

TERM 4 NOTE FOR PARENTS AND GUARDIANS - Sep 2024

A. GREETINGS FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Parents/Guardians,

I hope you had a refreshing one-week break with your family.

As we embark on the final term of the academic year, I want to express my heartfelt appreciation for your continued partnership in supporting your child's educational journey. It is truly heartening to witness our students' growth in both knowledge and character throughout the year. Together, we will remain a steadfast anchor of support and encouragement as they navigate their path toward future success.

This term, our graduating cohort and students across all levels will soon be preparing for their Primary School Leaving Examinations (PSLE) and End of Year Examinations. I am confident that with our strong home-school partnership, our students will reap the rewards of their hard work and enjoy the fruits of their success. More importantly, this journey has nurtured a growth mindset in our students, helping them to view setbacks as opportunities for growth and to tackle challenges with resilience. Our theme for this year's GRACE Day, "Live, Strive, Celebrate!" beautifully reflects this spirit.

We kindly ask for your continued support and encouragement as they approach these important milestones. Your ongoing partnership is crucial for their social and emotional well-being during this period. Please feel free to reach out to their form teachers if you have any concerns about their learning or well-being.

We wish all our students every success in their examinations.

B. P6 Study Break (Monday, 23 September 2024 to Wednesday, 25 September 2024) (Mr Kumaran, Year Head/Upper Primary)

Please be reminded that all P6 students would be on a 3-day study break from **Monday**, **23 September to Wednesday**, **25 September** in the lead up to PSLE. This is to provide the students with time for revision and to cater to their well-being.

Do note that the timetable for each class is different to cater to the different subject teachers who are teaching classes of other levels. The respective subject teachers would have provided the finer details by **16 September**, **Monday**.

We appreciate your understanding and collaboration on this arrangement, and we look forward to our students completing their national examination with success.

C. Primary School Leaving Examinations (PSLE)

(Mr Kumaran, Year Head/Upper Primary)

Please be reminded that the PSLE examinations would be conducted this term for our Primary 6 students. Do note the details and schedule of the examinations. The timetable and instructions to candidates can be found in the link here. (https://www.seab.gov.sg/home/examinations/psle)

D. Secondary School Fair @ Concord (Thursday, 7 November 2024)

(Mr Kumaran, Year Head/Upper Primary)

Please be informed that different secondary schools would be sharing about their niche programmes with our Concordians to help them make informed decisions when choosing a secondary school. The session would be conducted in school, during curriculum hours.

E. Graduation Day Celebrations (Thursday, 14 November 2024)

(Mr Kumaran, Year Head/Upper Primary)

To mark the end of the year, the P6 students would be involved in a celebration to mark their graduation from Primary School on Thursday, 14 November. More details of the celebration will be made available after the PSLE. The celebration would be conducted in school during curriculum hours.

F. P6 Code for Fun (Post-PSLE Activity)

(Miss Norishah Anwar, HOD ICT [int])

As part of the nation's efforts to enhance digital literacy, the Code for Fun (CFF) Enrichment Programme, offered jointly by IMDA and MOE, will be conducted for our Primary 6 students as a post-PSLE activity. In this programme, students will be exposed to basic coding skills and computational thinking. Please refer to the schedule below:

Day & Date	Time	Class	Remarks
7 Oct (Mon) & 8	8.00 am - 1.30 pm	6C	
Oct (Tues)			
9 Oct (Wed) &	9.00 am – 2.00 pm	6D	Students will be dismissed at 2.00 p.m. on 9 Oct
10 Oct (Thurs)	7.30 am – 1.30 pm		(Wed) due to MCCA from 7.30 a.m. to 9.00 a.m.
11 Oct (Fri) &	8.00 am - 1.30 pm	6E	
17 Oct (Thurs)			
18 Oct (Fri) &	8.00 am – 1.30 pm	6A	
21 Oct (Mon)			
22 Oct (Tues) &	7.30 am – 1.30 pm	6F	Students will be dismissed at 2.00 p.m. on 22 Oct
23 Oct (Wed)	9.00 am – 2.00 pm		(Wed) due to MCCA from 7.30 a.m. to 9.00 a.m.
24 Oct (Thurs)	8.00 am - 1.30 pm	6B	
& 25 Oct (Fri)			

All students are expected to complete the 10-hours of CFF training sessions. Sessions will be conducted in school, by a trainer from IMDA, during curriculum hours.

G. HOME-BASED LEARNING (HBL)

(Miss Norishah Anwar, HOD ICT [int])

There will be Home-based Learning Days scheduled for students due to the upcoming Primary School Leaving Examination (PSLE) activities. Students on HBL will not be reporting to school and will be engaged in Home-based Learning (HBL) instead. Apart from students attending Big Heart SCC, no other students will be allowed to come to school to complete their HBL tasks. Please refer to the schedule below for the dates.

Activity	Date	Levels having HBL (no school)	Levels reporting to School for lessons
PSLE Listening Comprehension	Friday, 13 September 2024	P1 – P5	-
PSLE Written Examination	Thursday, 26 September 2024	P1 & P2 only	P3, P4 and P5
	Friday, 27 September 2024	P1 & P2 only	P3, P4 and P5
	Monday, 30 September 2024	P3 & P4 only	P1, P2 and P5
	Tuesday, 1 October 2024	P3 & P4 only	P1, P2 and P5
PSLE Marking	Monday, 14 October 2024 to	P1 – P6	Only *P4 & P5
Days	Wednesday, 16 October 2024		students selected for
			bridging programme.

Information on school holidays and school closures can also be found on the school website for your reference.

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 and PSLE Marking days. More details on the tasks assigned will be shared via PG nearing the date.

For any clarification or for a loan of school device to support your child during the HBL period, you may contact the school at 67632139 or email Ms Norishah at norishah_anwar@moe.edu.sg. There will be terms and conditions involved.

H. SCHOOL ADMIN DAY ON 8 NOVEMBER, FRIDAY

(Mrs Lau Bee Ha, Year Head Middle Primary)

Please note that 8 November 2024, Friday is designated as school Admin Day. Students do not report to school on this day. Parents are advised to make child-care arrangement in advance.

I. CHILDREN'S DAY CELEBRATIONS 2024

(Mr Muhd Osman, HOD CCE & Ms Dawn Ooi, SH PE/PAL, Int)

We are thrilled to announce the return of our annual Children's Day Carnival and Sports Day on Thursday, October 3, 2024. This promises to be an exciting and fun-filled day for all our students. On this special day, school will operate as per normal hours, but with a twist!

All students are to come to school dressed in their Physical Education (PE) attire. They are also allowed to wear their sports shoes for the sports day events. We have a fantastic lineup of carnival rides and booths to keep the excitement levels high. Each class will also have its own celebration, filled with games, snacks, and laughter.

In addition, get ready for some friendly competition and teamwork in various sports and tele-match activities. For our lower primary students, we have planned skill-based challenges that will focus on Gymnastics, locomotor movement, and manipulative skills. These activities give students the opportunity to use their physical skills in a fun and engaging way. Our upper primary students will participate in modified invasion games, which will allow them to apply their teamwork and strategic thinking skills in a competitive setting. We look forward to seeing our students come together to compete, collaborate, and celebrate their achievements on this special day.

Recess will be scheduled as per normal to ensure students have time to refuel and recharge for the day's activities. We would like to take this opportunity to wish all our students an early Happy Children's Day! Our goal is to create a day filled with fond memories that your children will cherish for years to come.

J. GRACE Day 2024

(Ms Maslina, LH English Language & Mdm Jenny Chua, AYH Lower Primary)

We will be having GRACE Day on Friday, 15 November 2024, to celebrate the achievements of Concordians and appreciate our partners in education. GRACE Day stands for **G**iving **R**ecognition & **A**ffirmation for **C**oncordians of **E**xcellence. The theme for this year is "Live, Strive, Celebrate!".

It will be a 1-day event involving prize winners from Primary 1 to 6. Please note that there will be NO school on this day. Only prize winners and students involved in the event will report to school. Parents of prize winners from Primary 1 to 6 will receive invitations to join the event and witness live performances. More information on the invitation will be shared closer to the event date

K. Modular CCA Programme Term 4

(Ms Zaneth Kassim, SH PE/CCA,Int)

In Term 4, there will be 7 sessions of Modular CCA activities. There will be no MCCA activities on the 16/10, 23/10 and 13/11 due to PSLE Marking, MT Exam and Administration Day respectively. P3 D/E/F classes will start their OE Little Farmers activities as part of the Outdoor Education experience. P6 classes will resume their MCCA activities after their PSLE exams.

	W1 11/9	W2 18/9	W3 25/9	W4 2/10	W5 9/10	W6 16/10 (No MCCA)	W7 23/10 (No MCCA)	W8 30/10	W9 6/11	W10 13/11 (No MCCA)
P3 A/B/C	K-POP / Ethnic Dance/ Roller Blading			Boulder Wall / Legend Creation/ Tent Pitching						
P3 D/E/F	OE- Little Farmers			OE- Little Farmers						
P4 A/B/C	Chinese Brush Painting			Resin Art						
P4 D/E/F	Resin Art			Chinese Brush Painting						
P5	Kin Ball			Ethnic Drums						

A/B/C		(Rhythm Masala)
P5 D/E/F	Ethnic Drums (Rhythm Masala)	Kin Ball
P6 A/B/C P6	Stand Down	Soar For Life
D/E/C		

L. LEARNING DISPOSITIONS (PRIMARY 1 - PRIMARY 6)

(Mdm Siti Rianawati, HOD EL)

Learning Dispositions (LDs) are positive behaviours and attitudes towards learning. These LDs signal the importance for our students to embrace lifelong learning where they can thrive and face life's challenges. The LDs are observed through the different subjects taught and aligned with the school core values. The LDs allow for a comprehensive, progressive and holistic view of the students through their six years of education in the school. The LDs will be reported as Personal Qualities in the Holistic Development Profile at the end of the year.

M. END-OF-YEAR ORAL EXAMINATION (PRIMARY 3 – PRIMARY 5)

(Mdm Siti Rianawati, HOD EL)

(i) The End -of-Year Oral Examination has been scheduled on the following dates:

Level	Date(s) / Day(s)	Subject / Time	Remarks (if any)
Primary 3	30.09.2024, Mon 01.102024, Tue	EL Modified Oral Assessment (MOA) MTL Modified Oral Assessment (MOA)	Please refer to part (ii) on the conductof MOA via SLS.
			Students should complete the MOA onthe stipulated dates.
Primary 4	17.09.2024, Tue 19.09.2024, Thu	English Language Mother Tongue Languages	Curriculum time Curriculum time
Primary 5	17.09.2024, Tue 19.09.2024, Thu	English Language & Foundation English Mother Tongue Languages & Foundation Mother Tongue	2 – 5pm# 2 – 5pm#

[#] This is an estimation of the end time. Students will be dismissed once they have completed their Oral Examination.

(ii) Conduct of Modified Oral Assessment

Level	English Language	Mother Tongue Languages
P3	Components* assessed in SLS as 3 separate activities: (a) Reading Aloud (b) Picture Response Part 1 – Responding to picture stimulus Part 2 – Responding to main prompt based on theme of passage and/or picture stimulus	Components* assessed in SLS as 3 separate activities: (a) Reading Aloud (b) Picture Response Part 1 – Responding to picture stimulus Part 2 – Responding to main prompt based on theme of passage and/orpicture stimulus
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N. END-OF-YEAR EXAMINATION (PRIMARY 3 – PRIMARY 5)

(Mdm Siti Rianawati, HOD EL)

Date(s) / Day(s)	Primary 3	Primary 4	Primary 5
10.10.2024, Thu			HMT Paper 1 & Paper 2
11.10.2024, Fri	EL Paper 1 MTL Paper 1	EL Paper 1 MTL Paper 1	EL/FEL Paper 1 MTL Paper 1
21.10.2024, Mon	EL LC & Paper 2	EL LC & Paper 2	EL LC & Paper 2
			FEL LC & Paper 2
22.10.2024, Tue	Mathematics	Mathematics	Mathematics Paper 1 & 2
			FMA Paper 1 & 2
23.10.2024, Wed	MTL LC & Paper 2	MTL LC & Paper 2	MTL LC & Paper 2
			FMT LC & Paper 1
24.10.2024, Thu	Science	Science	Science
			FSC

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"Education is the most powerful weapon, which you can use to change the world." ~ Nelson Mandela, former South African President