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Dear Parents/Guardians,

# **November Letter to Parents/Guardians**

As we come to the end of the school year, we would like to take this opportunity to express our appreciation for the support that you have given the school as we work together to ensure that our students continue to learn and grow holistically.

Here are some key updates on school matters for the month of November.

# Administration Day

The school will be conducting its administration exercise on Thursday, 7 November 2024. There will be <u>no school for students</u> on this day. School resumes on Friday, 8 November 2024.

#### Primary 1 Orientation

The school will be holding our Orientation for 2025 P1 students and their parents/guardians on Friday, 8 November 2024, in the afternoon. More details have been sent to our 2025 P1 parents/guardians via Parents Gateway (PG).

#### Last Day of School for P1 to P6 Students

The last day of school for P1 to P6 students is Thursday, 14 November 2024. Report books and 2025 booklists will be issued on this day.

# **❖** Annual Prize Giving Ceremony

The annual Prize Giving Ceremony will be held on Friday, 15 November 2024 from 9.00 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. in our school hall. This ceremony celebrates our students' achievements and efforts in both academic and co-curricular domains for year 2024. This platform serves to affirm students who consistently display good character and learning dispositions in line with our school values and student outcomes. Only 2024 prize recipients will attend the event with their parents/guardians. More details will be shared with the prize recipients' parents/guardians.

# PSLE Results Release Date (Tentative)

The results for the 2024 PSLE will be released tentatively between Wednesday, 20 November and Friday, 22 November 2024. The exact date will be confirmed by SEAB about one week prior to the release date. More details and instructions regarding the results collection will be provided to the P6 parents/guardians via PG nearer the date.

#### Registration for School-based Student Care Centre (SCC) for 2025

ACE@Work Student Care Pte. Ltd provides after-school care support for our students whose parents are both working and do not have after-school home support. You can enrol your child/ward in the SCC to leverage on the learning and development support as well as supervision provided by the SCC. However, do note that SCC does not provide tutoring services to the students. Priority for admission to SCC will be given to students with higher needs.

If you are interested in enrolling your child/ward for SCC, please submit your details via this link <a href="https://form.gov.sg/67217cad58689e2f4b4eeb0d">https://form.gov.sg/67217cad58689e2f4b4eeb0d</a> by <a href="https://form.gov.sg/67217cad58689e2f4b4eeb0d">Friday, 15 November</a>. We will process your submission and Ace@Work will inform all applicants of the selection outcome by Monday, 25 November 2024.

You may email <a href="mailto:scc prps@moe.edu.sg">scc prps@moe.edu.sg</a> if you have any queries on SCC registration for 2025.

# Student Well-being and Safety

With the upcoming school holidays, we would like to encourage you to engage your child/ward in meaningful and enjoyable activities. It is good to have a balance of activities in the various domains as part of their holistic development, whilst ensuring that they also have sufficient rest.

#### Joint Advisory by SPF, CNB, NCPC and NCADA

SPF, CNB, NCPC and NCADA have jointly provided an advisory to remind students to stay away from crime and drug/inhalant abuse. The advisory alerts students to dangers of common crimes such as online scams and encourages them to protect themselves from becoming victims of crime. Please refer to <u>Annex A</u> for the advisory.

#### Cyberwellness Message

The internet enables a world of opportunities for our students to learn, play and socialise with their peers. Using of technology in inappropriate ways like sharing and viewing of harmful content would negatively impact our students' well-being. As a parent or caregiver, we can recognise these risks and take steps to prevent them.

There are different parental control software or applications which you can use to control the content that your child/ward sees online. Along with privacy settings, these can help you protect your child/ward from things that you do not want them to see or do online.

You can check out and learn how to use the parental controls on the common sites or applications your child/ward often goes to via this link <a href="https://www.digitalforlife.gov.sg/Learn/Resources/All-Resources/Parents---Parental-controls">https://www.digitalforlife.gov.sg/Learn/Resources/All-Resources/Parents---Parental-controls</a>

#### **❖** First 2 Days of School Reporting in 2025

To ease our new P1 students into the new school environment and routine, they will report to school on Thursday, 2 January 2025 while P2-P6 students remain at home. However, the school-based SCC will be open for enrolled P2 to P6 students in the afternoon of 2 January 2025.

As for P2-P6 students, school will start on Friday, 3 January 2025.

If you are unable to secure alternative care arrangements for your P2-P6 child/ward on the morning of 2 January and require school's support, please email your request to Assistant Year Head, Ms Nor Hazurah at

nor hazurah mohamed azhar@schools.gov.sg by Friday, 15 November 2024. You will be informed of the outcome of your request by Monday, 25 November 2024. We seek your understanding that school will prioritise and accommodate requests on needs' basis.

#### The President's Award for Teachers and The Outstanding Youth In Education Award 2025

Every year, two national awards, the President's Award for Teachers (PAT) and the Outstanding Youth in Education Award (OYEA) are given out to teachers in Singapore to recognise their professional excellence.

**PAT** pays tribute to experienced teachers for their role in moulding the future of our nation. These teachers constantly adopt innovative approaches in their lessons and are lifelong learners and mentors to their peers. They embody a deep passion for teaching, and they inspire both their students and peers through their words and deeds.

**OYEA** recognises young teachers who have shown admirable passion for teaching, and commitment to inspiring and nurturing their students. These teachers personify youthful idealism, energy and enthusiasm and inspire both their students and peers through their words and deeds. Teachers who are 35 years old and below in 2025 are eligible for the award.

Nominations for PAT 2025 and OYEA 2025 are now open and will close on Friday, 10 January 2025.

We would like to invite you and your child/ward to submit your nomination(s) for our deserving teacher(s) by clicking on the URLs or scanning the QR codes provided below.



For queries and/or feedback about the awards, please send them to MOE PATOYEA@moe.gov.sg.

Thank you for your support in recognising the contribution and impact of our teachers!

# School Office Hours During November/December School Holidays

The school operating hours during the school holiday from Monday, 18 November to Monday, 30 December 2024, will be from 8.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.

# Updates on start of 2025 Academic Year

Important school information and updates for 2025 will be provided in our January letter to parents/guardians, which will be sent via PG at end-December 2024.

We wish all our students and parents/guardians a happy and safe holiday. We look forward to welcoming our students back to school in January 2025!

Yours sincerely,

Ms Liza Rahmat

Principal

JOINT YEAR-END SCHOOL HOLIDAYS ADVISORY

# STAY SAFE BY FOLLOWING THESE TIPS









# STAY AWAY FROM CRIME

# **SHOP THEFT**

# Shop theft is a crime.

Do not leave the shop without paying for your items. Even if you manage to leave the shop without getting caught, with CCTV cameras in the store, you will still be caught.



Offenders shall be punished with imprisonment for up to 7 years and shall also be liable to fine.

### ACT OF ENDANGERING HUMAN LIFE

Do not throw things from upper floors as it could cause injuries to someone or even kill someone.



Offenders shall be punished with imprisonment for up to 1 year, or with fine, or with both.

#### THEFT

Stealing is a crime.



Whoever commits theft shall be punished with imprisonment for a term up to 3 years, or with fine, or with both.

# BE AWARE AND BE SAFE

#### STRANGER DANGER

Do not speak to strangers or follow them.

Inform your friends, teachers and parents immediately if this happens.

# DO NOT GIVE IN TO PEER-PRESSURE

#### Learn to say 'No'

when you know it is wrong.



SAY 'NO' IF ANYONE TRIES TO OFFER YOU DRUGS

Inform your parent, teacher or a trusted adult.





# BE CAREFUL WHO YOU ARE TALKING TO ONLINE



# **SCAMSHIELD HELPLINE (1799)**

Call the ScamShield helpline to check if the situation you are facing is a scam. Available 24/7.



# **REAL-LIFE STORIES**





HIGH-RISE HAZARD: THINK BEFORE YOU TOSS

Scan to read.





# **OUR HELPLINES**

# CRIME PREVENTION

Call the Police hotline at 1800 255 000 or submit information online at www.police.gov.sg/iwitness

'999' is for emergencies only. Please call only if you require urgent Police assistance.

For more information, visit: www.police.gov.sg, www.ncpc.org.sg or SPF Facebook



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# **ADVISORY FOR PARENTS ON**

# VAPING IS ILLEGAL IN SINGAPORE



No possessing, buying or using e-cigarettes

Fined up to \$2,000



No selling or importing e-cigarettes

Fined up to \$10,000 or/and 6 months imprisonment

# VAPING IS HARMFUL



Vapes contain cancercausing substances such as formaldehyde and nicotine, a drug found in cigarettes



Studies have shown that individuals who vape are more likely to pick up cigarette smoking later in life

# VAPING DEVICES ARE NOT EASY TO RECOGNISE

It comes in a variety of shapes and sizes. Making it easier for children to hide



Some resembling everyday items like USB flash drives and pens

# WHAT CAN I DO AS A PARENT?

Be a good role model. Do not vape or smoke.

Talk to your child about the harmful effects of smoking and vaping.

Parent to dispose any e-vaporiser and accessories if your child possesses it.

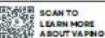
FOR SUPPORT ON QUITTING

ADDITIONAL RESOURCE FOR PARENTS



1800 438 2000







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