



PASIR RIS PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

We would like to warmly welcome all Pasirians back to school, including our new P1 students and those who are newly transferred to the school.

In 2020, we will continue to partner parents and the community to develop our students to be **Lifelong Learners, Active Citizens**. We hope through our collaborative efforts, we can provide the best educational experience to nurture them to be **confident and compassionate critical thinkers**.

1. SCHOOL TERMS & VACATION DATES IN 2020

The following are the school terms and vacation dates in 2020 for your reference. Students should maintain regular school attendance to optimize their learning in school. We seek your co-operation in not planning overseas trips on school days, especially towards the end of Term 4.

SCHOOL TERMS

Semester 1	
Term 1	Thursday 2 January to Friday 13 March
Term 2	Monday 23 March to Friday 29 May
Semester 2	
Term 3	Monday 29 June to Friday 4 September
Term 4	Monday 14 September to Friday 20 November

SCHOOL VACATION

Between Terms 1 and 2	Saturday 14 March to Sunday 22 March
Between Semesters 1 and 2	Saturday 30 May to Sunday 28 June
Between Terms 3 and 4	Saturday 5 September to Sunday 13 September
At the End of School Year	Saturday 21 November to Thursday 31 December

Please refer to **Annex A** for the Term 1 School Calendar. More details on the activities will be provided nearer the dates of the activities.

2. SCHOOL LETTERS TO PARENTS VIA PARENTS GATEWAY (PG)

As part of our environment-friendly practices, only the first letter to parents in the year is disseminated in hardcopy. Future letters and notifications to parents will be paperless and they will be issued via PG. As mentioned in our previous letter to parents, the Ministry of Education (MOE) has introduced PG – a one-stop portal to provide digital services for parents so as to enhance administration, student record management, consent requirements and communications for their children.

You are advised to download the PG app on your mobile devices via Play Store or App Store as our school has ceased sending school updates via ASKnLearn. You may also view the **MOE Parents Gateway** video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tW9jwyuovOo&feature=youtu.be> for a step-by-step guide on how to download and use the app.

3. SCHOOL HOURS

The flag-raising ceremony will begin daily at 7.30 a.m. sharp. We appreciate your support in ensuring that your children reach school punctually and assemble with their class by 7.25 a.m. every day so that they can start their school day promptly.

Please take note of the school hours for 2020:

Curriculum Hours	Recess Periods	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Monday to Thursday: 7.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.Friday: 7.30 a.m. to 12.40 p.m.	P1 and P4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">9.30 a.m. to 10.10 a.m. (Mondays to Thursdays)9.30 a.m. to 9.50 a.m. (Fridays)
	P2 and P5	<ul style="list-style-type: none">10.10 a.m. to 10.50 a.m. (Mondays to Thursdays)9.50 a.m. to 10.10 a.m. (Fridays)
	P3 and P6	<ul style="list-style-type: none">10.30 a.m. to 11.10 a.m. (Mondays to Thursdays)10.10 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. (Fridays)

*To facilitate the conduct of the orientation programme, do take note that school hours for **P1 on 2 -10 January will be from 7.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.**

As a single-session school, the General Office operates between 7 a.m. and 5.30 p.m. from Monday to Friday.

4. STAFF MOVEMENTS AND KEY APPOINTMENTS

We warmly welcome the following new staff joining the school with effect from 2 January 2020

- Mdm Joyce Tang Sok Cheng - School Staff Developer
- Mdm Haryana Md Isahak - HOD Science
- Mdm Edna Lee Xin Fen - Asst. Year Head, P4-P6
- Ms Toh Peng Peng - Chinese Language Teacher
- Mdm Leong Si Min - Chinese Language Teacher
- Ms Nurul Ameera Zackaria - Malay Language Teacher
- Mr Poh Kai Wen Gladwin - Physical Education Teacher
- Mr Phua Jun Yong - Desktop Engineer

We would like to bid farewell and extend our best wishes to

- Mdm Fu Huimin
- Mdm Aliza Md Shariff
- Mrs Denise Rajwani
- Mdm Zhang Jing
- Mr Teo Yi Zuo Richard
- Ms Yeap Siew Choo

5. CONDUCT OF TEMPERATURE-TAKING EXERCISE

To maintain the school's preparedness to activate its temperature-taking regime, as well as to educate our students to take personal responsibility for their own health and to practise social responsibility, the school will be conducting a temperature-taking exercise on **Thursday, 16 January 2020.**

To prepare for the exercise, we will be conducting a pre-exercise check on Oral Digital Thermometers (ODTs). Please ensure that your child brings his ODT which is in good working condition to school on **Tuesday, 14 January 2020** and **Wednesday, 15 January 2020** for pre-exercise checks. Those who need to purchase new ODTs may do so from the school bookshop or any pharmacy. All P1 students will be issued a brand new ODT on 16 January 2020.

6. CCA TRIAL AND REGISTRATION FOR P2 & P3

The CCA trial for P2 and P3 students will be held on **14 and 17 January 2020**. The trial will give students an opportunity to know and learn more about the various CCAs that they are interested in, before making a decision on which CCA to join. Students need to choose 4 different CCAs for the trial.

To manage the number of students attending the trial, your child/ward is required to register his/her interest via the following weblink from **6 to 8 January 2020**. The registration exercise will close at 10 p.m. on 8 January 2020. No further applications will be entertained after the registration closes.

http://lms.asknlearn.com/PRPS/login.aspx
User Login: First 5 Letters of Student's Name + Last 5 Characters of BC No
Example
Student Name: Lim Ah Seng BC No.: T0345678A
User Login: LIMAH5678A
***Password is similar to login ID**

Students will receive a confirmation slip and a schedule for the 4 CCA trial sessions that they will be attending by **13 January 2020**.

Following the trial, there will be a CCA Registration Exercise from **17 to 21 January 2020** for the students to choose their preferred CCAs. Do discuss with your children before deciding on the most suitable CCA for them. Students will be notified of the CCA that they have successfully registered for on 3 February 2020 and they are to attend their allocated CCA with effect from either 4 or 7 February 2020.

Should you need further clarification, please contact Mr Khairudin (HOD PHF/CCA) or Ms Sharon Chua (SH Aesthetics) at 65822606. Alternatively, you can email them at khairudin_hassan_maricar@schools.gov.sg or chua_siew_ping_sharon@schools.gov.sg respectively.

7. UPDATES ON STUDENT PERSONAL DETAILS & MEDICAL RECORD

We would also like you to provide updates on your child's personal details and medical record. Please complete the forms which will be issued through the Form Teacher on 3 January for P2-P6 and 13 January for P1. The completed medical record form has to be accompanied with relevant doctor's memo or letter (if any). The updated forms should be submitted to the Form Teacher by **10 January 2020 for P2-P6** and **17 January 2020 for P1**.

8. STUDENT LEARNING & WELL-BEING

As part of our efforts to instil responsibility in our students, parents are advised not to send to school items that their children may have forgotten. We will use these teaching moments to help our children learn to be prepared for their learning, whilst ensuring their overall well-being.

9. SCHOOL SAFETY AND SECURITY

Entry to the school

All parents and visitors are to report to the security guards at the security post with their identity card to register for a visitor's pass before proceeding to the General Office for further assistance. Please make an appointment so that the teachers you wish to meet can make time for you.

As part of overall school safety and security, only authorised vehicles are allowed into the school compound during peak hours. We require parents/guardians to display the school car label for entry into the school compound to drop off and/or pick up their child/ward. If you have not obtained a school car label, you are advised to provide your Vehicle Registration Number to obtain an authorised car label from the Form Teacher between 6 and 10 January. Please complete the attached response slip (**Annex B**) and return it to the Form Teacher through your child/ward within the dates stated above. If you have more than one child in PRPS, please register your vehicle with your youngest child's Form Teacher.

The school main gate will open at 6.30 a.m. from Monday to Friday. If you are driving or walking your child to school, we seek your understanding to arrive at school from 6.30 a.m. onwards. The school premises will close at 6 p.m. daily. For parents who need to fetch your children from the school-based Student Care Centre (SCC), you are advised to use the Red Gate before 6 p.m. and the Yellow Gate after 6 p.m.

Road safety

Please reinforce good road safety habits in your children. Do remind them to use the zebra crossing outside the school when crossing the road. As part of LTA's continuous efforts in enhancing road safety for students, motorists are to adhere to the speed limit of 40 km/h (and below) when entering a School Zone. A lower speed environment would provide motorists with more reaction time and this helps to enhance safety of the various road users. To smoothen the traffic flow along Pasir Ris St 21, LTA has introduced a 'No Right Turn' sign outside the school which prohibits motorists from turning right when they exit the school from 6.50 a.m. to 7.30 a.m. on Mondays to Fridays. We seek your cooperation in observing the traffic rules and continuing to exercise caution and safety while driving.

Finally, we look forward to your support in working closely with the school to develop your children into confident and compassionate critical thinkers.

We wish you all the best for 2020!

Yours sincerely,
Mr Tan King Ming
Principal



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Annex A

SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR TERM 1 2020

Month	Date	Day	Events
January	6 - 8	Mon - Wed	CCA Trial registration for P2 & P3 ONLY
	9	Thu	Photo-taking for School Smart Card for P1 & P6
	14 & 15	Tue & Wed	Class Photo-taking *Students are to put on their school uniform
	14 & 17	Tue & Fri	CCA Trials for P2 & P3
	16	Thu	Temperature-taking Exercise
	17 - 21	Fri -Tue	CCA Registration for P2 & P3 ONLY
	20	Mon	Start of Early Intervention Programme (EIP) for P6
	21	Tue	LSP & LSM Briefing for Parents
	24	Fri	Chinese New Year Celebration *School will be dismissed at 10 a.m.
27 & 28	Mon & Tue	Chinese New Year Public Holiday and School Holiday	
February	3	Mon	Start of Early Intervention Programme (EIP) for P3 to P5 P5 LJ to Science Centre – 5 Co & 5 Re
	4	Tue	Start of CCA
	7	Fri	P5 LJ to Science Centre – 5 Te P6 Parents Connect
	10	Mon	P5 LJ to Science Centre – 5 Em
	11	Tue	P2 NE LJ to Singapore Discovery Centre
	12	Wed	P5 LJ to Science Centre – 5 Si
	17-21	Mon - Fri	Health Fun Week
	18	Tue	P4 Road Traffic Games (3 classes)
	20	Thu	P4 Road Traffic Games (2 classes) P1 LJ to a Play
	21	Fri	P3-P5 Parents Connect
	24 & 25	Mon & Tue	English Language Festival
	25	Tue	P3 LJ to a Play (3 classes)
	27	Thu	P3 LJ to a Play (2 classes)
March	2 - 6	Mon - Fri	P6 Weighted Assessment
	9	Mon	Prefects' Investiture
	10	Tue	P5 & P6 VIA
	12	Thu	P6 ECG
	13	Fri	P4 LJ to Farms
	14 - 22		Term 1 School Vacation
	24	Tue	P6 LJ to LLEC
	25	Wed	MA Workshop at Science Centre – 5 Si
	27	Fri	Prize-Giving Day (either on 27 Mar or 3 Apr - TBC)
	30	Mon	P3 LJ to the Zoo
31	Tue	MA Workshop at Science Centre – 5 Te	
April	3	Fri	MA Workshop at Science Centre – 4 Co



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Annex B

RESPONSE SLIP

Name of child: _____

Class: P _____

REQUEST FOR SCHOOL CAR LABEL

(Please complete this response only if you have not submitted a request previously.)

Dear Form Teacher,

I, _____ [name of Parent / Guardian] would like to request for a Car Label¹. My Vehicle Registration Number is _____.

Signature of Parent / Guardian

Date

¹ The Car Label is only for vehicle entry into school compound and valid for year 2020. Car parking is restricted and subject to availability of limited visitors parking lots.