



25 June 2024

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We hope you had quality time with your child / ward over the school holidays. The school is excited to welcome your child / ward back to start a new term together, and we look forward to the continued partnership with you in the development of your child / ward.

1. Expectations on Attendance, Punctuality and Conduct

Parents are reminded NOT to take their child / ward out of school during term time without valid reasons, including travelling abroad. If there is a need, it is necessary to request for leave of absence in advance from the Principal through the Form Teachers. Absence from school due to sickness must be covered by a medical certificate and for non-medical reasons, a letter of excuse from parents / guardians should be handed to the Form Teacher upon your child's / ward's return to school. Students should not submit more than **five letters** from parent/guardian per semester.

In Semester 1, we noticed that some students reached the school after 7.30am. In some cases, students were dropped off by parents at the foyer after 7.30am. As the daily flag-raising takes place at 7.30am, students need to be in school **at least 5 to 10 minutes before flag raising**, so that they will have enough time to settle down before starting the school day right. We seek your cooperation to reinforce the importance of punctuality to your child / ward. This cultivates your child's/ ward's sense of responsibility in the long term.

By prioritising attendance and punctuality, parents can play a pivotal role in their children's educational journey, setting the foundation for a successful and fulfilling life.

2. Parent Support Group

Si Ling Primary has a group of very dedicated parent volunteers who work closely with the school on many of its department programmes and events. Our parent volunteers were involved in school events like Total Defence Day, Mother Tongue Fortnight Week, Racial Harmony Day, International Friendship Day, Teachers' Day Gift making, Children's Day celebration and many others. Thank you parents for your unwavering support!

The Parent Support Group is here to provide a community where we can share experiences, seek advice, and support each other through the various challenges and joys of parenthood.

Whether you're dealing with school issues, developmental milestones, or simply looking for ways to connect with your child, the Parent Support Group can be a valuable resource. We would love for you to join us and contribute your unique perspective to our community. Together, we can create a supportive environment where all our children can thrive.

You may use the following link to enrol: <https://go.gov.sg/s7oew1>

3. Racial Harmony Day

Our school will commemorate Racial Harmony Day (RHD) on **Monday, 22 July 2024**. The occasion is a reminder to our students that social division can cost us dearly and that race and religion are potential fault lines in our society. The theme for this year is Singapore: Our Multicultural Mosaic. It reflects how each community while having space to express its own identity as part of Singapore society, also intertwines with others to depict the unique cultural diversity that characterises Singapore life. The special assembly provides a platform for us to reflect on and celebrate our success as a harmonious nation and a society which is built on a rich diversity of cultures and heritages. They will also have the opportunity to learn about building friendship and harmony among the different races through activities conducted during their FTGP lessons.

4. Term 3 Key Events

4.1 Primary 1 Registration

The registration exercise commences with Phase 1 on **Tuesday, 2 July 2024**. Please refer to the table below for the dates of the various phases. Kindly continue to show your support for us by promoting the school to your friends and relatives. Your endorsement of the school is a source of encouragement for the school staff.

| Phase | Schedule Date |
|---------------------|--|
| 1 | From 2 July 2024 (Tue), 9.00am to 4 July 2024 (Thu), 4.30pm |
| 2A | 11 July 2024 (Thu), 9.00am to 12 July 2024 (Fri), 4.30pm |
| 2B | From 22 July 2024 (Mon), 9.00am to 23 Jul 2024 (Tue), 4.30pm |
| 2C | From 30 July 2024 (Tue), 9.00am to 1 August 2024 (Thu), 4.30pm |
| 2C Supplementary | From 15 Aug 2024 (Thu), 9.00am to 16 Aug 2024 (Fri), 4.30pm |

To register, do log in to the P1 Registration Portal with your Singpass during your child's eligible phase registration period.

Only one parent is required to register. In the Registration Portal, you are required to declare that you have sought consent from the other parent to register your child for P1.

Parents who are unable to register via The Portal will continue to register using FormSG (the link is available in The Portal).

P1 Registration Portal:

<https://www.moe.gov.sg/primary/p1-registration/how-to-register>

4.2 National Day

We will be celebrating National Day in school on **Thursday, 8 August 2024**. Friday, 9 August 2024 is a Public Holiday. School will resume on **Monday, 12 August 2024**.

4.3 PSLE Oral Examination

The PSLE Oral examination will be held on **Tuesday, 13 August 2024 and Wednesday, 14 August 2024**. We wish our Primary 6 pupils well for this important exam. Primary 1 to 5 pupils need not attend school on these two days. During the PSLE Oral examination, home-based learning will be conducted for Primary 1 to 5 pupils.

4.4 Primary 6 Preliminary Examination

The Preliminary Examination for our Primary 6 pupils begins with the Oral Examination on **Tuesday, 23 July 2024 and Thursday, 25 July 2024**. The written examination for all subjects will be conducted from **Monday, 19 August 2024 to Thursday, 22 August 2024** while the Listening Comprehension will be held on **Friday, 23 August 2024**.

4.5 Gifted Education Programme (GEP) Identification Exercise 2024

The schedule for GEP 2024 is as follows:

| Stage | Date | Participants | Papers |
|------------------------|--|---|--|
| GEP Screening Exercise | 15 August 2024 (Thursday) | Primary 3 pupils enrolled in government and government-aided schools. | English Language Mathematics |
| GEP Selection Exercise | 15 & 16 October 2024 (Tuesday & Wednesday) | Primary 3 pupils shortlisted after the GEP Screening Exercise | English Language Mathematics General Ability |

4.6 P3 SwimSafer 2.0 Programme

As indicated in our Term 1 Letter, all our Primary 3 students will be having the programme in Semester 2. As the activity is conducted beyond curriculum hours, we have advised parents/guardians to make plans for alternative fetching arrangements, if required.

Participants will leave school at 12:30pm (PE periods) and return to school at 3:45pm (Monday sessions) or 3:30pm (Friday sessions). Transportation will be provided.

Kindly refer to the table below for the weekly schedule. 3 Solidarity and 3 Perseverance will have their session on Mondays (beginning 15 July) while 3 Innovation and 3 Respect will have theirs on Fridays (beginning 12 July).

We will send out a Parents Gateway notification for your follow-up.

4.7 Primary 4 and Primary 6 NAPFA 1.6km Walk-Run

The school will be conducting the NAPFA 1.6km Walk-Run on **Friday 19 July 2024**

| | | | | Session 1 | Session 2 | Session 3 | Session 4 | Session 5 | Session 6 | Session 7 | Session 8 |
|-------|--------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Class | Day | Dismissal from School | Venue | Dates | | | | | | | |
| 3I | Friday | 3:30pm | Woodlands Swimming Complex | 12-Jul | 19-Jul | 26-Jul | 2-Aug | 16-Aug | 23-Aug | 13-Sep | 20-Sep |
| 3R | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3S | Monday | 3:45pm | Yio Chu Kang Swimming Complex | 15-Jul | 22-Jul | 29-Jul | 12-Aug | 19-Aug | 26-Aug | 9-Sep | 16-Sep |
| 3P | | | | | | | | | | | |

at **Woodlands Waterfront Park**. This will take place after school.

Parents/ guardians will be invited to run with your child/ ward or join them that day to give them support and encouragement.

We will provide more details via Parents Gateway nearer the event.

4.8 P4 Camp

The Annual P4 Camp will be held on Wednesday, 28 August from 7.30am to 4.30pm. We will provide more details via Parents Gateway.

5. CCAs – Achievements and Other Matters

Our Performing Arts CCAs (Choir, Dance Club and Guitar Ensemble) participated in the Singapore Youth Festival (SYF) 2024 Arts Presentation in Term 2. The school is pleased to share that all achieved the Certificate of Accomplishment.

Our Sports CCAs have also successfully completed their National School Games (NSG) competition at the end of Term 2, except for Senior Football Boys. It will be completed by the middle of Term 3.

After the Pool round, all the teams qualified and competed in their respective League stages indicated below:

| CCA | Division | League |
|------------|--------------|----------|
| Basketball | Senior Boys | League 2 |
| | Senior Girls | League 2 |
| Floorball | Senior Boys | League 3 |
| | Senior Girls | League 2 |
| Football | Senior Boys | League 4 |

The school would like to thank Primary 6 students in all CCAs who have represented the school for all competitions. Together with other active P6 CCAs members, we believe that the journey throughout the years had enhanced existing talents and sparked new interests which developed their character, values, social emotional competencies and other relevant skills to prepare them for future challenges.

The Primary 6 students will be stepping down from their CCAs from Term 3 onwards. Those in Senior Football Boys will do so after their last match.

6. Teachers' Day Celebration

We will be celebrating Teachers' Day on **Thursday, 29 August 2024**. Teachers' Day is on **Friday, 30 August 2024**, which is a school holiday. Teachers welcome simple handmade appreciation cards for Teacher's Day, parents are strongly encouraged to refrain from buying expensive gifts for teachers.

Thank you and Best Regards,

Mr Koe Ee Tiong
Principal

A Garden Where Scholars Bloom