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Dear Parents/Guardians,

We extend our warmest greetings to you and hope this memo finds you in good health and spirits after a restful break. We are most happy to welcome your child back to school with open arms, and it was heartwarming to witness their eagerness to reconnect with their teachers and classmates. To all parents whose children have recently joined our school, we wholeheartedly welcome you to our school family.

The new semester brings fresh opportunities for learning, growth, and success, and we are excited to embark on this journey together. As we set our sights on the learning experiences in the coming months, we are thrilled to share that the second semester will be eventful and marked with exciting highlights. While our Primary 6 cohort is diligently preparing for the PSLE, there are numerous engaging activities that our students can look forward to. These include the highly anticipated the National Day and Teachers' Day celebrations as well as the NE show which promise to be enriching experiences for our students.

Speaking of our Primary 6 students, we are immensely proud of their commitment and dedication as they step up their efforts in preparation for the PSLE. Many of them have sought additional help in their weaker subjects, demonstrating their eagerness to achieve their personal best. As a school community, let us support and empower these students to put in their best efforts during this crucial period. May their hard work be rewarded, and may they surpass their own expectations. We want to also acknowledge and commend all our teachers and staff members for their relentless dedication and hard work in supporting our Primary 6 students. They have invested countless hours in lesson planning, tailored guidance, and mentoring to ensure our students receive the best possible education and support to thrive.

And parents, your continued support and involvement in your child's education are invaluable. Your encouragement, guidance, and unwavering belief in their abilities play a pivotal role in their academic and personal growth. We encourage open lines of communication between you, your child, and their teachers, as it plays a crucial role in your child's overall success. Together, let us foster an environment where our children can thrive academically and emotionally. Lastly, as we conclude this message, we would like to provide you with the following important updates:

1. Achievement, Affirmation and Appreciation

We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the following students for their outstanding achievements:

Name of Student / Team	Award / Recognition
Christine Chong Vinn Lynn Ma Keran Xu Haixing	"Script it Right" Chinese Radio Drama Script Writing Composition 2025 - Merit Award
Aaron Lee Cheng Xun	National School Games Junior Achievement – Taekwondo (POOMSAE)
Boys' Brigade	The Boys' Brigade J M Fraser Award for Excellence 2025 – High Distinction Award

2. Updates in Staff Movement

We would like to bid farewell to the following staff and thank them for their contributions to the school.

Vice-Principal	Mr Koh Peng Yeow Remund on No-Pay Leave with effect from 1 August 2025
Year Head / P3&P4	Mdm Siti Maskinah Muzakir on Professional Development Leave with effect from 11 August 2025
Teacher	Mr Lim Sian Teng Edwin Joseph on No-Pay Leave with effect from 30 June 2025 Mr Pukalendran S/O Sindaya contract ended on 30 May 2025 Miss Ramya Lakshmanan contract ended on 26 May 2025 Mdm Tan Peck Hoon contract ended on 30 May 2025
Allied Educators	Ms Carmen Shamala Rajanathan furthering studies at NIE with effect from 25 July 2025 Ms Fang Lum @Lum Yoke Fong furthering studies at NIE with effect from 25 July 2025

We would like to welcome the following staff who joined the school in Term 3.

Teachers	Ms Lai Yujuan Ann Melissa Mdm Lee Ai Ling Irene Mdm Poonguzhali Chandrasekaran Mrs R Mohanadas
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3. Citizenship and Character Education

For July, the 'Value of the Month' is Perseverance. Our foci are as follows:

Habit 1: Be Proactive: I choose my actions, attitudes, and moods.

Habit 4: Think Win-Win: When conflicts arise, I look for a win-win solution.

Habit 4: Think Win-Win: I can problem solve when an issue comes up with another person.

Habit 6: Synergize: I value other people's strengths and learn from them.

Habit 6: Synergize: I seek out other people's ideas because I know that by teaming with others, we can create better solutions than any one of us alone.

Habit 7: Sharpen The Saw: I take care of my body by eating right, exercising and getting sleep.

For more information on perseverance and building resilience, please refer to the following:

Newspaper Article on Raising A Resilient Child :
<https://www.straitstimes.com/singapore/health-check-podcast-raising-a-resilient-child>

Booklet on Raising A Resilient Child:
<https://mindsciencecentre.sg/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/Web-NUHS-NUS-Raising-a-Resilient-Child.pdf>

(Source: https://www.mindsciencecentre.sg/msc_newsevents/mind-parent-booklet-raising-a-resilient-child/)

4. Stretch and Support Schedule

The Stretch-Support-Supplementary (S3) Programme for Primary 3-6 will start from Week 1 of Term 3:

Levels	Days	Starting From
P3 to P6	Tuesday and Thursday afternoons	Term 3 Week 1 (1 July onwards)

5. Temperature Taking Exercise – Wed, 9 July 2025

Temperature taking exercise aims to maintain schools' preparedness to re-activate the temperature-taking regime should there be a need to do so. It also serves to educate students to take personal responsibility for their own health and practise social responsibility.

The temperature-taking exercise will be conducted on **Wednesday, 9 July 2025.**

Please ensure that your child/ward brings a working Oral Digital Thermometer (ODT) to school for the pre-exercise check on **Tuesday, 8 July 2025.**

6. Mother Tongue Languages (MTL) Fortnight – Mon, 14 July 2025 to Fri, 18 July 2025

Part 2 of the Mother Tongue Language (MTL) Fortnight will take place this term from Monday, 14 July 2025 to Friday, 18 July 2025. Students will be engaged in various enriching experiences to deepen their connection to the language and culture.

7. P6 Preliminary Oral Examination – Tues, 15 July 2025 & Thurs, 17 July 2025

The P6 will be having their Preliminary Oral Examinations on Tuesday, 15 July and Thursday, 17 July 2025. P6 students will be informed of their estimated dismissal times closer to the date. The schedule will closely follow the PSLE sequence of testing to familiarise students with the actual flow of the PSLE Oral Examinations. Hence, students will be grouped into 2 sessions (Session 1 and Session 2) for each testing day, based on their PSLE arrangement.

- Session 1: After being tested, students will move to a Quarantine Room. They will be dismissed only when all Session 1 candidates have been tested and all Session 2 candidates are accounted for.
- Session 2: Students will be dismissed after being tested.

As most teachers will be involved in the examination, there will be NO afternoon classes, CCAs or enrichment activities for all levels. Exceptions are made only for the following on Tuesday, 15 July and Thursday, 17 July:

- P3, 4 & 5 Reading Remediation Programme (RRP)
- P3 & P4 School-Based Dyslexia Remediation (SDR)

8. Racial Harmony Day – Mon, 21 July 2025

Schools commemorate Racial Harmony Day on 21 July each year to mark the anniversary of the 1964 race riots. This day reminds us of the importance of maintaining social harmony in our multicultural society. This year's theme, "Our People, Our Tapestry", celebrates how our different cultures enrich Singapore. Like threads in a tapestry, our various traditions, beliefs and practices weave together to create something beautiful. While differences sometimes create tension, we must work together to strengthen these bonds.

Through hands-on activities, students will learn about different cultural traditions, understand the importance of mutual respect, appreciate how our diversity makes Singapore stronger, and explore ways to build and maintain harmony in daily life.

9. School Annual Health Visit – Fri, 25 July 2025 to Thurs, 31 July 2025

The Health Promotion Board (HPB) will be conducting the annual school health visit from Friday, 25 July 2025 to Thursday, 31 July 2025. During this visit, age-appropriate health screening and/or immunisation services will be provided for your child.

Levels	Services
Primary 1	Vision screening (Eyesight test) * Growth & development assessment Hearing screen Immunisation if required #

Primary 2, 3 and 4	Vision screening (Eyesight test) * Height and BMI for selected students
Primary 5	Colour vision screening Growth & development assessment Spinal screening for scoliosis (girls only) Immunisation #
Primary 6	Spinal screening for scoliosis (girls only) Height and BMI for selected students

* P1 to P4 students are to bring along their prescribed spectacles for the vision screening.

For Primary 1 & Primary 5 Students Only

Please access the Consent Portal (<https://go.gov.sg/hpb-ccp>) to update your child's medical information and provide consent to receive the age-appropriate immunisations in the school.

10. P6 Preliminary Listening Comprehension Examination – Fri, 1 August 2025

The P6 Preliminary Listening Comprehension examination is scheduled for **Friday, 1 August 2025** from 1.30pm to 4.45pm. Candidates not taking Mother Tongue Languages will be dismissed at 3.30pm.

As most teachers will be involved in the examination, there will be NO afternoon classes.

11. Temporary Relocation of General Office to School Library - Mon, 18 August 2025 to January 2026

Due to scheduled renovation works, the General Office will operate from the school library from Monday, 18 August 2025 to January 2026. All administrative services will continue as usual from this temporary location.

Please note that all contact details, including telephone numbers and email addresses, remain unchanged. You may continue to reach our administrative staff through these existing channels.

12. Reminder: Early Dismissal on Selected Mondays in Semester 2

This is a reminder on the dismissal arrangements for selected Mondays in Semester 2 where Co-Curricular Activities (CCAs) will not be conducted.

On the following Mondays, P3 to P6 students will be dismissed at 1:30 pm:

- 28 July 2025 (P3 & P5 Only; P4 & P6 students will stay for NAPFA)
- 15 September 2025
- 22 September 2025
- 29 September 2025
- 27 October 2025

Please also note that students are not required to attend school on:

- Monday, 13 October 2025 to Wednesday, 15 October 2025 (PSLE Marking Day)
- Monday, 10 November 2025 (Administrative Day)

Please make the necessary caregiving arrangements for your child/ward on these dates. If you require any clarification, please do not hesitate to contact your child's/ward's form teacher.

13. School Activities - Mon, 30 June 2025 to Sun, 17 August 2025

The school will provide further details as necessary closer to the date, otherwise the schedule below serves as a notification.

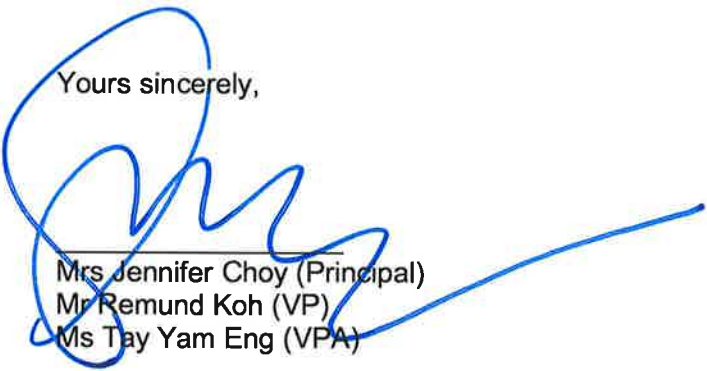
Date	Activities	Levels & Classes Involved	Attachment/ Reply Slips
Mon, 7 July 2025	School Holiday – Youth Day	All	
Tues, 8 July 2024	Pre-Exercise Check – Students are reminded to bring their Oral Digital Thermometer (ODT)	All	
Wed, 9 July 2025	Temperature Taking Exercise	All	
Mon, 14 July 2025 to Fri, 18 July 2025	Mother Tongue Languages Fortnight	All students taking MTLs	
Tues, 15 July 2025 and Thurs, 17 July 2025	P6 Preliminary Oral Examination	P6	Afternoon
Sat, 19 July 2025	National Education Show	P5	<i>More details will be given on Parents Gateway nearer the date</i>
Mon, 21 July 2025	Racial Harmony Day	All	
Fri, 25 July 2025 to Thurs, 31 July 2025	School Health Visit	All	
Mon, 28 July 2025	NAPFA Test	P4 & P6	<i>More details will be given on Parents Gateway nearer the date</i>

Fri, 1 August 2025	P6 Preliminary Listening Comprehension Examination	P6	Afternoon
Fri, 8 August 2025	National Day Celebration	All	
Sat, 9 August 2025	Public Holiday – National Day	All	
Mon, 11 August 2025	School Holiday – National Day	All	

We wish our students an enriching term ahead and thank all parents/guardians for your continual support in your children's learning and development.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs Jennifer Choy (Principal)
 Mr Remund Koh (VP)
 Ms Tay Yam Eng (VPA)

