

PPS/52/2018

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Dear Parent / Guardian

COMMUNICATION 3/2018

1. Term 1 has been an exciting and busy term filled with activities and celebrations such as Dragon Boat Exposure Programme for Primary 6 students, Cultural Immersion Programme at Melaka, Malaysia for Primary 4 students and Chinese New Year Celebration. As we enter Term 2, we welcome with anticipation the new term and hope that the new term will be an enriching one for all our students. Many of our students will be representing our school in the coming Singapore Youth Festival (SYF), which is a biennial event for students from Singapore schools involved in the performing arts, sports and uniformed group CCAs. Our students will be taking part in the SYF performances and activities and we wish them all the best and that they will experience meaningful lessons through their preparation and participation.

2 Calendar of Activities for Term 2

The Calendar of Activities for Term 2 is at Annex A for your information. Please do mark out those activities related to you and your child, and give them the highest priority.

3 Annual School Sports Day for P4 to P6 Students

We will be having our annual School Sports Day for P4 to P6 students on Friday, 23 March 2018 at Choa Chu Kang Stadium. Two-way transport will be provided from the school to the stadium and back. As such, all P4 to P6 students are required to report to the school hall punctually by 7.15 a.m.

Due to the projected heavy traffic and bus movements at the school compound, parents/guardians with private transport are not allowed to enter the school through the main Gate A. They are requested to park next to block 863 to drop off or pick up their children using the sheltered linkway at Gate C. Students may enter the school via Gate B too.

Students will return to the school by school buses after the event and will be dismissed via Gates B or C at around 11.45 a.m.

Please note that there will be no lessons for that day and P1 to P3 students are not required to report to school.

4 Self-Management Skills

We would like to seek parents' support in our endeavour to imbue in our children self-management skills, responsibility and taking ownership of their learning. Our teachers are constantly encouraging our students to take notes in their Student Handbooks on homework, class activities and administrative information, so that they would take responsibility for daily school matters. As the Student Handbook serves as a useful medium for communication between parents/guardians and teachers, we hope that parents/guardians would constantly check your child/ward's handbook for homework entries and notes from teachers. If you would like to contact the teachers, do write a note in the handbook for your child to show to the teachers.

On the same note, we would like to remind parents/guardians not to deliver your child's/ward's personal items, e.g. pocket money, homework, books, stationery and food, through the general office or security post. Students should learn to be responsible for their own things. If they should forget, they would learn through the consequences. Such instances present them with opportunities to learn and manage problems, take responsibility and build their resilience. We solicit your support in raising

our students to be responsible citizens of the future. In this respect, the school staff strictly do not accept items for delivery to students, except for medical items.

5 Late-coming

We would like to emphasise the importance of being in school on time. It is essential that children establish good routines and habits daily as punctuality is a life skill that we hope that both school and parents could cultivate in our children whilst they are young. Being late always would compromise student outcomes of learning and entail missing out of essential instructions and programmes during the morning assembly. We will continue to monitor late-coming and remind students to be punctual for school and be present for the flag-raising ceremony at 7.30 a.m.

6. As we move forward, we hope to have a close home-school partnership with you. Let's do our utmost to provide each and every one of our children with the best possible education and help them to achieve success in their learning journeys.

Yours sincerely,

Lee Wai Ling (Mrs)
Principal

ANNEX A

PPS 2018 CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES FOR TERM 2

2018	Events
20 Mar (Tue)	Student-Parent-Teacher Conference for all levels (No school lessons for all students. (A separate letter was sent)
23 March (Fri)	Upper Primary Sports Day for P4 - P6 students in the morning. There is no school lessons for all P1, P2 & P3 students. (A separate letter was sent)
27 Mar, 29 Mar	P3 Learning Journey to NEWater Visitor Centre
29 Mar, 5 Apr, 6 Apr	P4 VIA Litter Free Walk
30 March (Fri)	Public Holiday – Good Friday
5 – 7 April (Thu – Sat)	P5 Outdoor Adventure Camp (A separate letter was sent)
9 Apr, 12 Apr, 13 Apr	P6 Learning Journey (Heritage Trail) (2.00p.m– 5.00p.m.)
13 April (Fri)	P3 Annual Briefing for Parents
16 – 19 Apr (Mon - Thur)	Semestral Assessment 1 (SA1) P3 – P6 EL/MT Oral
23 - 24 Apr (Mon - Tue)	SA1 P3 – P6 EL/MT Listening Comprehension
1 May (Tues)	Public Holiday – Labour Day
7 – 11 May (Mon - Fri)	SA1 Written Exams for P3 - P6 students
29 May (Tues)	Public Holiday - Vesak Day
15 June (Fri)	Public Holiday - Hari Raya Puasa

School Term 2: Mon 19 Mar to Fri 25 May School Vacation: Sat 26 May – Sun 24 Jun