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Dear Parent / Guardian



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## **COMMUNICATION 3/2017**

### **School Achievements**

1 It is with great pleasure that we share with you the achievements of our students recently. Our students put in hours of dedication to achieve sterling success which is a testament of their steadfastness and perseverance in their pursuit to achieve excellence.

CCA/ External Competition	Achievements
Netball	Junior Girls 4 <sup>th</sup> at West Zone Netball Competition
Football	Junior Boys 4 <sup>th</sup> at West Zone Football Competition
Athletics	D Division Boys 4 <sup>th</sup> for High Jump at National Track and Field Competition
	C Division Boys 4 <sup>th</sup> for High Jump at National Track and Field Competition
	A Division Girls 1 <sup>st</sup> for 100m at National Track and Field Competition
	A Division Girls 1 <sup>st</sup> for 200m at National Track and Field Competition
Rope Skipping	Junior Girls 4 <sup>th</sup> (Zonal)
	Junior Boys 1 <sup>st</sup> (Zonal & National)
	Senior Girls 1 <sup>st</sup> (Zonal) and 3 <sup>rd</sup> (National)
	Senior Boys 2 <sup>nd</sup> (Zonal) and 3 <sup>rd</sup> (National)
Art Expression Club	Artwork, <i>Our Hopes and Dreams</i> , exhibited at either the MOE Lobby or The National Gallery
Boys' Brigade	JM Fraser Bronze Award for Excellence 2017 (Juniors Programme)
Girls' Brigade	Company Award (Bronze) Low Guat Tin Challenge Award (Silver for 2 Teams)
ML Pesta Bahasa 2017	Aspiring Champions Awards

### **Online Travel Declarations**

2 We would like to remind parents/guardians to make online travel declaration of your child's travel plans for the coming June holidays by **Wed, 24 May 2017**. This process is compulsory for all students travelling overseas. For Primary 1 students, it is compulsory that a "NIL" return should be submitted online even if there is no travel plan. This is to ensure that all parents are able to access the online system. In the event that you decide on travelling overseas **after 24 May 2017** or during the school holidays, please submit your travel plan **online prior to leaving** Singapore.

3 Kindly make your online declaration by using your child's account to log into the mobile app 'MCO LMS' which can be downloaded from Google Play or Apple Store. Alternatively, you can log in at [www.mconline.sg](http://www.mconline.sg) to submit your travel plans. The log-in details are as follows:

- a. Login ID: < Last 6 characters of your child's BC number > (e.g. **12345Z**)
- b. School ID: **PIPS**
- c. Password: **2017pips2**

### **Cyber-Wellness Education**

4 Parents play an important role in helping children navigate media, which can have both positive and negative effects. Our children use the internet to learn about the world and may interact with their friends through digital activities, such as social media. Whilst we may think that our children are often more digitally savvy than we are, as responsible parents and educators, we should not allow them to navigate this space alone. Our children still need our guidance to

balance their on- and off-line activities and to be responsible and safe online. It is our responsibility to:

- Talk with your children to find out what they have been watching or playing online. Teach them to be discerning and careful online. Try to stay updated of their media influences.
- Set screen time limits. Parents should set home rules and boundaries on internet use.

5 We would like to encourage parents to work hand in hand with the school to grow our students into healthy, well-adjusted adults with strong values and outstanding character. Here are links to two articles published on MOE Schoolbag.sg for your reference.

<https://www.schoolbag.sg/story/watching-for-signs-of-distress-in-children>

<https://www.schoolbag.sg/story/suicide-games-and-online-media-what-should-parents-do>

### Happy Holiday Kits

6 In an effort to support your child's on-going development during the June holidays, the school will be giving out the Happy Holiday Kits to all primary 1 to 6 students. The kit presents the opportunity for you to spend some quality bonding time with your child and allow him/her to occupy the holidays meaningfully. As such, please encourage your child to complete this holiday kit that he/she has received and to submit it to the form teacher when the school reopens. We will reward tokens to students according to the amount of activities they complete.

### Temperature-Taking Exercise

7 To maintain preparedness should daily temperature-taking screening be re-activated at short notice, our school will be conducting an exercise for this on **Friday, 30 June 2017**. We seek your assistance in ensuring that your child brings his/her personal thermometer daily when Term 3 starts on Tuesday, 27 June 2017.

### Implementation of “40 km/h When Lights Flash” Signs

8 LTA is pleased to announce that in their continuous efforts to enhance road safety for students, a new “40 km/h When Lights Flash” traffic sign outside our school will be implemented to alert motorists to reduce their travelling speeds to 40km/h and drive carefully when they enter the Enhanced School Zone.

9 The “40 km/h When Lights Flash” sign will comprise:

- “Children Ahead, School Zone” sign
- “40 km/h” speed limit sign
- “When Lights Flash” sign with an attached pair of flashing amber lights

10 During the implementation phase, minor inconvenience may be experienced. The necessary mitigation and control measures will be in place to keep all inconvenience to the minimum. We seek your understanding on the implementation work which is expected to commence in May 2017 and commissioning of the new scheme is in August 2017.



Please do not hesitate to contact your child's Form Teacher or the school administrative staff if you have any clarifications. We wish you and your child a meaningful family time during the June holidays and look forward to your child returning to school for another term of exciting and fruitful learning.

Yours sincerely,

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