



GUANGYANG PRIMARY SCHOOL

A Vibrant School, A Learning Community Committed to Excellence

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Maximising the Potential of All Learners

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Loyalty

Diligence

Courage

Honesty

Teamwork

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Dear Primary 4 Parents/Guardians,

I hope that you managed to spend some quality time with your child/ward during the June holidays and your child/ward is rested and recharged to start the new semester. With the easing of safe management measures, we will be resuming certain school programmes this semester and I am sure your child/ward will be excited with the upcoming activities planned for them.

As we begin a new term, I will also like to provide an update on matters pertaining to staff and students as well as to take the opportunity to keep you informed of the school events in Term 3.

1 ANNOUNCEMENTS

1.1 School Achievements

National School Games South Zone Basketball Competition (Senior Boys)

The senior boys competed in the 2022 National School Games which took place from 18 April 2022 to 26 May 2022 and finished amongst the Top 8 in the South Zone Senior Boys Division.

Our senior basketball team comprises of the following students:

Class	Name of Student	Class	Name of Student
6 Courage	Ezra Jeevan Xavier	6 Loyalty	Carlos Riquelme Marcus
	He Tianyi		Muhammad Akil Norriyan Bin Mohammad Noh
	Samip Gurung		Sharma Shah Vel S/O Subagar
6 Diligence	Dharma Shah Vel S/O Subagar		Soh Ding Chong
	Mohd Razeef Haque Bin Md Azizul Haque	6 Honesty	Nitesh Balasubramaniam
	Nathan Aaron		Shayan Sunuwar
	Muhammad Akil Norreyhan Bin Mohammad Noh		Max Toh Rui Heng
			Jaze Lim Wei Jie

We are very proud of the dedication and sportsmanship displayed by our team throughout the tournament. Well done, team!

National School Games South Zone Badminton Competition (Senior Boys)

The senior boys formed a combined school team with students from Townsville Primary School and competed in the South Zone Badminton Competition which took place from 11 April 2022 to 27 May 2022. The team finished 3rd in the preliminary group stage.

We will like to congratulate the following students for demonstrating courage and resilience during all their games:

Name of student	Class
He Tianyi	6 Courage
Tang Zhimo	
Nitesh Balasubramaniam	6 Honesty

Moo-O Awards 2022

The Moo-O Awards, supported by the Speak Good English Movement, is a digital story-telling competition organised yearly to motivate students to read and speak fluently and expressively in English. Three of our students took part in the Moo-O Awards this year where they clinched the Gold Award. Their winning video can be viewed at <https://plus.moo-o.com/tma/>. Congratulations to the following students:

Name of student	Class
Sapthavi Ganeswaran	3 Courage
Liu Siyu	3 Loyalty
Adele Zhan Ya Shi	3 Teamwork

1.2 Staff Movement

The end of Term 2 saw the departure of Ms Hiang Cheng Woon and Mr Mohamed Faisal (Year Head/Middle Primary) who have been posted to another school and MOE HQ respectively. Another of our esteemed colleague, Ms Trupti Vikas Palkar, will also be on long term leave due to personal reasons. We will like to express our appreciation for their contributions to the school.

2 SCHOOL CALENDAR, EVENTS AND PROGRAMMES

2.1 School Events and Public/School Holidays

Term 3 commences on **Monday, 27 June 2022** and ends on **Friday, 2 September 2022**. Please take note of the school events and public/school holidays during Term 3 as shown below. Students are **not required to report to school** on these days.

Date	Day	School Event
15 - 16 August	Monday - Tuesday	PSLE Oral Examinations

Date	Day	Public/School Holiday
4 July	Monday	Youth Day (School Holiday)
11 July	Monday	Hari Raya Haji
9 August	Tuesday	National Day
10 August	Wednesday	National Day (School Holiday)
2 September	Friday	Teachers' Day (School Holiday) *

		<i>* The school's General Office will also be closed for a staff event on this day</i>
3 – 11 September	Saturday – Sunday	Term 3 School Holidays

2.2 Commemoration of Racial Harmony Day, National Day and Teachers' Day Celebrations

Please note the details of the celebrations as shown below.

Date	Day	Event	Remarks
20 July	Wednesday	Racial Harmony Day	<p>The theme for Racial Harmony Day is 'Our Multicultural Mosaic' which depicts Singapore's unique approach towards multiculturalism and social cohesion, where the experiences of every individual matter and add to our diversity. We will be celebrating this event with several activities during recess and in the classroom.</p> <p>All students are encouraged to come dressed in their ethnic wear on that day.</p>
8 August	Monday	National Day Celebrations	<p>As we celebrate our nation's 57th birthday, students will learn about our past and the contributions of our leaders and the pioneer generations. As part of the celebration, we will also be having the ACES (All Children Exercise Simultaneously) workout.</p> <p>All students are encouraged to come in comfortable shoes and appropriate red and white attire suitable for exercise on that day.</p> <p>The dismissal timing for all students will be at 10.00 am.</p>
1 September	Thursday	Teachers' Day Celebrations	We will be marking the occasion with an assembly and class-based activities.

2.3 Start Right, Smile Bright (SRSB) Programme

The SRSB programme aims to provide students with a positive start at the beginning of each term. Besides checking in on the well-being of the students, the programme also seeks to equip students with competencies to learn efficiently and effectively.

For this term, a workshop focusing on time management and organisational skills has been planned for the students on **Monday, 27 June 2022** to help them to cope with the demands of learning at the upper primary.

2.4 Mathematics Heritage Trail

To provide students with opportunities to apply Mathematics in everyday life and to learn mathematical concepts in a fun manner, the Mathematics department will be organising the Mathematics Heritage Trail during curriculum hours for all levels during the week of **22 to 31 August 2022**. In addition, the trail will incorporate aspects of the school's history to celebrate our rich heritage.

2.5 Science Alive!

With the aim of exciting our students to explore how Science works in their daily life, the Science department has collaborated with the Singapore Science Centre to organise the Science Alive! workshop on **Thursday, 21 July 2022** for the Primary 4 students. Through the workshop, the students will explore the nature of light with a series of hands-on activities. Students will investigate how different mirrors, lenses and materials affect how light travels and also cover aspects of colours, shadows, and light as a form of energy.

2.6 Remedial Lessons

To address learning gaps of students, we will be conducting remedial lessons for selected students from Term 3 Week 2 onwards. Parents/Guardians of identified students will be informed through the Parent Gateway at a later date. Please make the necessary lunch and transport arrangements if your child/ward is selected for these lessons.

3 HOME – SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP

3.1 Parent Engagement on Subject-Based Banding (SBB)

A webinar will be conducted on **Wednesday, 31 August 2022** to share with parents on the intent of SBB, how it is conducted in the school and the implications on the student's educational pathway. More details on the webinar will be shared with parents/guardians at a later date.

4 SCHOOL OPERATIONS AND SAFETY MATTERS

4.1 Safe Management Measures (SMMs)

The school will continue to be vigilant in our fight against COVID-19. We will like to seek your cooperation to ensure that your child/ward bring the following items to school daily:

- (i) Working TraceTogether Token and
- (ii) Spare face masks

We will also like to reiterate the need for every child to observe good personal hygiene and exercise social responsibility by not coming to school when he/she is sick. If your child/ward is a close contact to a COVID-19 patient, he/she will need to carry out a self-administered ART daily before reporting to school as per MOH Health Protocol 3.

4.2 Temperature-Taking Exercise

There will be a temperature-taking exercise on **Wednesday, 29 June 2022**. Please ensure that your child/ward brings a working oral digital thermometer (ODT) on that day. If a replacement of ODT or battery is required, students can purchase it at the school bookshop before the day of the exercise.

5 ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

5.1 Annual Health Visit

The Health Promotion Board (HPB) will be conducting the annual school health visit to provide age-appropriate health screening and/or immunisation services for primary school from **Tuesday, 12 July 2022** to **Friday, 15 July 2022**.

5.2 2022 Class Photograph

Please be informed that you can place orders for your child's/ward's class photos. Each class has formal and fun photographs, available in 5R (\$4.00 each) and 8R (\$7.00 each). The information such as the cost, size and type of photograph are also indicated on the envelope. You may wish to place your order by putting the money into the envelope that the Form Teachers had given to your child and pass the sealed envelope back to the Form Teachers by **Wednesday, 29 June 2022**. It is not mandatory to order.

My teachers and I look forward to working with you in the coming semester to bring out the best in your child/ward. Please feel free to contact your child/ward's Form Teachers if you have any queries or concerns.

Thank you.

Yours faithfully,



Mr Enoch Lau
Principal