

SEPT 2021 - Notification for Parents and Guardians

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A. THE WEEKS AHEAD

Date	Event Description	
Thurs, 02.09.2021	Teachers' Day Celebration (Note: Staggered early dismissal)	
Fri, 03.09.2021	School Holiday – Teachers' Day	
Sat, 04.09.2021 – Sun, 12.09.2021	Term 3 School Holidays (Note : Mon, 06.09.2021 to Fri, 10.09.2021 – Parents' Survey)	
Wed, 08.09.2021 Thurs, 09.09.2021 – Fri, 10.09.2021	P6 Supplementary Classes (for selected P6 students) P6 Supplementary Classes (for <u>all</u> P6 students) (Note: Respective Teachers will be issuing Consent Forms)	
Tue, 14.09.2021 – Wed, 15.09.2021	Semestral Assessment 2 – P3 EL/MT Oral (Note: During curriculum time)	
Thurs, 16.09.2021	urs, 16.09.2021 All students will follow Fridays' timetable (from 7.45am to 1.30pm). Students will be dismissed according to the staggered dismissal timing fo Thursday.	
Fri, 17.09.2021	PSLE LC Home-Based Learning (For P1 – P5 Students) (Note: All P1 – P5 Students are not required to report to school)	
Mon, 20.09.2021 - Tue, 21.09.2021	on, 20.09.2021 – Tue, 21.09.2021 Semestral Assessment 2 – P5 EL/MT Oral (Note: 2.00pm – 5.00pm)	
Wed, 22.09.2021 - Thur, 23.09.2021	Semestral Assessment 2 – P4 EL/MT Oral (Note: 2.00pm – 5.00pm)	
Sat, 25.09.2021 - Wed, 29.09.2021	Study break for P6 students (More details will be shared later)	
Thurs, 30.09.2021 – Wed, 06.10.2021	PSLE Written Examinations	

^{*}EL – English Language, MT – Mother Tongue, LC- Listening Comprehension, Ma – Mathematics, SC – Science, H – Higher, F – Foundation













B. THE STRAITS TIMES SCHOOL POCKET MONEY FUND (STSPMF)

(Ms Gracia Tye, Admin Manager)

The application for The Straits Times School Pocket Money Fund (STSPMF) for 2022 is now open for P1- P5 students. Those who are interested can retrieve the application form from the General Office. The closing date for students to submit the application will be **Thurs**, **02.09.2021**. Students from low-income families, including MOE FAS students, who are successful in their applications, will receive the monthly school pocket money of \$60.

Students have to meet the following criteria to be eligible for the STSPMF:

- a) Student is a Singapore Citizen (SC) or Singapore Permanent Resident (SPR); and
- b) Family is living in a 4-room HDB flat or smaller; and
- c) Family has a Gross Per Capita Income (PCI) of \$690/ month or less; and
- d) Student is receiving full-time formal education at a mainstream Primary/ Secondary School/ Junior College/ Centralised Institute/ Mixed Level/ Specialised School/ Independent School/ Specialised Independent School/ MOE-designated full-time Madrasahs; and
- e) Is not concurrently receiving school pocket money fund from another STSPMF disbursing agency or receiving monthly pocket money from other schemes, excluding MOE FAS; and
- f) Has not been a STSPMF beneficiary for more than 24 months for the whole schooling years of primary and secondary education and 48 months for post-secondary school.

Successful applicants will be notified through the school by first week of January 2022.

C. REDEMPTION OF TRANSPORT SUBSIDY FOR STUDENTS TAKING PUBLIC TRANSPORT UNDER MOE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE SCHEME (FAS)

(Ms Gracia Tye, Admin Manager)

Students who have applied for transport subsidy under MOE Financial Assistance Scheme may redeem \$15 transport credit per month at any Transitlink Ticket Offices, between 28th of each month to the 10th of the following month. For the list of Ticket Offices, please refer to https://www.transitlink.com.sg/transitlink-ticket-offices/.

D. TEACHERS' DAY CELEBRATION

We will be celebrating Teachers' Day on **Thurs**, **02.09.2021** and school will function from 7.40am to 10.30am (with staggered dismissal timing for each level). Lesson will take place from 8am to 8.45am and the celebration will continue from 8.45am.

There will be no recess for the students that day so your child/ward is strongly encouraged to have his/her breakfast before coming to school. Do take note of the staggered dismissal timings for the respective levels below.

Primary 1 : 10.00am Primary 2 : 10.10am Primary 3 and 4 : 10.20am Primary 5 and 6 : 10.30am

In conjunction with the celebration, pupils are encouraged to express their gratitude to their teachers by designing their own *Thank You Cards* and should avoid purchasing gifts for their teachers. Alternatively, parents/guardians are encouraged to drop in your affirmation and compliments for any of our staff who has made a mark in bringing about positive experiences either for your child or for yourself. The school has created a webpage in the school website under "*Making Our Mark-Staff*" to support this endeavor.

Thank you in advance for your contributions!

E. HOME-BASED LEARNING (For P1 to P5 students on 17.09.2021)

(Mr Saravanan S/O Shanmugam, HOD ICT)

The school will be conducting Home-based Learning for P1 to P5 students during PSLE Listening Comprehension Examination on Fri, 17.09.2021. All P1 to P5 students are not required to report to school on that day and are to complete the home-based learning assignments.

The objectives of the Home-based Learning are:

- To inculcate independent learning habits in our students;
- To empower students with the necessary skills to use technology for self-directed learning; and
- To prepare students in the event of unexpected school closure due to national emergencies.

Assignment of non-digital prints (e.g. Workbooks, Worksheets, etc.) will be given to P1 students.

Assignments may be in the form of digital (e.g. Student Learning Space) and/ or non-digital prints (e.g. Workbooks, Worksheets, etc.)

All learning tasks will be published on the school's website as well as uploaded onto the Parents Gateway.

The suggested duration for Home-based Learning for students is as follows:

Level		Subjects	Duration
	Primary 1-2	English, Mathematics & Mother Tongue	3hr
	Primary 3-5	English, Mathematics , Mother Tongue & Science	4hr

If your child/ward encounters technical problems or login issues when accessing the online SLS portal, you may call our General Office at 6273 3937 from 8.00 am to 4.00 pm. You may contact SLS Helpdesk hotline at 6702 6513 between 9.00 am to 4.00 pm and 9.00 am to 3.00 pm on Saturdays. As all teachers will be involved in the PSLE Listening Comprehension Examination, we seek your patience if the teacher is not able to respond to queries immediately.

All online tasks and non-digital assignments must be submitted by Mon, 20.09.2021. Non-digital assignments must be handed in to the respective subject teachers.

Hard copies of the online assignments will be printed and given to students who do not have computers and Internet access at home on Thurs, 16.09.2021.

F. SA2 Oral Examinations (For P3, P4 and P5 Students)

(Mdm Lee SW Jessie, HOD/MT and Mr Goh Sheow En, HOD/EL)

The SA2 Oral Examinations will be conducted on the following days:

Subject / Levels	Primary 3	Primary 4	Primary 5
	Tues, 14.09.2021 &	Wed, 22.09.2021 &	Mon, 20.09.2021 &
EL / MT Oral	Wed, 15.09.2021	Thurs, 23.09.2021	Tues, 21.09.2021
	During Curriculum Time	2.00pm – 5.00pm*	2.00pm – 5.00pm*
Make-Up	Tues, 28.09.2021	Tues, 28.09.2021	Tues, 28.09.2021
EL / MT Oral	During Curriculum Time	During Curriculum Time	During Curriculum Time

^{*} This is an estimation of the end time. Students are dismissed once they have completed both EL and MT/FMT Oral Examination.

Important Notes:

 Safety precautions and social distancing measures will be carried out to ensure the well-being of our students during the Oral Examinations. • Please make your own transport arrangement for your child/ward if he/she is taking his/her Oral Examination in the afternoon.

Only absentees with valid reasons will be eligible to sit for the make-up Oral Examinations stated above. Supporting documents or medical certificates must be submitted to the respective Form Teachers upon their return to school. Parents' Letters of Excuse will **NOT** be accepted.

G. PRIMARY 1-3 VIRTUAL INTEGRATED TRAIL

(Mrs Doreen Foo-Chng, YH LP & Mdm Pauline Wong, YH MP)

To imbue in our students a joy of learning and to provide students with the opportunity to link the concepts that they have learnt in class to real-life scenarios, all P1-3 students will be going on a Virtual Integrated Trail to the Singapore Zoological Gardens.

The virtual trail – Wild Africa Goes to School, provides students with the opportunity to visit Wild Africa and learn more about animals like the white rhinoceros, giraffes and cheetahs in a story based tour. The students will take on challenges inspired by the African animals and at the same time, hone their observation and problem-solving skills.

The details are as follows:

Date	24/9/2021: Primary 1 28/9/2021: Primary 2 29/9/2021: Primary 3
Time	Various timing within curriculum time (60 minutes)
Venue	Radin Mas Primary School
Remarks	Students will be participating in this programme in school during curriculum hours.

H. PRIMARY 2 ARTS VIRTUAL LEARNING JOURNEY

(Mrs Doreen Foo-Chng, YH LP)

To encourage the development of a vibrant arts culture in Radin Mas Primary School and promote arts appreciation among students, all P2 students will be watching a virtual theatrical performance based on a classic piece of children's literature, How Rabbit Deceived Fox, by the Singapore Repertory Theatre. They will then participate in a digital dramatic language workshop exploring aspects of drama like voice and physicality as well as characterization. These will provide students the opportunity to develop important skills such as discussing and communicating viewpoints, thinking reflectively and connecting their own experiences on given topics.

The details are as follows:

Date	29/9/2021
Time	1145 – 1245hrs
Venue	Radin Mas Primary School
Remarks	Students will be participating in this programme in school during curriculum hours.

I. UPDATED ARRANGEMENTS FOR 2021 PSLE WRITTEN EXAMINATIONS

(Mrs Linda Tan, Vice-Principal)

For the upcoming PSLE written examinations, the Ministry of Education (MOE) and the Singapore Examinations and Assessment Board (SEAB) have updated the arrangements for candidates so that as many candidates as possible can sit for their papers while keeping candidates and staff safe.

MOE has centrally sent out the press release to all P6 parents on 28.08.2021 via Parents Gateway. Please refer to Parents Gateway for details.

J. SMM REMINDER

(Ms Mary Goh, Vice-Principal (Admin))

As part of MOE's screening measures, these categories of students should **NOT** report to school:

- a) Students staying in the same household as individuals (6 years old and above) with flu-like symptoms.
- b) Students or their household members having to undergo mandatory testing due to a COVID-19 cluster.
- Students or their household members are currently placed on Stay Home Notice, issued Health Risk Warning or under a Quarantine Order.

Parents are to alert the school if their children or any of their family members are issued the above status. Do also check in with the school, if a Health Risk Alert or Phone Surveillance notification is issued.

If students have a household member serving their quarantine order at home, MOH may issue a Stay Order or Letter of Undertaking that prevents the students from leaving their home.

Students should practise good personal hygiene both in school and at home. Students and their household members should seek medical attention immediately if they are unwell with flu-like symptoms (even mild symptoms) and should undergo a COVID-19 swab test. Do remind your child to bring his/her TT tokens and thermometer daily to school.

Thank you for your close support and partnership to make Radin Mas Primary a safe environment for all our students and staff.

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