

14 September 2026

Dear Parents/Guardians of Secondary One Students,

WELCOME TO TERM 4 2026

We hope that your teen had a meaningful and restful September holiday, and you were able to spend some quality time with him/her. As we enter the final term of 2026, we would like to provide you with key updates and information on events/programmes in Term 4 for our Sec 1 students.

A. CCA Matters

1. CCA activities have stood down from **Tue 25 Aug** to help students to prepare for the End-of-Year Examinations. CCA activities will resume from **Fri 9 Oct**.

B. End-of-Year Examinations

2. The End-of-Year (EOY) Examinations for Sec 1 students will take place in Weeks 2-4, **Mon 21 Sep** to **Mon 5 Oct**. Please refer to the notification sent earlier on **Mon 24 Aug** via Parents Gateway (PG) for the detailed End-of-Year Examination schedule.
3. Teachers have informed students of the topics tested for their EOY Examinations and the formats of the papers for each subject. The details have also been put up on class notice boards as well as sent to students via Google Classroom.
4. As part of revision, practice papers will be provided to help students familiarise themselves with examination format/demand and build confidence. These practice papers may be administered during lessons or as homework. Subject teachers will instruct and guide the students accordingly.
5. While examinations serve as one main avenue for teachers and students to assess learning progress, they are not the be-all and end-all of education. We look forward to continuing to partner with you to nurture the joy of learning in our students, support their holistic development, and help them see assessments as opportunities to surpass themselves.

C. Bowen October FIESTA (End-of-Year Post-Examination Activities)

6. The year-end Bowen FIESTA will take place from **Thu 22 Oct** to **Fri 23 Oct**. These activities aim to enrich our students' learning experiences and are compulsory for all students. The details of the activities for Sec 1 students are as follows:

Date	Time	Programme	Venue	Classes involved	Remarks
Thu 22 Oct	7.30am – 8.00am	Form Teacher time	In school	All Sec 1 classes	Students can report to school in their PE attire/class T-shirts and school shorts/skirts and running shoes. Items to bring: Stationery, water bottle, sports towel, rags and dry cloth for cleaning.
	8.00am – 9.00am	Year Head Engagement			
	9.00am – 9.30am	Recess			
	9.30am – 10.30am	Gotong Royong			
	10.30am – 12.30pm	Games Day (Badminton)			
Fri 23 Oct	7.30am – 8.00am	Form Teacher time	In school	All Sec 1 classes	Students can report to school in their PE attire/class T-shirts and school shorts/skirts and running shoes. Items to bring: Stationery, water bottle, sports towel.
	8.00am - 10.00am	Dance Programme			
	10.00am – 10.30am	Recess			
	10.30am – 11.30am	Dance Programme (Cont'd)			
	11.30am – 12.30pm	Issuance of Report Books			

D. 3-Day Conversational Chinese/ Malay (CCM) Programme

7. Our Mother Tongue Language (MTL) Department will be conducting the annual Conversational Chinese/Malay (CCM) Programme. CCM is an established MOE programme that introduces Conversational Chinese or Conversational Malay to students who do not speak the language (e.g. to Malay or Indian students / to Chinese or Indian students respectively). Through CCM, students will gain a basic understanding of the respective languages, to enable them to strengthen bonds with their peers as well as operate comfortably within the region.
8. For students who will be signing up for the programme, it will be conducted from **Mon 26 Oct** to **Wed 29 Oct** in school, from 8.00am to 12.00pm. For more information, please refer to the PG announcement sent on **Thu 3 Sep**, titled "Invitation to join Conversational Chinese and Malay (CCM) Program 2026".

The closing date for registration is **Fri 18 Sep**.

E. Other Matters and Overview of Activities

9. Sec 1 students will be dismissed at **12.30pm** from **Thu 15 Oct** to **Fri 23 Oct** due to the start of the GCE O-Level Written Examinations in the afternoons.
10. Report Books for Sec 1 students will be issued on **Fri 23 Oct**. Parents/guardians will not generally be invited to meet Form Teachers (FTs); but if you would like to talk to the FTs, you are welcome to contact them directly. FTs will be calling or arranging for face-to-face/video conferences with parents/guardians of selected students to provide feedback on their teen's progress and development.
11. The year-end school holidays are scheduled from **Sat 24 Oct 2026** to **Sun 3 Jan 2027**. The last day of school will be **Fri 23 Oct**. In addition to the CCM programme for Sec 1 students, teachers may ask selected students to return to school to provide additional support on a needs basis, between the last week of October and Student Protected Time in November (see below). Students involved and their parents/guardians will be notified.
12. To allow our students more time and space to rest and recharge, Student Protected Time will be from **Sat 21 Nov** to **Wed 16 Dec** (both dates inclusive) during which there will not be any school activities (e.g. no CCA activities).
13. Please refer to the table below for an overview of activities till the end of the year:

Date/Days	Programme / Activity	Remarks
Mon 21 Sep to Mon 5 Oct	End-of-Year Examinations	Please refer to the detailed schedule sent on Mon 25 Aug via PG.
Tue 6 Oct	Marking Day	Students <u>need not</u> report to school.

Date/Days	Programme / Activity	Remarks
Wed 7 Oct	Timetable resumes as per normal	Students report for morning assembly as per normal (i.e. by 8.00am for Wed), in the usual school attire.
Fri 9 Oct	CCAs resume	-
Tue 13 Oct	G1 Humanities Learning Journey	For Sec 1 T/S/P/A students offering G1 Humanities. Conducted during curriculum hours. A separate letter will be sent via PG closer to the activity date.
Wed 14 Oct	Home-based Learning for Sec 1-3	-
Thu 15 Oct to Fri 23 Oct	Lessons will end at 12.30pm to facilitate the GCE O-Level Written Examinations in the afternoons	-
Fri 16 Oct	Annual Progression Exercise (meetings for teachers)	Students <u>need not</u> report to school.
Thu 22 Oct to Fri 23 Oct	Bowen FIESTA	Please refer to Section C for details.
Sat 21 Nov to Wed 16 Dec	Student Protected Time	Both dates inclusive.

14. The first day of **Term 1 2027** is on **Mon 4 Jan 2027**. Students will be expected to report to school by **7.30am** appropriately attired in full school uniform (without tie), with proper grooming. School will end at **12.30pm**.

15. For regular updates on school programmes and the happenings in and around the school, feel free to check our school website, and follow us on the school's official Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/bowensec> or our official Instagram account **@bowensec_official**.

Thank you for your continued support and for partnering us closely as we nurture our students to be future-ready Passionate Learners, Servant Leaders and Champions of Good. Wishing you a good Term 4 ahead!

Yours faithfully,



Mr Loh Chih Hui
Principal

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