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Dear Parents/Guardians,

As we draw Term 1 to a close, I would like to express my heartfelt appreciation for your steadfast support throughout these past two months. Your partnership has been invaluable as our students have settled into their learning routines and navigated the varied educational experiences and commitments.

It has been heartening to see our students doing well across all areas of school life, from Home-based Learning (HBL) to the National Schools Games (NSGs). Our students have shown commendable growth in managing their time and building resilience. Your continued involvement is vital to their overall development, and I am grateful for your ongoing support.

On 20 February, our school commemorated Total Defence Day with an engaging assembly programme that brought classroom learning to life. Through an interactive drama by our teachers from the Humanities Department, the Emergency Kit Challenge, and a simulated power disruption, our school community explored Singapore's vulnerabilities and the measures needed to maintain our resilience and stability. Through shared responsibility, preparedness and vigilance, we were reminded that Total Defence is a daily commitment we all play a part in.

Additionally, the school held its Mother Tongue Fortnight with this year's theme, 'Our Stories, Our Roots'. The programme deepened students' connection with their Mother Tongue Languages, celebrated the richness of our cultures, and inspired creative expression through the many engaging activities in which students participated.

Our students' well-being remains our priority, and we value your partnership in this. During the forthcoming March holidays, do encourage your child/ward to balance rest, consolidation of learning, and participation in activities she enjoys. This rejuvenation will prepare her for the opportunities and challenges that await in Term 2.

I would also like to take this opportunity to wish all our Muslim staff and students a blessed and a joyous Hari Raya Aidilfitri!

Performing Arts

The Performing Arts remains a key area at SMS(S), supporting our commitment to holistic education. Through their involvement, students develop artistic skills, confidence, creativity, empathy, discipline, and leadership qualities.

This year, we have planned various engagement and performance opportunities for our Performing Arts CCA students, centred around the theme 'Growing in GRACE' - highlighting our values of Gratitude, Resilience, Authenticity, Care, and Empowerment.

These concerts and performances allow students to refine their artistic abilities while strengthening their personal growth, cognitive awareness and deepening their appreciation of their craft. Our **Band, Choir, and String Ensemble concerts** will welcome performers' families and the school community to witness these achievements. We eagerly anticipate your support and look forward to celebrating our students' remarkable talents with you.

Please see Annex A on how you can reserve a seat for the stipulated performances (QR code).

For All Students

1. Spirit Week Activities

Our school's Spirit Week will be held in Term 1 Week 10. This special week has been designed to strengthen school spirit and foster a greater sense of connectedness among our students. Throughout the week, students will engage in meaningful activities including a treasure hunt to explore our school grounds and 'Mis-matched Shoes Day' to encourage kindness, respect and empathy. More details are provided in Annex B.

2. Travel Declaration for March Holidays

To ensure that schools continue to be a healthy and safe environment for all, parents/guardians are required to make a travel declaration for your child/ward if she intends to travel for the holidays. Pls submit the declaration by **Friday, 13 March via Parents Gateway**. Only one parent/guardian needs to make the declaration. No action is required if your child/ward is not travelling.

3. Term 1 Progress Report

The Term 1 Progress Report for each student will be distributed in Term 2 Week 1. This report provides insights into your child's/ward's academic progress and offers an opportunity to encourage her achievements and identify any learning gaps where additional support may be needed.

4. English Language Oral Assessment

As part of their overall English Language assessment, students will sit for their Oral Assessment in Term 2. These scores will contribute to the End-of-Year Examination for Secondary 1 to 3 students and the Preliminary Examination for Secondary 4 and 5 students. The assessment schedule is provided in Annex C. Further details will be shared with the students before the assessment.

Yours faithfully,

Ms Linda Lim
Principal



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Growing in Grace

Gratitude . Resilience . Authenticity
Care . Empowerment

PERFORMING ARTS CALENDAR

*BAND CONCERT		
13 Mar, Fri	5.30 - 6.30pm	SMS(S) School Hall
*CHOIR CONCERT		
27 Mar, Fri	5.30 - 6.30pm	St. John's Chapel
*STRING ENSEMBLE CONCERT		
30 Mar, Mon	5.30 - 6.30pm	Performing Arts Studio
DANCE SHOWCASE		
1 Apr, Wed	3.00 - 6.00pm	SMS(S) School Hall
EL DRAMA (Physical Theatre Festival)		
29 May, Fri	TBC	Anglo-Chinese Junior College



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(For Band, Choir and String Ensemble concerts only)



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Annex B

Spirit Week Activities

Date	Activities
Monday, 9 March Tuesday, 10 March Thursday, 12 March	Treasure Hunt
Wednesday, 11 March	'Mis-matched Shoes Day' is a day when students are encouraged to wear two different shoes to school. This activity teaches important values by showing that while we are all different, we move forward together with respect, kindness, and inclusion. The day promotes empathy and acceptance of individuals with differences, disabilities, or special needs, while helping students understand that not everyone has the same opportunities or resources, like shoes.

Annex C

English Language Oral Assessment 2026

Level	Assessment Dates (conducted after school in Term 2)
Secondary 1 (G2 & G3)	Weeks 1 & 2: Thursday, 26 March Friday, 27 March Monday, 30 March Tuesday, 31 March
Secondary 1 (G1)	Week 2: Monday, 30 March
Secondary 2 (G1, G2 & G3)	Weeks 4 & 5: Monday, 13 April Thursday, 16 April Monday, 20 April Thursday, 23 April
Secondary 3 (G3)	Weeks 7 & 8: Monday, 4 May Tuesday, 5 May Thursday, 7 May Monday, 11 May
Secondary 3 (G2)	Weeks 7 & 8: Thursday, 7 May Monday, 11 May Tuesday, 12 May
Secondary 3 (G1)	Week 8: Thursday, 14 May Friday, 15 May
Secondary 4 Express & 5 Normal Academic	Week 8: Monday, 11 May Tuesday, 12 May Thursday, 14 May Friday, 15 May
Secondary 4 Normal Academic	Week 9: Monday, 18 May Tuesday, 19 May Thursday, 21 May
Secondary 4 Normal Technical	Week 8: Thursday, 14 May Friday, 15 May