



# TAMPINES PRIMARY SCHOOL

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*A Community School of Excellence: Caring Hearts and Creative Minds*

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Our warmest wishes for a Happy 2022! The first day of school, 4 Jan 2022, P1 and K1 students will report to school with one accompanying parent or guardian. P1 and K1 Parents/guardians will receive specific instructions for the day via their personal Parents Gateway (PG) applications. All students P1 – P6 will report from 5 Jan 2021. As part of safe management measures (SMM), parents/guardians are gently reminded to take special note of the staggered dismissal times and points for the different levels:

### **School Hours and Dismissal Points Term 1 2022**

Level	School Hours	Gates (Dismissal Only)
P1	7.50 am to 1.45 pm (Wed 12.15 pm)	Gate 1 (Primary School Gate)
P2	7.50 am to 2 pm (Wed 12.30 pm)	Gate 1A (Primary School Gate)
P3	7.50 am to 1.45 pm	Gate 2 (Secondary School Gate)
P4	7.50 am to 2 pm	Gate 1 (Primary School Gate)
P5	7.50 am to 2 pm	Gate 2 (Secondary School Gate)
P6	7.30 am to 2 pm	Gate 7 (Gate next to MK Gate 6)*

\*Opened until last class dismissed at around 2.10 pm. Students with siblings will meet at foyer and use Gate 1 or 2

Students who wish to be dismissed with their siblings will need to inform their teachers and arrangements can be made for them to wait in the foyer. These family groups will be dismissed once all the levels have left the school.

The orientation programme will run for the first three days for P1 students and first two days for all students to familiarize themselves with their new classes and to collaboratively set class expectations. Students do not need to bring any books for their first day of school. They should bring a small bag with their Trace Together (TT) tokens, sufficient pocket money for recess, personal thermometer, hand sanitizer, additional mask, healthy snack pencil case, water bottle, colouring materials and a story book. The school would like to emphasize that all students must have working TT tokens and the teachers will check on this daily. Details for application for new or replacement TT tokens can be found at [token.gowhere.gov.sg](http://token.gowhere.gov.sg)

All parents/guardians are gently reminded that they need to sign up for parent gateway accounts so that they are able to receive important notifications.



## **2021 PSLE Achievements**

Congratulations to the class of 2021 for achieving a perfect pass rate of 100%! The entire cohort has successfully graduated and progressed to secondary school. All subjects, both foundation and standard, also post improvement. The data shows that all students have achieved the expected outcomes. Despite the many challenges posed by COVID 19, the belief in and practice of our school values as well as our Tampinesian hallmarks have enabled the cohort to stay resilient and motivated. We salute their efforts and know that they will be well prepared for the next stage of their education.

## **School Information, Calendar & Class Timetables**

Please find attached the school calendar for Semester 1, 2022. (Annex)

School will function from 7.50 am to 2.00 pm on all days except that on Wednesdays, P1 and P2 students will be dismissed at 12.15 pm and 12.30 pm. Students are encouraged to come to school by 7.40 am so that they can participate in our daily pre-assembly programmes such as story-telling, community singing and informative talks. Students who arrive after flag raising will be noted as being latecomers. Late coming forms part of a student's behaviour record.

Parents/guardians will be receiving introductory memos with your children's class timetables and details of the subject teachers. In alignment with MOE guidelines on parent engagement, teachers will not be sharing their personal phone numbers with parents/guardians. Parents/guardians can contact staff using the student diary, the school's official phone number or staff official email addresses. For urgent matters, staff will respond within the next working day and all Parents/guardians can expect a response within three working days. The canteen stalls will also sell food for breakfast and snack breaks before morning assembly. The school is looking into starting face-to-face CCA after Week 2. From Week 2 onwards, students, with their masks on, can participate in Unstructured Play (UPlay) during recess.

## **Individual Student Details Report**

Each student will receive an Individual Students Details Report (ISDR) for data verification. If there are changes in details, parents/guardians should cancel the wrong information, amend and sign. All amendments and signatures should be done in ink. Please return the form with relevant supporting documents (if necessary) to form teacher by 7 Jan 2022. Parents'/guardians' information listed in the report is based on details from the birth certificate of child and custody information (if applicable). Step-parent details will be updated if there is a court order granting legal guardianship of student to the step-parent.

## **Student Safety**

Please help us to remind your children to adhere to traffic regulations and to use the pedestrian crossings at all times.



Staff will be on duty at all gates and the pedestrian crossing during arrival and dismissal. In addition, we seek your understanding and co-operation as school policy states clearly that no stranger should come into the school compound. During arrival, Parents/guardians are reminded to only walk their children to the school gates as entry to the school is restricted solely to students. If any parent needs to come into the school, in view of SMM, you are reminded to call the office to make an appointment. The same applies for the purchase of books and uniforms. If there is an urgent need for any purchase, students can do it for themselves during the school day.

I wish to thank all driving parents/guardians who adhere to the traffic regulations and for making the school compound safe for all students. Parents/guardians will keep within the speed limits and drive with care near and within the school. We deeply appreciate parents/guardians who are thoughtful and courteous drivers, for ensuring that their children are ready to alight and board quickly. There is no visitor parking in the school. During dismissal, cars will only go into the school compound after the departure of the school buses, about 2.15 pm. If your child's mobility is affected for any reason, please approach the school for special access arrangements.

Parents/guardians are reminded that they should not be delivering items that their children might have forgotten as we wish all students to learn to be responsible. Parents/guardians and students are also discouraged from distributing birthday goody bags.

### **Important Reminders**

We thank parents/guardians for their continued active efforts in ring-fencing and ensuring that Tampines Primary remains safe for all students and staff. Let us remind ourselves that students and staff should not report to school if they are:

- Sick or unwell with flu-like symptoms

Refer to protocol 1 at <https://www.covid.gov.sg/unwell/overview>

- Have positive ART or PCR

Refer to protocol 2 at <https://www.covid.gov.sg/well-but-positive>

- High Risk Warning (HRW)

Refer to protocol 3 at <https://www.covid.gov.sg/exposed/hrw>



## **Vaccinations for Children Aged 5 – 11**

We are heartened by the sign up vaccination rate for the students. When parents/guardians submit evidence of the children's vaccination appointments to the form teachers, arrangements can be made for them to be officially excused. To support students who have signed up for the vaccination, the school requires all parents/guardians to inform the form teachers in writing either through the student diary or email so that the teachers can help the students to catch up with any work that they might miss. PE and relevant CCA teachers will also check with the students re their vaccination status at the beginning of each lesson so that the students are excused from strenuous activities for two weeks after each vaccination dose.

## **CCA, Supplementary, Remedial & Enrichment Classes**

If the teacher feels that your child needs additional support, your child will be asked to attend remedial classes. Remedial classes are arranged for selected students from P1 – P5. For P6 students, teachers will arrange for supplementary classes. The teachers will inform you via separate memos with the relevant details if your child is attending any of these programs.

From time to time, the school will work with external vendors to conduct enrichment classes that the students will need to pay using their Edusave funds and/or cash.

Should your child be chosen to represent the school in a sport or performance CCA, additional CCA practices will be held and parental permission will be sought. If there are changes to the regular schedules, the teachers will inform you and your child. Parents/guardians are responsible for their children coming to school and returning home safely. Communicate clearly to your child and caregivers if there are additional after-school activities and the arrangements that you have made.

## **Conclusion**

Besides my monthly updates and memos sent via Parent Gateway, I look forward to meeting virtually with Parents/guardians throughout the course of the year. The first briefing for P1 – P6 parents/guardians will be held on the afternoons of 27 and 28 Jan 2022. The Year Heads will be sending out the invitations.

Let us work together towards a year of happy engaged learning for all students.

Yours in partnership,

Mrs Lay See Neufeld

Principal/ Tampines Primary School

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## Annex

### Key Dates to Note for Semester 1 2022 :

Date (2022)	Events	Remarks
4 Jan	First Day of School for P1 and K1	Only P1 and K1 Students are required to come to school
5 Jan	All students P1 – P6, K1 – K2 to report to school	Parents/guardians should walk the students only to the school gates. Staff and prefects will assist P1 and MK students.
7 Jan	CCA Briefing for students	
14 Jan	Commencement of all CCA	
10 – 11 Jan	P1 and P6 School Smart card photoshoot	Details to be provided by form teachers. Students scheduled on PE days, should bring along a formal school shirt for the photoshoot.
25 Jan	P3 Mother Tongue Language Parent Briefing	Sharing session conducted from 3pm.
27 – 28 Jan	Parents/guardians Briefing	Online Parents/guardians briefings
31 Jan	LNY Eve (Celebrations)	Half day for whole school
1-2 Feb	LNY Holidays	No School
21 – 25 Feb	P6 Diagnostic Review	
28 Feb – 4 Mar	P3 & P5 Weighted Assessment Week	
12 – 20 Mar	Term 1 March School Holidays	No School with exceptions
14 -15 Mar	P5 eCamp	P5 online camp
15 Apr	Good Friday Holiday	No School
27 Apr – 13 May	SA1 Exams	P4 & P6
2 May	Labour Day School Holiday	Holiday-in-lieu for 1 May (Sat). No School
3 May	Hari Raya Puasa Holiday	No School
16 May	Vesak Day Holiday	No School
26 May - 27 May	Meet the Parent Session	Details to be confirmed

28 May – 26 Jun	Term 2 June School Holidays	No School with Exceptions
30 – 31 May	P6 Booster Camp I	P6 students to attend school
23 – 24 Jun	P6 Booster Camp II	P6 students to attend school

