

PASIR RIS PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Letter to Parents for April

Welcome back to all Pasirians as we started the new school term! We have an exciting term ahead and we would like to share the following:

Student Well-being Matters

• <u>Student Attire in light of the Warm Weather</u>

In consideration of the current warm weather conditions, the school will allow students to wear their PE attire (i.e. PE t-shirt and shorts only) to school for <u>this term</u>, even on non-PE days. This is solely for the purpose of ensuring the comfort and well-being of our students during this period.

• Inculcating the Value of Punctuality in Our Students - Morning Reporting

We would like to remind parents/guardians that students should be with their classes in the hall on Mondays – Thursdays and in their respective classroom on Fridays **by 7.30 a.m.** so that they can settle down in time for the morning flag-raising ceremony which commences at 7.30 a.m. and start the day well.

Parents/guardians who drive their children/wards to school are to note that the <u>main gate will be</u> <u>closed at 7.25 a.m.</u> The Discipline Team will follow up with students who are frequently late to understand their reasons for late coming and to guide and support them towards punctual school reporting.

International Friendship Day

Each year, we commemorate International Friendship Day (IFD) in the month of April to develop a shared understanding of important values of harmony and respect in building positive relationships with friends from other countries. This year, we will be commemorating IFD from 2 April to 12 April 2024 (Weeks 3 and 4). Similar to 2023, the theme for this year - "Singapore in Asia" encourages our students to celebrate the region's diversity and vibrancy and promote the spirit of friendship and collaboration. To help our students understand the importance of IFD, the school has planned an array of activities during Assembly, recesses and Form Teacher Guidance Periods that our students can look forward to.

Annual Prize Giving Ceremony

The annual Prize Giving Ceremony will be held on Friday, 5 April 2024 from 2.30pm to 4.30pm in our school hall. This ceremony celebrates our students' 2023 achievements and efforts in both academic and co-curricular domains. This platform serves to affirm students who consistently display good character and learning dispositions in line with our school values and student outcomes. 2023 prize recipients and all Primary 6 students will attend the event.

Distinguished Chinese Language Teachers Award 2024 by Lianhe Zaobao

The Distinguished Chinese Language Teachers Award 2024 is co-organised by Singapore Centre for Chinese Language, The Society of Chinese Education Singapore, Singapore Chinese Teachers' Union

and Singapore Middle School Chinese Teachers' Association, with support from the Ministry of Education.

This award aims to give due recognition to deserving Chinese Language teachers who

- inspire in their students an appreciation and interest for Chinese language and culture;
- use creative and engaging teaching methods/ learning activities;
- possess a passion for teaching; and
- command respect from students, fellow teachers and parents

Online nominations can be made via the link: <u>https://bit.ly/dclta2024</u>. The closing date for nominations is Sunday, 12 May 2024. Students and parents are invited to nominate our Chinese Language teachers for this award to affirm their efforts in inspiring and motivating our students in learning of Chinese Language.

Early dismissal for Muslim students on eve of Hari Raya Puasa

This year, Hari Raya Puasa falls on Wednesday, 10 April 2024. All Muslim students and staff will be dismissed at 10.30 a.m. on the eve of Hari Raya Puasa, Tuesday, 9 April 2024. Parents/guardians may opt for their children to remain in school until the normal school dismissal time. A letter has been issued to the Muslim students via Parents Gateway on 27 March for parents/guardians to indicate your preference.

Students who are leaving school at 10.30 a.m., will have to be accompanied by their parent/guardians. For students taking school buses, please note that you will need to make your own transport arrangements.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish all Muslim students and parents/guardians, *Selamat Hari Raya Aidilfitri, maaf zahir dan batin*!

Yours sincerely,

Ms Liz Rahmat Principal