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NOTIFICATION FOR PARENTS AND GUARDIANS - MARCH 2018 (P4 to P6)

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A. THE WEEKS AHEAD

Date	Event Description
10 - 18.03.2018	School Holidays
24.03.2018	Parents' Symposium
05 - 09.03.2018	Learning Journey to Singapore Philatelic Museum – P3
07 – 10.03.2018	TIE Santa Laurensia, Jakarta, Indonesia

B. GREETINGS FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

In Concord Primary School (CPS), we aim to cultivate our students as responsible and independent persons who take personal responsibility for their own actions. A very good example is taking care of their own belongings. Forgetfulness is common amongst students and it is a sign that they lack personal responsibility. Our teachers have taught and encouraged students to pack their bags so that they remember to bring the required items for lessons, to school. Students should take responsibility if they have forgotten to bring any item to school and not expect their parents to bring the items to school for them, as it causes inconvenience to others when assistance is required, to deliver their belongings.

Home-school partnership is critical in this endeavour to inculcate personal responsibility in our students. We will remind teachers not to ask students to call home and request for the delivery of items they have forgotten to bring to school. Together, teachers and parents must message to the students that they must take personal responsibility and face the consequences of their actions or non-actions. However, we recognize that some items, eg wallets, spectacles or medication, are critical for our students. Therefore, the school will only facilitate delivery of critical items if necessary.

C. ADMINISTRATION MATTERS

(Mr David Wang, VP(A))

C1 eRegistration with MFA during Travel

All parents/guardians who are travelling out of Singapore for holidays are encouraged to monitor the health situations in the countries of travel and to refer to the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA) for travel advisories. Please remain vigilant and observe measures recommended by local health authorities when travelling overseas. If you are travelling overseas, please eRegister with MFA at <http://eregister.mfa.gov.sg/> to facilitate contact tracing in the event of an emergency.

C2 Online Travel Declaration For The Term 1 School Holidays

Please inform the school of your children's/wards' travel plans for the Term 1 School Holidays, by indicating your details in MCOonline from **02.03.2018 onwards**. Please note that you can submit the Travel Declaration more than once if you are travelling to more than 1 country and sign on the space given before submitting the information.

If you are not able to submit your reply through MCOonline, hardcopies of the form are available at the General Office. Your children/wards may submit the hardcopies of the completed Travel Declaration forms to the General Office.

C3 Survey for Phase 1 Registration of Children for Admission to Primary One in 2019

This is a priority phase for siblings of students who are currently studying in CPS. All children registered under this phase will be given places in the school. The child to be registered must be a **Singapore Citizen/Singapore Permanent Resident** and must be born between **02.01.2012 and 01.01.2013 (both dates inclusive)**. Please complete the attached form, by **09.03.2018**. We will provide all parents of CPS students with siblings eligible for 2019 Phase 1, so that a hard copy of the 2019 Primary 1 Registration Form may be given to.

D. ONLINE CONSENT FOR IMMUNISATION SERVICES

(Mr David Wang, VP(A))

To support your child's wellbeing, the Health Promotion Board has been providing free health services, such as screening, immunisation and dental checks in schools. Parents must give their consent before their children receive the services. To make the submission of consent more convenient and secure, the Health Promotion Board has launched the Child Consent Portal (<https://childconsent.hpb.gov.sg>). Please submit your consent online by **09.03.2018**; it only takes three simple steps:

- 1) Log on to <https://childconsent.hpb.gov.sg> using your SingPass with 2-factor authentication (2FA)
- 2) Type in your child's NRIC/BC/FIN
- 3) Fill up and submit the medical form

E PARENTS' SYMPOSIUM: IGNITE THE JOY OF LEARNING

(Mdm Ee Peck San, HOD ICT & YH MP(Cvrg))

CPS is organising its inaugural Parents' Symposium which aims to provide parents the opportunity to have a clearer understanding of the knowledge and skills that your children will acquire; and the different strategies we use in school to engage our students. All parents of CPS students are invited to attend the series of workshops specially planned for you. We hope that parents will work together with us towards igniting the joy of life-long learning in their children.

Programme Guide for Parents' Symposium 24.03.2018, Saturday	
8.00 am – 9.00 am	Address by Keynote Speaker from NIE
9.00 am – 10.10 am	Concurrent Session 1 Workshops
10.10 am – 11.20 am	Concurrent Session 2 Workshops
11.20 am – 12.30 pm	Concurrent Session 3 Workshops
Note: There will be a 10-minute break between workshops. Light refreshments will be provided. You will get to attend 3 different workshops. You are required to select 1 workshop per Concurrent Session. Workshops will cover the following subject areas:	
1. EL, Math, Science, MTL	3. Inter-disciplinary Project Work (IPW)
2. ALP (E3 Reasoning) & LLP (OE)	4. PE, Art & Music (PAM)

The Parents' Symposium consists of a Keynote Address on the theme "Ignite the Joy of Learning" by Dr Hanin Hussain, a teacher-educator at NIE, and three concurrent sessions with a choice of five to six different workshops, presented by our staff.

Please refer to the table below for the details of workshops available in each concurrent session. Click on this [Google Form link](#) to register your choice of the workshop that you would like to attend in each concurrent session. If the workshop has reached its maximum capacity, it will no longer be reflected in the Google Form. The registration period will be from **Fri, 02.03.2018 to Wed, 07.03.2018**. Please note that registration will not be accepted after this deadline.

As the target audience of the symposium is parents, please make childcare arrangements for your child(ren) at home. We regret that children will not be allowed to attend the symposium due to space constraints.

We look forward to your participation at Parents' Symposium 2018. You may contact Mdm Ee at ee_peck_san@moe.edu.sg or the General Office at 67632139 for any queries.

Details of Workshops for Group B					
Available in Concurrent Sessions	Subjects	Name of Presenter(s)	Title and Information	Max. No.	Venue
1 and 2	EL	Mrs Raymond Mdm Norhariaty	<u>It's a Cloze!</u> When we apply our background knowledge as we read, we guide students to make connections between their experiences, their knowledge about the world and the text they read. Using the annotation and looking out for contextual clues strategies will aid our students in their understanding of comprehension cloze.	30	Teaching lab
1 and 2	MATH	Ms Fang BH Mdm Suzanne	<u>MT² (Math Talking and Thinking)</u> Mathematics is about making connection of ideas, recognising how the thinking relates to key Mathematical concepts and making further generalisations. Our students are given the opportunities to discover, reason and communicate mathematics via Talk Moves. They will engage in stimulating discussions and activities where they explore possibilities, concretise and articulate their understanding through the process.	30	E3-03
1 and 2	SC	Mdm Mona Lee Mdm Yap LK	<u>Process Skills in Science</u> What are Science process skills? We often hear this buzzword without really understanding what they are. Our Upper Primary students need to use process skills like formulating hypothesis, analysing and investigation. Strengthening this set of skills is essential in the learning of scientific concepts and developing a successful Science learner.	30	Edison Lab
1 and 2	CL	Miss Loh SY Mrs Janet Chan Mdm Chua BK Mdm Yuan HL	<u>Learning Chinese, fun and effectively</u> Learning Chinese language is beneficial. How can parents help your child foster a love for Chinese language and make Chinese language a part of their life? Empower your children with an array of practical applications of Chinese language so that they possess oral skills and presentation confidence.	30	E3-01
1	ML	Mdm Junaidah Mdm Hayati	<u>Menggunakan Interaksi Sehari-hari untuk Mengembangkan Kosakata</u> Family plays an integral part in your child's learning. Discover various family bonding activities which can equip your child with Malay vocabulary and thinking skills. These skills are essential to the strengthening of their oracy confidence, preparing them for practical applications in their lives.	30	E4-03
2	TL	Mrs Ganeson Mrs Sasi Santa	<u>Fun with Tamil Language</u> Learning Tamil in a fun way will motivate students to use the language more confidently. Home support is important for the child's growth. In this session, parents will learn how they may carry out learning activities naturally at home to complement school's efforts.		E4-02
3	IPW	Ms Maslina Mdm Vijay	<u>The Thinking Chef</u> The Thinking Chef is an interdisciplinary learning experience that encourages students to break away from the compartmentalization of the different subject disciplines. Discover how our students embark on projects involving science via hydroponics and understand the impact of Singapore's land scarcity in our agricultural landscape.	30	Newton Lab
2 and 3	ALP	Mdm Belinda Cheong Mdm Shannon Lim	<u>Making Thinking Visible through E3 Reasoning</u> E3 Reasoning Programme aims to enable, enrich and empower our students to acquire critical and inventive thinking skills in curriculum (through explicit teaching) and beyond curriculum (via Lego Robotics). The school anchors on learner-centred pedagogy to create meaningful experiences for our students. This approach helps to introduce, consolidate and extend students' learning during and beyond the classroom.	30	E2-01
3	PAM	Ms See SL Mr Muhd Jellanie Ms Esther Tioh	<u>Obesity</u> What is healthy eating and how to increase physical activity in daily routines. Discover ways to encourage a fussy eater to eat fruits and veggies <u>Digitise Me</u> Learn how to use ICT as a novice and be inspired by the wonders of how technology can transform art expressions. <u>Striking a Chord with Concordians</u> Music lessons in the upper primary students are taught and exposed to several types of musical instruments and they get to play ukulele, guitar and garage band (ie. use of I-Pad) as an accompaniment.	30	Music Room 1
3	LLP	Mr Ow KL Ms Kanmani Mr Tan WL Ms Norishah	<u>Go Anywhere, Learn Everywhere!</u> Discover learning in a space without border with just a smart device. Be empowered to become a self-directed learner in collaboration with others. Making meaningful connections to authentic information around you, experience adventure education which heightens motivation and appetite for learning anywhere, everywhere!(Download a QR Code Reader on your phone)	30	Group 1: E1-01 Group 2: E1-03

F Learning Journey to Singapore Philatelic Museum (P3)

(Mdm Ee Peck San, HOD ICT & YH MP(Cvrg))

Every stamp tells a story. Through the learning journey to Singapore Philatelic Museum, all P3 students will discover and connect with Singapore's heritage, culture, history and milestones that have been captured on stamps. By completing a discovery trail in the museum on the iPads with their peers, our students will experience rich social interaction, giving them an opportunity to develop their social skills.

The table below shows the schedule of the learning journey each day in week 10 by class. Please note that your child **will have lessons as usual from 7.30 am and have lunch in school**. Please acknowledge that you have read this notification by submitting the **Acknowledgement Form** by **05.03.2018**.

Class	Date	Class	Date
3A	Wed, 07.03.2018	3D	Tue, 06.03.2018
3B	Thu, 08.03.2018	3F	Mon, 05.03.2018
3C	Fri, 09.03.2018	3E	Fri, 09.03.2018

Note: No snacks are allowed in the museum. All students will reach school by 4.00 pm.

G Parenting Workshop: Good Enough Parenting- Avoiding Exasperation Interactions

(Mdm Ee Peck San, HOD ICT & YH MP(Cvrg))

This parenting workshop is organised for you in partnership with HOPE Worldwide (Singapore). Avoiding Exasperation Interactions is an essential component of relationship-based evidence-informed Good Enough Parenting (GEP) model developed by John and Karen Louis. Through an in-depth understanding of nine research-based unhealthy Exasperation Interactions and their healthy counterpart, Nurturing Interactions, parents will be equipped with strategies to avoid unintended conflict with their children. Parents will gain awareness and realization of their own Exasperation Interactions which are mostly done unconsciously in a subtle and unintended manner.

Please register for this workshop by filling the Registration Form by 09.03.2018, and embark on the journey to improve your relationship with your children!

Date	Time	Venue
Sat, 07.04.2018	9.00 am to 11.00 am	Concord Primary School (E1-01)

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