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Dear Parents/Guardians,

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Greetings! To continue our communication with you as our valued partners, we would like to share the following information with you.

1. CELEBRATING OUR STUDENTS' ACHIEVEMENTS

Our students have done well in both the academic and non-academic domains. We would like to send them our congratulations.

• Singapore Youth Festival (SYF) 2017 - Art Exhibition

A group of our lower primary pupils achieved the Certificate of Recognition at the SYF 2017 Art Exhibition : Artist & Space. Their artwork, titled 'Our Secret Hideout', was showcased at SCAPE from 5 July to 16 July. These young artists are Toh Jia Xuan, Desiree Lau Si En, Lim Yong June Gerard, Ng Li Yun Sera, G Aathithyaa, Nicholas Emmanuel Tjong, Daniel Ezekiel Tjong, Kaeus Wong Eu Ngai, Lye Chuan Yao Lucas and Renee Wee from P2.2.

• 2nd Singapore International Chinese Music Competition

Our Guzheng Ensemble received two Gold Awards at this international competition held on 28 July 2017.

• Lions Cub Golf Championships 2017

Sim Jun Ze (P5.4) attained Gold with Honours while Wong Kit Yoi Gareth (P3.4) and Tai Yu Xuan Jovan (P5.6) achieved Gold in this championships.

• National Schools Bowling Championships 2017

Our Senior Boys' team emerged Top 6 in this championships while both the Junior Boys' and Girls' teams finished Top 11.

• YMCA Plain English Speaking Award 2017

Ryan Ng Yi Heng (P3.5) clinched the Bronze Award at this annual public speaking competition organised by by Metropolitan YMCA of Singapore with his winning speech entitled "*Honesty Is My Way Of Life*".

• Inaugural Children Chinese Picture Book Creation Contest

Ang Xuan Zhe (P5.6) received the Merit Award in this contest for his excellent original creations, "祖先的宝藏", organised by Berries World of Learning School.

"Learners with Passion. Leaders with Heart. Citizens of Character."



- **National Primary Schools Chinese Story-telling Competition 2017**

Ng Yu Le (P4.5) received the Merit Award for her performance at this event jointly organised by Singapore Hokkien Huay Kuan and the Singapore Middle School Chinese Teachers' Association, and co-organised by Ai Tong School.

- **7th National Primary School Photography Competition 2017**

A team of our Infocomm Club members participated in this competition and Siddharth Saju Madhavan (P5.5) clinched the 2nd runner-up award.

- **Cyber Safety Stories Contest 2017**

The story written by Siddharth Saju Madhavan (P5.5) was selected as the top three winning entries in this contest organised by Cyber Security Agency of Singapore.

- **16th Elementz Science Project Competition and Exhibition**

Two teams took part in this event organised by Anderson Secondary School to share their scientific study through investigative-type projects in Science. They achieved the following accolades:

- Gold Award: Regan Boon Yi Quan (P4.6), Bethany Grace Eng Li Lin (P4.6), Josiah Delroy Huang (P4.6), Sean Leung Kai Heng (P4.6), Ashley Tan Sze Yin (P4.6)
- Certificate of Commendation: Gui Zhi Xuan, Khloe (5.5), Zhang JinXian, Jason (5.5), Then Rui Xuan, Jovian (5.5), Andrea See Xuan Lin (5.5), New Yan Qin (5.5)

- **School Green Awards Workshop**

Lyssa Lau Wen Qi (P5.6) and Chloe Loey Kai Wen (P5.4) shared about our school's Tray Return Project during the Teacher's Briefing Workshop organised by the Singapore Environment Council.

2. APPRECIATION TO PARENT SUPPORT GROUP (PSG)

We would like to thank our PSG for their support at the Lower Primary Sports Carnival held on 8 August. PSG members were present to provide our P1 and P2 students with tattoo stickers of our national flag as part of the school's National Day celebrations. In addition, they also cheered for our young athletes as they competed during the sports carnival.

3. P5 ADVENTURE OUTDOOR CAMP (14 TO 16 SEPTEMBER)

The annual 3-day-2-night P5 Outdoor Camp provides opportunity for P5 students to engage in a wide range of physical and outdoor activities that will develop their personal growth in leadership, confidence and team spirit amongst their peers. Parents/Guardian may refer to the letter which was issued earlier on 14 August.

4. PSLE LISTENING COMPREHENSION EXAMINATION (15 SEPTEMBER)

P6 students will sit for their PSLE Listening Comprehension on 15 September. They would need to adhere to the reporting timings given by their Form Teachers and be in their school uniform. Parents/Guardians are to make the necessary transport arrangement for their children/ wards.

P1 to P4 students do not need to report to school on that day.

5. 2017 PSLE WRITTEN EXAMINATION (28 SEPTEMBER TO 4 OCTOBER)

The 2017 PSLE Written Examination will take place from 28 September to 4 October. Parents/Guardians may refer to the booklet, *Instructions to Candidates*, which was issued to all P6 students in May 2017 for the full PSLE timetable. The timetable is also available at the following SEAB website:

- <http://www.seab.gov.sg/content/examTimeTable/2017PSLEExamTimeTable.pdf>

P6 students will have to continue attending school as usual after PSLE from 5 October. Programmes to enrich our students in their holistic development and to prepare them for transition to secondary

school have been planned for them. Students who are unable to attend school are to produce medical certificates or letters with valid reason.

6. P2 SWIM SAFER (28 SEPTEMBER, 2 OCTOBER, 7 & 8 NOVEMBER)

The objective of this programme for P2 students is to develop in our young important life skills such as water confidence and water safety. They will participate in four sessions for this programme which will be held during school hours. More details will be provided nearer the date.

7. P3 HEALTHIER BODY AND MIND PROGRAMME (28 SEPTEMBER, AND 2 OCTOBER)

P3 students will embark on this special sports learning journey on these two days during school hours. Through this authentic learning experience, our students will learn essential fundamental movement skills and desired values such as resilience, diligence, respect and integrity. These skills and values are essential building blocks for them to lead a healthier lifestyle that would benefit their body and mind. In addition, they will also have the opportunity to interact with professional sports players in Singapore. More details will be provided nearer the date.

8. P4 SOCIAL STUDIES FIELD-BASED LEARNING (28 AND 29 SEPTEMBER)

In line with the P4 Social Studies curriculum, P4 students will be going on a Field-based Learning (FbL) to the National Museum of Singapore (NMS) and a heritage trail at Kampong Glam and Little India over two consecutive days. At NMS, students will go back in history to recognise the contributions of early migrants who helped to develop Singapore in the early days. They will also deepen their understanding of the Malay and Indian ethnic culture through a heritage learning journey to Kampong Glam and Little India. More details will be provided nearer the date.

9. P1 AND P2 HOME-BASED LEARNING (HBL) (29 SEPTEMBER)

P1 and P2 students will have HBL on 29 September, Friday, and do not need to report to school. Lessons will be prepared by our teachers to enable P1 and P2 students to experience an alternative form of learning at home. Further details will be provided nearer the date.

10. CHILDREN'S DAY SCHOOL HOLIDAY (6 OCTOBER)

The school will celebrate Children's Day on 5 October, Thursday. School reporting and dismissal time, and all scheduled after-school programmes on that day remain unchanged.

6 October, Friday, will be the scheduled school holiday for Children's Day.

11. PSLE MARKING EXERCISE & P1–P5 HOME-BASED LEARNING (HBL) (19 – 24 OCTOBER)

PSLE Marking Exercise will be conducted from 19 to 24 October, Thursday to Tuesday. There will be no lesson for all students during the PSLE Marking Exercise.

P1 to P5 students will have HBL assignments set by their teachers to keep them meaningfully occupied with their learning during this period. More information about HBL will be provided at a later date.

12. P2 TO P5 SEMESTER ASSESSMENT 2

The P2 to P5 year-end assessment for Composition will be on 9 October, Monday, and the written papers will begin on 25 October, Wednesday. A separate letter informing parents/guardians of the SA2 details has already been given on 29 August.

13. EARLY DISMISSAL DURING SEMESTER ASSESSMENT 2 (25 TO 31 OCTOBER)

P1 to P6 students will be dismissed earlier at 12.35 p.m. during the SA2 period from Wednesday, 25 October to Tuesday, 31 October. This would allow our students to have an earlier lunch and more rest at home. Parents/Guardians who are driving to fetch your child/ward would be allowed to drive into the school from 12.50 p.m.

The usual dismissal time will resume from Wednesday, 1 November onwards.

14. FINAL SESSION FOR SUPPLEMENTARY/REMEDIAL LESSONS & SUSPENSION OF CCAs

- For P6 after-school programmes/lessons, the final sessions will be as follow:

Programme / Lesson	Date for Final Session
P6 English, Mathematics and Science Supplementary	25 September (Monday)
P6 Remediation	26 September (Tuesday)
P6 Higher Mother Tongue Lesson	20 September (Wednesday)
P6 Foundation English and Mathematics Lessons	21 September (Thursday)

- For P5 after-school programmes/lessons, the final sessions will be as follow:

Programme / Lesson	Date for Final Session	Remarks
P5 English, Mathematics and Science Supplementary	2 October (Monday)	
P5 Higher Mother Tongue Lesson	15 November (Wednesday)	No lesson on 25 October (Thursday) due to SA2
P5 Foundation English and Mathematics Lessons	16 November (Thursday)	No lesson on 26 October (Thursday) due to SA2

- For P3 and P4, the final Remedial Lesson for the year will be 4 October, Wednesday.
- CCAs will be suspended from 9 October to 1 November, and will resume on Thursday, 2 November.

15. ADMINISTRATIVE DAY (3 NOVEMBER)

The teachers will have the Administrative Day on Friday, 3 November to process the year-end results. There will be no lesson for all students.

16. ANNUAL PRIZE-GIVING DAY (17 NOVEMBER)

The last day of school for all students for this academic year will be Thursday, 16 November. We will have our Annual Prize-Giving Day on Friday, 17 November. More details will be given out at a later date to students who would need to be present for the event. For the other students, there will be no school on that date.

17. TERM 4 2017 SCHOOL CALENDAR

The following tables are summaries of the Term 4 school events and school/public holidays for your reference.

A) School Activities

<i>Date</i>	<i>Events</i>
▪ 14 Sep, Thu to 16 Sep, Sat	P5 Outdoor Camp
▪ 15 Sep, Fri	PSLE Listening Comprehension Exam
	P1 to P4 Home-based Learning
• 22 Sep, Fri	P4 SA2 Oral (after curriculum time)
• 25 Sep, Mon	P2 SA2 Oral (during curriculum time) P5 SA2 Oral (after curriculum time)
• 26 Sep, Tue	P2 SA2 Oral (during curriculum time) P5 SA2 Oral (after curriculum time)
• 27 Sep, Wed	P2 SA2 Oral (during curriculum time)
▪ 28 Sep, Thu to 4 Oct, Wed	PSLE Written Examination
▪ 28 Sep, Thu	P2 Swim Safer
▪ 2 Oct, Mon	
▪ 7 Nov, Tue and 8 Nov, Wed	
▪ 28 Sep, Thu and 2 Oct, Mon	P3 Programme for Healthier Body and Mind
▪ 28 Sep, Thu and 29 Sep, Fri	P4 Social Studies Field-based Learning

▪ 29 Sep, Fri	P1 & P2 Home-based Learning
▪ 9 Oct, Mon	P2 to P5 SA2 Paper 1 (Composition)
▪ 10 Oct, Tue	P3 SA2 Oral (after curriculum time)
▪ 13 Oct, Fri	P2 to P5 SA2 LC
▪ 16 Oct, Mon	P5 HMTL Paper 1 (Composition)
▪ 19 Oct, Thu to 24 Oct, Tue	P1 to P5 Home-based Learning <i>(PSLE Marking Exercise)</i>
▪ 25 Oct, Wed to 31 Oct, Tue	P2 to P5 SA2 Written Papers <i>(School dismissal at 12.35 pm from 25 Oct to 31 Oct; Usual dismissal resumes from 1 Nov)</i>
▪ 3 Nov, Fri	Administrative Day <i>(No school for all students)</i>
▪ 17 Nov, Fri	Prize-Giving Day

Further details regarding the above events will be given in due course.

B) Public Holiday & Scheduled School Holidays

<i>Date</i>	<i>Events</i>
• 6 Oct, Fri	Children's Day
• 18 Oct, Wed	Deepavali <i>(Hindu and Sikh staff and students will be dismissed at 10.30 am on Deepavali Eve Tue, 17 Oct)</i>
• 18 Nov, Sat to 31 Dec, Sun	At the End of School Year <i>(School will resume on Tue, 2 Jan 2018)</i>

Thank you for all your support in our various school programmes towards the holistic development of our students. We look forward to your continued support as our partners-in-education.

Yours sincerely,

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Principal