14 September, 2023



TERM 4 NOTE FOR PARENTS AND GUARDIANS - SEP 2023

A. GREETINGS FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Greetings!

I hope you have had a quality one-week break with your family.

As we move into the last term of the academic year, I would like to express my appreciation and gratitude for your partnership in supporting the children's educational journey. It is heartening to witness them growing in wisdom, in values and in confidence throughout this year. We are confident that together we will continue to be their community of support and strength as they continue to seek purpose in their endeavour and soar to a greater height.

This term, our graduating cohort and students in other levels will soon be sitting for their Primary School Leaving Examinations (PSLE) and Final Year Examinations respectively. Please continue to encourage and support them as they prepare for their examinations. We seek your continued partnership to support their social and emotional well-being. Please connect with the form teacher if you have any concerns about their learning and well-being. We wish our students every success in their examinations.

B. P6 Study Break (Monday, 25 September 2023 to Wednesday, 27 September 2023)

(Mr Kumaran, Year Head/Upper Primary)

Please be reminded that all P6 students would be on a 3-day study break from Monday, 25 September to Wednesday, 27 September in the lead up to PSLE. This is to provide the students with time for revision and to cater to their well-being.

Please refer to the announcement sent on 24 August, Thursday, for the details of the study break and a letter from our Principal.

Do note that the timetable for each class is different to cater to the different subject teachers who are teaching classes of other levels. The respective subject teachers would have provided the finer details by 12 September, Tuesday.

C. Primary School Leaving Examinations (PSLE)

(Mr Kumaran, Year Head/Upper Primary)

Please be reminded that the PSLE examinations would be conducted this term for our Primary 6 students. Do note the details and schedule of the examinations. The timetable and instructions to candidates can be found in the link here. (https://www.seab.gov.sg/home/examinations/psle)

Do take some time to go through these instructions with your child as they prepare themselves for a significant milestone in their lives. As partners in education, let us give our Concordians all the support they need to help them achieve greater heights.

D. P6 Code For Fun (Post-PSLE Activity)

(Miss Norishah Anwar, HOD ICT (cvg))

As part of the nation's efforts to enhance digital literacy, the Code for Fun (CFF) Enrichment Programme, offered jointly by IMDA and MOE, will be conducted for our P6 students as a post-PSLE activity. In this programme, students will be exposed to basic coding skills and computational thinking. Please refer to the schedule below:

| Day & Date | Time | Class | Remarks |
|----------------------------------|---|-------|--|
| 9 Oct (Mon) & 10 Oct (Tues) | 8.00 am to 1.30 pm | 6C | |
| 11 Oct (Wed) & 12 Oct (Thurs) | *9.00 am to 2.00 pm 7.30 am to 1.30 pm | 6D | *Students will be dismissed at 2.00 p.m. on 11 Oct (Wed) due to MCCA from 7.30 a.m. to 9.00 a.m. |
| 13 Oct (Fri) & 19 Oct (Thurs) | 8.00 am to 1.30 pm | 6F | |
| 20 Oct (Fri) & 23 Oct (Mon) | 8.00 am to 1.30 pm | 6A | |
| 24 Oct (Tues) & 25 Oct (Wed) | 7.30 am to 1.30 pm *9.00 am to 2.00 pm | 6E | *Students will be dismissed at 2.00 p.m. on 25 Oct (Wed) due to MCCA from 7.30 a.m. to 9.00 a.m. |
| 26 Oct (Thurs) & 27 Oct (Fri) | 8.00 am to 1.30 pm | 6B | |

All students are expected to complete the 10-hours of CFF training sessions. Sessions will be conducted in the respective classrooms, by a trainer from IMDA, during curriculum hours.

E. Secondary School Fair @ Concord (Thursday, 9 November 2023)

(Mr Kumaran, Year Head/Upper Primary)

Please be informed that different secondary schools would be sharing about their niche programmes with our Concordians to help them make informed decisions when choosing a secondary school. The session would be conducted in school, during curriculum hours.

F. Graduation Day Celebrations (Thursday, 16 November 2023)

(Mr Kumaran, Year Head/Upper Primary)

To mark the end of the year, the P6 students would be involved in a celebration to mark their graduation from Primary School on Thursday, 16 November. More details of the celebration will be made available after the PSLE. The celebration would be conducted in school during curriculum hours.

G. Home-based Learning (HBL)

(i) PSLE Listening Comprehension and Written Examination

(Mr Tan Kim Keong, HOD (Special Projects))

| Activity | Date | Levels having HBL | Levels reporting to School for lessons |
|--|---------------------------------|-------------------|--|
| PSLE Listening Comprehension Examination | 15 September 2023 (Friday) | P1 – P5 | - |
| | 28 September 2023 (Thursday) | P1 & P2 only | P3, P4 & P5 |
| | 29 September 2023 (Friday) | P1 & P2 only | P3, P4 & P5 |
| PSLE Written Examination | 2 October 2023 (Monday) | P3 & P4 only | P1, P2 & P5 |
| | 3 October 2023 (Tuesday) | P3 & P4 only | P1, P2 & P5 |

Further details on the HBL will be shared via the Parents Gateway (PG) closer to the date.

During the Home-based Learning period, if you are unable to secure alternative care arrangements for your children/wards, do kindly let us know via the link: https://form.gov.sg/64f2caac05060500121059ae. This link can also be found in the PG note sent on 2 September 2023.

Do take note that our school-based Student Care will continue to operate in the afternoon during the HBL period.

If you have any queries, do contact the school at 6763 2139.

(ii) PSLE Marking Days

(Miss Norishah Anwar, HOD ICT (cvg))

The PSLE Marking Exercise will be conducted in Week 6 from Monday, 16 October 2023 till Wednesday, 18 October 2023. As such, students will be engaged in Home-Based Learning (HBL). Further details on the HBL will be shared via PG closer to the date. Details of the assignments for HBL will also be made available on the school's HBL website prior to the HBL dates. Students who are enrolled in the school-based SCC will be informed separately by the student care operator. All students will return to school on **Thursday,19 October 2023**.

For any clarification or for a loan of school device to support your child during the HBL period, you may email Miss Norishah at norishah anwar@moe.edu.sg. There will be terms and conditions involved. Thank you.

Thank you for your continuous partnership with the school in helping your child/ward be responsible for his/her own learning. Please contact the school at 6763 2139 if you need any clarification

H. LEARNING DISPOSITIONS (PRIMARY 1 - PRIMARY 6)

(Mdm Siti Rianawati, HOD EL)

Learning Dispositions (LDs) are positive behaviours and attitudes towards learning. These LDs signal the importance for our students to embrace lifelong learning where they can thrive and face life's challenges. The LDs are observed through the different subjects taught and aligned with the school core values. The LDs allow for a comprehensive, progressive and holistic view of the students through their six years of education in the school. The LDs will be reported as Personal Qualities in the Holistic Development Profile at the end of the year.

I. END-OF-YEAR ORAL EXAMINATION (P3-P5)

(Mdm Siti Rianawati, HOD EL)

(i) The End -of-Year Oral Examination has been scheduled on the following dates:

| Level | Date(s) | Subject / Time | Remarks (if any) |
|-----------|------------------------------------|--|---|
| Primary 3 | 02.10.2023, Mon 03.10.2023, Tue | EL Modified Oral Assessment (MOA) MTL Modified Oral Assessment (MOA) | Please refer to part (ii) on the conduct of MOA via SLS. |
| | | | Students should complete the MOA on the stipulated dates. |
| Primary 4 | 19.09.2023, Tue 21.09.2023, Thu | English Language Mother Tongue Languages | Curriculum time Curriculum time |
| Primary 5 | 19.09.2023, Tue 21.09.2023, Thu | English Language & Foundation English Mother Tongue Languages & Foundation Mother Tongue | 2 – 5pm 2 – 5pm |

(ii) Conduct of MOA

| Level | English Language | Mother Tongue Languages |
|-------|--|---|
| P3 | Components* assessed in SLS as <u>3</u> separate activities: | Components* assessed in SLS as <u>3</u> separate activities: |
| | (a) Reading Aloud (b) Picture Response Part 1 – Responding to picture stimulus Part 2 – Responding to main prompt based on theme of passage and/or picture stimulus | (a) Reading Aloud (b) Picture Response Part 1 – Responding to picture stimulus Part 2 – Responding to main prompt based on theme ofpassage and/or picture stimulus |
| | * Instructions are read out at the beginning of each component. | * Instructions are read out at the beginning of each component. |

J. Children's Day Celebrations 2023

(Mr Muhd Osman, HOD CCE)

We are thrilled to announce the return of our annual Children's Day Carnival and Sports Day on Thursday, October 5, 2023. This promises to be an exciting and fun-filled day for all our students.

On this special day, school will operate as per normal hours, but with a twist! All students are kindly requested to come to school dressed in their Physical Education (PE) attire. They are also allowed to wear their sports shoes for the sports day events.

We have a fantastic lineup of carnival rides and booths to keep the excitement levels high. Each class will also have its own celebration, filled with games, snacks, and laughter. In addition, get ready for some friendly competition and teamwork in various sports and tele-match activities. Recess will be scheduled as per normal to ensure students have time to refuel and recharge for the day's activities.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish all our students an early Happy Children's Day! Our goal is to create a day filled with fond memories that your children will cherish for years to come."

K. G.R.A.C.E. Day 2023

(Mdm Nur Eva Jailani, LH Mathematics & Ms Maslina Nis Bee, LH English Language)

As we enter into Term 4 of 2023, there will be G.R.A.C.E. (**G**iving **R**ecognition & **A**ffirmation for **C**oncordians of **E**xcellence) Day at the end of the year. The theme is "Together, We Strive & Thrive!".

GRACE Day will be held on Friday, 17 November 2023. It is the time of the year when we celebrate the achievements of Concordians and appreciate our partners in education.

It will be a 1-day event which consists of two parts: Part 1 involves prize winners from Primary 1 to 3 while Part 2 involves prize winners from Primary 4 to 6.

Please note that there will be NO school on this day. Only prize winners and students involved in the event will report to school. Parents of the prize winners from Primary 1 to 6 will receive invitations to join the event and witness live performances. More information on the invitation will be shared closer to the event date.

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