

22 January 2024

Dear Parents/Guardian,

### A. Primary 4 School-Based Assessment for 2024

In line with the adjustments made by the Ministry of Education to reduce assessment load and stakes for school-based examination in order to push for learning for life and joy of learning, the Mid-Year examinations have been removed. This move will free up valuable curriculum time for the school to customize deeper learning experiences for our students.

In place of the Mid-Year examinations, the school has introduced Weighted Assessments as a form of formative assessment to gauge students' learning and to build their confidence and desire to learn.

A summary of the scope of the school's Weighted Assessment is presented in the Annex. The Year-End Semestral Assessment will continue to be administered. More information on the schedule and topics tested will be shared at a later date.

Beyond these weighted assessments, the school also conducts non-weighted assessment as an additional layer of formative assessment to enhance teaching and learning. There will be a good balance between weighted and non-weighted assessment to provide teachers and parents / guardians with a good sensing of the progress and development of each child. Examples of weighted and non-weighted assessments may include unit and topical reviews, pen and paper assessment, performance tasks, oral and listening components etc.

The school will also continue to organize Parent-Teacher Conferences (PTC) at the end of the Semester 1 to engage the parents / guardians on your child's / ward's progress for the Semester.

#### **B. School Assessment Weighting**

The following table indicates the percentage of marks apportioned to each term / semester for the core subjects.

Level	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
Primary 4		Weighted Assessment 15%	Weighted Assessment 15%	Semestral Assessment 70%















#### C. School Assessment Policy

The well-being of our students is of utmost importance. In the interest of the entire student population of RMPS, we appeal to parents not to send your child to school for their assessments if he / she is unwell / on medical leave (i.e., with a medical certificate).

The following table indicates the various codes which can be printed on the Result Slips of students who are absent for any component / paper during the assessments.

Code	Reasons For Absence	School Action	
AB	Absence without a valid reason	Score of '0' is entered for component/ paper missed.	
MC	Absence with Medical Certificate	Component(s)/ paper(s) missed will not be used for computation of Overall Results.	
VR	Absence with valid reason (Official supporting documents must be submitted; letter of excuse from parent will NOT be accepted)	These students will not be disadvantaged in any way. Copies of the written paper(s) missed will also be given to them for reference/ practice at home.	

Please note that there will be <u>no re-test</u> for students who are absent from any written component(s) / paper(s). A copy of the written paper(s) missed will be given to them for reference / practice at home.

Please contact your child's / ward's Form Teacher or the respective subject's Heads of Department should you have any queries and / or concerns on assessment matters.

Thank you.

Yours Sincerely,

Mr Muhammad Farizal Bin Umar Effendi

Principal

## Annex: Schedule of Weighted Assessments for P4

## **Term 2 Weighted Assessments**

	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9
English Language		<ul> <li>Listening Comprehension</li> <li>Grammar Items</li> <li>Units 1 to 4</li> <li>Revision P1-3</li> </ul>	
Mathematics			Unit Review 1  Chapter 5: Fractions (1) Chapter 6: Fractions (II) Chapter 7: Angles Chapter 8: Rectangles and Squares
Science	Performance Tasks  Human Systems Plant Systems Matter		
Mother Tongue Language		Unit Review CL: Unit 1 to 7	

# **Term 3 Weighted Assessments**

	Week 8	Week 9
English Language	Continuous Writing	
Mathematics		Unit Review 2 Chapter 9: Decimals Chapter 10: Four Operations of Decimals Chapter 11: Pie Charts
Science	Topical Review  ■ Matter  ■ Light and Shadows  ■ Heat and Temperature	
Mother Tongue Language		Picture Composition