

XINGHUA PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Message from the Vice Principal

Dear Parents/Guardians

The first term of the school and the first few weeks of term 2 have been very challenging. Despite the disruptions brought about by the evolving COVID-19 situation, I must say that everyone has worked very hard to ensure that school continues to be uninterrupted.

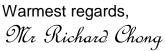
I am very grateful and thankful to our staff working very closely with our parents and students to put in place additional processes and measures to deal with the uncertainties. Our staff who have been working diligently to ensure that all our students are safe and that effective teaching and learning continues.

I must also thank all our students and parents for your understanding and cooperation especially when we had to introduce additional precautionary measures, such as reporting directly to class upon arrival in school, changes to the recess and dismissal arrangements. I am heartened that our students and parents are rallying together to support and show care for one another.

We are getting our students familiar with the Home Based Learning; there will be notifications that will come your way from the HBL team at school. There are also students who may not have access to computers at home. May I suggest that they talk to their form teachers so that we can explore how to support their learning from home. We will also be looking at the topics to be tested for SA1; there may be a need to reduce the number of topics due to the disruptions owing to the COVID-19 situation. We will let you know in due course about these changes.

Do continue to remind your child to practise good personal hygiene and social responsibility. I am confident that we can work together as a family to ensure that our school continues to be safe for our students to learn and grow.











SCHOOL EVENTS

1. Public Holidays

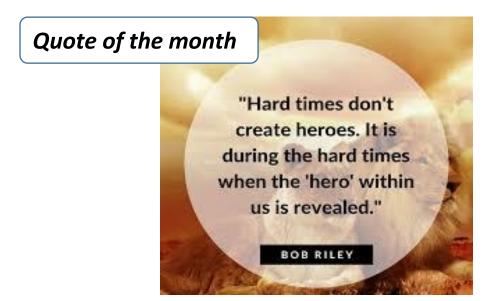
Good Friday	Friday	10 April
Labour Day	Friday	01 May
Vesak Day	Thursday	07 May

2. International Friendship Day Celebration

The school will be commemorating International Friendship Day (IFD) on Monday, 13 April 2020. The theme for this year is Beyond Borders. All assembly activities will be carried out in the classrooms. CCE teachers will carry out IFD activities and games during CCE lessons from 13 April to 17 April 2020.

3. Earth Day

The school will be commemorating Earth Day on Wednesday, 22 April 2020. The theme for this year will be on Reduce, Reuse and Recycle. All assembly activities will be carried out in the classrooms. Pupils will be learning how to reduce food waste, reuse fruit peels and recycle materials around them. We will also be observing Earth Hour from 12.30pm to 1.30pm by switching off the lights.



Useful Links for pupils:

- https://problemsums.kobits.com/Practice/SkillMap
- https://www.mtl.moe.edu.sg/
- https://stories.audible.com/start-listen

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. Parents Gateway (PG)

Currently the take up rate for PG stands at 86% and as such we would like to invite more parents to come onboard. This app is designed for parents to allow closer engagement with the school and also to receive information from the school. There will no longer be a need to fret over giving consent on hard copies as the app allows you to do so online. To tap on the functions of the app fully, we would like to get all parents to come onboard the Parents Gateway. We appeal to all parents who have downloaded the app to remain login so as to continue receiving alerts on future notifications.

(Please refer to attached Annex A for a step-by-step guide.)

2. P1 Registration Procedures

Details of the Primary 1 Registration Exercise are as follows:

Registration Phases	Dates	
Phase 1	1 to 2 July 2020	
Phase 2A(1)	7 Jul 2020	
Phase 2A(2)	13 to 14 Jul 2020	
Phase 2B	20 to 21 Jul 2020	
Phase 2C	P1-PS online registration From 27 – 29 Jul 2020 Registration at school 28 Jul to 30 Jul 2020	
Phase 2C Supplementary	P1-PS online registration From 10 Aug - 11 Aug 2020 Registration at school 11 Aug to 12 Aug 2020	
Online Indication of Interest for non-Singapore Citizen (SC) /non-Permanent Resident (PR) children Phase 3 Registration (only for non-SC/non-PR children who have indicated their interest in June 2020 and are informed by MOE in October 2020 that they can be offered a P1 place)	From 2 Jun to 8 Jun 2020 In Oct 2020	

Registration hours are from 8.00 a.m. – 11.00 a.m. and 2.30 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.

1. Registration : Phase 1 Eligibility

Phase 1 is for a child who has a sibling currently studying in the school. The child to be registered must be a **Singapore Citizen (SC) / Singapore Permanent Resident** (PR) and be born between **2 January 2014 and 1 January 2015 (both dates inclusive)**.

Parents registering their younger SC/PR child under Phase 1 must submit the survey form given out by the school at a later date through the sibling to the school.

3. ENHANCED BENEFITS UNDER MOE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE SCHEME

As announced at the 2020 MOE Committee of Supply, the MOE FAS will be enhanced from 1 April 2020. The income eligibility criteria for MOE FAS remain unchanged. The changes include:

Transport subsidy:

For primary school students taking school bus: 60% of monthly school bus fares; up from 50% or \$15 transport subsidy per month from the month of approval; up from \$10

4. NEU PC PLUS PROGRAMME

Pupils who are on MOE FAS who wish to own a new computer at a subsidised price can apply for one under the NEU PC Plus Programme administered by Infocommunications Media Development Authority (IMDA). Under this Programme, each eligible household may apply for one subsidized computer once every 3 years, regardless of the number of school-going children or household members with permanent disabilities. Please contact the General Office to enquire.

Looking Back on Xinghua



INTO the Different Looks of OUR PUPIL'S HANDBOOK OVER THE YEARS!

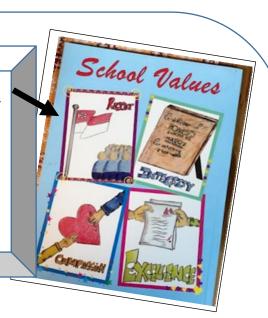


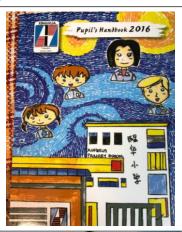


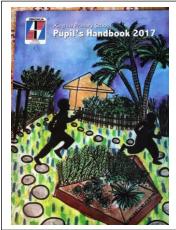
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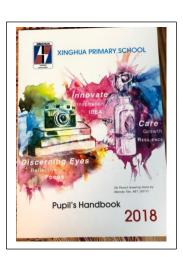
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Back cover design by Riwaj Rai-5D (2009)











Dream

"The illustration shows the imagination going on in my mind: Little fairies and creatures giving out gifts to children all around the world!"

Pen illustration done by Tanakrit Lim, 4R4 (2018)

[First in 2018 Young Illustrator Award]

Home-based Learning (HBL)

We have successfully conducted HBL on Wednesday, 01 April and the next HBL
lesson will be on Wednesday, 8 April 2020. The HBL plan and timetable can be found on our school website. Thank you for guiding your child to complete the assigned
learning activities and please do continue supporting them. If your child needs
assistance in HBL, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teachers
Feedback from Parents
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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 pen down
some thoughts, compliments or comments for the school.

Contact no: