



# XINGHUA PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## *Xinghua Link*

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Dear Readers,

Welcome back to the first issue of Xinghua Link for 2022.

It had not been an easy year in 2021, when we had to combat COVID-19 in order to keep everyone safe and make sure that learning continues for the students. We were able to overcome the challenges, through the camaraderie, commitment and grit of our staff; and the courage and resilience of our children and their families. Together, as one family, we have grown and supported one another and now we have arrived in 2022.

As **An Innovative School of Discerning Learners and Caring Leaders**, we seek to look for ways to do better and pursue excellence all the time. In fact, our school motto (found on the school logo shown below) is “**Towards Excellence**”. We continue our commitment to develop ourselves and students to be **Discerning Learners** (learning and choosing to be thoughtful and responsible to make right decisions); and also to be **Caring Leaders** (striving to help and care for others even as we take good care of ourselves).



In 2022, Xinghua Primary continues to provide a **Caring and Enabling Environment** where everyone is a unique and valued member of the community, recognised for his/her own set of strengths, talents and needs.

All of us are different, yet we share one thing in common – we belong to Xinghua Primary School. Guided by a common set of values, we aspire towards **Excellence**, growing to be more **Responsible, Resilient** and **Respectful** from day to day.

This year, as part of our implementation of Character and Citizenship Education (CCE) 2021, we will be placing more emphasis on **building positive peer relationships and strengthening mental well-being**. We will continue to engage our students through Active Learning and Formative Assessment, with the use of technology, to **develop their love of learning, skills and attitudes to be life-long learners**.

As we rouse ourselves for another year of discovery, new learning and growth, please join me to welcome **our new Vice Principal, Miss Phua Ai Lei; Ms Julie Katherina (Subject Head/ Mother Tongue Languages); Ms Avneet Kaur and Ms Angel Chew (teachers)** as new members of our Xinghua family this year.

Have a safe and fruitful 2022!

Warmest regards,  
Mr Chew Mun Wai

1. We welcome the following staff to theXHPS family:

Miss Phua Ai Lei  
Ms Julie Katherina

Miss Angel Chew (NIE Trainee)  
Ms Avneet Kaur

2. We thank the following staff for their contributions to the school and wish them the best in their future endeavours:

Mr Richard Chong Hian Choong  
Mrs Singa (Sharmila)

Mrs Prathib (Shashita)  
Mrs Sundram

## CURRICULUM MATTERS


### (a) Curriculum Hours

Please note that our curriculum hours are from 7.30 am to 1.30 pm, Mondays to Fridays. CCAs are conducted on Tuesdays, from 7.30 to 9.00 am.

### (b) Assessment Framework

The following table shows the assessment framework and the respective weightings for each assessment. Primary 1 and Primary 2 pupils do not sit for formal examinations but they will have bite-sized assessments in class to monitor their progress. Primary 3 and Primary 5 pupils will have their formal examinations in Term 4. Primary 4 pupils will have their Mid-Year Examinations (MYE) and End-of- Year Examinations (EYE). Primary 6 pupils will have their MYE and Preliminary Examinations. Details, such as the topics to be tested, will be given separately later. For more information about assessment, please refer to the Pupil's Handbook, page 18.

Level	Term 1 (CA1)	Term 2 (MYE)	Term 3 (CA2)	Term 4 (EYE)
Primary 1	No Weighted Assessment (Bite-sized assessments)			
Primary 2				
Primary 3	15%	15% (No MYE)	15%	55% (EYE)
Primary 4	10%	25% (MYE)	10%	55% (EYE)
Primary 5	15%	15% (No MYE)	15%	55% (EYE)
Primary 6	0%	30% (MYE)	70% (Prelim)	PSLE



## SAFETY & SECURITY

### 1. TraceTogether (TT) Token

Every student is **required to bring his/her TT token to school every day** and have it with him/her wherever he/she is in school. We hope you will reinforce in your child the habit of having his/her token with him/her as part of the Safe Management Measures (SMM). If the token is damaged or has run out of battery, it can be replaced for free at the token vending machines which are available at 108 CCs and selected malls. For more information, look up this link: <https://token.gowhere.gov.sg/>.

### 2. Seven-day Health Risk Warning (HRW)

All persons, including students, who are **issued HRW are legally required to self-isolate immediately and take an ART self-test within 24 hours of MOH notification.** For subsequent days, i.e. Day 2 to Day 7, they must have a negative ART before they are allowed to leave home.

**We appeal to all parents whose child is placed on HRW to inform our General Office or your child's Form Teacher immediately and to safeguard the school** by ensuring that your child's self-swab test is negative before sending him/her to school. We hope all parents will work closely with the school on this matter and exercise social responsibility so that the school is kept safe for everyone.

### 3. Vaccination for Children

**Health Sciences Authority (HSA)** has approved the use of the Pfizer-BioNTech/Comirnaty COVID-19 vaccine for children aged 5 years to 11 years old.

In line with the Expert Committee's recommendation, MOE has advised that students should avoid strenuous physical activities for two weeks after their first and second doses. **We seek parents' co-operation to inform your child's Form Teachers, PE teachers and CCA teachers about the date of each vaccination so that your child will be exempted from physical activities for two weeks following each dose. This is an important precautionary measure to safeguard your child and avoid severe adverse effects.**

### 4. Staggered Dismissals

To reduce congestion, the school will continue to stagger dismissal timings.

<b>Primary 1</b>	1.00 pm	<b>Primary 4</b>	1.30pm*
<b>Primary 2</b>	1.10 pm	<b>Primary 5</b>	1.40pm
<b>Primary 3</b>	1.20 pm	<b>Primary 6</b>	1.45pm

#### **Important information:**

- **\*For pupils with siblings in Xinghua Primary, they will all be dismissed at 1.30 pm.**

For example:

- a) If pupil X (P5) has a younger sibling at P1, P2 and/or P3, he/she will be dismissed at 1.20 pm.
- b) If pupil Y (P6) has a younger sibling at P4 and/or P5, he will be dismissed at 1.30 pm.
- c) If pupil Z (P6) has no sibling in XHPS, he/she will only be dismissed at 1.45pm.

- Children taking the school bus will be dismissed as follows:
  - Bus 1 and 1A at 12.55 pm
  - All other buses at 1.20 pm

## 5. Ongoing SMM in 2022

As part of SMM, **daily temperature-taking with additional visual and question screening will continue to be carried out**, as well as the **wearing of mask and safe distancing**. We seek parents' co-operation not to send your child to school if he/she **exhibits flu-like symptoms**.

Let's continue to practise social responsibility and abide by SMM, at all times. If you require assistance or clarifications, you can email us at [Xinghua\\_ps@schools.gov.sg](mailto:Xinghua_ps@schools.gov.sg) or call us at 62889121. Thank you for your understanding and support as we work together to keep our school safe.





### (a) Year Head Structure

The school has three Year Heads: Mrs Bakhshish Singh, Mdm Neo Yuan Ling and Mdm Siti Hajar. However, Mdm Neo is away in Semester 1 and her duties are covered by Mdm An Bee Ling. Likewise, Mdm Siti Hajar is away till 15 February and her duties are covered by Mdm Lee Hui Xian. Their role is to look into student well-being and holistic development. Their email addresses are as follows:

Levels	Year Head/Year Heads (Covering)
P1 & P2	Mdm Siti Hajar <a href="mailto:siti_hajar_saini@moe.edu.sg">siti_hajar_saini@moe.edu.sg</a>
	Mdm Lee Hui Xian <a href="mailto:lee_hui_xian@moe.edu.sg">lee_hui_xian@moe.edu.sg</a>
P3 & P4	Mrs Bakhshish Singh <a href="mailto:bakhshish_singh@moe.edu.sg">bakhshish_singh@moe.edu.sg</a>
P5 & P6	Mdm Neo Yuan Ling <a href="mailto:neo_yuan_ling@moe.edu.sg">neo_yuan_ling@moe.edu.sg</a>
	Mdm An Bee Ling <a href="mailto:an_bee_ling_miss@moe.edu.sg">an_bee_ling_miss@moe.edu.sg</a>

### (b) Group Personal Accident (GPA) Insurance Plan for MOE Students

Students studying in MOE schools are covered under NTUC Income 24-hour worldwide accident insurance **for activities organised by schools**. Hence, if you need to submit claims arising from your child's injuries due to his/her participation in school-related activities, please approach our General Office for assistance. Kindly note that your claims must be submitted to our office **within 2 weeks of the date of accident**. This will allow the school sufficient time to process the claims and avoid any delay in uploading the submissions to the insurer. Please submit the original invoice(s)/receipt(s) and for hospitalisation/day surgery, a copy of Hospital Discharge Summary/Day Surgery Form/Attending Physician's Medical Report.

### (c) Calendar of Events for Semester 1

To help you in your planning, we have attached the Calendar of Events for Semester 1. Please note that the event dates and details are subject to change.

### Feedback from Parents

As partners in education, we value your feedback and suggestions to make the school a more conducive learning environment for our children. Please feel free to give us your feedback via the QR Code placed within the link. It will give you access to our digital form to pen down some of your thoughts, compliments or comments for the school.





## XINGHUA PRIMARY SCHOOL CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR SEMESTER 1 2022

DATE	EVENTS	REMARKS
4 Jan	Start of Term 1	
4 Jan	P1 New U Program (Orientation)	P1 only
5 – 7 Jan	New U Program (Orientation)	For all levels
4 Jan-27 May	Temperature Taking Exercise	For all levels
14 Jan	Photo-Taking Session for School Smart Card	For P1 & P6 pupils only. To be in school uniform.
31 Jan	Chinese New Year Celebrations (Early dismissal for all)	For all pupils. More details will be given later.
1 - 2 Feb	Chinese New Year Public Holiday	
11 Feb	Parent-Child-Teacher Conference (PCTC)	More details will be given later
15 Feb	Commemoration of Total Defence Day	For all pupils.
8 Mar	House Meeting # 1	For all pupils.
12 – 19 Mar	Term 1 School Vacation	
21 March	Start of Term 2	
4 Apr	Commemoration of International Friendship Day	For all pupils.
15 Apr	Good Friday Public Holiday	
28 Apr	P4 & P6 Mid-Year Oral Exam - EL	During school hours
29 Apr	P4 & P6 Mid-Year Oral Exam - MT	During school hours
2 May	Labour Day Public Holiday	
3 May	Hari Raya Puasa Public Holiday	
5 May	Mid-Year Exam: Paper 1 & Listening Comprehension - EL	For P4 & P6 pupils only
6 May	Mid-Year Exam: Paper 1 & Listening Comprehension - MT	For P4 & P6 pupils only
9 May	Mid-Year Exam: Science	For P4 & P6 pupils only
10 May	Mid-Year Exam: Math Paper	For P4 & P6 pupils only
11 May	Mid-Year Exam: Paper 2 - EL	For P4 & P6 pupils only
12 May	Mid-Year Exam: Paper 2 - MT	For P4 & P6 pupils only
13 May	Mid-Year Exam: P6 HMT Paper 1 & 2	For P6 HMT pupils only
16 May	Vesak Day Public Holiday	
17 May	House Meeting #2	
26 May	Parent-Child-Teacher Conference & Return of Report Books	More details will be given later.
27 May	VIA: Clean My School Day	For all levels
28 May – 25 June	Term 2 School Vacation	
27 June	Start of Term 3	

Activities are correct at the time of printing. Any update will be put up on our school website.