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Dear Parents/Guardians.

This August marks a special time for us as we come together to celebrate Singapore's 60th year of independence—a milestone that invites reflection, gratitude, and renewed hope. The theme is "Building Our Singapore Together", celebrating our nation-building journey and reflecting on our shared values of multiculturalism, boldness, resilience and openness that have united us and allowed us to prosper against the odds over the years.

Our nation's journey from a small island with limited resources to a thriving Garden City is a powerful testament to the resilience, unity, and determination of our people. Despite our size, we have built a harmonious home where diverse cultures, languages, and traditions are not only respected but cherished.

As we honour our shared history and the values that have shaped us, let us continue to nurture the spirit of togetherness that defines us as One Singapore, One Nation.

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		
Xin Ruoxuan	Chinese Poetry Recitation Competition 2025 – Champion (Children's Category)		

2. Citizenship and Character Education

For August, the 'Value of the Month' is Responsibility. Our foci are as follows:

Habit 2: Begin With the End In Mind: I look for ways to be a good citizen.

Habit 1: Be Proactive: I take initiative.

School-wide programmes like Sparkling Canteen and Sparkling Classroom provide opportunities for students to demonstrate responsibility by taking initiative in maintaining cleanliness. Through these programmes and as part of Values in Action (VIA), students learn to envision and create the kind of school environment they wish to see, exemplifying the habit of beginning with the end in mind. Primary 3 and Primary 4 students further demonstrate responsibility through the Buddy Clean programme where they proactively care for the school environment, learning and applying life skills such as sweeping, mopping and cleaning to common areas like the library and toilets in school.

As Singapore marks its 60th year of independence this year, we reflect on how responsibility shapes our nation's future. The SG60 theme, "Building Our Singapore Together", calls upon every citizen to be proactive in nation-building. By beginning with the end in mind, we take responsibility for creating the Singapore we envision - a nation where shared values of multiculturalism, boldness, resilience and openness continue to flourish. Just as we encourage our students take ownership of their school environment, we should all take initiative in building and maintaining our nation's success for future generations.

3. National Day Celebration - Fri, 8 August 2025

Students will come to school in their corporate T-shirts with school shorts/skirts and school shoes. They just need to bring along a small water bottle and some light snacks. School will function from 7.30am to 10.30am. The dismissal time for all levels is 10.30am.

Light refreshments will be provided for the students. The school canteen stalls will not operate on this day.

Students taking the school bus will be ferried home at 10.30am. The Student Care Centre will operate from 10.30am to 1.30pm.

Please note that Monday, 11 August 2025 is a Public Holiday. School will resume on Tuesday, 12 August 2025.

4. PSLE Oral Examination

The PSLE Oral Examinations will be held from **Wednesday**, **13 August 2025 to Thursday**, **14 August 2025.** P6 Students will be informed of their session groupings closer to the date. P1 to P5 students need not report to school on these days.

5. P3 Gifted Education Programme (GEP) Screening Exercise 2025

The Gifted Education Branch of the Ministry of Education is carrying out the identification of P3 students for the Gifted Education Programme 2025. The identification exercise is conducted in two stages – Screening and Selection. The Screening exercise will be held in the school on **Thursday**, **21 August 2025**.

6. P6 Preliminary Written Examinations

The P6 Preliminary Written Examinations will be held from **Thursday**, **21 August 2025 to Wednesday**, **27 August 2025**. The schedule of the papers is shown below:

Date	Subject
Thurs, 21 August 2025	English Language
Fri, 22 August 2025	Mathematics
Mon, 25 August 2025	Mother Tongue Language
Tues, 26 August 2025	Science
Wed, 27 August 2025	Higher Mother Tongue

Please note that there will be <u>no make-up session</u> for the Preliminary Written Examination (Listening and Written) if your child is absent with a valid reason. If your child is unwell on the day of the exam, kindly bring him/her to see a doctor and obtain a valid medical certificate. The medical certificate should be submitted to the form teacher when your child returns to school. For more details, please refer to our Student Handbook 2025, P 22 on Examination Guidelines.

7. Teachers' Day Celebrations

Teachers will be hosted to a Teachers' Day Lunch on Wednesday, 3 September 2025, and students will be dismissed at 12 noon.

The Student Leadership Team will be putting together a programme consisting of performances and games in honour of our teachers on **Thursday, 4 September 2025**. Students will come to school in their red Corporate T-shirts with school shorts/skirts and school shoes. Students will be dismissed at 10.30am.

The school canteen stalls will not be operating on Thursday, 4 September 2025. Students are to bring their own snacks, water bottles, lesson materials and stationery.

The school hours on Wednesday, 3 September 2025 and Thursday, 4 September 2025 are as follows:

Day / Date	Wed, 3 September 2025	Thurs, 4 September 2025		
Reporting Time: By 7.15am		By 7.15am		
Dismissal Time:	12.00pm	10.30am		

Kindly note the adjusted dismissal time for transport arrangements for your child. The Student Care Centre will operate as per normal on both days.

Please note that Friday, 5 September 2025 is a School Holiday. Student Care Center will be closed on this day. School will resume on **Monday**, **15 September 2025**.

End-of-Year Examination – for P3 to P5 students only The end-of-year examination for P3 to P5 students will begin on Tuesday, 7 October 2025.

Please refer to Annex A / B / C for the dates and durations of the End-of-Year Examination, as well as for the End-of-Year Examination topics and formats.

Please be informed that there will be **no make-up sessions** for the end-of-year examination if your child/ward is absent. In the event that your child/ward is unwell on the day of the exam, kindly bring him/her to see a doctor and obtain a medical certificate. The medical certificate should be submitted to the teacher when your child/ward returns to school.

The well-being of your child/ward is our utmost priority, and they will not be penalised for missing the end-of-year examination. While the exam is part of the overall assessment, please note that the school evaluates your child's/ward's progress through various means, including daily work, performance tasks, and termly weighted assessments throughout the year.

Your child/ward can attempt the exam paper as practice once they are back in school and feeling better.

8. School Activities - Fri, 1 August to Sun, 14 September 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	Remarks	
Fri, 1 August 2025	P6 Preliminary Listening Comprehension Examination	P6	Afternoon	
Thurs, 7 August 2025	P2 Learning Journey to		More details will be given on Parents Gateway nearer the date	
Fri, 8 August 2025	National Day Celebration Students will be dismissed at 10.30am	All		
Sat, 9 August 2025	Public Holiday – National Day	All		
Mon, 11 August 2025	School Holiday – National Day	All		
Wed, 13 August 2025	P6 PSLE Oral Examination	P6		
to Thurs, 14 August 2025	P1 to P5 students need not report to school	P1 to P5		
Thurs, 21 August 2025	P1 Learning Journey to Jacob Ballas Children's Garden	P1	Details provided to parents on Parents Gateway on 1 Jul 2025	
Thurs, 21 August 2025	P3 GEP Screening Exercise	P3	Details provided to parents on Parents Gateway on 10 Feb 2025 and 18 July 2025	
Thurs, 21 August 2025 to Wed 27 August 2025	P6 Preliminary Written Examination 21 Aug: English 22 Aug: Mathematics 25 Aug: Mother Tongue 26 Aug: Science 27 Aug: Higher Mother Tongue	P6	-	

Wed, 3 September 2025	Teachers' Day Celebration - Students will be dismissed at 12pm	All	
Thurs,4 September 2025	Teachers' Day Celebration - Students will be dismissed at 10.30am.	All	
Fri, 5 September 2025	School Holiday – Teachers' Day	All	
Sat, 6 September 2025 to Sun, 14 September 2025	September School Holidays	All	

We wish all our students and their families a Happy 60th National Day.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Jennifer Choy (Principal)
s Tay Yam Eng (VPA)

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