28 June 2024



TERM 3 NOTE FOR PARENTS AND GUARDIANS - June 2024

A. GREETINGS FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Greetings!

I hope you had a chance to enjoy quality time with your family during the term break. For most Singaporeans, August holds deep significance, symbolizing our unity in celebrating our nation's growth and reinforcing our commitment to forging a collective path towards a promising future.

As we commemorate National Day on 8 August, we not only celebrate our national achievements but also the strengths that define our school. In our recent customized validation exercise, we are pleased to receive affirmation of our strong culture of care, centered on the belief that every child wants to and can learn, and is valued as an individual. This commitment is central to our ethos.

Our key strengths and programs ensure a holistic student experience:

- (i) Academic Learning Programme (ALP) E3 Reasoning: Fostering critical thinking skills through innovative educational approaches.
- (ii) Modular Co-Curricular Activities (MCCA): Enriching student life with diverse activities in sports, arts, life skills, and leadership development.

Furthermore, our proactive deployment of physical resources creates a conducive environment that supports learning and personal growth.

We invite you to join us in nurturing these strengths and eagerly anticipate another enriching term together with you and your child.

A. Traffic Management Plan

(Mr Andrew Lee, Vice Principal [Administration])

The school's Traffic Management Plan for 2024 can be found on the school website at the top navigation bar under "For Parents" > "Traffic Management Plan".

Please note the school's policy not to allow vehicular pick-ups for students except during inclement weather due to insufficient manpower during after school hours. This also applies for the school-based Student Care Centre dismissals.

Gate	Access Type	Arrival	Dismissal	Student Care Centre (Pick Up)	Authorised Visitors		
Main Gate	Pedestrians	6.30am to	1.30pm to	4.45pm to	7.30am to 6.30pm (except between 1.00pm and 1.45pm)		
	Vehicles	7.30am 6.30am to 7.30am	1.45pm No entry	7.00pm No entry except during inclement weather	And only if there is a genuine need (e.g. to pick up unwell students or has appointment with school staff)		
Gate 4	Pedestrians	6.50am	1.30pm to	-	-		
Gate 12	Pedestrians	to 7.30am	1.45pm	-	-		

Safety of our students and staff is our top priority, especially in today's uncertain security climate. We seek your understanding on this matter. Thank you.

B. CONDUCT OF ATTENDANCE AND TEMPERATURE TAKING EXERCISE (ATTEX) ON 3 JULY 2024 (Mr Andrew Lee, Vice Principal [Administration])

The ATTEx is conducted twice yearly and aims to maintain schools' preparedness to re-activate the attendance and temperature-taking regime should the need arise and to educate students on personal responsibility for their own health and social responsibility.

The ATTEx for Term 3 will be conducted on 3 July 2024 (Wednesday). Beyond the exercise, please be reminded that students should have their personal thermometer in their bags all the time. Students who are unwell should also rest at home and not come to school as part of social responsibility. Parents may inform the school of your child's absence via the QR code on our school website (https://www.concordpri.moe.edu.sg/for-parents/child-absence)



C. CONDUCT OF FIRE EVACUATION DRILL ON 5 JULY 2024

(Mr Andrew Lee, Vice Principal [Administration])

We wish to inform that the school will be conducting a fire evacuation drill on Friday, 5 Jul 2024. All staff and students will be involved in the exercise which will take place in early morning before 9am.

All after school events scheduled e.g. supplementary classes, niche CCAs will proceed as planned.

For residents staying near the school, please do not be startled by the activation of the fire alarm that morning.

If your child is under FAS, he/she will receive the daily e-meal credits via the SSC going forward. All temporary canteen smart cards will be deactivated and should be returned to the General Office via the Form Teacher. A penalty of \$5 will be imposed for each lost temporary canteen smart card.

D. SCHOOL HOLIDAYS AND SCHOOL CLOSURES

(Mr Andrew Lee, Vice Principal [Administration])

The school publishes and updates its forecast of school holidays and school closures for the whole year to help you plan ahead. You can refer to it at the landing page of the school website or at this url (https://www.concordpri.moe.edu.sg/for-parents/holidays-and-school-closures/).

E. 2024 P1 REGISTRATION EXERCISE - PHASE 1 REGISTRATION

(Mdm. Hafizah, Administration Manager)

Phase 1 registration is for a Singapore Citizen (SC) or Permanent Resident (PR) child born between 2 January 2018 and 1 January 2019 (both dates inclusive) and has a sibling currently studying in our school.

Parents who are registering their younger child under Phase 1 are to register during the Phase 1 registration period of 2 July 2024 to 4 July 2024 via MOE website: https://www.moe.gov.sg/primary/p1-registration/how-to-register

More updates on the 2024 P1 Ex will be provided on the MOE P1 website. Thank you.

F. HOME BASED LEARNING (HBL) DURING PSLE ORAL AND LISTENING COMPREHENSION 2024 (Miss Norishah Anwar, HOD ICT [int])

Our Primary 6 students will be sitting for their PSLE Oral Examination and Listening Comprehension on the following date(s)/day(s):

PSLE Examination Schedule						
PSLE Oral Examination	Tuesday, 13 August 2024 and					
	Wednesday, 14 August 2024					
PSLE Listening Comprehension	Friday, 13 September 2024					

As such, all Primary 1 to Primary 5 students will <u>not</u> be reporting to school on the above-mentioned days, and will be engaged in Home-based Learning instead. Apart from students attending Big Heart SCC, no other student will be allowed to come to school to complete their HBL tasks.

Do ensure that your child knows of his/her log in details to the Student Learning Space (SLS) prior to the HBL days, so as to minimise the need for password reset or unlocking of account. Their MIMS login username and password can be found in their Student Handbook, page 25. Do also note that there will <u>not</u> be any Zoom or Synchronous lessons conducted during the PSLE Examination days. More details on the tasks assigned will be shared nearing the date.

For any clarification or for a loan of school device to support your child during the HBL period, you may email Miss Norishah at norishah_anwar@moe.edu.sg. There will be terms and conditions involved. Thank you.

G. GIFTED EDUCATION PROGRAMME (GEP) SCREENING EXERCISE

(Mrs Lau Bee Ha, Year Head Middle Primary & Mdm Jihan, Assistant Year Head Middle Primary)

The school will be conducting the annual GEP Screening Exercise for Primary 3 pupils who have registered to participate. Please refer to the information below:

Date: 15 August 2024, Thursday Time: 8.00 a.m – 12.00 p.m Venue: Own Classroom

Papers: English Language & Mathematics

The school will send out registration forms to all P3 pupils in July 2024. Please note that this exercise is **not compulsory** for P3 pupils to take part. Pupils who are not participating in the GEP Screening Exercise will be engaged separately in other lesson activities. Normal lessons continue after 12.00 p.m. The message below is a reminder to the parents:

The GEP Identification Exercise aims to identify suitable pupils with high intellectual potential. Test-preparation activities could inflate pupils' scores and not reflect their actual potential. Pupils who are not ready to handle the intellectual rigour and demands of the programme will struggle with the enriched curriculum and not benefit fully from it. This would put undue stress on the pupils, and may even cause them to lose confidence and impact their self-esteem.

H. P6 MOTIVATIONAL DAY 2024

(Mr Kumaran, Year Head [Upper Pri])

The P6 Motivational Day will be held on 4 July 2024 (Thursday). This programme aims to develop a positive and resilient mindset in our graduating students by providing them with the relevant skills so that they can face life challenges confidently. On this day, the school have organised activities to reinforce their self-confidence and resilience to inspire and empower our students to reach their full potential.

I. RACIAL HARMONY DAY 2024

(Mr Muhammad Osman, HOD CCE)

Schools commemorate Racial Harmony Day (RHD) each year to mark the anniversary of the 1964 race riots. On this day, students reflect on and celebrate Singapore as a harmonious society built on a rich diversity of cultures and the collaborative effort of all to promote social cohesion.

The school will be commemorating Racial Harmony Day on 15 July 2024 (Monday). The commemoration will be held in the hall with an assembly programme, classroom and recess activities that highlight the many diversity of cultures and the importance of racial harmony in Singapore. Students are encouraged to don their ethnic attire without the headgear with their school shoes on that day.

J. NATIONAL DAY CELEBRATIONS 2024

(Mr Muhammad Osman, HOD CCE)

The school will be celebrating National Day on **8 August 2024 (Thursday**). The celebrations will be held in the hall with a ceremonial march in, an assembly programme and classroom activities. Students are encouraged to don a red top with their school shorts (for boys) and skirts (for girls) and show their loyalty to our nation. All students will be dismissed at 10.30 am on that day. Parents are reminded to make the necessary dismissal arrangements for their children.

K. PRIMARY 1 LEARNING JOURNEY TO SINGAPORE ZOO

(Mrs Noelle Chong Year Head [Lower Pri] & Mdm Jenny Chua, AYH Year Head [Lower Pri])

The school will be organizing a learning journey for all Primary 1 students to the Singapore Zoo. The school aims to integrate various subjects into the learning journey to make learning fun and meaningful. This learning journey also provides students with authentic learning experiences that will reinforce their cognitive and conceptual learning which is in line with Primary 1 STELLAR Big Books and Mathematics curriculum.

Details of the learning journey:

Date:	26 July 2024
Day:	Friday

L. MODULAR CCA PROGRAMME

(Mr Charleston, SH CCA)

In Term 3, P3 and P4 classes will rotate to the new module activities. P3 classes will start their OE Little Farmers activities as part of the Outdoor Education experience. P6 classes will not be involved in MCCA as the students will start preparing for their PSLE exams.

Please note that there will be MCCA on <u>15/8/2024 **Thursday**</u> to make up for the PSLE Oral Day 2 on Wednesday 14/8/2024. This arrangement is to ensure that the students do not miss too many of the MCCA program activities.

MCCA Schedule Term 3

	W1 26/6	W2 3/7	W3	W4 17/7	W5 24/7	W6 31/7	W7	W8 15/8	W9 21/8	W10
	20/0	3//	10/7	17/7	24//	31//	7/8	13/0	21/0	28/8
P3 A/B/C	OE-Little Farmers					OE-Little Farmers				
P3 D/E/F	K-POP / Ethnic Dance/				Boulder Wall / Legend Creation/ Tent Pitching					
	Roller Blading									
P4 A/B/C	Soar For Life				Touch Rugby / Laser Shooting / Kin Ball					
P4 D/E/F	Touch Rugby / Laser Shooting / Kin Ball				Soar For Life					
P5 A/B/C	Soar For Life Chinese Drums									
P5 D/E/F	Chinese Drums				Soar For Life					
P6 A/B/C	•									
	MCCA Stand Down									

M. 2024 NAPFA for PRIMARY 4 STUDENTS

(Mr TS Charleston, SH PE/CCA)

The school will be conducting the National Physical Fitness Assessment (NAPFA) of 1.6km Run/Walk and 5 static items for all P4 students in Term 3.

Please note that your child's/ward's attendance is <u>compulsory</u> unless he/she is deemed medically unfit through a doctor's certification. Please submit the relevant medical certificate or letter from the doctor to the Form Teacher or the PE Teacher as soon as possible. Those who were on MC the week before the test will do the NAPFA test on a later date.

You child/ward is required to be in their PE attire when taking the test. There will be a safety proper briefing given nearer the date. Please refer to the table below for more details of the test items.

Primary 4 NAPFA Test Plan

Day/Date	Monday, 8 July	Tuesday, 9 July	Thursday, 11	Friday, 12 July	
	2024	2024	July 2024	2024	
Classes Involvement	4B (29) – 7.40am	4A (36) – 7.40am	4B (29) – 7.40am	4A (36) – 7.40am	
	4D (42) – 8.10am	4C (42) – 8.10am	4C (42) – 8.00am	4E (41) – 8.00am	
	4F (41) – 8.40am	4E – 8.40am	4D (42) – 8.30am	4F (41) – 8.30am	
Venue	School Compound	School Compound	ISH	ISH	
Test Item & Test Time	1.6km Walk/Run	1.6km Walk/Run	4 stations	4 stations	

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"If I cannot do great things, I can do small things in a great way." \sim Martin Luther King Jr