



# Radin Mas Primary School

A School Where All Work Hard, Play Hard and Make A Mark

## OCT 2017 - Notification for Parents and Guardians

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### A. THE WEEKS AHEAD

Date	Event Description
Fri, 06.10.2017	School Holiday – Children's Day
Mon, 09.10.2017 – Thu, 12.10.2017	SA2** Oral
Mon, 09.10.2017 – Fri, 13.10.2017	P6 Personalised Learning Through Multi-Disciplinary Project Work (PL-MDPW)
Wed, 18.10.2017	Public Holiday – Deepavali
Thu, 19.10.2017 – Tue, 24.10.2017	PSLE* Marking Days Home-Based Learning (For P1 – P6 Students) <b>Note:</b> All P1 to P6 Students Stay At Home
Wed, 25.10.2017 – Mon, 30.10.2017	SA2** Written Examinations
Fri, 03.11.2017	Return of all SA2 Papers (P2 – P5) <b>Note:</b> Please check your child's/ ward's SA2 Papers to confirm that there are no errors in the marking & endorse them to indicate to the Form Teacher that you have checked them. If you spot any error(s) in marking, please inform the Form Teacher latest by 06.11.2017, so that changes can be made in time for Results Processing.
Wed, 08.11.2017	Results Processing Day <b>Note:</b> All P1 to P6 Students Stay At Home. Teachers will finalise and complete the entry of results into the computer system and print all Result Slips.

\* PSLE - Primary School Leaving Examinations

\*\* SA2 - Semester Assessment 2. Refer to SA2 Examination Matters 2017.

### B. GREETINGS FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

(Mrs Wong SS, P)

It gives me great pleasure to introduce Mr Muhammad Farizal Bin Umar Effendi, our new Vice-Principal, who joined Radin Mas Primary School (RMPS) on 25.09.2017. With Mr Farizal joining the Leadership Team of RMPS, we will continue to build on our strengths and look for creative ways to foster the Joy of Learning in our students, develop their Entrepreneurial Dare and promote a strong Singapore Spirit in our students.

My VPs and I would like to take this opportunity to wish all parents and families who celebrate Deepavali, a joyful time of celebration. To all other parents, we wish you a time of family bonding and positive interactions with friends and neighbours who celebrate Deepavali.

Hindu staff and students may leave school at 10.15 am on the eve of Deepavali, Tue, 17.10.2017. However, parents/ guardians may opt for their children/ wards to remain in school until the usual dismissal time. Please indicate your decision for your child's/ ward's dismissal arrangements, by submitting your reply via SNAAPP or the reply slip attached by **Fri, 13.10.2017**.

**For P1 and P2 parents/ guardians celebrating Deepavali**, kindly furnish the name of the person who will be fetching your children/ wards home. P1 and P2 students going home early will only be released on arrival of this nominated person. If any student is found loitering, the school will retain the child till the usual dismissal time. Please note that if you exercise the option for early dismissal, you are required to make your own transport arrangements.



### C. CHANGE OF CURRICULUM TIMING 2018

(Mrs Wong SS, P)

RMPS has always placed the well-being of our students at the centre of decision-making. We also take parents' feedback and suggestions into serious consideration when we review school processes for improvement. Many parents have voiced concerns about their children's late lunch times as a result of the school's dismissal at 2.00 pm from Monday to Thursday.

In reviewing our processes for improvements in 2018, we considered different ways to schedule our school programmes in alignment with guidelines. After careful consideration of all factors, we have come to a consensus of how to move forward, recognizing that parents may probably need time to rearrange their children's after school activities, considering the new school schedule. From 2018, Primary 3 to Primary 6 students will participate in CCAs on Monday afternoons, with a staggered lunch break before that.

The 2018 RMPS school schedule will be as follows:

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Arrival Time	7.35 am				
Dismissal Time	1.30 pm				1.15 pm
After School Programmes (2.00 – 4.00 pm)	CCA	Remedial Lessons (for selected students)	CCA (for selected students)	Remedial Lessons (for selected students)	

### D. HOME-BASED LEARNING (For P1 and P6 students)

(Miss S Thivyaa Tharrshini, HOD ICT)

The school will be conducting Home-based Learning (HBL) for P1 to P6 students on Thu 19.10.2017 to Tue, 24.10.2017. All P1 to P6 students will stay at home on that day; they are not required to report to school.

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;
- To prepare students in the event of unexpected school closure due to national emergencies.

HBL assignments may be in the form of digital (e.g. MC Online Portal) 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 Announcement Board in the MC Online Portal. Hard copies of the online assignments will be printed and given to students who do not have computers and Internet access at home. Completed online tasks and non-digital assignments must be submitted by Wed, 25.10.2017.

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

Level	Subjects	Duration
Primary 1	English, Mathematics & Mother Tongue	3hr
Primary 2	English, Mathematics & Mother Tongue	3hr
Primary 3	English, Mathematics, Mother Tongue & Science	4hr
Primary 4	English, Mathematics, Mother Tongue & Science	4hr
Primary 5	English, Mathematics, Mother Tongue & Science	4hr
Primary 6	English, Mathematics, Mother Tongue & Science	4hr

If your child/ ward encounters technical problems when accessing the online portal, you may call MC Online Portal hotline at 67775198 between 7.00 am to 9.00 pm. For Tamil content users please contact: Mr Mani at 83036242 between 7.00 am to 10.00 pm.

## E. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE SCHEME (FAS) 2018

(Mdm SH Nisaa, AM)

The school provides assistance to needy students through FAS based on guidelines by Ministry of Education. To qualify, the student must meet the following income criteria:

CRITERIA FOR ENHANCED FAS (MOE)	CRITERIA FOR FAS (SAC)
1. Maximum household income of <b>\$2500</b> per month	1. Maximum household income of <b>\$2800</b> per month
2. Per Capita Income not exceeding <b>\$625</b> per month	2. Per Capita Income not exceeding <b>\$700</b> per month
<b>Students under the FAS will be entitled to the following benefits:</b>	
1. Waiver of standard miscellaneous fees	
2. Breakfast Fund of \$2.00 per school day	
3. Lunch money \$2.00 for official school late days (ie remedial classes and Co-curricular activities)	
4. Free textbooks and compulsory stationeries	
5. Free 2 sets of school uniforms	
6. Free 2 sets of PE attire	
7. Free 2 pairs of socks	
8. Free 1 pair of shoes	
9. Transport Subsidy – Subsidy of \$120 per annum for public transport or free school bus transport	

Form Teachers will be distributing the application forms to students who are currently on FAS. The application form will be given to the eldest child for those with siblings in the school. Parents **with children studying in different schools** need to **complete only one** application form for all the school-going Singaporean children and submit it to the school of any child.

For new FAS applicants, please obtain the application form from the General Office.

Students who are currently on FAS are to return their FAS Meal Card to the General Office on the last day of the school term to facilitate the renewal of passes for 2018.

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**REPLY SLIP**  
**DISMISSAL TIME ON THE EVE OF DEEPAVALI**  
(Submit to Form Teacher by **Fri, 13.10.2017**)

Name of Child: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

If you are celebrating Deepavali, please  to indicate your decision for your child's dismissal on the eve of Deepavali.

My child **will** be going home early on Wed, 17.10.2017.\*

My child **will not** be going home early on Wed, 17.10.2017

**For P1/ P2 Hindu Students**

If you have opted for your child's early dismissal, kindly provide information of the person fetching him/ her home.

Name of Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Student: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Parent/ Guardian & Signature

\* Please note that if you exercise the option for early dismissal, you are required to make your own transport arrangements for your child(ren).