



SBPS/26/059

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Open Letter from School Leaders 6/2026

Dear Parents,

1. The second half of Term 3 kicked off with our National Day celebrations, reminding us of what it means to be Singaporean. We also congratulate our graduating cohort on completing the PSLE Oral Examinations and Preliminary Examinations — an important milestone in their primary school journey.

2. Let us encourage our students to stay focused and give their best. Whether in examinations, CCAs, or in their daily conduct, let us remind them that how we finish matters just as much as how we start. Thank you, parents, for your continued support.

Staff Movements and Recognition

3. New Additions to the Sembawang Family. We are pleased to welcome the following staff members who have joined the SBPS family. We look forward to working closely with them as they contribute to the growth and well-being of our students.

- Mr Marcus Victor Leong Weijian - Subject Head for Educational Support
- Ms Siti Izyan - Discipline Support Officer

4. National Day Awards 2026. We extend our heartiest congratulations to the following staff members who have been conferred the National Day Awards 2026 in recognition of their outstanding contributions and dedicated service to our nation:

Commendation Award

- Mdm Noraida Binte Wagimin
- Mdm Chan Hui Yu Sharon

Long Service Award

- Mdm Sharmila Singh
- Ms Leong Wei Yee Tracy

Important Information...

Safety, Emergency Preparedness & Student Well-Being

5. Air Quality and Student Well-being. In recent weeks, the 24-hour PSI reached 98 in the central region. The dry weather has led to more fire incidents in the surrounding region. With prevailing northeasterly winds, severe transboundary haze is not expected in the coming days. However, the PSI may rise if fires to the north of Singapore persist. We are monitoring



the air quality closely and are ready to activate our haze management plan if needed. Parents will be informed promptly of any changes and necessary measures. In the meantime, we encourage students to stay hydrated and parents to limit strenuous outdoor activities if the PSI rises.

6. Preparedness: Key to Keeping Everyone Safe. As part of our safety planning, an emergency preparedness exercise will be conducted in Term 4. Preparedness is key to keeping everyone safe. To ensure our students and staff remain ready, we will be carrying out training exercises to strengthen emergency response procedures. Your child will be briefed in advance on what to expect, including all necessary safety precautions. We seek your support in reminding your child to remain calm, listen to instructions, and take the exercise seriously.

Student Matters

7. Rooted in Values, Resilient in a Digital World. In today's world, we want our students to be rooted in strong values and equipped with resilience. Being rooted in values means choosing respect over unkind words, showing care by looking out for one another, and having integrity to do what is right even when no one is watching. Through Cyber Wellness programmes, we teach students to apply these values online — such as not sharing hurtful comments and protecting their personal information. In building resilience, we equip them with skills and strategies to overcome difficulties, grow from setbacks, and uphold their values even when it is challenging to do so. Together, we nurture students who are values-driven and ready for the future.

8. Sparkling Creativity at Makers Buzz. Our students participated in the Makers Buzz during Term 3, Week 9. Through a range of fun, hands-on activities, they explored creative ways to protect the environment and designed innovative solutions to environmental challenges. As "little makers", our students explored, created, experimented, and brought their ideas to life. It was an enjoyable and meaningful experience that encouraged creative thinking and reflection on how they can make a positive difference. Moving forward, we encourage students to continue this spirit of making through the *Makers Challenge*. Students may create an item using recycled or discarded materials and submit their upcycled product to their Form Teacher in Term 4, Week 1. We look forward to seeing the wonderful creations from our young makers!

Figure 1 – Student Makers at Work



9. Early Dismissal¹ During Curriculum Hours. Requests for students to leave school early during curriculum hours must be accompanied by supporting proof, where necessary. Parents must:

- (a) Notify the Form Teacher preferably 2 working days in advance, and
- (b) Collect your child personally, or via a proxy, from the General Office.

This process is in place to safeguard your child's safety and protect valuable learning time.

Celebration of Successes...

10. Celebrating Singapore's 61st National Day. On 7 August, we felt the high spirits and strong sense of unity as the whole school sang the National Anthem and recited the Pledge at the National Day Observance Ceremony. That same spirit carried through to the class activities and the National Day Concert, which featured a lively sing-along and a drama skit by teachers and students. The skit told the story of Singapore's journey as a nation, and we were especially delighted to have our MK children join us as special guests for the very first time. It was a joyful celebration that reminded us of the values and history that unite us as one people. *Majulah Singapura! Go Beyond!*

Figure 2 – National Day Celebrations at the MPH



11. Gold Award at Elementz 2026. We are proud to share that our Science & Green Club team clinched the Gold Award at the 24th Elementz Science Project Competition 2026. The team (See photo on the right) — Rukia Ariani Binte Abdul Aziz (5I), Chee Kai Ting (5I), Nathanael Lim Chen Shen (5I), and Wayne Koh Zheng Yang (5E) — investigated the effectiveness of different breakwater shapes in reducing the impact of waves. Through this project, our students demonstrated curiosity in tackling a real-world problem, resilience in overcoming challenges, and a strong commitment to scientific excellence. Congratulations to the team on this outstanding achievement!

Figure 3 – Our Young Scientists



¹ Applicable for non-MOE related matters, excluding unwell child.

12. NSG: Playing with Heart. We are proud of our Sembawang Primary athletes for embodying “The Best from Me” this NSG (National School Games) season. Congratulations to our Rugby Boys for clinching the 4th place in Tier 2, Softball Junior Girls for clinching the 3rd in Tier 1, and Table Tennis team for clinching 2 golds in Tier 4. All our badminton players also displayed great grit and sportsmanship. More importantly, our students grew in character, teamwork and resilience. Well done to all!

Figure 4 – Salute to our NSG Athletes



13. A School of Choice: Full P1 2027 Intake. All 200 vacancies in Sembawang Primary School for the P1 intake for 2027 are filled with balloting required in Phase 2C for Singapore Citizens residing within 1km. This milestone reflects the strong trust our community places in us. Parents have shared that they chose Sembawang Primary because of our focus on values, strong academic foundation, and caring environment where every child is known and supported. We are deeply grateful to our parents, staff, alumni and partners. Your partnership has made Sembawang Primary a school of choice in Sembawang. Together, we will continue to nurture every child to be rooted in values and ready for the future.

Upcoming School Events...

14. Teachers' Day Celebrations & Early Dismissal. On 3 September (Thursday), the school will celebrate Teachers' Day with a Concert and class-based activities where students can show their appreciation for their teachers. We encourage students to show appreciation through simple gestures — a handwritten note or appreciative words in a card will mean more than any gift. Do note that dismissal is scheduled at 10.30 a.m. and there will be no recess. Parents are encouraged to pack a light snack for your child.

Miscellaneous...

15. Go Cashless with GIRO. We strongly encourage parents to sign up for GIRO to pay for your child's/ward's school and miscellaneous fees. GIRO is convenient and hassle-free. Fees will be deducted automatically, and the same arrangement will also cover enrichment programmes, school charges, and national examination fees where applicable. It is truly a one-stop solution for all school-related payments.

To Sign up:

Log in to Parent Gateway → Services → Finance → Complete your eGIRO application

Concluding Remarks...

16. The journey has been one of growth and commitment. Our students have engaged meaningfully in learning, stepped forward to lead, and demonstrated the school values in both triumphs and challenges. Our teachers have worked tirelessly to design lessons, provide feedback, and support every child. Our parents and partners have stood with us, strengthening the home-school partnership that is so vital to our students' success. Thank you, parents.

17. We would like to take this opportunity to wish all families a wonderful family bonding time during the September school holidays. Please stay safe and healthy.

Yours in education,

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