tag.

On T-shirt:



Name tag on T-shirt is in line with the lowest button on the placket.

It should be placed centrally on the left body of the T-shirt.

On shirt (For Boys):



The base of the name tag and the top of the pocket is 1 cm apart.

The name tag should be placed centrally above the pocket.

On blouse (For Girls):



The base of the name tag and the top of the school crest is 1 cm apart.

The name tag should be placed centrally above the crest.

Please purchase the name tag from the school's bookshop during term time and from the uniform supplier during the year end uniform sales. Once the order is placed, together with payment, the name tag should be ready for collection in 2-3 weeks' time.

9. Reminder on dismissal arrangements for 2020

Parents are requested to wait outside the respective school gates when fetching your children during school dismissal. Parents are reminded not to enter the school or wait at the foyer to fetch your children. To facilitate an orderly dismissal, access to the school bookshop and the school-based Student Care Centre will not be permitted 15 minutes before and after school dismissal time.

For parents who drive to fetch your children, please note that you are allowed to drive into the school compound to fetch your children from the school foyer. However, you will not be able to park within the school compound during school dismissal due to the very limited space. For safety reasons, parents are also not allowed to wait in your vehicles in front of the school foyer for your children.

To facilitate a smooth flow of traffic at the school foyer, parents are advised to make arrangements with your children on the timing you will fetch them. Alternatively, you could consider fetching your children 15 min after dismissal to avoid the heavy traffic.

Parents are also reminded not to park your vehicles illegally or cause obstruction when parking at the nearby HDB flats. We have occasionally received calls from residents staying in the nearby blocks on such inconsiderate acts.

We hope to have your understanding on these arrangements. Let's work together towards a more considerate and kind community.

Thank you once again for your support and taking time to go through this bulletin. Wishing you and your family a lovely school holiday and a wonderful bonding time with your children.

Your partner-in-education,

Ms Audrey Wong Principal

School Motto – Learn Grow Excel Together School Values – Care, Respect, Responsibility, Resilience, Rallying together, Excellence (C4RE)

ANNEX A

Parental Reply/Acknowledgement Form
Pupils' Taking School Bus on Prize Giving Day 2019
(To be submitted to C4RE Teacher by Monday, 11 November 2019)

Register number

| Name | e of F | Pupil : | Class: | |
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| | <u>Pr</u> | ze Giving Day on 14 November 2019 | | |
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| | | My child will not be taking the school bus alternative arrangements for my child/child | | |
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| Vame | of F | Parent | Signature of Parent | |