

Monday, 26 June 2023

FROM THE DESK OF THE PRINCIPAL

MF/23/010

Dear Parents/Guardians

1. Welcome Back - Term 3

I hope both you and your child have had a refreshing holiday. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you back to school.

2. Term 3 Calendar

The hardcopy of the Term 3 Calendar has been distributed to every student on the last day of Term 2 (Friday, 26th May). Parents can also download the softcopy from the school website to check for daily activities and programmes.

https://zhangdepri.moe.edu.sg/our-partners/parents/communication-with-parents.

3. Term 3 GIVER³S Values – Graciousness and Versatility

Our focus Values for Term 3 are Graciousness and Versatility. As we commemorate Racial Harmony Day and National Day this term, we will remind our students to be gracious towards one another, to build harmonious relationships and to be inclusive in all our interactions. Our Staff will continue to guide and help our students embrace differences amongst their peers and value the diversity in our society.

Our young generation are pervasive users of social media. Parents could also protect your child by monitoring his/her time spent on social media. At the same time, it is important to ensure he/she does not bully or attack others online, as this has become a serious social problem. They can be taught to be responsible and gracious in their online behaviour, to be versatile and safe in the cyberspace.

4. Assessment Matters

Moving forward, from Term 3 onwards, there will be no make-up for students who miss the Weighted Assessments 2 scheduled from Week 8 (refer to the calendar for the dates). Students are required to submit their Medical Certificates to their form teachers for their absence during these days.

5. PSLE Matters

- i) A hardcopy of the PSLE Timetable was issued in the last week of Term 2. Our P6 Form Teachers have also guided our students to prepare a timetable and work towards achieving their targets for both the Preliminary Exams and the PSLE.
- ii) The PSLE Examination Rules and Regulations for Candidates 2023 booklet will be issued to our students on 12th July 2023. Parents may also access the above softcopy booklet, PSLE timetable and the PSLE formats examined via the SEAB website. (https://www.seab.gov.sg/home/examinations/psle)

iii) The PSLE Oral Examinations in school are reflected on the table shown below. **There will be <u>no school</u> for P1 to P5 students on both days**. As a final preparation for the PSLE Orals, Oral Clinics will be conducted for all P6 students on Wednesdays from Week 2 to Week 5 (refer to the calendar for the dates).

15 August, Tuesday	English, Foundation English,	
(8.00am to 1.00pm)	Chinese, Foundation Chinese,	
16 August, Wednesday	Malay, Foundation Malay,	
(8.00am to 1.00pm)	Tamil, Foundation Tamil	

6. Home-Based Learning (HBL) for P1 to P5

To promote self-directed learning, it is important that parents ensure your child wakes up early at home to learn and duly complete all the HBL assignments. This is part of the new form of learning. Our students' attendance must be 100% and all work assigned must be completed as scheduled.

18 July 2023	P6 Preliminary	P1: Synchronous Lessons
Tuesday	Oral Examinations	P2 – P5: Asynchronous Lessons
15 and 16 August 2023	P6 PSLE	P1 – P5: Asynchronous Lessons
Tuesday, Wednesday	Oral Examinations	

7. Annual Health Screening

The annual health screening for P1 to P6 students will take place from 23 to 30 August 2023. Parents will be informed through Parent Gateway (PG) on the dates to submit the students' Health Booklets as well as provide consent to Health Promotion Board for the health screening.

8. Healthy Snacks

During daily snack breaks, we encourage parents to limit or avoid packing processed, sugary, fatty and salty food as snacks for your child. As parents, you play an important role in supporting the school's effort to promote healthy eating and shaping your child's lifelong healthy eating habits. The start of Term 3 is a good mid-point check to revisit the type of snacks you have been packing for your child and encourage them to eat healthy!

9. Appointments with School Staff

Our Officers start work at 7.10am and continue to work throughout the day, to support after-school programmes, stay over at residential camps, mark work assigned to students, prepare lessons, attend workshops/meetings and many other activities. We seek your understanding to make appointments to meet our Teachers, School Counsellors, Special Education Needs Officers (SENO) and Student Welfare Officer (SWO) before 4.30pm on weekdays. Their weekends and public holidays are protected times to allow them their personal and family time. We appreciate your understanding on this matter.

We look forward to an exciting term and your continued partnership to make learning fun and enriching for our children.

Thank you.

Mrs Rita Dass, Principal