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Dear Parents/Guardians,

This August, as Singapore commemorates 61 years of independence, we are reminded of the enduring spirit that has carried us through challenges and triumphs alike. This year's theme, "*Majulah Singapura, Go Beyond!*", calls on us to reflect on our shared journey and to look boldly toward the future.

From our beginnings as a small island with limited resources, we have grown into a thriving nation built on resilience, multicultural harmony, and openness to the world. As we celebrate this milestone, let us continue to nurture the spirit of togetherness and the courage to go beyond, ensuring that Singapore remains a home where every generation can flourish.

Together, as One Singapore, One Nation, we will keep moving forward—stronger, bolder, and united.

1. Citizenship and Character Education

For August, the 'Value of the Month' is Responsibility. Our foci are as follows:

Habit 2: Begin With the End In Mind: I look for ways to be a good citizen.

Habit 1: Be Proactive: I take initiative.

As Singapore celebrates its 61st National Day, we are proud to join the nation in embracing this year's official theme - "*Majulah Singapura, Go Beyond!*"

This theme resonates deeply with the values we are nurturing in our students this month. Just as Singapore has progressed through 61 years of nation-building with purpose and heart, we encourage our students to embody Responsibility and look beyond themselves and contribute meaningfully to the world around them.

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- Habit 2: Begin With the End in Mind, we encourage our students to be proactive and take initiative and to think about how their actions can make a difference at home, in the community and beyond.
- Habit 1: Be Proactive, we encourage our children to take initiative to step up, show care and not wait for others to act first. This is the spirit of a responsible citizen and a proud Singaporean.

2026 also marks Pledge 60, the 60th anniversary of Singapore's National Pledge. It was first recited on 24 August 1966. We invite you to take a moment with your child to reflect on what it means to be a Singaporean and what we each can do to honour that shared identity.

For more information, please visit the following links:

NDP theme and logo	https://www.ndp.gov.sg/about-ndp-26/theme-and-logo/
Commemorating the Anniversary of the National Pledge	https://youtu.be/5m5MFwMOflQ

2. National Day Celebration – Fri, 7 August 2026

Students will come to school in their red corporate T-shirts with school shorts/skirts and school shoes. They would need to bring along a small water bottle and some light snacks.

School Operating Schedule and Dismissal

Friday, 7 August 2026		
School Hours	7:30am to 10:30am	Dismissal for all levels is 10.30am. Students taking the school bus will be ferried home at 10.30am. For others, please make transport arrangements accordingly.
Student Care Centre	10:30am to 1:30pm	
General Office	7:00am to 2:30pm	

Please note that Monday, 10 August 2026 is a Public Holiday. School will resume on Tuesday, 11 August 2026.

3. PSLE Oral Examination

The PSLE Oral Examinations will be held from **Wednesday, 12 August 2026 to Thursday, 13 August 2026**. P6 Students will be informed of their session groupings closer to the date. P1 to P5 students **need not** report to school on these days.

4. P3 Identification Exercise 2026

The Gifted Education Branch of the Ministry of Education will be conducting the identification exercise for Primary 3 students who demonstrate academic strengths and talents.

This exercise will take place in our school on **Wednesday, 26 August 2026** during curriculum hours.

5. P6 Preliminary Written Examinations

The P6 Preliminary Written Examinations will be held from **Thursday, 20 August 2026 to Wednesday, 26 August 2026**. The schedule of the papers is shown below:

Date	Subject
Thurs, 20 August 2026	English Language
Fri, 21 August 2026	Mathematics
Mon, 24 August 2026	Mother Tongue Language
Tues, 25 August 2026	Science
Wed, 26 August 2026	Higher Mother Tongue

To allow students sufficient time to rest and prepare for their next paper, **P6 students will be dismissed at 1:30 p.m. on Monday, 24 August 2026**, after the Mother Tongue Language examination.

Please note that there will be **no make-up session** for the Preliminary Written Examination (Listening and Written) if your child is absent with a valid reason. If your child is unwell on the day of the exam, kindly bring him/her to see a doctor and obtain a valid medical certificate. The medical certificate should be submitted to the form teacher when your child returns to school. For more details, please refer to our Student Handbook 2026, Page 21 on Examination Guidelines.

6. Teachers' Day Celebrations

The Student Leadership Team will be putting together a programme consisting of performances and games in honour of our teachers on Thursday, 3 September 2026. Students will come to school in their PE T-shirts with school shorts/skirts/Skorts and school shoes.

School Operating Schedule and Dismissal

Thursday, 3 Septemeber 2026		
School Hours	7:30am to 10:30am	Dismissal for all levels is 10.30am. Students taking the school bus will be ferried home at 10:30am. For others, please make transport arrangements accordingly.
Student Care Centre*	10:30am to 7:00pm	*SCC will be closed on Friday, 4 September 2026.
General Office*	7:00am to 5:00pm	*General Office will be opened from 8:00am to 4:30pm on Friday, 4 September 2026.

The school canteen stalls will **not** be operating on Thursday, 3 September 2026. Students are to bring their own snacks, water bottles, lesson materials and stationery.

7. End-of-Year Examination – for P3 to P5 students only

The end-of-year examination for P3 to P5 students will begin on Tuesday, 8 October 2026.

To help your child make good use of the upcoming school holidays, please refer to Annex A for the End-of-Year Examination Timetable, and Annexes B, C and D for the End-of-Year Examination topics and examination formats for revision.

Please be informed that there will be **no make-up sessions** for the end-of-year examination if your child/ward is absent. In the event that your child/ward is unwell on the day of the exam, kindly bring him/her to see a doctor and obtain a medical certificate. The medical certificate should be submitted to the teacher when your child/ward returns to school or the Parent Gateway.

The well-being of your child/ward is our utmost priority, and they will not be penalised for missing the end-of-year examination. While the exam is part of the overall assessment, please note that the school evaluates your child's/ward's progress through various means, including daily work, performance tasks, and termly weighted assessments throughout the year.

Your child/ward can attempt the exam paper as practice once they are back in school and feeling better.

8. Term 3 School Activities - Mon, 3 August 2026 to Sun, 13 September 2026

The school will provide further details as necessary closer to the date, otherwise the schedule below serves as a notification.

Date	Activities	Levels & Classes Involved	Remarks
Fri, 7 August 2026	National Day Celebration	All	7:30 am to 10:30 am
Sun, 9 August 2026	Public Holiday – National Day	All	
Mon, 10 August 2026	School Holiday – National Day	All	
Wed, 12 August 2026 – Thu, 13 August 2026	PSLE Oral	P6	P1 to P5 students need not report to school on these days.
Tues, 18 August 2026	P6 Preliminary Listening Comprehension Examination	P6	Afternoon
Thu, 20 August 2026 – Wed, 26 August 2026	Prelims	P6	
Wed, 26 August 2026	P3 Identification Exercise 2026	P3	During Curriculum Hours
Mon, 17 August 2026 – Fri, 28 August 2026	P5 Modular Test	P5	
Mon, 24 August 2026 – Wed, 2 September 2026	P1 & P2 Modular Review P3 & P4 Modular Test	P1 to P4	
Mon, 31 August 2026 – Wed, 2 September 2026	P5 Outdoor Adventure Camp	P5	
Thu, 3 September 2026	Teacher's Day Celebration	All	7:30 am to 10:30 am
Fri, 4 September 2026	Teacher's Day (School Holiday)	All	
Sat, 5 September 2026 – 13 September 2026	Term 3 Holidays	All	

We wish all our students and their families a Happy 61st National Day.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Jennifer Choy (Principal)
Mrs Cheryl Lim (VP)
Ms Tay Yam Eng (VPA)