



TAMPINES PRIMARY SCHOOL

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A Community School of Excellence: Care, Create, Connect and Contribute

TPPS/25/2024

1st March 2024

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Visit by Minister of Education Mr Chan Chun Sing on 1st February 2024

We were privileged to host our Minister of Education Chan Chun Sing on 1st February 2024. Our students had the opportunity to mingle and interact with him. You can view his post on the following website <https://www.facebook.com/reel/403012565459168> .

National School Games (NSG) 2024

The National School Games (NSG) 2024 started with the official opening ceremony which was held at the Singapore Sports Hub OCBC Arena on 30th January 2024. With that, our Primary Six student athletes from Basketball, Floorball and Football represented the school for the respective NSG games. The NSG is not just a series of competition where students pit their sporting skills against other teams, it is also an excellent platform for the development of character where our students learn values such as, resilience, determination, respect, teamwork and sportsmanship. These enduring values will empower them for future challenges. With this, we wish all our Primary Six athletes a fulfilling and enjoyable NSG experience.



Our Football Senior Boys Team

Our Basketball Senior Boys and Girls Teams



Our Floorball Senior Boys and Girls Teams



Total Defence Day 15th Feb 2024

Our school's Total Defence Day commemoration this year was a resounding success, featuring a series of engaging activities aimed at fostering a deeper understanding of Total Defence Pillars and integrating them into our daily lives. Key programmes included talks by speakers from the Singapore Police Force and a retired military officer sharing their perspectives on national security. Additionally, our focus on Singapore's food security, particularly through the TD40 Food Disruption Exercise and sharing on Total Defence pillars by NE Ambassadors, allowed students to appreciate the importance of safeguarding critical aspects of our nation's resilience. These initiatives underscored our commitment to preparing students to be active contributors to Singapore's collective defence and resilience efforts.



Implementation of POSB Smart Buddy e-Payment Option

Our school has been working closely with POSB for the past couple of months and we are pleased to finally announce that we have successfully implemented POSB Smart Buddy as an e-payment option in our school canteen and bookstore. You would have received details via Parents Gateway posted on 20th February 2024. With this implementation, all our students can now opt to use e-payments for their in-school purchases from 1st March 2024 onwards.

2024 Home Education Award

The Home Education Award in Tampines Primary School is an award which we partner with families in the education of our students to become individuals who are self-directed learners of good character.

Family members of students are given the opportunity to share with the school positive traits demonstrated by the children at home. Besides affirming the students and reinforcing CCE (Character and Citizenship Education) at home, the insights provided by the family helps the school to better understand and nurture our students in their character development. As such, we seek your support in affirming your child/ward in their positive behaviour at home by nominating him/her for the award by 5th April 2024. You would have received details on 16th February 2024 on Parents Gateway and we look forward to receiving your nominations for your child.

Safety of Students

If you are held up or late in picking up your child, please remind your child to go to our General Office and inform our staff. We will then get in touch with you and make the necessary arrangements for your child to wait for you at our General Office for your child's safety. We have also informed our Tampinesians that they should proceed to the General Office if they do not see their parents or caregivers after 10 minutes of waiting at the respective school gates. Please remind your child that he/she should not leave the school premises and loiter in the neighbouring areas outside the school.

Travel over the March School Holidays

If you intend to travel, please make a travel declaration for your child/ward via Parents Gateway (PG). Go to [SERVICE > DECLARE TRAVELS]. Please declare your child/ward's travel plan(s), indicating both the country and city of travel, and any city of transit, **by Friday, 8th March 2024**. Only one parent/guardian is required to make the declaration. You can continue to submit the travel declarations after the date if there are new or amended travel plans. When planning your travel, please refer to <https://www.ica.gov.sg/enter-transit-depart> for more information and updates.

If there is a change in travel plan(s) after declaration, please submit a new travel declaration via PG.

If your child/ward is **not travelling** during the holidays, **no action is required**.



Conclusion

We wish all Tampinesians and their families a safe, happy and relaxing March vacation!

Yours in partnership,

Mrs Lay See Neufeld

Principal

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