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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Warmest greetings to all of you.

Term 3 is coming to an end. We would like to take this opportunity to inform you of the upcoming events/ activities that will be conducted in the month of September 2024.

1. Achievement, Affirmation and Appreciation

We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the following staff for their outstanding achievements:

Name of Staff	Award / Recognition
Mr Abraham Abe	National Day Long Service Medal

2. Citizenship and Character Education

For September, the 'Value of the Month' is **Respect**. Our foci are as follows:

Habit 4 Think Win-Win:

- I think about what other people want and not just what I want

Habit 5 Seek First to Understand, Then to Be Understood:

- I try to see things from the viewpoint of others
- I listen to others' ideas and feelings

In learning about respect, students are taught that empathy is essential to practising respect as it involves understanding and valuing others' experiences. Please refer to Annex A-1 for resources on exploring the concept of respect and practising respect. Do discuss them with your child.

3. Teachers' Day Holiday and School Holidays – Fri, 30 August 2024 to Sun, 8 September 2024

Please note that Teachers' Day falls on **Friday, 30 August 2024** which is a School Holiday. Student Care Centre will be closed on this day. School will resume on **Monday, 9 September 2024**.

4. Travel Declaration for September Holidays

To ensure that schools continue to be a healthy and safe environment for all, we require parents/guardians to make a travel declaration for your child/ward if he/she will be travelling for the holidays.

To make a travel declaration for your child/ward via Parents' Gateway (PG), go to [SERVICE > DECLARE TRAVELS].

- Please declare your child/ward's travel plan(s), indicating both the country and city of travel, and any city of transit, **by Friday, 30 August 2024**. Only one parent is required to make the declaration.
- If your child/ward is **not travelling** during the holidays, **no action is required**.

When planning your travel, please refer to <https://www.ica.gov.sg/enter-transit-depart> for more information and updates. If there is a change in travel plan(s) after declaration, please submit a new travel declaration via PG or inform the school of the changes.

Thank you for your partnership and support to keep our school safe.

5. P1 Home Helper Programme – Mon, 2 September 2024 to Fri, 6 September 2024

Values in Action (VIA) are learning experiences that support our students' development as socially responsible citizens. As part of our VIA Programme, our Primary One students will take part in the 'I am a Home Helper' Programme from 2 to 6 September 2024. This is a platform for our students to learn to be responsible as being responsible is part of our Habit 1: Be Proactive. They take an active role in being a home helper by doing simple household chores.

For more details, please refer to [Annex A-2](#).

6. PSLE Listening Comprehension Examination – Fri, 13 September 2024

Please note: All P1 to P5 students need not attend school on Friday, 13 September 2024.

The reporting times for P6 students are as follows:

- Students taking Mother Tongue Language: 8.00am
- Students not taking Mother Tongue Language: 10.15am

If your child is sick, please call to inform the school office (Tel: 6256-7822) by 7.30am. A Medical Certificate (MC) is required and should include the following information from the doctor:

- Certify that the child is not fit to take the examination
- Diagnosis of the illness
- Duration of the illness
- Information on how the illness would affect / has affected the performance of the candidate

There will not be a make-up for PSLE Listening Comprehension if your child misses the examination. In the event of a train service disruption, please inform the school as quickly as possible, and your child should continue to make his/her way to school to sit for the paper. Please plan the journey to school earlier so that he/she has enough time to settle down.

The estimated dismissal time for the P6 students taking the examination is 12 noon.

7. Home-based Learning

As communicated earlier in the Letter to Parents (April 2024), Primary 3, 4 and 5 students will not attend school and will do home-based learning via the Student Learning Space on the following days:

Level	Date
P3	Thu, 26 Sep 2024
P4	Fri, 27 Sep 2024
P5	Mon, 30 Sep 2024 Tue, 1 Oct 2024

8. Children's Day Celebration – Thurs, 3 October 2024

The Children's Day Celebrations will be held on Thursday, 3 October 2024 and the school will function from 7.30 am to 12.00 pm on this day. Student Care Centre will also operate from 12.00 pm to 7 pm on Thursday, 3 October 2024. Students may be in their House T-shirt (Falcon, Robin, Eagle, Swift, Hawk). Please note that Friday, 4 October 2024 is Children's Day and a school holiday.

9. 2024 Edusave Character Award (ECHA)

Since 2012, the Ministry of Education (MOE) has introduced the Edusave Character Award (ECHA) to enable schools to recognise students who demonstrate exemplary character and outstanding personal qualities through their behaviour and actions.

We would like to invite parents / guardians to nominate students with consistent and exemplary character who are good role models for their peers. Please refer to Annex A-3 for the criteria and the selection process. Nomination can be done through the online form at <https://go.gov.sg/ftpps2024echa> by Friday, 27 September 2024.

10. School Activities (Thurs, 30 August 2024 to Sun, 13 October 2024)

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
Fri, 30 August 2024	School Holiday – Teachers' Day	All	
Sat, 31 August 2024 to Sun, 8 September 2024	September School Holidays	All	
Wed, 11 September 2024	P4 Oral Examination (PM)	P4	
Fri, 13 September 2024	P6 PSLE Listening Comprehension	P6	
	P1 to P5 students need not report to school	P1 to P5	
Mon, 16 September 2024 & Wed, 18 September 2024	P5 EYE Oral Examination (PM)	P5	
Mon, 23 September 2024	P3 EYE Oral Examination (PM)	P3	
Mon, 23 September 2024 to Wed, 25 September 2024	Pre-PSLE Study Break	P6	
Thurs, 26 September 2024 to Wed, 2 October 2024	<p>PSLE Written Examinations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - P6 students who are not taking the Mother Tongue Language PSLE exam need not report to school on Mon, 30 September 2024. - P6 students who are not taking the Higher Mother Tongue Language PSLE exam need not report to school on Wed, 2 October 2024. <p>P6 students will be dismissed after their PSLE papers unless requested by their</p>	P6	

	teachers to stay back for extra lessons. (The dismissal time is estimated to be about half hour after the paper ends.)		
	School will function as normal for P1 to P5 students during the PSLE written exams. (Note: Some levels will be on Home-based learning)	P1 to P5	
Thurs, 26 September 2024	Home-based Learning Day	P3 only	
Fri, 27 September 2024	Home-based Learning Day	P4 only	
Mon, 30 September 2024 to Tues, 1 October 2024	Home-based Learning Day	P5 only	
Thurs, 3 October 2024	Children's Day Celebration <i>Dismissal Time: 12 pm</i>	All	
Fri, 4 October 2024	School Holiday – Children's Day	All	
Tues, 8 October 2024 to Thurs, 24 October 2024	End-of-Year Examination (Please refer to EYE Timetable for details)	P3 to P5	<i>Ref to LTP dated 1 Aug 2024 (Annex B(P3)/C(P4)/D(P5))</i>

We wish all our all students and their families a fruitful and restful September holiday break.

Thank you.



Mrs Jennifer Choy (Principal)

Mr Remund Koh (VP)

Ms Tay Yam Eng (VPA)

