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Dear Parents/Guardian

TERM 3 AND 4 – IMPORTANT INFORMATION

As we proceed with the rest of Term 3, I would like to share some important information with you.

STUDENT MATTERS – Important Dates to Note

Teachers' Day falls on Fri, 4 Sep 2020 and it is a school holiday. The end-of-term break will commence on Sat, 5 Sep 2020. Students will report to school on Monday, 14 Sep 2020.

Last day of school for the various levels is as follows:

Level/Classes	Day/Date
Sec 1 and 2	Fri, 23 Oct 2020
Sec 3 Express	Fri, 30 Oct 2020
Sec 3N1	Mon, 26 Oct 2020
Sec 3N2, 3N3, 3NT	Fri, 23 Oct 2020
Sec 4E, Sec 5N	Fri, 2 Oct 2020
Sec 4NA and 4NT	Fri, 25 Sep 2020

Please refer to paragraphs on Examination Matters and Post-examination Matters for more details regarding the different programmes and arrangements for the Sec 3 level and graduating cohort.

CCA Resumption in Terms 3 and 4

With effect from mid-term 3, some CCAs have resumed. Please refer to the table below for details:

CCA	Mode of Delivery	CCA Resumption Status
Basketball	Physical	Started
Football	Physical	Started
Netball	E-CCA	Started
Volleyball	Physical	Started
Boys' Brigade	E-CCA	Started
Girl Guides	E-CCA	Started
NCC	E-CCA & Physical	Started
NCDCC	E-CCA	Started
NPCC	Physical	Started
Aperture	E-CCA	Started
Robotics	E-CCA	Started

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CCA	Mode of Delivery	CCA Resumption Status
D'Lite	Physical	Started
Indian Dance	Physical	Started
Modern Dance	Physical	Started
Symphonic Band	E-CCA & Physical	Starting in Week 12
Malay Dance	E-CCA	Starting in Week 12
Sepak Takraw	Physical	Starting in Week 12
Guzheng Ensemble	Physical	Starting in Week 12
AVA	Physical	Starting in Week 13
Badminton	Physical	Starting after End-of-Year Exam
Choir	Physical	Starting after End-of-Year Exam

EXAMINATION MATTERS

As we approach Preliminary Examinations for the graduating cohort and the End-of-Year Examination (EOY) for the rest of the levels, please refer to the table below for the start-dates of the respective examinations:

Level	Examination	Start-Date of Examination
Sec 4NA and Sec 4NT	Preliminary Examination	Tue, 11 Aug 2020
Sec 4E and Sec 5N	Preliminary Examination	Wed, 26 Aug 2020
Sec 1 – 3	EOY Examination	Tue, 29 Sep 2020

Please refer to the school website for a more detailed examination timetable of the respective examinations.

Please take note of the following **safety measures**:

- Students who are confirmed COVID-19 cases (currently quarantined in hospital or community isolation facilities) or who are on HQO/SHN/LOA, medical leave or are unwell with fever or flu-like symptoms should not sit for any school-based examinations.
- Students may either wear a face mask or a face shield during the examination. However, face masks are to be worn at all other times.
- Students will be assigned fixed seating arrangements throughout the whole examination period.
- Students will need to wipe down their desks at the end of the paper.

Study Break for Graduating Cohort

As encouraged by the Ministry of Education, a study break will be implemented for all graduating students prior to the start of the O-Level Examination (written papers). This is to minimise the risk of school-based transmission and reduce the QO/LOA numbers in the event of a confirmed case.

Please note the start of the study break for the graduating cohort in the table below:

Level	Start of Study Break
Sec 4NA and Sec 4NT	Fri, 25 Sep 2020
Sec 4E and Sec 5N	Fri, 2 Oct 2020

During the study break, students are strongly encouraged to remain at home to reduce the risk of contracting the virus from the community.

Consultation sessions will be conducted by teachers via Home-Based Learning (HBL) for some classes/students. These arrangements will be made between the students and their respective teachers.

Students should take note of the GCE O-Level Examination timetable to ensure that they do not miss any of their papers.

GCE N-Level (NA & NT) English Language (EL) and Mother Tongue Languages (MTL) Listening Comprehension

Please refer to the table for the dates of the respective Listening Comprehension Examinations and dismissal times for the rest of the school:

Level	Examination	Day/Date	Dismissal times for Sec 1 to 3 students
Sec 4NT	EL Listening Comprehension	Wed, 16 Sep 2020	As per normal
Sec 4NA	EL Listening Comprehension	Fri, 18 Sep 2020	As per normal: 12:30 pm
Sec 4NA	MTL Listening Comprehension	Mon, 21 Sep 2020	Sec 1 and 2: 1:00 pm Sec 3: 1:10 pm
Sec 4NT	MTL Listening Comprehension	Wed, 23 Sep 2020	As per normal

GCE N-Level Written Examination

The GCE N-Level Written Examination, involving both Sec 4NA and Sec 4NT students will commence on 14 Sep 2020 and end on 23 Sep 2020. Please refer to the GCE N-Level Examination Timetable for details.

POST-EXAMINATION MATTERS

Secondary 3 Head-Start Programme 2020

The Head-Start Programme for Secondary 3 students allows for part of the GCE O-Level Syllabus to be covered earlier. This would allow for an earlier completion of the syllabus in Secondary 4, thus giving students more time for revision prior to the national examinations.

Please refer to the following table for period of the Head-Start Programme:

Level/Class	Period
Sec 3 Express	20 to 23 Oct, 26 Oct, 28 to 30 Oct 2020
Sec 3N1	20 to 23 Oct and, 26 Oct 2020
Sec 3N2, 3N3, 3NT	20 to 23 Oct 2020

There will be no lesson on 27 Oct 2020 due to the Secondary 2 Posting Exercise 2020.

We seek your full support to ensure that your child/ward attends this programme. Please refer to the school website or the detailed timetable for the programme.

Secondary 1 and 2 Leadership Programme

The General Leadership Programme will be conducted for Secondary 1 and 2 students from 20 to 22 Oct 2020. The 3-day programme aims to allow all students to discover the leader within themselves and learn skills in leading others.

The programme will run from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm for the three days. Students will be dismissed at 1:00 pm for the 3 days.

The necessary safety measures will be strictly adhered to during the programme.

Secondary 2 Posting Exercise 2020

The Secondary 2 Posting Exercise will be held soon. The exercise will be carried out on Admin Breeze. More details on the procedure will be shared shortly. In the meantime, do note the following dates:

Stage	Period	Dates/Time
Trial Posting Exercise	Term 3 Week 14	24 Aug to 4 Sep 2020
Actual Posting Exercise	Term 4 Week 6	20 to 22 Oct 2020
Release of Posting Result	Term 4 Week 7	30 Oct 2020 (from 8:00 am)
Appeal	Term 4 Week 8	30 Oct to 3 Nov 2020 (until noon)
Release of Appeal Result	Term 4 Week 9	9 Nov 2020 (from 8:00 am)

YSS e-Open House 2020

This year, the YSS Open House will be carried out via a different platform. The e-Open House will take place from 17 to 30 Nov 2020. Parents can access information regarding the school and its myriad of programmes via the e-Open House link on the school website.

There will be live Q&A sessions on the following days:

- 27 Nov 2020 (2:00 pm to 4:00 pm)
- 28 Nov 2020 (9:00 am to 12:00 pm)

SCHOOL CELEBRATIONS

Despite these trying times, we will continue to add colour to school life by making the best of the celebrations in school. In Terms 3 and 4, we can look forward to Teachers' Day Celebration and the Graduation Ceremony for the graduating cohort.

Teachers' Day Celebration (TDC) 2020

TDC 2020 will take place on Thu, 3 Sep 2020. Students will report to school as per normal. There will be lessons from 8:00 am to 10:00 am.

This will be followed by the TDC which is organised entirely by the Student Leaders of the school to show gratitude to their teachers.

Students will be dismissed at 10:45 am on that day.

Graduation Ceremony 2020

Details for the YSS Graduation Ceremony are as follows:

- Day and Date: Fri, 25 Sep 2020
- Time: 2:30 pm to 4:45 pm
- Venue: School Hall

More details will be made known later.

Once again, I thank you for your continuous support for all initiatives and school programmes.

Please feel free to email us at (yishun_ss@moe.edu.sg) if you require any clarifications or additional information.

Thank you and have a pleasant week ahead.

Keep well and safe.



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