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Open Letter from School Leaders 7/2026

Dear Parents,

1. As we cross the midpoint of Term 4, our students continue to stay energised, focused and enthusiastic. Beyond sharpening their learning through thoughtfully curated programmes and activities, we also celebrated their achievements and marked special occasions including Children's Day.

2. We extend our heartfelt appreciation to our P6 parents for your unwavering support and encouragement during the PSLE. The home-school partnership is vital in supporting your child's educational journey as they transition to secondary education in the coming months.

Staff Movements

3. New Additions to the Sembawang Family. We would like to extend a warm welcome to the following staff who have joined our school.

- Miss S Kirthana (Teacher, English Language & Social Studies)
- Miss Kalaivani Kalaiselram (Teacher, Tamil Language)
- Ms Nur Kamilah Binte Mohamad Kamal (MK Educator, Malay Language)

Important Information…

Safety, Security, Emergency Preparedness & Student Well-Being

4. Road Safety in School. The safety of our students is our utmost priority. All drivers in the school compound must observe the 15 km/h speed limit, slow down at speed bumps, and follow directions from staff and security officers. Please use only the designated drop-off points (white boxes) at the concourse, ensure your child alights from the left, and refrain from making three-point turns. We also urge all motorists to slow down and stay vigilant near the school. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping everyone safe.

5. Saying No to Drugs: Our Students Take a Stand. As part of our Preventive Drug Education efforts, our DrugFree Champions, Mr Calvin Chia (HOD for Student Management) and Mdm Norlin Mansor (Assistant Year Head for Upper Primary), led an assembly programme to raise awareness on the dangers of drug abuse and the importance of making responsible choices.

6. To reinforce the DrugFreeSG message, we hosted the DrugFreeSG Community Outreach Exhibition. Our Primary 4 and Primary 5 students also received the Anti-Drug-Ambassador (AAA) Booklets and completed related activities on the Student Learning Space (SLS). During recess, students pledged their commitment to a drug-free lifestyle by penning

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personal pledges. Through these initiatives, we aim to educate and engage our students in making responsible choices and standing united in the fight against drugs. Together, let's keep Singapore drug-free!

Figure 1 – DrugFreeSG Community Outreach Exhibition



Students writing their DrugFreeSG pledges





Students Interacting with the exhibits

Student Matters

7. Beyond the Classroom Walls. Learning journeys bring classroom learning to life. By stepping into real and meaningful settings, our students explore, connect and make sense of the world around them. Each place visited and experience gained deepens their understanding and nurtures their confidence and curiosity. We hope to inspire our children to see that the world around them is also a classroom, and that learning can happen anywhere.

Figure 2 – Learning Takes Place Beyond the Classrooms







8. Character Development: A Shared Partnership. Character development lies at the heart of our approach to nurturing well-rounded learners. We believe character is shaped not only within the classroom, but also in how our students conduct themselves beyond the school gates. At times, we receive feedback from members of the public on our students' inappropriate behaviour. We take such feedback seriously and follow up diligently — investigating the matter, engaging the relevant parties, and implementing appropriate consequences where necessary. We view these as valuable teachable moments to reinforce our core values of integrity, care and respect. We appreciate our parents' partnership in reinforcing these values at home, as character building is a shared responsibility between school and family.

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Celebration of Successes…

9. One Pledge, Our Shared Values. We marked the 60th anniversary of Singapore's National Pledge to deepen students' understanding of our shared values. Through our National Day assembly and FTGP lessons, students explored the meaning behind the words they recite daily. Anchored by the theme, "One Singapore, Many Voices",the programme highlighted Singapore's journey, the contributions of diverse communities, and the Pledge's ideals of unity, equality and justice. Linked to our school values of Care, Gratitude and Integrity, the lessons encouraged students to live out these values by respecting differences, treating others fairly and caring for one another — reminding them that they each play a part in shaping Singapore's future.

10. Teacher's Day Celebration. On 3 September, our primary and kindergarten students celebrated Teacher's Day through the following showcases:

a. For Kindergarten. Our Parent Support Group organised a heartfelt celebration for our teachers with video messages from the children and sweet treats. Centered on the theme, 'Hollywood', the celebration highlighted the many roles teachers play — inspiring, guiding and nurturing to bring out the star in every child.

Figure 3 – Hollywood Actors and Actresses



b. For Primary School. Themed 'Superheroes', the celebration honoured teachers as everyday heroes — protecting, guiding and empowering students with their own superpowers of care, patience and dedication. Students showed appreciation through classroom activities led by Prefects and Peer Support Leaders, guided by the Student Leadership Committee. The celebration culminated in a concert at the Multi-Purpose Hall (MPH) featuring student performances. It was a meaningful reminder of our value of Gratitude and motto, 'The Best from Me', encouraging students to appreciate their teachers' care and guidance while striving to give their best.

Figure 4 – Classroom activity and performances by students



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11. Mid-Autumn Celebrations. On 26 September, 30 members of our Chinese Orchestra (CO) represented the school at the Mid-Autumn Festival celebration organised by Sembawang West and Canberra Divisions at the Woodlands Crescent Park. The CO team performed three pieces for residents, sharing the festive spirit through music and showcasing their talents while contributing to the community.



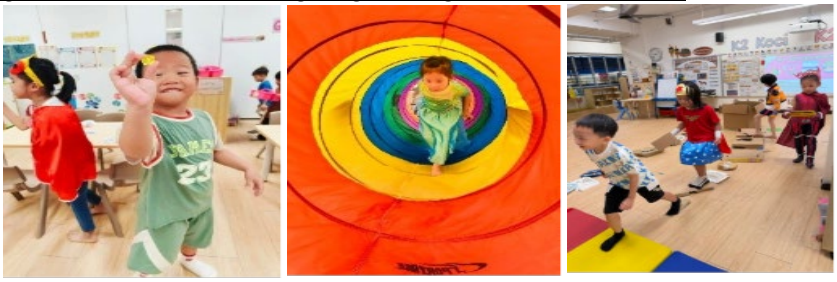
12. Our MK students decorated paper lanterns using Chinese brush and with ink painting. They also learnt about the phases of the moon and were introduced to the Chinese poem Jìng Yè Sī (静夜思).

Figure 5 – MK Students at Lantern Making and Poem Session



13. Children's Day Celebration. The MK celebrated Children's Day with the theme, Superheroes: Mission Possible. Children took on group missions that built their gross motor and balancing skills, coordination, agility and confidence, while also challenging their observation and problem-solving skills.

Figure 6 – MK Students going through Group Missions



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14. Over at the Primary side, our Children's Day celebration is anchored on the theme, "Learning is an Adventure" – a reminder that learning goes beyond textbooks and is found in friendship, courage and the joy of discovering what we can achieve outside our comfort zones. Every child brings a unique spark of curiosity, and Children's Day is our time to make each child feel seen, celebrated and valued for who they are, not just for academic results. Beyond the fun, the celebration strengthens our school community spirit, building comradeship, gratitude, respect and resilience as children cheer for and support one another.

Figure 7 – Primary School Children's Day Celebration







15. MOE Service Excellence Award (MSEA). We are pleased to announce our recipients of the MSEA. This award recognises MOE staff who are passionate about their service delivery, consistently serving internal and external customers with C.A.R.E. (Courtesy, Accessibility, Responsiveness and Effectiveness), and inspire their colleagues to do likewise. See Annex A for the list of MSEA award winners. Congratulations to all award winners!

Upcoming School Events…

16. MK Orientation. Families of children joining MOE Kindergarten @ Sembawang in 2027 have been invited to the MK Orientation on 10 November. During the session, they will explore the MK environment, take part in a parent-child activity, settle administrative matters, purchase school uniforms and meet the MK personnel as they prepare for their children's kindergarten journey. We are eagerly looking forward to welcoming them and starting this exciting journey together!

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Miscellaneous…

17. Improving Our Facilities Management Services. From 1 September, CBM Pte Ltd has been appointed as the school's Facilities Management service provider, replacing our previous multi-vendor arrangement. As a single provider overseeing all facilities matters, CBM will ensure a safe, clean and conducive environment for our students, with more efficient reporting and faster rectification of issues to minimise disruptions to learning.

Concluding Remarks…

18. The journey thus far has been smooth sailing, thanks to the strong partnership of our parents — from supporting academic learning to nurturing your child's social and character development.

19. We will continue to work together to holistically develop your child. Thank you, parents.

Yours in education,

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Annex A

MSEA Award Recipients

S/no	Award Category	Awardee	Designation
1.	Gold	Ms Sharon Chan	YH/UP (Covering) & FT/5G
2.		Mr Chia Chin Ooi Calvin	HOD/SM
3.		Mdm Subashini D/O Gopalakrishnan	ST/TL
4.	Silver	Mr Andi Fatahillah	FT/3G
5.		Mdm Chu Poh Hoon	AE(MK)
6.		Ms Heow Tsuey Yan	FT/4G
7.		Mdm Khalisah Bte Kamisan	FT/2Re
8.		Ms Kong Jia Yee	FT/1C
9.		Mdm Lediana Bte Mohamed Said	FT/1Int
10.		Ms Lee Weiqin	SH/SLD
11.		Mdm Lim Peck Joo Hazel	AYH/MP & FT/4Cu
12.		Mdm Liu Hongyan	FT/3Re
13.		Ms M. Buvaneswari	FT/1Cu
14.		Mdm Mahalakshmi D/O Panneerselvam	FT/4G
15.		Mohamad Iskandar B Ishak	SH/PE&CCA & FT/6E
16.		Ms Noorhuda Amalina Binte Ab Rahman	LH/EL
17.		Nor Afidah Binte Jaafar	FT/1G
18.		Nur Qistina Binte Abdul Wahid	FT/2Cu
19.		Sharmila Singh	LT/EL & FT/6Re
20.		Tan Yi Xuan	FT/4Int
21.		Yong Geok Ping	HOD/Ma & FT/5Int

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