



Radin Mas Primary School

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

FEB 2017 - Notification for Parents and Guardians

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A. THE WEEKS AHEAD

Date	Event Description
Thu, 09.02.2017 – Fri, 10.02.2017	P4 Camp
Mon, 13.02.2017 – Wed, 15.02.2017	Total Defence Day (TDD) Commemoration
Wed, 15.02.2016	P1 and P6 School Smart Card Phototaking
Sat, 18.02.2017	Parents' Briefing

B. STUDENT PROTECTION PLAN

(Mdm SH Nisaa, AM)

Radin Mas Primary School (RMPS) has engaged the services of AB Lim Pte Ltd to insure our students under the Students' Accident Protection Scheme. The brochures have been distributed to all students. Parents can opt to join the scheme by indicating your option in the checkbox in the Consolidated Edusave/ Cash Payment Form for 2017. The special group premium rate is \$4.80 per student and the school would be subsidizing \$1.30 and students need to pay only \$3.50. The rate for all students currently on the Financial Assistance Scheme will be borne by the school.

C. TOTAL DEFENCE DAY (TDD) COMMEMORATION

(Mdm Marianna Binte MH, HOD CCE)

The theme for TDD this year, "Together We Keep Singapore Strong", serves as an extension of the previous year's aims of strengthening our resilience as a nation by reaffirming our shared attitudes, values and instincts as a nation, borne out of our collective will to continue keeping Singapore safe, secure and special. It also celebrates our common identity as Singaporeans, rooted in a strong sense of self, and committed to building a cohesive society ready to face the future together. These aims will strengthen every Singaporean's pride and confidence in Singapore at the start of the next 50 years, and the belief that everyone can play a part in different aspects of our defence.

RMPS will commemorate TDD from Mon, 13.02.2017 to Wed, 15.02.2017. The commemoration will be anchored by our Primary 6 VIA/ NE Ambassadors as part of their Values-In-Action (VIA) project. They will be recognizing people and organisations which have contributed to the safety and security of Singapore. They will be setting up booths with exciting activities for their peers during the recesses.



D. PHOTO-TAKING FOR P1 & P6 STUDENTS FOR THE SCHOOL SMART CARDS (SSC)

(Mdm SH Nisaa, AM)

The TransitLink Pte Ltd will be conducting the yearly photo-taking exercise for all P1 and P6 students for the issue of the SSC, on Wed, 15.02.2017. P1 students will get their SSCs by the end of March 2017. The photo-images captured for P6 students will be used for the printing of Secondary SSCs when they progressed to Secondary One in 2018. Please ensure that your child/ ward in P1 and P6 wear their school uniforms to school on **Wed, 15.02.2017**.

E. P5 PERSONALISED LEARNING THROUGH MULTI-DISCIPLINARY PROJECT WORK (PL-MDPW)

(Mdm Malar Vizhi Govindan, YH UP)

RMPS embarked on PL-MDPW to better engage students and enhance their learning through Self-Directed Learning (SDL) and Collaborative Learning (CoL) activities. In March, the P5 students will be involved in an exciting time of personalized learning in a theme of their choice. We are writing to seek your support and participation in facilitating the week-long MDPW programme as Parent Facilitators.

Parent Facilitators will:

- provide consultation to the students on how to search for appropriate information online,
- guide the students to do a presentation on their preferred theme and
- be in school according to the following level schedule during the respective level's MDPW week:

Primary 5																	
	0800	0830	0900	0930	1000	1030	1100	1130	1200	1230	1300	1330	1400				
Mon 20.03.2017		0815	0845	0915	0945	1015	1045	1115	1145	1215	1245	1315	1345				
	Session 1						Recess	Break				Session 2					
Tue 21.03.2017	Session 1						Recess	Session 2									
Wed 22.03.2017	Session 1						Recess	Session 2									
Thu 23.03.2017	Please report at 0915			Session 1			Recess	Session 2									
Fri 24.03.2017	Set up			Recess	Celebration of Learning					Debrief							

If you are able to embark on this exciting journey with RMPS teachers and students as a Parent Facilitator, please complete your response under 'Forms/ Others' in SNAAPP, by Wed, 08.02.2016. For non-SNAPP users, please fill in the attached Response Slip and submit the hard copy to your children's/ wards' Form Teachers by the same date.

The schedule for the briefing session for parent facilitators is as follows:

Level	Date	Time	Venue
P5	Wed, 01.03.2017	7.00 pm – 8.00 pm	PAL Room

F. P5 BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE (BYOD) INITIATIVE

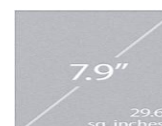
(Miss S Thivyaa Tharrshini, HOD ICT)

BYOD aims to create a 21st century learning environment in which students will be provided with equitable access to technology for them to become self-directed learners and collaborative team players. In addition, they will also learn how to handle computing devices in a productive and responsible manner. Since 2015, many students have brought their own authorized technology devices and had an exciting time of engaged learning with their friends during their PL-MDPW week.

Once again, we ask for parents' support in allowing P5 students to bring their own authorised technology devices to school to enhance learning in the classroom during their PL-MDPW Week in Term 2, Week 1.

Specifications of Authorized Technology Devices

Laptops, netbooks, eReaders, iPads and android tablets with either Windows or Apple operating systems are permitted on the school's network. The device should have a minimum display screen size of 7.9 inches (diagonal).



In order to connect to the RMPS Segregated Wireless Network (SWN), the device must meet the prerequisite requirements stated in the table below.

Operating System	Windows Vista / 7 / 8, Apple MacOS, Apple IOS or Android
Updated Web Browser	Internet Explorer (Version 9 or newer), Firefox (Version 15 or newer) and/ or Google Chrome. All of these web browsers can be downloaded free of charge.
Software Applications	Microsoft Office 2007 or newer with Microsoft Word, Microsoft Excel and Microsoft PowerPoint

Please ensure that all technology devices are fully charged so that battery life will not affect proper operation during the school day.

G. P6 OUTDOOR EXPEDITION CAMP

(Mr Aaron Koh SM, HOD PE/ CCA/ Aes)

In RMPS, we provide every student with a camp experience at all levels as we believe that experiential camps provide excellent opportunities to impart values and knowledge that are not possible in the classrooms. They are also excellent platforms for celebrating our students' diversities and talents.

The P6 Camp is the final instalment of camps RMPS will experience as part of the 6-year series of level camps. This year, it would be a local camp where students get to explore Pulau Ubin. They would also go on a night hike to the neighbouring parks as part of the camp experience. Students will be staying overnight in school.

As the camp is part of our school's co-curriculum, every student is required to attend the camp. Every student who is unable to attend the camp due to valid medical reasons, must submit a letter of excuse with supporting document(s) to the Form Teacher. Please note that students who are unable to attend the camp will be required to report to school as usual. An alternative programme will be arranged for them.

Please be assured that your child is in a very safe environment and every possible measure is taken to ensure the safety of your child during the camp. A sleeping bag is essential for additional comfort. A packing list will be given to the students.

Details of P6 Camp

Date : Thu, 09.03.2017 to Fri, 10.03.2017
Time : Arrival - Report to school as usual by 7.40 am in school on Thu, 09.03.2017
Dismissal - Students will be dismissed from school by 5.00 pm on Fri, 10.03.2017
Venues : Radin Mas Primary School, Pulau Ubin

The cost of the camp is \$105.00 per student. After school subsidy, students need to co-pay only \$50.00. The amount will be reflected in the Consolidated Edusave/ Cash Payment Form for 2017.

Please complete the acknowledgement under 'Forms/ Others' in SNAAPP, **by Fri, 17.02.2017**. For non-SNAPP users, please fill in the attached Acknowledgement Slip and submit the hard copy to your children's/ wards' Form Teachers by the same date.

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**P5 PERSONALISED LEARNING THROUGH MULTI-DISCIPLINARY PROJECT WORK (PL-MDPW)
RESPONSE SLIP**

(For non-SNAAPP users, please submit the completed Response Slip to your children's/ wards' Form Teachers by **Wed, 08.02.2017**)

I am able to volunteer as a **Parent Facilitator** for the P5 Personalised Learning through MDPW.
(From: 20.03.2017 to 24.03.2017).

Name of Child: _____ Class: _____
Name of Parent: _____ Contact No: _____

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**P5 BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE (BYOD) INITIATIVE
RESPONSE SLIP**

(For non-SNAAPP users, please submit the completed Response Slip to your children's/ wards' Form Teachers by **Wed, 08.02.2017**)

I have read and will educate my child/ ward to adhere to the **RMPS Acceptable Use Policy** for BYOD.
Please indicate with a ✓ accordingly:

- My child/ ward **will be** bringing his/ her technology device to school, for use during the MDPW.
 My child/ ward **will not** be bringing his/ her technology device to school, for use during the MDPW.

Name of Child: _____ Class: _____
Name of Parent: _____ Contact No: _____

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**P6 OUTDOOR EXPEDITION CAMP
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT SLIP**

(For non-SNAAPP users, please submit the completed Response Slip to your children's/ wards' Form Teachers by **Fri, 17.02.2017**)

I have read Item G of the February 2017 Notification for Parents/ Guardians and have taken note of the contents.

Name of Child: _____ Class: _____
Name of Parent: _____ Contact No: _____

P5 RMPS ACCEPTANCE USE POLICY (RMPS AUP) FOR BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE (BYOD)

(Miss S Thivyaa Tharrshini, HOD ICT)

The RMPS AUP is an agreement which outlines the responsibilities for students and parents concerning BYOD. The document addresses concerns and provides guidelines for the proper usage of the technology devices. In order for a student to use his or her technology device in BYOD, parents/ legal guardians must read and acknowledge that they have read the attached RMPS AUP. When a student brings his/ her own devices to school, it is mandatory that he/ she utilise the RMPS Segregated Wireless Network (SWN) only.

We thank you in advance and look forward to your support in making your child's Personalised Learning through MDPW an even more enriching experience.

SWN Guidelines

1. Students must use the school's SWN network and not a cell phone or service provider's data network (e.g. 3G, 4G, LTE) or any other wired or wireless network.
2. They must log into SWN using their wireless ID, and sign in using their assigned username and password.
3. By authenticating and logging into the wireless network, the student agrees to comply with the terms of the user policy.
4. Students must use the SWN only for school-related activities and not tamper with the network outlets in any way.
5. Students should be considerate and not engage in actions or activities that interfere with the functions of the systems, cause congestion to the network or interfere with the work of others.
6. Students are responsible for abiding by the guidelines set out in this AUP.
7. Students may access social media for educational use in accordance with their teacher's approved plan.
8. Students who disregard this policy and its accompanying procedures may have their user privileges suspended or revoked, and disciplinary action taken against them.

Students must respect and protect the privacy of others by doing the following:

1. Use only assigned network and user accounts.
2. Seek a file's owner's permission for using or altering his/ her file.
3. Refrain from distributing private information about others or themselves.
4. Using the camera function only with the permission of the teachers and upon permission granted by the subject of the photo or video.

Students must respect and protect the intellectual property of others by doing the following:

1. Seek permission and acknowledge the owners of the materials in their presentation.
2. Report any copyright infringement; do not assist or participate in such activities.
3. Respect the rights of others by complying with all the school policies regarding the protection and use of intellectual property.
4. Ask for permission if they need to install any software in the local hard disk or server drives.
5. Comply with the guidelines of any third party organization that the School may from time to time agree to adopt for its implementation.

Failure by users to observe the abovementioned policies may result, whether directly or indirectly, in the school being involved in claims and/ or suffering damages, losses and expenses. A user shall indemnify the school and its officers for any such claims, damages, losses and expenses resulting from the user's failure to observe any of the above stated policies.

Students must respect and practise the principles of online community by doing the following:

1. Communicate only in ways that are kind and respectful.
2. Report threatening or discomfoting materials to a teacher.
3. Encourage others not to access, transmit, copy, or create mobile apps, websites, or other material with inappropriate information, content, ads, or any material that is not age or school appropriate.

4. Discourage and report any accessing, transmitting, copying, or creating of material that violates the school's code of conduct (such as messages/ content that are pornographic, threatening, rude, discriminatory, or meant to harass).
5. Discourage and report any online acts that are criminal or violate the school's code of conduct.
6. Use another student's device only when specifically permitted by that student and with the permission of a school administrator or teacher.
7. Avoid spam, chain letters, or other mass unsolicited mailings.
8. Refrain from involvement in buying, selling, advertising or other businesses.

Accounts & Passwords

1. Accounts and passwords are assigned to individual users and are not to be shared. Users are solely responsible for all functions performed from their assigned accounts and passwords.
2. Using another person's accounts and passwords, with or without the person's permission, is a serious violation.
3. Users should avoid, discourage or report any attempts to crack, copy and/or capture another person's computer password or email account.

Email, Web and Learning & Management Systems

The following conduct and actions are strictly prohibited:

1. Sending/ posting of pornography or defamatory materials/ messages.
2. Sending forged email or posting forged messages, impersonating another person or sending email anonymously.
3. Making changes to one's personal learning device's system configuration that would interfere with the school's management and monitoring systems.
4. Flooding a user or a site with a very large volume of email.

Students must ensure the safety of their own devices by doing the following:

1. Be responsible and exercise care in carrying and using their devices.
2. Ensure that all classroom doors are locked whenever the class has to move to another venue for lessons.
3. Report any suspicious character inside or near the classroom to any teacher or at the General Office.
4. Secure their devices and not leave them in the school premises overnight.

Students must ensure that their devices have sufficient battery life by doing the following:

1. Charge the technology devices fully before coming to school.

Violations of the above policies, regulations, or school rules involving a student's personal electronic device may result in the loss of use of the device in school and/ or disciplinary action. The school reserves the right to inspect a student's personal electronic device if there is reason to believe that the student has violated board policies, regulations, school rules or has engaged in other misconduct while using their personal electronic device. Any search will be conducted in compliance with school policies.

Fathers@RMPS 2017 Activity - Labrador Park Discovery Trail

Hi Dads and Children,

First, we would like to welcome the Primary 1 students and their dads. We hope that the P1 students have adjusted well in school. It's been a year filled with activities in 2016. Fathers@RMPS hope to bring you even more fun-filled activities this year, starting with a discovery trail at Labrador Park. Whether you are a nature lover, a history explorer or you simply want to go for a walk with Dad and chat at the same time, join us for this activity!

Event: Fathers@RMPS Labrador Park Discovery Trail
Date: Saturday, 25th February 2017
Time: 7.30am to 10am.
Starting Point: Labrador MRT Station Exit A
Register: <http://fathers.comma.sg>



Come on Dads... join us in this learning journey with your children! Register now and we'll see you soon!



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