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Dear Parents/Guardians,

The past months have been filled with remarkable learning experiences and amazing achievements as our students participated in the Singapore Youth Festival Arts Presentation. Their performances were a brilliant display of artistic excellence and unwavering commitment. Our students' dedication during countless hours of practice, while balancing their academic responsibilities, truly exemplifies their remarkable spirit. Their outstanding showcase not only demonstrated their artistic talents but also reflected the perseverance and passion they bring to every endeavour.

The Student Council Commendation Ceremony took place at St. Andrew's Cathedral on Wednesday, 30 April. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the outgoing Student Councillors from the class of 2024 for their dedicated service and valuable contributions. We warmly welcome our newly appointed Student Councillors and trust they will lead with courage and compassion as they begin their leadership journey.

On Friday, 23 May, our school community will gather for the 183rd Speech and Prize-giving Day. This annual celebration, themed 'Be the Light, Live with Purpose', honours the remarkable accomplishments of our current students, the graduands of 2024, and our committed staff. This milestone event showcases not only academic excellence but also the strength of character our students have developed. Their journey has shaped them into confident, compassionate individuals ready to make their mark in society.

I extend my sincere thanks to all parents and guardians for your steadfast support. Your partnership has helped create an enriching environment where our students flourish. We value this collaboration and look forward to nurturing their continued growth together.

I would also like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a meaningful Vesak Day.

For All Students

1. Revised School Schedule due to the General Election (GE) 2025

As our school has been designated as a polling and counting centre, home-based learning will be conducted on Friday, 2 May and Monday, 5 May will be a school holiday. For detailed information, please refer to the notification sent via Parents' Gateway on Tuesday, 22 April.

2. 183rd Speech and Prize-Giving Day (Friday, 23 May, 3.00pm to 7.30pm)

All students as well as the 2024 batch of graduands who are prize winners will receive their awards on Friday, 23 May. Parents of prize winners have also been invited to the event.

All Secondary 4 students will be required to attend the Speech and Prize-Giving Day from 2.45pm to 6.30pm.

Secondary 1, 2, 3 and 5 students will be dismissed at 10.55am.

3. Student Engagement Day

At this mid-year juncture, it is necessary for our students to review their progress and goals holistically while refining plans for improvement. The school will be organising a Student Engagement Day on Monday, 26 May. Students will report to school by 7.30am and be dismissed at 2.25pm.

4. Mid-Year Parent-Teacher Meetings

The Mid-Year Parent-Teacher meetings for all students will be conducted online via Microsoft Teams on Friday, 30 May from 8.00am to 4.00pm.

The booking of time slots to meet the teachers of your child/ward will be made available on Parents Gateway from Saturday, 10 May to Sunday, 18 May.

The Term 2 progress reports will be distributed to the students on Thursday, 29 May.

Please note that students need not report to school on Friday, 30 May.

5. Protected Vacation Time During the June Holidays and Travel Declaration

The MOE-scheduled protected vacation time for students and staff during the June holidays is from Saturday, 7 June to Sunday, 22 June. Students and staff are not required to report to school during this period.

To ensure that schools continue to be a healthy and safe environment for all, parents/guardians are required to make a travel declaration via Parents Gateway by Friday, 30 May for your child/ward if she intends to travel for the holidays. If your child/ward is not travelling during the holidays, no action is required on your part.

For Secondary 1 Students

Development of Talents to Serve (DoTS)

The DoTS Programme aims to develop passionate inquirers and critical thinkers who extend their learning through participation in varied programmes and activities. The knowledge and experiences gained through adopting an inquiry-mindset, motivated by interest and passion, will enable students to eventually make use of their knowledge in service to community or school.

Secondary 1 students may register their interest to participate in the DoTS Programme from Monday, 26 May to Friday, 6 June. Details of the registration process will be published on the DoTS microsite at <http://go.gov.sg/smssdots> from Monday, 19 May onwards.

For Secondary 2 Students

Familiarisation Trial for Secondary 2 Subject Combination Exercise

As shared during the Sec Two Parents' Engagement Session on Friday, 25 April, an online familiarisation trial for the Secondary 2 Subject Combination Exercise will be conducted for all Secondary 2 students in Term 3, from Friday, 4 July to Tuesday, 8 July.

The trial will allow students to familiarise themselves with the Subject Combination Exercise that will be held in October. More details will be provided nearer to the commencement date.

For Graduating Students

June Week 4 Programme for Graduating Students

To prepare for the national examinations, Secondary 4 and 5 students will be required to report to school from Monday, 23 June to Friday, 27 June for the following activities. The timetable for the programme in June Week 4 will be released to students on Friday, 6 June.

Dates	Classes	Time	Activity
Monday, 23 June to Friday, 27 June	All Secondary 4 and 5 classes	8.00am – 1.15pm	Timed practices and Timetabled lessons
	Selected students	1.50pm onwards	Art/NFS/Drama Coursework

Do take the opportunity to spend time with your child/ward and encourage them to use their time meaningfully during the forthcoming holidays.

Yours faithfully,

Ms Linda Lim
Principal