

# St. Margaret's School (Secondary)

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### 1 September 2025

Dear Parents/Guardians,

This term has brought us many wonderful moments to cherish! The energy and enthusiasm of Spirit Week, Racial Harmony Day, Sports Day and National Day have offered delightful respites from our usual academic routine.

As we enter the final term of the academic year, students are now focusing on consolidating their knowledge in preparation for their final examinations. I would like to express my sincere appreciation for the steadfast support you have provided your daughter/ward throughout this year. Your encouragement and guidance have been instrumental in her development. Our school leaders, teachers and staff are wholly dedicated to supporting our students. We encourage them to reach out for help or arrange consultations with their teachers to enrich their learning experience.

This term will conclude with the joyful celebration of Teachers' Day. The theme for this year's celebrations is "Game On, Level Up!" With this exciting games-based theme, we want to celebrate our teaching staff, for they go above and beyond in helping students to navigate through various challenges and learning quests. Indeed, our teachers are the game-changers and uplifters who inspire students to keep leveling up, and I hope you will join me in appreciating and affirming their efforts.

Wishing you a restful and enjoyable September break. Spend quality time with your loved ones, recharge and return refreshed for the new term ahead. To God be the glory!

#### **Health Matters**

#### **Managing Rising Temperatures**

As we face rising temperatures, schools have put in place measures to ensure the safety and wellbeing of students and staff when faced with these conditions. MOE's guidelines are aligned with NEA's Heat Stress Advisory (http://www.weather.gov.sg/heat-stress/).

Students can continue to exercise the option to wear their PE T-shirt and CCA skirt to manage the effect of the temperatures. Please also encourage your daughter/ward to stay well hydrated during hot spells.

#### For All Students

## 1. Teachers' Day Celebrations

Teachers' Day in Singapore is celebrated on the last Friday of Term 3 and the school will be celebrating this meaningful day with our teaching staff on Thursday, 4 September. Students will report to school at 7.30am and be dismissed at 11.00am.

There will be an ACES Day workout to start the day, followed by exciting activities and a concert where students come together to show appreciation for their teachers.

Students are to report to school in their PE attire with CCA skirt for the ACES Day workout.

# 2. GCE N-Level Listening Comprehension Examinations

The GCE N-Level Listening Comprehension Examinations will be conducted on Tuesday, 16 September and Wednesday, 17 September.

Adjustments have been made to the timings for dismissal of the various levels to facilitate the preparation of the examination venues for the examinations to take place:

Levels	Dismissal Time	Date(s)
Secondary 1 to Secondary 5	1.15pm	Tuesday, 16 September and
		Wednesday, 17 September

# For Graduating Students

Timetables for National Examinations, Night Study, Farewell Assembly, Last Day of School and Study Break

#### (a) Timetables for the National Examinations

For the **latest** information on the National Examinations, please refer to the Singapore Examinations and Assessment Board (<a href="https://www.seab.gov.sg/">https://www.seab.gov.sg/</a>) for updates.

# (b) Night Study

The optional night study for graduating classes will run from Monday, 25 August to Friday, 26 September until 7.00pm to support students in their final lap of preparation for the national examinations. Teachers will help to supervise students between 5.00pm to 7.00pm.

Side gate E (at Farrer Road, next to St John's Chapel), Side Gate G (at the Farrer Gardens carpark) and the school's main gates will be closed at 7.00pm.

## (c) Farewell Assembly and Last Day of School

The Farewell Assembly for the Secondary 4 and 5 graduating classes will be held on Friday, 26 September. It marks the last day of school for all the graduating classes, except for Sec 4 Love.

The last day of school for Sec 4 Love will be on Friday, 3 October.

## (d) Study Break

The study break allows time for students to consolidate their learning and prepare for their National Examinations. The study break period for the various classes is shown in the table below. Students are encouraged to arrange consultations with teachers during this period.

Classes	Study Break
4 Patience 4 Peace 4 Joy	Monday, 29 September to Sunday, 5 October
4 Temperance 4 Gentleness 4 Faithfulness 4 Goodness 4 Kindness 5 Devotion	Monday, 29 September to Wednesday, 15 October (Science Practical Examinations on 1, 6, 9, 14 October)

Parents/guardians, do continue to press on with your daughter/ward and provide them with the necessary support to prepare them mentally and physically for the examinations.

# For Secondary 3 Students

## **Secondary 3 Mother Tongue Languages Oral Examination**

The Secondary 3 Mother Tongue Languages Oral Examination will be conducted on Monday, 15 September and Thursday, 18 September from 3.00pm to 6.00pm.

Details of this examination will be given to the students nearer the date.

## For Secondary 1, 2 and 3 Students

### 1. End-of-Year Examinations

#### (i) Examination Timetables

The Secondary 1 to 3 End-of-Year Examinations will be conducted during the periods as shown below. The examination timetables have been distributed to the students on Monday, 1 September and can be downloaded from the school website under the 'Resources for Students' section.

Level(s)	Examination Period (T4W3 to T4W6)		
Secondary 1 and 2	Tuesday, 30 September – Thursday, 9 October		
Secondary 3	Monday, 29 September – Thursday, 9 October		

#### (ii) Reporting time during the Examination and Post-Examination Period

From the start of the examination period in T4W3 to the last day of the school term in T4W6, Secondary 1, 2 and 3 students will report to school for morning assembly **by 7.30am daily**. There will be no more late reporting on Wednesdays.

# 2. Headstart Programme and Study Camp

# **Headstart Programme:**

The Headstart Programme will be conducted for all **Secondary 3 students** to support their transition to Secondary 4 and promote curriculum pacing.

## **Study Camp:**

Some **Secondary 1, 2 and 3 students** who have not performed satisfactorily in the Endof-Year Examinations will be required to attend a Study Camp to help them review their learning. Students identified for this Study Camp will be notified after the release of the End-of-Year Examination results.

The schedule for the Headstart Programme and Study Camp is as follows:

Level(s) / Classes	Headstart Programme	Study Camp
Secondary 1 & Secondary 2	NA	Monday, 27 October to Friday, 7 November
3 Temperance 3 Gentleness 3 Faithfulness 3 Goodness 3 Kindness 3 Patience 3 Peace 3 Joy	Tuesday, 21 October to Friday, 31 October	Monday, 3 November to Friday, 7 November
3 Love	Tuesday, 21 October to Thursday, 23 October	Monday, 27 October to Friday, 31 October

## 3. Secondary 1 to 3 Parent-Teacher Meeting (e-Portfolio Presentation)

A Parent-Teacher Meeting will be conducted on Friday, 24 October from 8.30am to 4.30pm online. This session serves as a platform for students to consolidate, reflect and share their learning experiences for the year with their parents/guardians and Form Teachers.

Details of the session will be sent out via Parents Gateway nearer the date.

## For Secondary 1 Students

# **Secondary 1 Outdoor Adventure Learning Camp 2025**

The Secondary 1 3D2N Outdoor Adventure Learning Camp 2025 will be from **Tuesday**, **14 October to Thursday**, **16 October**, after the End-of-Year Examinations. The camp aims to allow our girls to experience and appreciate the outdoors, as well as to develop leadership and interpersonal skills.

Further details will be provided via Parents Gateway at the end of Term 3.

Yours in partnership,

Ms Linda Lim Principal