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Letter from the Principal

1 August 2019

Dear Parents

These are the main events for our school for August and early September.

1. National Day Celebrations (Thu 8 Aug), National Day (Fri 9 Aug) and Hari Raya Haji (Sun 11 Aug)

Our school will be celebrating National Day on Thu 8 Aug with a formal observance ceremony followed by a concert. The theme "Our Singapore" commemorates our Singapore bicentennial and allows us to tell our Singapore story from past to present. "Our" emphasizes the collective ownership of Singapore. We are living the dreams of our pioneers and we are now the pioneers of our future.



Pupils will report to school as normal and are encouraged to come in red and/or white attire to celebrate National Day. Please take note that the students will be dismissed at <u>9.45 am</u> and there will be no recess.

Fri 9 Aug is a public holiday and as Hari Raya Haji falls on Sun 11 Aug, Mon 12 Aug will be a public holiday as well. Thus, there will be a long weekend for all and school will reopen on Tue 13 Aug.

2. PSLE Oral Examinations (Thu 15 Aug and Fri 16 Aug)

The PSLE Oral Examinations for both English Language and Mother Tongue will be conducted over two days, on Thu 15 Aug and Fri 16 Aug. Students from Primary 1 to 5 <u>need not</u> come to school on these two days. P6 students will be informed of their reporting time for their oral examinations.

3. Briefing for P4 Parents/Guardians - Updates to PSLE 2021 Scoring System

On 25 Jul 2019, MOE announced updates to the PSLE 2021 Scoring System. Parents/Guardians would have read about the updates in the press last week. As the first batch of students to undergo the new PSLE scoring system will be entering Primary Five (P5) next year, we will be conducting a briefing for the present P4 Parents/Guardians to provide further information to enable these students and their parents/guardians to decide on their subject choices at the end of Primary Four (P4) this year.

Date of briefing

Fri 16 Aug 2019

Time

6.00 - 6.45 pm

Venue

School Hall

4. Preliminary Examinations for Primary 6

The P6 students will be sitting for their Preliminary Examinations from Mon 19 Aug to Mon 26 Aug and on Thu 29 Aug.

5. GEP Screening Exercise

The P3 GEP Screening Exercise will be held in school during curriculum time on Fri 23 Aug. All P3 parents will be receiving a letter via Parents Gateway informing them of the screening exercise and the relevant information. Consent can be given via Parents Gateway.

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6. Mid-Autumn Festival

Our school will be celebrating the Mid-Autumn Festival on Fri 30 Aug from 5.30 pm to 8.00 pm. Our GOH is Dr Lim Wee Kiak, Advisor to Canberra GROs. All P1 to P3 students are invited to register online for the event to obtain tickets for the goody bag, games ticket and lucky draw. Registration can be done via the attached QR code or through this link: gg.gg/edpmaf2019. Do take note that registration will only begin on $\underline{5}$ August 2019 so that parents have ample time to read this circular and take note of the event.



The number of free tickets is limited to 200 and each student can only register for one ticket. Family members and siblings are welcome to join in the event. This event will allow our students and their families to experience the traditions of the festival and have an enjoyable time bonding with each other.

7. Lower Primary Sports Day (Tue 3 Sep)

The Lower Primary Sports Day will be held in our school on Tue 3 Sep for P1, P2 and P3 students. School hours remain the same for the day. All P1, P2 and P3 students are to report to school in their PE attire. The students will have their Sports Activities in our school hall from 7.45 to 9.45 am. Lessons will proceed as normal for the P4, P5 and P6 students.

8. Early closure of General Office (Wed 4 Sep)

All EDP Staff (except Student Care Centre and Security Officers) will be out of school on the afternoon of Wed 4 Sep. Please take note that the General Office will be closed at 2.30 pm on Wed 4 Sep.

9. Teachers' Day Celebrations (Thu 5 Sep)

We will be celebrating Teachers' Day on Thu 5 Sep in school. The concert will begin at 10.45 am and students will be dismissed at 11.45 am. Students are to report in school uniform.

10. Teachers' Day holiday (Fri 6 Sep)

Teachers' Day, which falls on Fri 6 Sep, is a school holiday.

11. Singapore Youth Festival (SYF) 2019

The SYF Art Exhibition is a national school event organized by MOE to provide opportunities for our students to showcase their artistic talents and to promote art appreciation in schools and community. Twelve of our P4 to P6 student-artists from the Art Club submitted two artworks for the event to showcase their personal sense-making of the theme for this year – 'Artist and Citizenship'.

We are pleased to share that one of the artworks titled, "Light Up, Singapore", has been awarded the Certificate of Recognition and selected for on-site art exhibition at the National Museum of Singapore. The softcopy of the art catalogue is available for download online via the following link: https://www.singaporeyouthfestival.sg/syf/slot/u737/AE/2019/SYF2019ArtExhibition Catalogue-Online.pdf We would like to congratulate our Art Club members!

12. September School Holidays (Sat 7 Sep to Sun 15 Sep)

The 1-week school holidays will be from Sat 7 Sep to Sun 15 Sep. P6 students will need to be back in school for lessons on Thu 12 Sep and Fri 13 Sep in preparation for their PSLE written exams which will begin on Thu 26 Sep. Parents of P6 students will receive more information of the schedule via Parents Gateway. School reopens on Mon 16 Sep.

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13. Sports CCA Achievements

Our heartiest congratulations to all our students who represented our school in the various Sports CCA in the first semester. Some competitions are being held in Term 3 and we will provide an update in subsequent letters. We would like to commend our students for their efforts and for their achievements.

| CCA | Category | Achievements |
|------------------------|---|--|
| Rugby | Senior Boys | National School Games (NSG) Rugby Championships – Tier 1 (12 th) |
| Sailing | Junior Boys Green Fleets | NSG Sailing Championships – 14 th /31 participants, 18 th /31 participants |
| | Junior Boys White Fleet | NSG Sailing Championships – 9th/37 participants |
| | Junior Girls White Fleet | NSG Sailing Championships – 10 th /15 participants |
| Volleyball | Junior Girls | North Zone (NZ) Volleyball Championships – 3 rd |
| | Senior Girls | NZ Volleyball Championships – 4 th |
| Table Tennis | Senior Girls | NZ Table-Tennis Championships – Preliminary Round |
| Badminton | Junior Boys | NZ Badminton Championships – Preliminary Round |
| | Junior Girls | NZ Badminton Championships – Preliminary Round |
| | Senior Boys | NZ Badminton Championships – Second Round |
| | Senior Girls | NZ Badminton Championships – Preliminary Round |
| Basketball | Junior Boys | NZ Basketball Championships – Tier 3 (2 nd) |
| | Senior Boys | NZ Basketball Championships – Preliminary Round |
| Floorball | Senior Boys | NSG Floorball Championships – Preliminary Round |
| Taekwondo | Junior Girls Poom (Poomsae) | NSG Taekwando Championships – 5th |
| | Senior Girls Yellow 8 (Poomsae) | NSG Taekwando Championships – 2 nd |
| | Junior Girls Poom Belt under 28kg (Kyorugi) | NSG Taekwando Championships – 2 nd |
| | Junior Girls Red Belt under 40kg (Kyorugi) | NSG Taekwando Championships – 1st |
| Rhythmic Gymnastics | Rhythmic Junior Development | NSG Rhythmic Gymnastics Championships – Rope Routine, 2 nd |
| Table | Junior Girls | NSG Table Tennis Championships – Tier 3, Singles 2 nd |
| Tennis | | NSG Table Tennis Championships – Tier 4, Doubles 1st |
| | | NSG Table Tennis Championships – Tier 4, Doubles 2 nd |

14. Parents Gateway (PG) - activating notification status

We would like to thank parents who have already downloaded the PG app and have gotten onboard PG. If you have not gotten onboard yet, we hope that you will do so asap. Please refer to the July letter for parents for instructions on the downloading of the PG App (https://endeavourpri.moe.edu.sg/wpcontent/uploads/2019/07/Ps-letter-2nd-July.pdf). To ensure that you receive timely notifications of new messages, do remember to go to your hand phone's "Settings" and enable the notifications for PG.

Together we endeavour all the way!

Mr Thomas Koh Principal

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