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Dear Parents/ Guardians,

2023 TERM 2 LETTER TO PARENTS

Welcome back to school and we hope you have had a joyful and restful March holidays with your child. We are into Week 2 of Term 2 and our students have settled well back in school for the term.

1) SCHOOL SAFETY AND SECURITY

Student safety is our primary concern. We seek your kind understanding that parents will not be allowed to enter the school premises (e.g. Canteen) when dropping off or picking up their child from the school every morning and during dismissal. Parents will also not be able to pass through The Cove (*Indoor Basketball Court*) and Canteen to get to the LRT Station and vice versa.

For safety and security of the school, parents who wished to enter the school should **register at the security guard post through the front gate.**

2) GROUP PERSONAL ACCIDENT (GPA) INSURANCE PLAN FOR STUDENTS

The updated 2023 product factsheet for the Income Group Personal Accident (GPA) Insurance Plan for Students and e-Submission User Guide are attached for your reference.

All student accident insurance claims are to be submitted electronically. Parents are to submit their claims online at <https://studentgpa.incomegroupins.com.sg/#/disclaimer> and check the claims status through the online portal. On submission of the claims by parents, the school will verify the claims information through the online portal.

Information on claims, FAQs and other details pertaining to the GPA Insurance Plan for Students can be found on Income's website at <https://www.income.com.sg/studentgpa>.

3) P3 GIFTED EDUCATION PROGRAMME IDENTIFICATION EXERCISE 2023 (GEP)

The tentative schedule for the two stages of the GEP Identification Exercise 2023 is given below. More information will be sent out to parents nearer to the dates.

Stage	Date	Participants	Papers
GEP Screening Exercise	17 August 2023 (Thursday)	P3 students enrolled in government and government-aided schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none">English LanguageMathematics
GEP Selection Exercise	17 October 2023 (Tuesday) 18 October 2023 (Wednesday)	Primary 3 students shortlisted after the GEP Screening Exercise	<ul style="list-style-type: none">English LanguageMathematicsGeneral Ability

4) COVID-19 VACCINATION FOR STUDENTS

The COVID-19 vaccination programme has been extended to cover children aged 5 to 11 as part of the larger national efforts to keep our children, their families and the wider community safe. Students are encouraged to be vaccinated against COVID-19.

Students will be excused from strenuous physical activities for two weeks after each vaccination dose or booster shot. To ensure that the school is updated of your child's vaccination and exempt them from physical activities for two weeks, below are some measures that the school will be implementing.

- i. All PE and CCA teachers will check in with the students before the start of these activities of any recent vaccination.
- ii. Students should also inform their PE, relevant CCA and other teachers about the date of their COVID-19 vaccination before the start of PE and CCA. **Please remind your child to inform their PE and CCA teachers as soon as they have been vaccinated.**

5) DIGITALACCESS@HOME SCHEME

DigitalAccess@Home Scheme will be launched on 3 April 2023, with NEU PC Plus and Home Access phasing out on 31 March 2023.

Households eligible for the DigitalAccess@Home scheme can choose from one the following:

- 3 years of subsidised fibre broadband and a subsidised device (laptop or tablet); or
- 3 years of subsidised fibre broadband; or
- a subsidised device (laptop or tablet).

From 3 April 2023, applicants may apply for the DigitalAccess@Home scheme online or by submitting a hardcopy application. They can also approach any of the 37 SG Digital community hubs and 4 self-help groups (CDAC, Eurasian Association, MENDAKI, SINDA) for assistance with applications.

Applicants may use the online self-assessment tool (<https://go.gov.sg/digitalaccesschecker>) to check their eligibility before applying.

Term 2 Activities

To facilitate your planning, here is an update of our activities for Term 2 2023.

APRIL 2023

6) GOOD FRIDAY (Friday, 7 April)

There is no school on Friday, 7 April 2023. The Student Care Centre will also be closed.

7) INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP DAY (Friday, 7 April)

This year, International Friendship Day falls on Friday, 7 April 2023. The school will be commemorating the day during Term 2 Week 3. More details of the activities will be given to the students nearer to the week.

8) P4 HIGHER CHINESE LANGUAGE LEARNING JOURNEY TO SINGAPORE CHINESE CULTURAL CENTRE (Monday, 10 April)

The school has organised a learning journey to the Singapore Chinese Cultural Centre for our P4 students offering Higher Chinese Language as a part of their cultural appreciation programme. Details for this learning journey had already been disseminated via consent forms to parents earlier.

9) A DAY AT THE COVE (Friday, 14 April)

The school has organised 'A Day at the Cove' for you to spend some time at school with your child/ ward. You will have the opportunity to visit your child's / ward's classroom and also to take a peek into some of the fun learning experiences that he / she goes through at school. You will receive an invitation to this event with more details very soon.

10) P4 MUSEUM-BASED LEARNING JOURNEY TO NATIONAL GALLERY (Friday, 14 April & Monday, 17 April)

As part of the Art syllabus, our P4 pupils will be visiting National Gallery Singapore for Museum-Based Learning (MBL) to expand their art learning experience beyond the classroom context and deepen their knowledge on Singapore's local artists. Details for this learning journey had already been disseminated via consent forms to parents earlier.

11) HARI RAYA PUASA (Saturday, 22 April)

As Saturday, 22 April 2023, is a public holiday, the following Monday, 24 April 2023 will be a school holiday and a designated day off-in-lieu, the school will be closed including the General Office and Student Care Centre.

Muslim students who are celebrating Hari Raya Puasa will be allowed to leave the school early at **10.30 a.m.** on the eve of Hari Raya Puasa, **Friday, 21 April 2023.**

All Muslim students leaving the school at 10.30 a.m. **must be picked up by either a parent or an adult relative.**

A separate letter will be sent out nearer to the date.

12) P2 LEARNING JOURNEY TO S.E.A. AQUARIUM (Wednesday, 26 April)

The school is bringing our P2 students on a learning journey to the S.E.A. Aquarium as part of our efforts to make their learning come alive. A consent form with further details will be sent out closer to the date.

MAY 2023

13) LABOUR DAY (Monday, 1 May)

There is no school on Monday, 1 May 2023. The Student Care Centre will also be closed.

14) PARENT TEACHER MEETING (Friday, 26 May)

The school is committed to a partnership with parents/guardians to provide the best possible learning experience for our students. This parent teacher meeting will be for students of all levels and more details will be provided closer to the date.

15) 2023 MAY/JUNE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

The May/June school holidays will begin **from 27 May to 25 June 2023**. School will resume on Monday, 26 June 2023.

JUNE 2023

16) VESAK DAY (Friday, 2 June)

Friday, 2 June 2023, is a public holiday. The Student Care Centre will be closed.

17) HARI RAYA HAJI (Thursday, 29 June)

There is no school on Thursday, 29 June 2023. The Student Care Centre will also be closed.

Should you require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us at Tel: 63857339 or email at punggolcove_ps@moe.edu.sg.

We wish you and your child a very meaningful and engaging Term 2.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,



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