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Dear Parents/Guardians

INFORMATION SHEET FOR JANUARY / FEBRUARY 2025

(1) Chinese New Year Celebrations / Chinese New Year Holiday

The school will be celebrating Chinese New Year on Tuesday, 28 January 2025 (eve of Chinese New Year). There will be no lessons that day. Students are encouraged to come to school in traditional Chinese costumes, in red attire or in the school red T-shirt, with school shoes and socks. Students are encouraged to bring two mandarin oranges to present to their teachers and exchange with their peers as part of the celebrations.

As the school canteen will NOT be open on that day, please ensure that your child/ward takes his/her breakfast before coming to school. Students are to report to school as usual on that day and will be dismissed based on the staggered timing below. Kindly ensure that arrangement is made for your child/ward due to the early dismissal. For students taking the school bus, the school bus operators have been informed of the dismissal time.

The school will be implementing staggered dismissal on Tuesday, 28 January 2025.

The dismissal timings for that day are as follows:

Level	Dismissal Timing
Primary 1, Primary 2 and Primary 3	10.25 am
Primary 4, Primary 5 and Primary 6	10.30 am

Wednesday, 29 January 2025 and Thursday, 30 January 2025 will be Public Holidays. Students will return to school on Friday, 31 January 2025.

On behalf of my staff, I would like to wish all a Happy Chinese New Year.

(2) Chinese New Year Hong Bao Donation Drive 2025

To promote the school value of Compassion, the school will be organising a Hong Bao Donation Drive after Chinese New Year on Tuesday, 4 February and Wednesday, 5 February. All proceeds from this donation drive will be donated equally to three charitable organisations, namely Kwong Wai Shiu Hospital, Pertapis Home and O'Joy Limited. Do encourage your child/ward to donate part of his/her red packet collection (any amount) to support this good cause. Please place the money in a red packet for your child/ward to drop into a donation box in the school. You do not need to give your child extra money for the donations but to encourage him/her to donate part of his/her red packet money.

(3) SMART Card Photo-taking for Primary 1 and Primary 6 students only

MOE has engaged a vendor for the photo-taking of Primary 1 and Primary 6 students for the SMART Card. The photo-taking will be conducted on Tuesday, 4 February 2025.

Students will be informed of the schedule for their respective classes.

(4) Monthly Focal Value for February - Resilience

The Monthly Focal Value Programme aims to build the character of our students by purposefully instilling in them our school core values. In February, in line with the commemoration of Total Defence Day, we will focus on the value of "Resilience". We firmly believe that fostering resilience equips our students with the strength to face challenges with courage and a growth mindset to overcome obstacles. We would like to extend an invitation to parents to partner the school in reinforcing this value at home and in the daily experiences of your child. The table below illustrates how your child can demonstrate this value. This table is also available on page 14 of the school diary.

Levels	Behavioural Indicators (Resilience)
P1 and P2	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. I do not give up easily and keep trying. 2. I take care of myself. 3. I solve the problems I encounter.
P3 and P4	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. I am excited about life and want to learn more. 2. I adapt to the changes around me. 3. I view setbacks as opportunities to improve.
P5 and P6	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. I manage my stress. 2. I am open to feedback to make myself better. 3. I support and motivate others not to give up.

You may use the points in the table above to engage in conversations with your child about the challenges he/she may encounter. Encourage him/her to embrace a growth mindset and highlight instances where their perseverance has resulted in success. By actively participating in these discussions, parents play a crucial role in reinforcing the value of resilience and its enduring impact on the holistic development of the children.

(5) Car Pick up during school dismissal

We would like to remind parents/guardians that there should be strictly no car pick up at Gate 1 (near the overhead bridge to Whampoa) and along May Road.

You may park at the nearby HDB carpark and proceed to Gate 1 or 5 to pick your child.

We seek your cooperation to adhere to the above as the safety of our children is our priority.

(6) GREENGOV.SG – Environmental Sustainability Measures

Since 2023, our school canteen vendors have stopped using disposables for dine-in meals in the canteen. In addition, our canteen vendors are licensed to provide food for dine-in only and not for take-aways (packed and taken home to be eaten later). As such, there shall be no sale of packed food items for students from the canteen. Students can only buy and consume the food in the canteen.

(7) Monitoring your Child’s health / Safety Management Measures

Since school reopened on 2 January 2025, we have students who turned up in school even though they were unwell, and they had to be sent home subsequently. Parents are reminded not to send your child to school if your child is unwell and to return to school upon the end of medical leave.

(8) Use of mobile phones and smart devices

The school discourages students from using mobile devices with communication function and audio-visual recording capabilities (eg., mobile phones and smart watches) in the school compound. If there are strong reasons for your child/ward to bring these communication devices to school, they must be switched off and kept in the school bag. No form of videography or photography is allowed at all times within the school compound. Students are responsible for the safekeeping of their own devices.

For emergency cases, students may request to use the telephone in the General Office.

(9) Briefing for Parents

The school will be conducting Briefing for Parents sessions over two Saturdays in February/March for the different levels.

Levels	Date	Mode of Briefing
Primary 4, 5 and 6	22 February 2025 (Saturday) (Details of the schedule will be given later)	Face-to-Face in Hong Wen School
Primary 2 and 3	1 March 2025 (Saturday)	Virtual Session (Details of the virtual sessions will be given later)

(Note: Parents of Primary 1, 2025, have met the teachers on the first day of school.)

(10) Commemoration of Total Defence Day

Total Defence Day falls on 15 February, which is a Saturday this year. Our school will be commemorating Total Defence Day from 10 to 17 February 2025. The objectives of this commemoration are to remind our students that everyone has a part to play in defending our country, and the importance for everyone in Singapore to be ready to respond to the ever-evolving threats and challenges to our nation and be resilient when facing these challenges.

As part of our school's commemoration of Total Defence Day and participation in Exercise SG Ready 2025, our students will experience a **food disruption simulation** on **Friday, 14 February 2025** and **power disruption simulation** on **Monday, 17 February 2025**.

The food disruption simulation aims to prepare students for potential disruptions to our food supply chain due to climate change, protectionism, or geopolitical tensions etc., given Singapore's reliance on food imports, and to instil in our students the value of resilience when they face difficulties. Please note that the canteen will serve a simplified menu (of rice and vegetables) on **Friday, 14 February** to encourage students to be flexible in food choices in the event of such disruptions. Food will be provided for all students during the recess, no payment will be needed.

The power disruption simulation (for about 30 minutes) on **Monday, 17 February** aims to prepare students for potential disruptions to our power supply (e.g., due to supply chain disruptions), given Singapore's reliance on fuel imports. In such a situation, electricity may have to be prioritised for more critical areas, and households and organisations, including schools, may have to endure disruptions in their power supply.

Following the food and power disruption simulations, students will reflect on their experiences and share their thoughts and feelings with their classmates through a guided discussion.

Through both simulations, we hope that our students can learn to be adaptable and resilient when facing challenges. To help us bring across the message of Total Defence effectively, **we would appreciate it if you could refrain from packing any food for your child/ward on that day (for recess), unless your child/ward has a medical condition or any special dietary requirement which precludes him/her from participating in this food disruption simulation.** Your child will continue to have with them a light snack for his/her Take 5 break.

Students are also advised to bring a bottle of water to school.

Parents/Guardians may wish to engage your child/ward in sharing his/her experience with you and reinforce the important notion that everyone has a part to play in Total Defence. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to our HOD-EL, Mr Benjamin Yeo, via yeo_poh_kiat_benjamin@moe.edu.sg. Thank you for your continued support.

(11) Co-Curricular Activities

CCA has started from Term 1, Week 2 for the Primary 4, 5 and 6 students. The timing is from 2 pm to 4 pm.

Please refer to the following schedule for Term 1:

Week	Day	Date	Day	Date
2	Tue	14 Jan	Thu	16 Jan
3	Tue	21 Jan	Thu	23 Jan
4	Tue	28 Jan No CCA	Thu	30 Jan No CCA
5	Tue	4 Feb	Thu	6 Feb
6	Tue	11 Feb	Thu	13 Feb
7	Tue	18 Feb	Thu	20 Feb
8	Tue	25 Feb	Thu	27 Feb

9	Tue	4 Mar	Thu	6 Feb
10	Tue	11 Mar	Thu	13 Mar

Primary 3 students will begin their CCA in Term 3 and more details when the registration will take place will be made known later.

(12) Primary 3 Gifted Education Programme (GEP) Identification Exercise

The tentative schedule for the two stages of the GEP Identification Exercise 2025 is as follows:

- a. GEP Screening Exercise - **21 August 2025**

Shortlisted students are invited to participate in the Selection Exercise.

- b. GEP Selection Exercise - **14 and 15 October 2025**

More information on GEP is available in the following website:

<https://www.moe.gov.sg/education/programmes/gifted-education-programme>

(13) Primary 5 Camp

The school will hold a combined Primary 5 school camp with Cantonment Primary School this year. The camp will be held at the MOE Dairy Farm Campsite.

Details of the camp:

- a. Camp 1: 3 April to 5 April (Thursday to Saturday)
5 Compassion, 5 Excellence and 5 Perseverance
- b. Camp 2: 7 April to 9 April (Monday to Wednesday)
5 Diligence, 5 Integrity and 5 Responsibility

More details of the camp will be released later.

(14) Morning Assembly

Please refer to the updated information below:

Day of the Week	Assembly Venue	Pre-assembly Reading
Monday and Wednesday	School Hall	English Books on Monday Chinese Books on Wednesday
Tuesday and Thursday	Classrooms	English Books on Tuesday Chinese Books on Thursday
Friday	School Hall	English or Chinese Books

Thank you.

In Partnership with you,

Mrs Theresa Hong
Principal

1) 农历新年庆祝会 / 农历新年假期

我校将在 1 月 28 日 (星期二) 庆祝农历新年。学生当天不会上课, 但是必须如常到学校报到。校方鼓励所有学生在当天穿上华族传统服装、红色上衣或学校红色 T-恤, 并搭配校鞋和袜子来学校。我校也鼓励学生携带两颗柑桔向老师和同学们拜年。由于食堂当天将不会营业, 请确保您的孩子吃了早餐才来学校。学生将根据以下的时间放学, 请家长为孩子做好接送安排。校方也通知了校车司机那一天的放学时间。当天放学时间如下:

年级	放学时间
小一、小二、小三	10 时 25 分
小四、小五、小六	10 时 30 分

学生于 1 月 29 日 (星期三) 和 1 月 30 日 (星期四) 不必上课。学生将在 1 月 31 日 (星期五) 返校上课。

预祝大家蛇年吉祥如意、新春愉快。

2) “捐献红包”活动

为了向学生宣扬关怀社会的精神, 我校会在 2 月 4 日 (星期二) 及 2 月 5 日 (星期三) 举行“捐献红包”活动。校方会把收到的捐款平均捐给三家慈善机构 (广惠肇留医院、Pertapis Home 和海悦辅导中心)。请鼓励您的孩子献出爱心, 积极捐出红包钱 (数目不限)。请让孩子把钱装进红包封套里, 我们会请每个孩子把红包投进捐款箱。恳请家长不必多给孩子零用钱, 而是鼓励孩子捐出所得红包的一部分。

3) 小一和小六智能卡 (SMART card) 照相事宜

为了制作智能卡 (SMART card), 教育部聘请了摄影师, 在 2 月 4 日 (星期二) 为一年级和六年级的学生照相。老师会通知学生们各自班级的照相时间。

4) 二月份月度焦点价值观 - 坚韧

我校的“月度焦点价值观计划”着重于灌输学校的价值观来培养学生的品格。今年二月, 我们将把焦点放在“坚韧”这一价值观上。我们坚信培养韧性能够赋予学生勇气, 使他们能够积极面对挑战, 并培养积极的心态以克服困难。我们诚挚地邀请各位家长积极参与, 于学校携手, 加强在家庭环境中培养孩子的日常经验中强化这一重要价值观。下表详细说明了您的孩子能如何展示这些价值观。您也可以在学校的学生手册第 14 页中找到此表。

年级	行为指标 (坚韧)
小一、小二	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. 我不轻易放弃, 会不断努力。2. 我照顾好自己。3. 我解决遇到的问题。
小三、小四	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. 我对生活充满热情, 积极学习。2. 我能够适应周围的变化。3. 我将挫折看作进步的机会。
小五、小六	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. 我能有效地应对压力。2. 我愿意接受反馈以让自己变得更好。3. 我支持并激励他人不轻易放弃。

您可以利用以上的行为指标与您的孩子谈论他们面临的挑战, 鼓励他们培养成长型思维, 并强调他们坚持不懈以致成功的例子。通过积极参与这些讨论, 家长在强化坚韧价值观及其对学生整体发展的持久影响方面扮演至关重要的角色。

5) 接送学生相关事宜

校方温馨提醒开车的家长于放学时间不要在一号门 (靠近通往黄埔的天桥) 或沿着梅道 (May Road) 接孩子。家长可以在附近的组屋区停放车辆, 再到一号门或五号门接孩子。恳请所有家长顾及学生的安全, 遵守以上规则。

6) 环境可持续性措施 (GREENGOV.SG)

从 2023 年开始, 学校食堂的摊主们已经不再使用一次性免洗餐具。

此外，摊主们只获准提供堂食，不提供外卖服务（打包带回家稍后食用）。因此，学生只能在食堂购买和食用食物。

7) 检测孩子的健康

自开学以来，校方发现有些学生尽管身体不适或还在病假期间，依旧到学校上课。结果，校方必须将其送回家去。提醒家长如果孩子身体不适，请不要让他上学。若孩子有病假，就在病假后再返校。

8) 手机和智能器具的使用

学校禁止学生在校内使用具有通讯和视听记录功能的手机或其他智能器具（例如智能手表）。如果学生要把这类通讯器带来学校，必须在上课时间关闭通讯器并把通讯器放在书包里。学校不允许学生在校内照相和录影。

在紧急的情况下，学校可以到办公室使用电话。

9) 家长说明会

学校将安排分别在二月及三月的两个星期六会见不同年级的家长。

年级	日期	家长会形式
小四、小五、小六	2月22日（星期六） （稍后会通知详情）	到学校出席
小二、小三	3月1日（星期六）	线上（稍后会通知详情）

（注：一年级学生的家长已在开学第一天见过级任老师）

10) 全民防卫日

由于今年的全民防卫日（2月15日）碰巧在星期六，学校将与2月10日至2月17日纪念全民防卫日，以提醒学生全民防卫人人有责，大家应该扮演好自己的角色，以确保新加坡的安全。

为了能让了解全民防卫的意义、意识到电、食物与食水的供应并非理所当然，学校将在2月14日（星期五）举办“粮食配给演习”活动。学校食堂的摊贩将在休息节时只给学生提供白饭与蔬菜，因为肉类在日军占领新加坡时期被视为奢侈品。学生无需购买白饭与蔬菜。

学校也将在2月17日（星期一）举办“断电演习”活动当天，我校将停止使用所有电器设施30分钟，让学生经历无电供应的体验。

学生经历了粮食配给与断电的演习的活动后，老师会引导他们讨论自身的体验、想法和感受。

为了让学生体会到全民防卫的重要性，校方希望家长能与校方配合。除非基于健康理由，以致孩子无法参与这项活动，否则请不要在当天为孩子准备任何食物。学生还是可以在五分钟的小休息时间食用点心。此外，学生也应该携带水壶到学校。

家长可以让孩子与您分享他在这期间的经验，并强调全民防卫，人人有责。如果您有任何问题，请直接联系英文部主任—杨宝吉老师（Mr Benjamin Yeo 电邮：yeo_poh_kiat_benjamin@moe.edu.sg.）。

11) 课程辅助活动 / 课外活动

校方已在第一学段的第二周开始进行四年级、五年级和六年级的课程辅助活动。

（活动时间：2时至4时）

周数	日期	星期二	日期	星期四
2	1月14日	课外活动	1月16日	课外活动
3	1月21日	课外活动	1月23日	课外活动
4	1月28日	（无）课外活动	1月30日	（无）课外活动
5	2月4日	课外活动	2月6日	课外活动
6	2月11日	课外活动	2月13日	课外活动
7	2月18日	课外活动	2月20日	课外活动
8	2月25日	课外活动	2月27日	课外活动
9	3月4日	课外活动	3月6日	课外活动
10	3月11日	课外活动	3月13日	课外活动

三年级的学生将于第三学段参与课程辅助活动。校方稍后会通知有关详情。

12) 三年级高才教育计划测试

三年级高才教育计划测试的两个阶段暂定时间表如下：

第一阶段测试：8月21日

第二阶段测试（通过第一阶段测试的学生将受邀参与）：10月14日及10月15日

欲知详情，请游览以下网页：

<http://www.moe.gov.sg/education/programmes/gifted-education-programme>

13) 五年级露营活动

我校将与康达小学联办今年的五年级露营活动。今年的五年级露营活动将于教育部牛乳场户外探险学习中心举行。详情如下：

露营活动一	4月3日至4月5日（星期四至星期六） 五关爱班（5C）、五卓越班（5E）、五毅班（5P）
露营活动二	4月7日至4月9日（星期一至星期三） 五勤班（5D）、五正直班（5I）、五尽责班（5R）

校方稍后会通知有关详情。

14) 清晨集会

星期	集会地点	阅读书籍
星期一和星期三	学校礼堂	英文书籍（星期一） 华文书籍（星期三）
星期二和星期四	各班级课室	英文书籍（星期二） 华文书籍（星期四）
星期五	学校礼堂	任选英文或华文书籍

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伍燕玲校长