



# TAMPINES PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

## Strategic Thrust 2-Nurturing Leaders of Character

### Total Defence Day 2016

Total Defence Day will be commemorated on **Mon 15 Feb 2016**. This year's theme "Together We Keep Singapore Strong" aims to educate the pupils on the need to strengthen our resilience as a nation by reaffirming our shared attitudes, values and instincts and celebrating our common identity as Singaporeans. The annual event serves to remind us of the importance to be rooted to the nation and to be committed in building a cohesive society ready to face the future together. Pupils will be exposed to an array of hands-on activities and discussions to heighten their awareness of the five pillars of Total Defence. Through these interactions, pupils will be encouraged to work together to preserve Singapore's stability, security and prosperity.

### Strategic Focus: Partnership

#### Meet-The-Parents Session

Thank you for attending the Meet the Parents Session on 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2016. For those who were not able to make it on that day, you may access MC Online for the information booklet.

### School Safety Matters

The school is committed in ensuring our pupils' safety at all times. With reference to our newsletter dated 04 Jan 2016, we would like to remind all visitors to school to display visitor pass upon entering the school. Kindly proceed to the school general office for assistance thereafter.

Please take note of the refinements made to our safety measures in the table below.

Timing	Accessible School Areas	Remarks
Morning peak hours – from 7.15 to 7.45 am	Designated drop-off points – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Front gate</li> <li>• Back gate</li> <li>• Driveway in front of the foyer</li> </ul>	Parents/guardians who walk your child/ward to school, please drop-off your child/ward at the designated points like front gate and back gate. Please <b>refrain</b> from walking your child/ward beyond the designated drop-off points, i.e. the front gate and back gate. For those who are driving to the school, <b>refrain from parking your car and walking your child/ward to the foyer.</b>



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		<p><b>Alighting pupils in front of the car park lots is not permitted.</b>  For those who are driving, they <b>must follow the queue along the driveway</b> and drop off their child/ward in front of the foyer. This is the safest way to alight pupils in the school. In view of the heavy traffic we urge all drivers to make the alighting process brief.</p>
During school curriculum hours	General office	<p>Kindly display your visitor pass if you wish to enter the school to settle any outstanding matters. Kindly proceed to the General Office for assistance. Please be reminded that parents /guardians are <b>not permitted</b> to make purchases from the school bookshop from 10.00 am to 11.00 am. Teaching blocks and classrooms are strictly out of bound at all times.</p>
During dismissal	Designated pick-up points – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Front gate</li> <li>• Back gate</li> </ul>	<p>With the completion of sheltered pedestrian path outside the front gate, we <b>urge all parents to wait for their child/ward outside the school gate.</b> This will free up space at the guard post area for the speedy dismissal of the pupils. We are assessing the possibility of dismissing P1 &amp; P2 pupils by the school sheltered path instead of walking through the open car park once there is a significant reduction of congestion at the guard post area. Your co-operation by not entering the school gate will help us to put the plan into action.</p> <p>We seek your understanding that parents/guardians and visitors are not permitted to enter the school premises from the back gate at all times.</p>



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## Others

### School General Office Operation Hours 2016

Please note that the school general office operation hours are as follows:

School Term	Time
Monday to Thursday	8.00 to 6.00 pm
Friday	8.00 to 5.30 pm

School Holidays (March, June, September & December)	Time
Monday to Friday	8.00 to 5.00 pm

Do approach the school general office staff for any assistance during the operation hours.

### Travel Declaration (Lunar New Year)

Parents/guardians are reminded to inform us of your child/ward travel plans during the Lunar New Year Holidays via the schools' Learning Management System MOnline ([www.mconline.sg](http://www.mconline.sg)). Pupils will be able to log in using their own username and password. Please declare your overseas travel plans by choosing "School Admin" menu followed by "School Matters" sub menu and "Travel Plan" option.

### Upcoming Events – February 2016

Date	Event	Remarks
Feb 5	Lunar New Year Celebration	School Dismissal at 1.30pm for all
Feb 8, 9	Lunar New Year Holidays	
Feb 22-26	P6 Diagnostic Assessment Week	
Feb 27	Parents Workshop	Saturday, 9am -12pm

### Lunar New Year

To all our pupils and their parents/guardians who will be celebrating the Lunar New Year “新年快乐! 身体健康! 万事如意!”

Do take advantage of the extended weekend to spend quality time building family bonds. Happy Holidays!

With warmest regards

Miss Veronica Tay  
Principal