23 Jun 2021

Dear Parents/Guardian

Letter to Parents/Guardians - Term 3

Greetings to all parents and guardians! I hope this letter finds everyone well.

As Singapore moves into Phase 3 (Heightened Alert) with gradual easing of community Safe Management Measures (SMMs), the Ministry of Education (MOE) will progressively bring students back to school after the June holidays.

To ease into full resumption of school when Term 3 starts on 28 June 2021, students will return to school according to the following arrangements:

Week	Date	In School	HBL
Term 3 Week 1	28 Jun 2021	Sec 3, 4 and 5	Sec 1 and 2 (until 30 Jun 2021)
	1 Jul 2021	Sec 1 to 5	NIL

Monday, 5 July 2021, is Youth Day and it is a school holiday. All levels of students will return to school on Tuesday, 6 July 2021.

<u>Safe Management Measures (SMM) for Students</u>

The school continues with enforcing SMM for the term according to guidelines provided by MOE.

Students exhibiting fever, flu-like symptoms or are staying with household members who are unwell with flu-like symptoms are advised not to come to school.

Parents should instead inform the school and bring their child/ward to see the family doctor.

Students who have family members on HQO, SHN, LOA or MC (for flu-like symptoms) must not report to school and they must inform their form teachers of this.

Students must continue to wear masks at all times, both in and out of school.

School Reporting and Dismissal Times

Staggered reporting times will continue in Term 3. Please note the reporting times:

Level	Reporting Times	Dates
Sec 3, 4 and 5	by 7:30 am	From 28 Jun 2021
Sec 1 and 2	by 7:25 am	From 1 Jul 2021

Lessons will commence daily at 7:50 am.

Movement in and out of the school compound will continue to be restricted. You may drop off your child/ward as per normal in the morning. However, you will only be able to pick up your child/ward from the side gate facing Chong Pang car park (Blk 709 Yishun St 71) after school as the school gates will be locked.

Dismissal times will be staggered. Safe measures to guide students as they leave the school will be in place. There will be special designated exits from the school at dismissal time. Please refer to the information in the table below:

Gate 1 (near the Indoor Sports Hall)	For those walking home	
Gate 2 (main school gate)	No entry at dismissal time	
Gate 3 (small gate beside guard house)	Closed	
Gate 4 (bus-stop)	For those taking the bus home	
Gate 5 (Chong Pang car park)	For those whose parents are picking them up	

Please refer to your child's/ward's class timetable for information on dismissal times.

Seating Arrangements in the Canteen during Recess Breaks

All students must vacate their classrooms during their recess and lunch breaks. This allows students to have a break and to have a stretch. Students can consume their meals in the canteen.

Seating arrangements during recess breaks will be implemented according to the recommended quidelines set by MOE.

We strongly advise that your child/ward comply with these arrangements strictly.

Students can only remove their mask while eating and drinking. They are to replace their mask after they have consumed their meal.

Update of Personal Details

All students are to keep their form teachers updated if there is any change in their own contact numbers as well as the contact numbers of their parents/guardian. They are also required to update their form teachers if there is a change in their residential address.

This is critical to facilitate contact tracing should the need arise.

TraceTogether

All students must bring their TraceTogether (TT) token to school daily. The TT will be used to help quickly identify close contacts of a confirmed case.

The school has a no-handphone policy during school curriculum hours. Thus all students are to bring their TraceTogether Token to facilitate contact tracing, when necessary.

While in school, the student should carry his/her personal TT token all the time.

Conduct of CCA

CCAs will be gradually eased in for Semester 2. In Term 3 Week 1 and 2, all CCAs will take place via online platforms. More information on resumption of CCAs will be shared at a later date.

All free play is suspended until further notice. Students should refrain from bringing their own sports equipment to school for free play.

Academic Matters

Timetable for Term 3

The timetable will be available at this link https://yishunsec.moe.edu.sg/students/timetable/. Kindly ensure that your child/ward has the necessary books and materials for lessons.

Home-based Learning

Home-based learning (HBL) will be implemented for Secondary 1 to 3 students in Term 3. Student-Initiated Learning (SIL) will take place only for Secondary 1 students. Both HBL and SIL will take place on Day 10 (Friday) of the timetable.

The timetable in Term 3 will reflect the lessons that will take place on this day.

Weighted Assessment Matters Updates

There will be no WA on Tuesday 29 Jun 2021 for Secondary 1 to 3. WA scheduled for that day has been shifted to Term 3 Week 3, during curriculum time.

The updated WA schedule can be found on the school website via this link: https://yishunsec.moe.edu.sg/students/weighted-assessment-schedule/

Graduating Cohort Matters

GCE O-Level and N-Level Listening Comprehension and Oral Examinations

The above examinations will take place for our graduating cohort in Term 3. Kindly refer to your child's/ward's entry proof for the dates of the examinations.

You may also refer to the school calendar for more details via this link: https://yishunsec.moe.edu.sg/parents/school-calendar/

Secondary 4 E/NA and 5N Preliminary Examination

The preliminary examination for our graduating cohort will also be held in Term 3. The preliminary examination timetable will be posted on the school website for your reference in early Term 3.

Support for Our Graduating Students

In order to provide our graduating students with a conducive venue for self-study, designated areas in the canteen and library will be open for their use. The designated areas in the canteen will be left open until 6:30 pm daily, while the library will be open until 5:30 pm daily.

GCE O-Level Mother Tongue Language (MTL) and Mother Tongue Language Syllabus B (MTLB) Listening Comprehension Examination

The above-mentioned examination will be held on Tuesday, 6 July 2021. Students who are not taking the examination will be dismissed at 12:30 pm on that day. Please make the necessary transportation arrangements.

All students not sitting for the examination are expected to leave the school premises immediately after dismissal.

Student ICON Email

The school will roll out the Student iCON (official student email) from Term 3. The on-boarding instructions will be provided via Student Learning Space (SLS) and Parents Gateway (PG).

Student iCON is a suite of Google apps that helps to better support teaching and learning. It also allows for virtual collaboration with others. Together with the Personal Learning Device (PLD), it will create a seamless learning environment for your child/ward.

Some of the Google apps that your child/ward can look forward to after the activation of their Student iCON include:

- **Jamboard and Meet**: allows students to brainstorm with their teachers and classmates on a virtual whiteboard over video conferencing.
- **Classroom**: allows for access to lesson materials easily and be alerted of upcoming assignment deadlines.
- **Drive**: allows students to share and collaborate on documents with teachers and classmates easily.

School Events

The following events will be celebrated in school in Semester 2:

- Racial Harmony Day Commemoration (Thu, 22 Jul)
- National Day Celebration (Thu, 5 Aug, Fri, 6 Aug is HBL)
- Teachers' Day Celebration (Thu, 2 Sep)
- Secondary 4 & 5 Graduation Day (Fri, 24 Sep)

Let's continue working in partnership to provide meaningful learning experiences for our students. Do enjoy the rest of the week and the coming weekend before Term 3 begins.

Do Stay Safe and Keep well.

Mrs Regina Lee Principal