



## 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,

### **The Home Education Award**

The Home Education Award in Tampines Primary School is an award where we partner parents in the education of our students to become individuals who are self-directed learners of good character. Parents are given the opportunity to share how your child demonstrates these positive traits at home. Besides affirming the students and reinforcing Character and Citizenship Education (CCE) at home, these insights provided by parents help us better understand and nurture our students in their holistic growth. As such, we seek your active support in affirming your child/ward in their positive behaviour at home by nominating him/her for the award. Details have been sent via Parents' Gateway on 9<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

You may also access the online form at this link: [Home Education Award Nominations \(Tampines Primary School\) | FormSG](#) and make your submission for your child by 21<sup>st</sup> April 2023.

### **P5 Outdoor Adventure Camp**

The P5 Outdoor Adventure Camp was held on 13<sup>th</sup> March 2023 to 15<sup>th</sup> March 2023 during the March School Holidays at MOE Dairy Farm Outdoor Adventure Learning Centre. Our P5 Tampinesians were tested physically and mentally to develop their hard and soft skills in self-management and leadership. They also lived out our iREAP values - particularly resilience and adaptability when they were required to overcome obstacle trails and worked as a team in the different activities. This outdoor learning experience has built their confidence, resilience and fostered friendships that will leave lasting memories for our P5 Tampinesians.



### **National School Games (NSG) Achievements**

Our Basketball Senior Boys Team attained 7<sup>th</sup> placing in the NSG at the NSG East Zone Basketball Senior Boys.

Our school's Floorball Senior Boys and Girls Team have played well and qualified for the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of the NSG National Floorball Seniors. We will continue to cheer and support their efforts as this is the first time that both our senior boys and senior girls have qualified and progressed into the Quarter-finals and Semi-finals respectively.

### **National Pledge recited in Malay Language, Chinese Language and Tamil Language**

As a school, all Tampinesians have started to recite our National Pledge in Malay, Chinese and Tamil languages to reinforce a sense of national identity through our national languages. The recitation of our National Pledge in the different mother tongue languages commenced from 20<sup>th</sup> March 2023. Students will be led through the National Pledge with Student Leaders leading the pledge in the different languages. To support our students' learning, the English translation will be shown to students as well. Your child has been encouraged to also teach their friends to practice reciting our National pledge in their own Mother Tongue Language during recess.

### **International Friendship Day (IFD) 2023**

Schools commemorate International Friendship Day (IFD) on the third working Friday of Term 2. As Good Friday falls on the same day this year, we will commemorate IFD on 11<sup>th</sup> April 2023. This year, the theme for IFD is 'Singapore in Asia'.

International cooperation remains key in our complex world. Asia is the world's fastest-growing region, and Singapore continues to facilitate closer economic, political, social, and cultural cooperation within ASEAN and in Asia. By recognising the importance of connectedness between our neighbouring countries, our students can play an active role in fostering people-to-people ties and thus celebrate the region's diversity.

The IFD programmes include the TPPS Community Cafe song dedication hosted by NE Ambassadors, sing-along in multi-national languages, and recess programmes such as the Friendship Band Making and Padlet Reflection booths. In conjunction with Earth Day, TPPS will also incorporate the idea of 'Friends for a Better Ecological World' through an inter-class ASEAN mascot competition where recycled materials will be used. In line with our National Education Theme for 2023, 'The Arts', students will be engaged in a sharing on 'Arts and Heritage in Southeast Asia' as well as an assembly programme titled 'Mask Dancer'.

Through these vibrant and meaningful programmes, we hope that Tampinesians will be able to recognise and celebrate the diverse and colourful culture of Asia and nurture the spirit of friendship and collaboration among their peers.

### **Mother Tongue Language (MTL) Fortnight**

Our school will be organizing a Mother Tongue Language Fortnight (MTL Fortnight) from 10<sup>th</sup> April to 21<sup>st</sup> April during curriculum time. The objective of the MTL Fortnight is to provide platforms for our students to actively learn their Mother Tongue Languages and culture to experience MTL as "Living Languages". During this period, a range of activities will be conducted to enable your child to enjoy his/her MTL through specially curated activities.

### **Meet-the-Parents Session on 26<sup>th</sup> May 2023**

We will be conducting face-to-face Meet-the-Parents within the school premises on 26<sup>th</sup> May 2023. We are giving all parents prior notice as we hope to be able to meet with as many parents



as possible. A maximum of two parents per student can pre-register for the face-to-face meet-up.

### **SwimSafer Programme**

The SwimSafer Programme is conducted during school hours, and we would like to update parents on the following:

- The P5 SwimSafer Programme commenced in Term 1 Week 2 and will be completed by Term 2 Week 3. The swimming lessons for the P5 cohort are conducted at Bedok@Hearbeat Swimming Complex.
- We are in the midst of planning the P4 SwimSafer Programme and will update parents when the details are finalized.

With these plans in place, our school is on track to ensure that the cohorts affected by the pandemic are on track to complete the SwimsSafer Programme this year.

### **Early Dismissal for Students Celebrating Hari Raya Aidilfitri on Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> April 2023**

Muslim students who are celebrating Hari Raya Aidilfitri will be dismissed at **10.30 am Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> April 2023**. Do look out for this notice as we will be sending out details of the early dismissal via PG and we will need parents to indicate their responses.

### **Conclusion**

On behalf of all staff, with the oncoming celebrations of Hari Raya Puasa, I would like to wish all Muslim parents and students, a blessed Ramadan.

Yours in partnership,

Mrs Lay See Neufeld

Principal

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