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Dear Parents/Guardians,

We extend our warmest greetings to all parents and hope that you and your family had a restful break. As we welcome our students back for the second semester, we are delighted to see their enthusiasm as they reconnect with their teachers, friends, and the school community. To our new students and families, we warmly welcome you to our school family.

The second semester brings new opportunities for learning, growth, and meaningful experiences. We look forward to an exciting term ahead, with various highlights including our National Day and Teachers' Day celebrations, as well as the NE Show & P5 Cohort camp, which will provide our students with enriching opportunities to learn and grow.

We would also like to commend our Primary 6 students for their dedication and perseverance as they prepare for the PSLE. We encourage them to continue giving their best and approach this journey with confidence and resilience. Our appreciation also goes to our teachers and staff for their commitment and efforts in guiding and supporting our students.

Parents, your continued partnership and support are invaluable to your child's learning journey. Through our shared efforts, we can create a nurturing environment where our students can thrive academically and personally.

As we conclude this message, we would like to share the following important updates:

1. Updates in Staff Movement

We would like to bid farewell to the following staff and thank them for their contributions to the school.

Teacher	Ms Lai Yujuan Ann Melissa Mdm K Ananthavalli (MKE)
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We would like to welcome the following staff who joined the school in Term 3.

Teachers	Mdm Pauline Chin Ms Karuppaiah Kavitha (MKE)
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2. Citizenship and Character Education

For July, the 'Value of the Month' is Perseverance. Our foci are as follows:

Habit 1: Be Proactive: I choose my actions, attitudes, and moods.

Habit 4: Think Win-Win: When conflicts arise, I look for a win-win solution.

Habit 4: Think Win-Win: I can problem solve when an issue comes up with another person.

Habit 6: Synergize: I value other people's strengths and learn from them.

Habit 6: Synergize: I seek out other people's ideas because I know that by teaming with others, we can create better solutions than any one of us alone.

Habit 7: Sharpen The Saw: I take care of my body by eating right, exercising and getting sleep.

Perseverance and resilience go hand in hand — when we persevere, we draw on our inner resilience to keep going in the face of challenges and grow stronger through difficulty. The habits we are focusing on this month, from being proactive and seeking win-win solutions to taking care of our bodies, are all building blocks of a resilient mindset.

To find out more about the FTGP lessons related to resilience, please refer to Annex A-1.

3. Stretch and Support Schedule

The Stretch-Support-Supplementary (S3) Programme for Primary 3-6 will start from the following dates in Term 3:

Levels	Days	Starting From
P3 to P5	Tuesday and Thursday afternoons	Term 3 Week 2 (7 July onwards)
P6	Tuesday and Thursday afternoons	Term 3 Week 1 (30 June onwards)
P3-P6 Higher Mother Tongue (HMT)	P3 & P4: Tuesday afternoons P5 & P6: Thursday afternoons	Term 3 Week 1
P5 & P6 Foundation Maths (FMA)	Thursday afternoons	Term 3 Week 1

Selected students will receive a schedule with the dates of the lessons. HMT and FMA students will receive a Parent's Gateway notification with the dates of the lessons.

4. Tinkerlution

Tinkerlution develops inventive and adaptive thinking in students, equipping them with creative problem-solving and collaborative skills through the FTPPS thinking approach:

Feel

Think

Plan

Play and Test

Share and Strengthen.

This year, the programme draws inspiration from Roald Dahl's beloved classic, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. Much like the imaginative world of Willy Wonka's factory, students are invited to dream boldly, think creatively and bring their most inventive ideas to life.

5. Mother Tongue Languages (MTL) Fortnight – Mon, 13 July 2026 to Fri, 17 July 2026

Part 2 of the Mother Tongue Language (MTL) Fortnight will take place this term from Monday, 13 July 2026 to Friday, 17 July 2026. Students will be engaged in various enriching experiences to deepen their connection to the language and culture.

6. P6 Preliminary Oral Examination – Tues, 21 July 2026 & Thurs, 23 July 2026

The P6 will be having their Preliminary Oral Examinations on Tuesday, 21 July and Thursday, 23 July 2026. P6 students will be informed of their estimated dismissal times closer to the date. The schedule will closely follow the PSLE sequence of testing to familiarise students with the actual flow of the PSLE Oral Examinations. Hence, students will be grouped into 2 sessions (Session 1 and Session 2) for each testing day, based on their PSLE arrangement.

- Session 1: After being tested, students will move to a Quarantine Room. They will be dismissed only when all Session 1 candidates have been tested and all Session 2 candidates are accounted for.
- Session 2: Students will be dismissed after being tested.

As most teachers will be involved in the examination, there will be NO afternoon classes, CCAs or enrichment activities for all levels. Exceptions are made only for the following on Tuesday, 21 July and Thursday, 23 July:

- P3, 4 & 5 Reading Remediation Programme (RRP)

7. Racial Harmony Day – Tues, 21 July 2026

Schools commemorate Racial Harmony Day on 21 July each year to mark the anniversary of the 1964 race riots. This day reminds us of the importance of maintaining social harmony in our multicultural society. This year's theme, "Our People, Our Tapestry", celebrates how our different cultures enrich Singapore. Like threads in a tapestry, our various traditions, beliefs and practices weave together to create something beautiful. While differences sometimes create tension, we must work together to strengthen these bonds.

Through hands-on activities, students will learn about different cultural traditions, understand the importance of mutual respect, appreciate how our diversity makes Singapore stronger, and explore ways to build and maintain harmony in daily life.

8. P6 Preliminary Listening Comprehension Examination – Tues, 18 August 2026

The P6 Preliminary Listening Comprehension examination is scheduled for **Tuesday, 18 August 2026** from 1.30pm to 4.45pm. Candidates not taking Mother Tongue Languages will be dismissed at 3.30pm.

As most teachers will be involved in the examination, there will be NO afternoon classes.

9. Beverage Container Return Scheme (BCRS)

Following the launch of the National Environment Agency's (NEA) nationwide Beverage Container Return Scheme (BCRS) on 1 April 2026, all MOE schools will be implementing this initiative from 1 October 2026.

Under the scheme, a refundable 10-cent deposit will be charged on regulated beverages sold in plastic and metal containers at the school canteen. Students will be able to receive a refund by returning their empty beverage containers to designated "Return Right" Reverse Vending Machines (RVMs) located outside the school premises.

The BCRS aims to encourage mindful consumption, promote responsible recycling habits, reduce littering, and support the creation of a cleaner stream of recyclables. Through this initiative, students are encouraged to play an active role in caring for the environment by practicing proper recycling habits.

Further details on the implementation of the scheme in school will be shared separately via Parents Gateway.

10. General Office returns to Level 1

Following the completion of the scheduled renovation works, the General Office has resumed operations at its original location. All administrative services will continue as usual, and visitors may approach the General Office at its usual premises for assistance.

Please note that all contact details, including telephone numbers and email addresses, remain unchanged. You may continue to reach our administrative staff through the existing channels.

11. Term 3 School Activities - Mon, 29 June 2026 to Sun, 13 September 2026

The school will provide further details as necessary closer to the date, otherwise the schedule below serves as a notification.

Date	Activities	Levels & Classes Involved	Attachment/ Reply Slips
Mon, 6 July 2026	School Holiday – Youth Day	All	
Fri, 10 July 2026	Tinkerlution	All	
Mon, 13 July 2026 – Fri, 17 July 2026	Mother Tongue Languages Fortnight	All students taking MTLs	

Sat, 18 July 2026	National Education Show	P5	<i>More details will be given on Parents Gateway nearer the date</i>
Tue, 21 July 2026	Racial Harmony Day	All	
Tues, 21 July 2026 & Thurs, 23 July 2026	P6 Preliminary Oral Examination	P6	Afternoon
Thurs, 30 July 2026	GEP Briefing for P3 Parents (via TEAMS online)	P3	2:30 – 3pm <i>More details will be given on Parents Gateway nearer the date</i>
Fri, 7 August 2026	National Day Celebration	All	
Sun, 9 August 2026	Public Holiday – National Day	All	
Mon, 10 August 2026	School Holiday – National Day	All	
Wed, 12 August 2026 – Thu, 13 August 2026	PSLE Oral	P6	P1 to P5 students need not report to school.
Tues, 18 August 2026	P6 Preliminary Listening Comprehension Examination	P6	Afternoon
Thu, 20 August 2026 – Wed, 26 August 2026	Prelims	P6	
Mon, 24 August 2026 – Fri, 28 August 2026	P1 & P2 Modular Review	P1 – P2	
Mon, 24 August 2026 – Wed, 2 September 2026	P3-P5 Modular Test	P3 – P6	
Mon, 31 August 2026 – Wed, 2 September 2026	P5 OA Camp	P5	
Thu, 3 September 2026	Teacher's Day Celebration		7.30am to 10.30am
Fri, 4 September 2026	Teacher's Day (School Holiday)		

Sat, 5 September 2026 – 13 September 2026	Term 3 Holidays		
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12. Cultivating Responsibility and Readiness for Learning

In closure, we would like to remind parents that regular attendance and punctuality are important to support students' learning and development. Students are expected to be punctual and present in school daily, unless they are absent for a valid reason. They should also come dressed in the appropriate school attire; wearing a clean and neat set of uniform and maintain a presentable appearance.

We wish our students an enriching term ahead and thank all parents/guardians for your continual support in your children's learning and development.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Jennifer Choy (Principal)
Mrs Cheryl Lim (VP)
Ms Tay Yam Eng (VPA)