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ENDEAVOUR PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Letter from the Principal

4 May 2021

Dear Parents

1. Suspension of CCA

CCAs for all students will be suspended from Thu 29 April to Mon 10 May because of the SA1 exams for Primary 4 and 6 students. CCA will resume on Tue 11 May.

All P6 students will stand down from CCA at the end of Term 2 to prepare for their upcoming PSLE.

2. Semestral Assessment 1 (SA1) for Primary 4 & 6 classes

A reminder on the May SA1 dates for Primary 4 & Primary 6 classes:

Date	Papers
4 May (Tue)	P4 & P6 SA1 MT Paper 1 & Listening Comprehension
5 May (Wed)	P4 & P6 SA1 EL Paper 2
6 May (Thu)	P4 & P6 SA1 MT Paper 2
7 May (Fri)	P4 & P6 SA1 Math
10 May (Mon)	P4 & P6 SA1 Science
11 May (Tue)	P4 & P6 SA1 Make-up

If your child falls sick during a day when he/she has to sit for an exam and is unable to come to school, please bring him/her to consult a doctor and obtain a MC for the absence.

There is no SA1 for Primary 1, 2, 3 and 5.

Do take note that students are <u>not allowed</u> to bring into the examination rooms (e.g. classroom, hall, quarantine room, waiting room) any unauthorized electronic, communication, entertainment or gaming devices capable of capturing, storing, displaying and/or transmitting visual, audio or verbal information (e.g. mobile phones, cameras, tablets, wired and wireless ear-pieces / earphones, smart wrist watches, fitness trackers, smart glasses, and pens with image capturing capabilities). Should any student bring in any of these unauthorized items into the examination rooms, it will be confiscated and returned only to the parents when they come down to school/upon completion of investigations by the school. These rules are from the Singapore Examinations and Assessment Board (SEAB), which oversees all our national examinations. We are upholding these same rules for all our school-based examinations, including oral and listening comprehension examinations.

3. Hari Raya Puasa (Thu 13 May)

Hari Raya Puasa falls on Thu 13 May. We would like to wish all our Muslim parents and students, Selamat Hari Raya Aidilfitri. May the festive season bring much joy to you and your family!

As Wed 12 May is the eve of Hari Raya Puasa, Muslim students will be dismissed at 10.00 am. Your child will receive an e-consent form via Parents Gateway from the school to indicate if you would like your child to be dismissed early. For safety reasons, parents will need to fetch their child(ren) from the School Hall and leave the school through Gate A only. Alternatively, your child(ren) can remain in school as lessons will continue as usual until their normal dismissal time. More information on the dismissal procedures will be provided by the Year Head/Asst Year Head via Parents Gateway soon.

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4. Virtual Parent-Teacher Meeting for All Levels (Fri 28 May)

The Mid-Year Parent-Teacher Meeting (PTM) will be held on Fri 28 May from 8.00 am to 3.30 pm. It will be held virtually via zoom. The session is intended for teachers to have a discussion with you on your child's learning progress and holistic development. You will receive a separate memo soon regarding the booking of slots for the PTM session from your child's form/co-form teacher via Parents Gateway (PG).

Please take note of the following arrangements for the PTM:

- Lessons will be suspended as all teachers will be involved in the PTM. Students do not need to report to school on that day (28 May). Report books will be issued to all students on Thu 27 May.
- Parents of each student will have about 10 minutes with each teacher. We seek your understanding
 to keep to the time limit so as not to keep other parents in the next timeslot(s) waiting.
- There will be a lunch break (12.00 pm to 1.00 pm) for teachers. Teachers will not be meeting parents during this duration.
- Parents whose child is absent on Thu 27 May can collect their child's report book from the General Office during the first 2 weeks of the June holidays.
- Parents are to endorse and return their child's report book to the Form Teachers when school reopens in Term 3.

5. <u>P5 & P6 Parents' engagement session – Supporting Students and Parents in making School Choices.</u>

The new PSLE Scoring and S1 Posting systems will take effect this year. To guide the first batch of students and parents in making informed school choice decisions, MOE has released the indicative PSLE Score ranges for individual secondary schools. There will be a Zoom Webinar session for parents of P5 & P6 classes on Fri 21 May 2021 at 4.00 pm. More details will be provided via PG later so please do pen the date and time into your schedule.

6. Eat with Your Family Day (Fri 28 May)

Fri 28 May is the second "Eat With Your Family Day" of the year. There are 4 such days, all of which fall on the last day of the 4 school terms. This event serves to remind us of the importance of spending quality time with our loved ones regularly. Through the simple ritual of having a family meal, the event encourages families to eat together regularly. In support of this nation-wide event, the school will be closed at 5.00 pm to allow all staff members to return home well in time for dinner with their families. We would like to encourage all parents to be home early to eat with your family too. We would also strongly suggest that all family members put aside their mobile devices and sit down to have a good heart-to-heart conversation with each other and enjoy each other's company!

7. School Holidays (Sat 29 May to Sun 27 Jun)

The upcoming Mid-Year school holidays will be from Sat 29 May to Sun 27 Jun. There will be CCA sessions for selected students during the June holidays. We will be conducting supplementary lessons for the Primary 6 students as part of PSLE preparations on Mon 31 May and Tue 1 Jun from 8.00 am to 11.30 am. Students who are involved in activities during the school holidays will be given consent forms via Parents Gateway.

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8. Wearing of Face Masks

It is compulsory for all of us to wear a face mask whenever we are out of our homes. Our school has engaged our students through videos and reminders regarding the need to wear a face mask and the proper way of wearing them.

We hope to engage parents to help us to remind your child(ren) and to be good role models for them. The following infographic, on the proper way of wearing a mask, is taken from Ministry of Health's website:



9) Social Responsibility (A reminder in light of the present COVID-19 situation):

- a) Students and staff who are unwell are to seek medical treatment, stay home to rest and come back to school only when they have recovered.
- b) Students and staff who have adult household members (18 years and above) with flu-like symptoms are required to stay at home they will be given Approved Absence. The unwell adult member(s) are strongly encouraged to seek medical treatment and the student/staff will have to stay home during the duration of the medical leave (a copy of the MC is to be given to the form or co-form teacher). If there is no MC provided, the duration of the AA would be capped at 5 days from the onset of symptoms. If a swab test is required, students and staff are not permitted to return to school until the swab test result is out and is negative.
- c) Students and staff who have household members on Home Quarantine Order (HQO), Leave of Absence (LOA) or Stay Home Notice (SHN) are required to inform our school and provide the relevant information. The affected student(s) or staff member will be issued a LOA to stay at home for the duration of the HQO/LOA/SHN. If the household member is serving the SHN in an approved government quarantine centre/hotel, the LOA will not be issued to the student(s).

We seek your co-operation to help us keep our school safe so as to avoid any possible transmission of the COVID-19 virus in our school. Should your child(ren) be placed on LOA or AA, they will still be able to continue to learn through HBL (Home Based Learning).

We look forward to having our students back when school reopens for Term 3 on Mon 28 Jun.

Together we endeavour all the way!

Mr Thomas Koh Principal

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