



## TAMPINES PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

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Dear Parents,

As Tampines Primary celebrates May Day, we want to show our deep appreciation and gratefulness to colleagues who have worked so hard to ensure the safety and cleanliness of our school compound. On behalf of our staff, students, and parents, I wish to pay a special tribute



to our security officers, our contract cleaning team headed by Mr Michael Leong and our School Admin Team. They ensure, daily, that Tampines Primary is able to function well, serving to the holistic needs of all students. With the recent rise in Covid 19 and influenza A cases, the contract and

operations teams have stepped up the cleaning of common areas such as canteens, lifts, and toilets. They have also disinfected classrooms and high touch areas such as door handles and lift buttons.



### **Important Reminders**

In order to support their work and to ringfence the school, we gently remind parents that students should not come to school if they are sick or unwell with flu-like symptoms. As part of our social responsibility, you are strongly encouraged to only let your child return to school after the medical leave is completed, and when your child is well. Staff will be carrying out their daily visual wellbeing checks on all students. We will continue to encourage all students to practise personal hygiene by washing their hands frequently, wearing masks if necessary, doing the daily wipe-downs and informing the teachers if they feel unwell. Let us continue to collaborate on the continual efforts to keep all students healthy and happy.

### **Maker Space Week**

To support Tampines Primary's sustainability efforts and develop a growth mindset, the Maker Space Week will be held from 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2023 to 5<sup>th</sup> May 2023 for students to create useful objects using recyclables. Students will use recycled materials that they have collected in their class recycling bins to produce a range of upcycled art products integrating STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) concepts. There was palpable excitement among the students during morning assembly when they learnt about the possibilities of what they can do. We will post photos of them at work in our Instagram account.

### **P5 and P3 Senior Olympics**

Our P5 and P3 students will be participating in the Senior Olympics on 15<sup>th</sup> May 2023 (P5 Senior Olympics) and 17<sup>th</sup> May 2023 (P3 Senior Olympics) held during school hours. The objectives of the Senior Olympics games are to develop the character traits of sportsmanship and teamwork



through sports and games. Students will compete in team games against other classes at the same level. All students will have the opportunities to participate and represent their classes.

### **Aesthetics Week**

The students look forward to Aesthetics week to learn more of and expand their repertoire of music and art competencies. Varied, interactive and 'fun' activities will be held from 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2023 to 24<sup>th</sup> May 2023 for students to express themselves creatively. Art, Music, and Drama activities will be organized during the Early Bird Programme, Recess Activities and School Assembly.

### **2023 P1 Registration Exercise - Phase 1 Registration**

The Primary 1 Phase 1 registration is for a Singapore Citizen (SC), or Permanent Resident (PR) child born between 2 January 2017 and 1 January 2018 (both dates inclusive) and has a sibling currently studying in our school. For the 2023 P1 Registration Exercise (2023 P1 Ex), parents who are registering their children under Phase 1 are to **register on-line during the Phase 1 registration period in early July 2023.**

If your child is a non-SC / non-PR and thus not eligible for Phase 1, please submit an online Indication of Interest in end May/early June 2023.

More updates on the 2023 P1 Ex will be provided on the [MOE P1 website](#) by May 2023.

### **Tree Planting on 21<sup>st</sup> April 2023**

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Joint Tree-Planting Activity took place on 21<sup>st</sup> April 2023. It was held in conjunction with Earth Day and marked the continued collaboration between Tampines Primary and Secondary as community schools supporting each other on eco-stewardship initiatives. The annual event is also part of the OneMillionTrees movement launched in April 2020 by National Parks. In addition to the planting of trees, there were performances by both schools and the unveiling of two art installations. The graduating cohort from Tampines Primary



and the student body of Tampines Secondary led



by the Green Ambassadors collected unwanted bottle caps for the Art Clubs to create an art installation of the respective schools' logos. These two art installations are symbolic pledges by both schools to reduce plastic waste.

## **P6 Booster Camp (29<sup>th</sup> May 2023 – 30<sup>th</sup> May 2023 and 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2023 – 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2023)**

As part of our culture of care, all P6 teachers will be returning to school at the start and end of Semester 1 school holidays to conduct revision classes in preparation of the coming PSLE. Parents will need to opt in for the booster camp through their Parents Gateway (PG) accounts.

### **Conclusion**

Many of the additional school programmes, outside the classrooms, are actively supported by the volunteers from the Parent Support Group. The staff and I thank them for their generous sharing of time and expertise. We would not have been able to run such a wide range of activities without their support.

We also look forward to meeting with parents on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2023 as the teachers share with you on the holistic growth of your children. You would have received specific instructions on how to book your time slots for the various meetings posted on Parents Gateway (PG) on 26<sup>th</sup> April 2023.

As the end of Term 2 approaches, I would like to encourage all parents to spend time to bond with your children over the June holidays. Families who intend to travel are gently reminded to submit their children's travel declaration forms through PG.

Stay well and wishing all a wonderful break for the June holidays!

Yours in partnership,

Mrs Lay See Neufeld

Principal

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