



From the Year Head's Desk

Term 3 Week 9

22 August 2022

Dear Parents,

This week is a crucial week for our P6 students. The time has come for them to sit for their P6 preliminary examinations. The preliminary examinations will start from Monday, 22 August 2022 to Thursday, 25 August 2022. This examination will serve as a milestone check on how prepared our students are for the Primary School Leaving Examinations which will be conducted in a few weeks' time. The P5 students will also be sitting for their weighted assessment in the coming weeks.

What is the purpose of examinations? According to Dr Sng Chern Wei, Deputy Director-General of Education (Curriculum), MOE, "Examinations are but one of many avenues for teachers and students to assess learning progress. Teachers can check their students' understanding and mastery through regular assignments, class tests and quizzes. These touchpoints can provide useful and timely feedback for students to improve learning and enable teachers to adjust teaching practices to better support their students." (MOE, 2022).

Thus, PSLE is important as it is a useful checkpoint to gauge your child's understanding of key concepts and academic strengths. This will help your child learn at a suitable pace when they progress to secondary school. Over the years, MOE has been fine-tuning the education system to help students discover and develop their strengths and interests, while moving away from an over-emphasis on academic results. Our PSLE scoring changes aim to achieve this by:

- reducing fine differentiation of students' examination results at a young age;
- recognising children's level of achievement, regardless of how their peers have done.

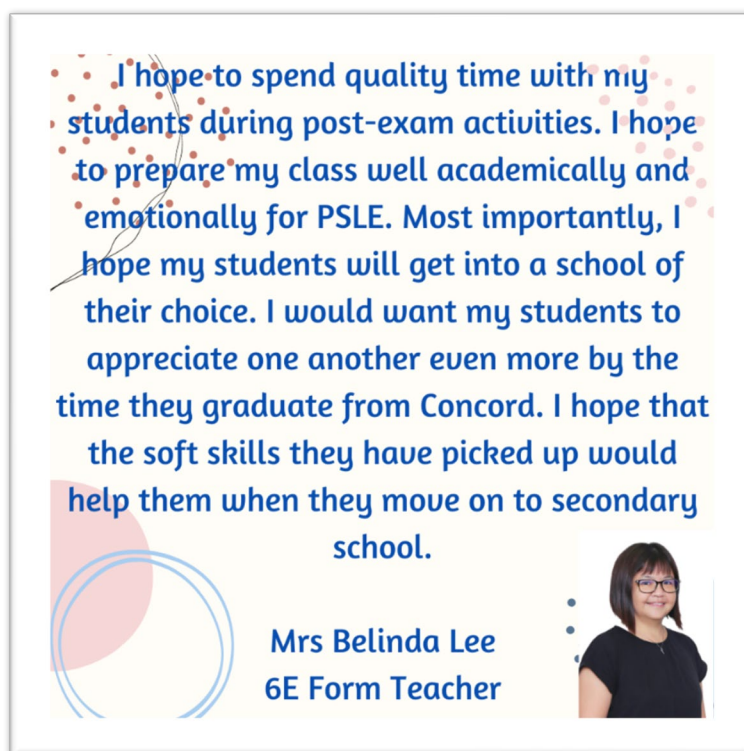
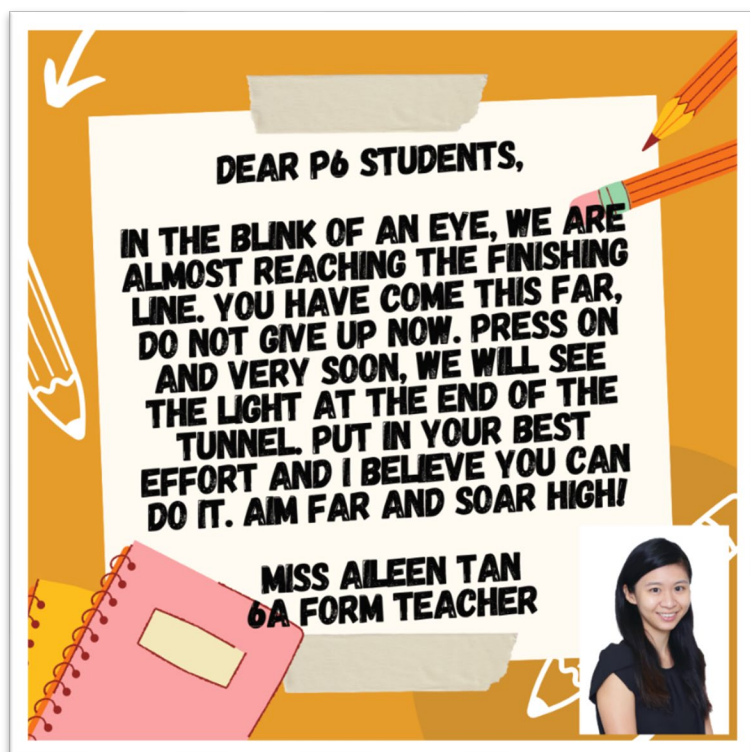
To find out more about the changes to the PSLE scoring system, you may click on the link [here](#).

With examinations, comes the stress and anxiety in preparing and sitting for the examinations. Teachers are always on the lookout for students who are exhibiting physical, behavioural, emotional and/or social signs of stress. Some examples of physical signs include headaches and/or stomach pains, a decrease in appetite, or poor sleep. When students display feelings of despair, anxiety or worry, irritability, a lack of motivation or focus, we are also at hand to help them manage and overcome such emotions.

At home, parents can also do their part to teach our children to deal with stress. You can click on the link [here](#) to find out more.


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During this stressful examination period, some of our Upper Primary teachers would like to share some words of wisdom, encouragement and hope with the parents and students.




As the PSLE draws nearer, I would like my students to work hard and to focus on their goals.

Mdm Suzanne Lim
6D Form Teacher




AS WE APPROACH THE END OF THE ACADEMIC YEAR, I HOPE MY STUDENTS WILL CONTINUE TO PUT IN THEIR BEST EFFORT IN EVERYTHING THAT THEY DO AND APPLY ALL THE VALUES THAT THEY HAVE LEARNT IN THEIR DAILY LIVES.

MRS CHENG
5E FORM TEACHER



I hope that my students begin to see making mistakes as part and parcel of learning, and not be hindered by the fear of making mistakes. Every step taken and every mistake made would eventually lead them to success some day.

Miss Chua Yu Juan
5C Form Teacher



I hope each and every of our students become an asset to our society by being healthy, spreading joy to others and keeping our environment clean and green.

Mr Lee Kah Hong
5B Co-Form Teacher



May these inspiring words give all of us the strength and purpose to soldier through the the various challenges in our educational journey.

From the desk of:

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