



Radin Mas Primary School

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

MAR 2017 - Notification for Parents and Guardians

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A. THE WEEKS AHEAD

Date	Event Description
Thu, 09.03.2017 – Fri, 10.03.2017	P6 Outdoor Expedition Camp
Sat, 11.03.2017 – Sun, 19.03.2017	Term 1 March School Holidays
Mon, 20.03.2017 – Fri, 24.03.2017	P5 PL- MDPW*
Tue, 21.03.2017	P3 MT Cultural Camp
Fri, 24.03.2017	Earth Hour
Mon, 03.04.2017 – Fri, 07.04.2017	P3 PL- MDPW*

* PL- MDPW Personalised Learning Through Multi-Disciplinary Project Work

B. SINGAPORE CIVIL DEFENCE FORCE (SCDF) EXERCISE

The Singapore Civil Defence Force (SCDF) will be conducting an emergency exercise in the school premises on Thu, 16.03.2017. The exercise will begin at 5.30 am and end around 7.30 am. The exercise is to validate and update operational plans and procedures. SCDF equipment and vehicles would be used for the exercise. The public is advised not to be alarmed.

C. HEALTH MATTERS

(Mr Kwok KL, VP(A))

C1. HEALTH ADVISORY

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 child(ren)'s/ ward(s)' travel plans for the Mar School Holidays, by indicating your details in SNAAPP under "**Forms/ Others**" – **Travel Declaration** from **Thu, 03.03.2017 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 SNAAPP, the hardcopy is available at the General Office. Your child(ren)/ ward(s) may submit the hardcopy of the completed Travel Declaration form to the General Office.

Please note that 'Nil' returns are necessary.



D. EARTH HOUR

(Mdm Chan HM, HOD Sc)

As part of our on-going efforts to inculcate in our students' a sense of care and responsibility for the environment, RMPS will join in the global movement, Earth Hour, organised by World Wide Fund (WWF). Our students and staff will be showing their support by switching off all lights, fans and air-conditioners on Fri, 24.03.2017 from 11.45 am to 12.15 pm.

In addition, the school wishes to invite your family again this year to join in this global campaign by turning off your lights from 8.30 pm to 9.30 pm on Sat, 25.03.2017. This effort will help create a symbolic and spectacular display that shows us that, together, we can make a stand and we have the power to make change happen. You can also pledge your support for this programme at <http://earthhour.wwf.sg>.

Earth Hour 2017 will continue to be a global call to action to every individual, every business and every community. Together, we can make a difference!

E. JOG-A-WALK AND FAMILY DAY

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

Date : Sat, 08.04.2017
Time : 8.30 am – 12.00 pm
Venue : Radin Mas Primary School (Gather at the Parade Square)

We are pleased to invite you and your family to participate in our Jog-A-Walk and Family Day 2017, jointly organised by RMPS and our key stakeholders School Advisory Committee, Parent Link and Alumni.

This year we have lined up various activities, performances and lucky draw prizes for the participants.

Jog-A-Walk

Prizes will be awarded to the top 3 individual runners and top 3 family units (A family unit shall comprise of either both parents and child/ children or single parent and child/ children) for the Jog-A-Walk. Please arrive on time (before 8.30 a.m) for our warm up prior to the run. There will be another segment for leisurely run/ walk led by our teachers.

Family Day

The Family Day aims to promote bonding among students, parents and the community. There will fun-filled game booths, food stalls, entertaining music performances by our students and sports tryout for you to enjoy. Look out for Star Wars characters who will be roaming the school compound and you can take a photo with them! There will also be a Police Vehicular display by the Police Force. To promote a more inclusive society, we have also engaged the services of the Singapore Association of the Visually Handicapped who will provide on-site massages at an affordable rate.

You will also stand to win attractive lucky draw prizes. Coupons will be on sale at the General Office from Mon, 13.03.2017 onwards.

Lastly, please remind your child(ren)/ ward(s) to submit their Donation Cards, together with the donations raised, to their Form Teachers if they have not done so.

We look forward to your active participation.

F. PARENTS' SYMPOSIUM

(Mrs Tan KY, SSD)

RMPS, in partnership with Parent Link, will be holding the annual **Parents' Symposium 2017** as part of our on-going efforts to work in close partnership with parents to better support our students in their educational journey. The aim of this session is to involve parents in their children's educational journey and to support their children in their holistic development.

The details of the Parents' Symposium 2017 are as follows:

Date : Sat, 22.04.2017
Time : 8.30 am – 1.30 pm
Fees : \$5 per parent per concurrent session (to be paid in cash only)

The Parents' Symposium 2017 consists of a Keynote Speech on Building Resiliency in our Children by Mr Donus Loh, Director of W3ave Pte Ltd and Principal Psychologist with Matthew James International (MJi) and iGROW. There will also be two concurrent sessions with a choice of five different workshops respectively, presented by RMPS staff.

Please **login to MCOOnline-Announcements-Google Form link** to register for 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 **Mon, 06.03.2017 to Mon, 20.03.2017**. Please note that registration will not be accepted after this deadline.

Cash or cheque payment will be collected by the Parent Link, outside the General Office, during the three recesses on Wednesdays - 29.03.2017, 05.04.2017 and Thursdays - 30.03.2017, 06.04.2017. Cheques must be made out to "Radin Mas Primary School – Parent Link". Please take note that cash cheques will not be accepted. Receipts will only be issued to those who make cash payments on the cash collection dates. You can also drop your cheque payments (no cash/ cash cheque) into the Parent Link Box outside the General Office from Mon, 06.03.2016 to Mon, 10.04.2017.

To facilitate collection, we would appreciate for the cash/ cheques to be put in recycled envelopes with the following details written:

- Student's Name and Class
- Registered Parent(s)' Name(s)
- Session Code (eg A1, B2)
- Email Address (for confirmation notice)
- Contact Number
- Amount Enclosed

Payment will not be accepted after the deadline, Mon, 03.04.2017. Please note that only registered participants who have received the confirmation via email will be allowed into the respective venues. If you have paid and have not received the confirmation by Mon, 10.04.2017, please email Parent Link at parentlinkrmps@gmail.com to check the status of your registration.

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 2017. You may contact Mr Ong Chiang Wei at ong_chiang_wei@moe.edu.sg or the General Office at 6273 3937 for any queries.

Programme		
Time	Activity	Venue
0830 – 1030	Opening Address Keynote Speech "Building Resiliency in our Children"	Hall
1035 – 1150	Concurrent Sessions A1 – A5	Respective Rooms
1155 – 1210	Tea Break	Hall
1215 – 1330	Concurrent Sessions B1 – B5	Respective Rooms

Concurrent Session 1						
Session	Subject	Target Group	Name of Presenter(s)	Title and Information	Max. No.	Venue
A1	EL	P1-P2	Miss Chan ML Mdm Lim MY	Sharing Dialogic Reading with Families This workshop will focus on two reading techniques aimed at encouraging a child to think critically and use new vocabulary. Additionally, participants will be shown talk moves to elicit thinking and reasoning. There will also be a hands-on session for participants to practise crafting dialogic reading prompts.	44	PAL Room
A2	MA	P4-P6	Mdm Leow CH Mrs Tan EL	Fun with Problem Solving This workshop will focus on problem solving strategies aimed at encouraging students to think critically and analytically. There will be hands-on activities for the participants to apply the strategies.	44	Math Room
A3	SC	P3-P4	Ms Ong SC Mdm Juliana Choy MZ	Inquiry Based Learning in Science This workshop focuses on equipping parents with an understanding of Inquiry Based Learning in Science. Through this session, parents will engage in a variety of hands-on activities that their children experience in their Science lessons.	44	Life Science Room
A4	CL	P5-P6	Mr Yew CC, Anthony Mdm Ng LZ	Strengthening Critical Thinking and Oral Communication in our Child This workshop focuses on sharing with parents how a child's critical thinking and oral communication skills can be strengthened through simple acts like daily conversations. In addition, the presenters will share on the assessment requirements of an oral examination.	44	Dance Studio
A5	CCE	P1-P6	Mdm Roszannah Mdm Ng ML	Understanding My Child This session is catered for parents who are interested to learn how to support children with special needs. The topics covered in the sharing will include Understanding My Child using Maslow Hierarchy, and the Learning Skills Pyramid. This session will also equip parents with strategies that they can explore at home to support their children's holistic development.	44	Digital Art Lab
Concurrent Session 2						
Session	Subject	Target Group	Name of Presenter(s)	Title and Information	Max. No.	Venue
B1	EL	P3-P6	Mdm Rosmawati B A Mdm Wong BS	Play your Way to Language Learning! This workshop will focus on the use of games to develop communication skills that can be readily applied to the real world. Participants will be shown some examples of games and techniques in engaging their child. There will also be a hands-on session for participants to try out the games.	44	PAL Room
B2	MA	P1-P3	Mdm Mumtaz B MM Ms Lydia Chin CH	Incorporating Manipulatives into Mathematics This workshop will focus on using a range of activities that are meaningful and engaging for teaching Mathematics. Participants will engage in a variety of hands-on activities using manipulatives.	44	Math Room
B3	SC	P5-P6	Mdm Han Q Cindy Mdm Soh X	Inquiry Based Learning in Science This workshop focuses on equipping parents with an understanding of Inquiry Based Learning in Science. Through this session, parents will engage in a variety of hands-on activities that their children experience in their Science lessons.	44	Life Science Room
B4	CL	P5-P6	Mdm Lau WP Mdm Annie Tang LM	Developing Critical Thinking in Reading and Comprehension This workshop focuses on how critical thinking skills can be developed in reading and comprehension. Participants in the workshop can also expect to engage in hands-on activities to facilitate the learning	44	Dance Studio
B5	PE	P1-P6	Mr Yeong CY Mr Chua M Mr Chong WQ Mr Aaron Koh SM	Leading a healthy and active lifestyle with your child This workshop aims to share with you modified and lead up games you can play with your child and dietary advice for children.	44	Digital Art Lab

G. P3 CULTURAL CAMP

(Mdm Lee SW, HOD MTL)

The Mother Tongue Department is organising a Cultural Camp for Primary 3 students in order to enrich their learning of the Mother Tongue Language and appreciation of the culture related to it.

Details of the camp:

Date : Tue, 21.03.2017

Time : 2.00 pm – 4.30 pm

Students will have their lunch at 1.15 pm and assemble in the hall by 1.45 pm. As students will be dismissed at 4.30 pm, kindly make the necessary transport arrangement for your child after the session.

H. P3 PERSONALISED LEARNING THROUGH MULTI-DISCIPLINARY PROJECT WORK (PL-MDPW)

(Mdm Wong Pauline, YH MP)

RMPS embarked on PL-MDPW to better engage students and enhance their learning through Self-Directed Learning (SDL) and Collaborative Learning (CoL) activities. In T2Wk3, the P3 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 MDPW week:

Primary 3																									
	0800	0815	0830	0845	0900	0915	0930	0945	1000	1015	1030	1045	1100	1115	1130	1145	1200	1215	1230	1245	1300	1315	1330	1345	1400
Mon 03.04.2017	Session 1								Recess	Session 2				Break				Session 3							
Tue 04.04.2017									Recess	Session 1															
Wed 05.04.2017	Session 1								Recess	Session 2				End of Day 3											
Thur 06.04.2017	Session 1								Recess	Session 2				End of Day 4											
Fri 07.04.2017	Setting up of exhibits		Celebration of Learning				Recess	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, 08.03.2017. 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:

Date	Time	Venue
Wed, 22.03.2017	7.00 pm	PAL Room

Prepared By:



Mdm S Hidayatun Nisaa
Administration Manager

Endorsed By:



Mrs Wong Siew Shan
Principal

P3 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, 08.03.2017**)

I am able to volunteer as a **Parent Facilitator** for the P5 Personalised Learning through MDPW.

(From: 03.04.2017 to 07.04.2017).

Name of Child: _____

Class: _____

Name of Parent: _____

Contact No: _____