



Dear Parents/ Guardians,

As we move into the last term of the year, we are thankful for the partnership rendered to help us journey through this pandemic together. We continue to seek your support to ensure that our school continues to be safe for our pupils to learn and interact.

The month of September is the start of the written PSLE papers for our P6 pupils. They have come a long way in their preparation and we will rally together to support them and wish them all the best for the coming examinations.

Following are some information for your noting.

1. Teacher's Day celebration

As a follow up to the PG message sent on 20 August, the school will be celebrating Teachers' Day on Thursday, 2 September. The theme for the celebration is "Around the World in WSPS". This day is dedicated to appreciate and honour all our teachers and acknowledge their amazing contributions. Students and teachers will be engaged in meaningful activities. There will be no lessons on that day. Please note the things to bring:

| All levels |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Story book• Handbook• Thermometer• Trace together token• Pencil case• Water bottle• Snacks• Colouring materials and scissors• Props for photo booth (For P4-6 only) |

School hours will be curtailed. Please refer to the school hours as stated below:

| Levels | Dismissal Timing |
|---------------|------------------|
| Primary 1 & 2 | 10.15 am |
| Primary 3 & 4 | 10.30 am |
| Primary 5 & 6 | 10.45 am |

Students are to bring some light snacks on that day. The school canteen will not be opened due to the curtailed school hours. Please note that Friday, 3 September is a school holiday.

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2. Reminder on schools' Leave of Absence (LOA) and Approved Absences (AA) policies and distribution of ART kits

- With reference to the PG message sent on 18 August on updates of the above policies, we would like to thank parents who have worked closely with the school to manage such situations. Please continue to clarify with your child's C4RE teachers should you have any doubts. Let us continue to work together to ensure a safe school environment for all our staff and students.
- There will be a one-time distribution of ART kits for all pupils. Each student will receive 3 ART kits on 13 September and try out using the kit by 17 September. More information will be sent via PG nearer to the date of distribution.

3. PSLE matters

- There will be no school for Primary 1 – 5 students on Friday, 17 September 2021 as it is the PSLE Listening Comprehension Examinations. (The school Student Care Centre will remain open from 7.30am to 7.00pm.)
- Our Primary 6 students will be taking their PSLE written papers from 30 September to 6 October 2021. In order to ensure a conducive examination environment for them, we have arranged for the Primary 1- 5 students to have their recesses in their classrooms during the duration of the written papers. **The Primary 1-5 students are strongly encouraged to bring packed food from home.** Arrangements will be made for students who are unable to bring food from home to purchase food from the canteen. To discourage wastage of disposable ware, students who are purchasing food from the canteen are encouraged to bring their own containers and cutlery. We thank you in advance for your support of our Primary 6 students.

4. P6 Study Break

- As stated in PG dated 28 August 2021, MOE will implement a study break for P6 students from 25 September to 29 September. During this period, students are strongly encouraged to remain at home to revise for their examinations. This is also to reduce the risk of contracting the virus from the community. Our school will remain open on weekdays for those who require additional support.
- To continue supporting our P6 students remotely during the 3-day study break, online consultation sessions or lessons with the teachers will be scheduled. The C4RE Teachers will provide your child with the details nearer to the date. We seek your support in ensuring that your child attends these sessions punctually. Attendance for these sessions is compulsory.

5. School-Home Partnership: Promoting Students' Well-being through Positive Education

Power of Yet

'Yet' – 'Yet' empowers your child to feel in control over doing something difficult or mastering a new skill by building confidence in your child. Even if something is hard now, your child has what it takes to figure it out. This reinforces that success takes time.

You could support your child in learning the **Power of Yet** through the following suggested ways:

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Model using Yet – Children learn how to work through difficulties by observing the adults. The next time your child asks you a question to which you do not know the answer to, reframe your response to, “I don’t know that **yet** but I can find out.”

Normalise mistakes – Your child needs to make mistakes in order to learn and grow. Let your child know that mistakes are steps along the way to success. Success has many different outcomes. These are phrases you consider saying to your child:

“I am proud of you for giving it your best. You will learn from your mistakes.”
“Mistakes mean we have to keep testing new ideas”.

We hope that by using the Power of Yet, your child will be empowered to persevere positively. Progress leads to success. Below are some resources for your information:

- 1) <https://growkidsminds.com/gkm011-the-power-of-yet/>
- 2) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J-swZaKN2lc>
- 3) <https://selfsufficientkids.com/growth-mindset-childrens-books/>

6. Major Events and Holidays for Term 4

Please find below important dates and events for your noting:

| Date | Event | Remarks |
|-------------------------------|---|--|
| 3 Sep (Fri) | Teachers’ Day | School Holiday |
| 4 Sep (Sat) – 12 Sep (Sun) | September Term Break | <u>Only P6 students</u> need to report to school for supplementary classes on 6 – 8 Sep. More details will be sent via PG. |
| 17 Sep (Fri) | Mid-Autumn Festival Celebration | Via SLS package |
| 17 Sep (Fri) | PSLE Listening Comprehension Examinations | Primary 1 – 5 students need not report to school. SCC will be opened. |
| 25 Sept (Sat) – 29 Sept (Wed) | P6 Study Break | P1-5 students need to report to school |
| 30 Sep (Thu) – 6 Oct (Wed) | PSLE Written Examinations | All levels of students to report to school. |
| 7 Oct (Thu) | HeArts Shine Fiesta | - |
| 8 Oct (Fri) | Children’s Day | School Holiday |
| 11 Oct (Mon) – 13 Oct (Wed) | P5 Oral | After school hours |
| 14 Oct (Thu) – 15 Oct (Fri) | P3 & P4 Oral | Within school hours |
| 18 Oct (Mon) – 21 Oct (Thu) | PSLE Marking days | All students need not report to school. SCC will be opened. |

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| 22 Oct (Fri) | SA2 (HMT Paper 1 & 2) P5 | - |
| 25 Oct (Mon) | SA 2 (Eng Paper 1 & LC) P3-5 | - |
| 26 Oct (Tues) | SA 2 (MT Paper 1 & LC) P3-5 | - |
| 28 Oct (Thu) | SA 2 (Eng Paper 2) P3-5 | - |
| 29 Oct (Fri) | SA 2 (Math) P3-5 | - |
| 1 Nov (Mon) | SA 2 (MT Paper 2) P3-5 | - |
| 2 Nov (Tues) | SA 2 (Science) P3-5 | - |
| 4 Nov (Thu) | Deepavali | Public Holiday |
| 18 Nov (Thu) | Prize Giving Day (1) | More details will be provided. |
| 19 Nov (Fri) | Prize Giving Day (2) | |
| 20 Nov (Sat) – 3 Jan (Mon) | Year-end holiday | School will re-open on 4 Jan (Tue) 2022. |
| 22 Nov (Mon) | P1 orientation | For P1 students 2022 |

Wishing you a good bonding time with your child during the September break.

Thank you.

Your partner in education,



Ms Audrey Wong
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