



St Gabriel's Primary School

Parents' Connect – **AUGUST 2026**

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Please refer to the school website at www.stgabrielspri.moe.edu.sg for more details.

A Note from the Principal

Dear Parents,

National Day is always a great time for reflection. This year's theme is Go Beyond! and it aims to rally all Singaporeans to continue our nation-building efforts and make the red dot a truly special one. The challenges we face in this turbulent and volatile world demand that we move forward together in unity. We need to be inclusive as everyone from the young ones to the seniors have an important role to play. Truly, what we say in our national pledge 'regardless of race, language or religion' takes on even greater importance.

As a school, we take this seriously and view education of our young as a key component of nation-building. People is often said to be Singapore's only resource and hence we leave no stone unturned to provide the best possible education so our students will grow into loyal and responsible citizens. Amongst them are many future leaders who will play a key role in taking Singapore forward in the global stage. The process of developing a strong and positive mindset about how they can contribute to our nation must start in primary school.

Our strategic efforts to help our students become Leaders, Sportsmen and Achievers are essentially about preparing and equipping them with the virtues, mindsets and skills for the future. Through the many leadership and VIA opportunities, students learn about sacrifice and service to others in school and the community. Through sports, students pick up healthy lifestyle habits, participate actively and learn about teamwork and resilience. Finally, students achieve all-round progress in studies, character and CCA by giving their best in everything they do.

Our parents are our best partners in this nation-building endeavour. As we nurture and guide our students, go beyond the immediate and imagine the kind of citizens we hope to see in the future. Our students will go on to defend Singapore, stand up for us and make a difference to the community. They will need great parents and educators who serve as role-models and work hand in hand to give them the confidence and belief that they make the Singapore story even better.

One Gabrielite Family.
Happy National Day!

Mr Martin Tan
Principal

National Day Celebrations



National Day marks our separation from Malaysia in 1965, and our emergence as an independent country in a community of nations. Our school will participate in the National Day Observance Ceremony on **Friday, 7 August 2026**.

This school-based commemoration brings to students a sense of the historical importance and solemnity of National Day. Following that, there will be a series of exciting activities for all students organised collaboratively by all departments, which aim to foster the development of our collective national identity.

For national solidarity, **students are encouraged to wear a red top, school PE shorts, and school shoes on that day.** School will be **dismissed at 10.30am**.

[By: HOD / CCE, Student Development & School-Community Partnerships, Mdm Lim Jia Shyuan]

E Parent-Teacher Meeting 2026

The second e-Parent Teacher Meeting (e-PTM) for this year will be held on **Thursday, 27 August 2026 and Friday, 28 August 2026 from 7.30am to 3.00pm**. School will be closed on both days to allow the teachers to dedicate their time on the 2 days for a more focused discussion with you.

The objective of this 2nd e-PTM is to enable parents and teachers to discuss the students' performance and progress in a bid to build a closer home-school partnership. We invite you to book your slot with the respective teachers accordingly when the e-booking opens.

We look forward to a fruitful conversation with you then.

[By: HOD / Discipline, Safety & Partnerships, Ms Low Mei Ling]

Primary 6 Preliminary and PSLE Oral Examination

PSLE Oral Examination: English Language (EL) & Mother Tongue Languages (MTL)

The PSLE Oral Examinations for Primary 6 students will be conducted on **Wednesday, 12 August, and Thursday, 13 August 2026**.

The relevant details pertaining to the Oral Examination will be posted via Parent's Gateway on Monday, 3 August 2026. Students are to note their PSLE Index Number, Oral Exam Team and subject to be tested on respective Oral day, session, reporting and dismissal time. A briefing for P6 students will be conducted on Thursday, 30 July 2026.

Students are to report only for their respective sessions on both days. Those who are exempted from Mother Tongue are to report to school only on Wednesday, 12 August for their English Language Oral Examination.

For those taking the **school bus**, please note that there will only be a **one-way bus service** on the morning of the two PSLE Oral Days. Those who wish to take the school bus are to inform the respective bus captains accordingly. Students are to make their own transport arrangement home after the exam.

All canteen stalls will be open from 6.30 am to 10.30 am for students to have their breakfast before the start of their session. However, to protect exam integrity, students will not be allowed to go to the canteen after their Oral Examination. They are thus advised to bring along a snack as some Teams might overrun and students in Session 1 for both EL and MTL will be quarantined until the start of Session 2.

The school will be out of bounds to all except for examination personnel, staff and Primary 6 students taking the PSLE Oral Examination. Parents are to leave the school premises immediately after dropping off their son. **Drop-off of students in Session 2 and pick up of students after the Oral Exam will be at the guard house only.**

Please also note that **PSLE Oral Examination days are non-school days for P1 to P5 students**. Work will be assigned for students to complete at home.

P6 Preliminary Examination

The Preliminary Examination for written papers will be conducted from **Thursday, 20 August to Wednesday, 26 August 2026**. You may refer to the exam timetable for Standard and Foundation Subjects in PG and the school website.

[By: Subject Head / Mother Tongue Languages (MTL), Ms Palaniammal]

Identification Exercise 2026

The Ministry of Education is conducting an Identification Exercise to support schools in identifying students with academic strengths and talents. These students will be challenged and developed in their areas of strength through school-based enrichment programmes. Beyond school-based programmes, students assessed to benefit from further stretch will be identified to attend centre-based advanced modules after school at a designated centre near their school [Note: SGPS is one of the 15 centres].

All Primary 3 students are invited to participate in the above-mentioned Identification Exercise which will be held in the school on **26 August 2026, Wednesday**. **Students who have opted not to participate in the Identification Exercise are still expected to attend school, as it is a regular school day.**

Please refer to the letter that was issued through Parents' Gateway to parents of Primary 3 students on 13 July 2026 for more information.

[By: HOD / Mathematics, Mr Andy Kong]

Tamil & Malay Language Theatre Appreciation

Tamil Department: Theatre Appreciation

'The Kooks' by Little Theatre, India.

Primary 5 students taking Tamil will have the opportunity to watch this live performance on **Wednesday, 26 August (3 to 5 pm)** at The Theatre Lab. This production has been specifically curated to make Tamil theatre sustainable and relevant for the next generation. Students will not only get to watch a renowned troupe from Chennai, India but see Tamil theatre as a world-class, professional craft.

"Tamil-English" translingual approach of the play will reflect Singapore's multicultural reality and help students find their own sense of belonging by showing that Tamil can be contemporary, fluid, and globally accessible. The show also uses "the language of clowning" and rhythmic chaos to challenge students' perceptions of what theatre can be, encouraging them to think creatively and experiment with their own self-expression. More details will be posted in Parents Gateway nearer the event.

Malay Department: Theatre Appreciation

Pentas Mini Cerita Kita: Lebai Malang Bukan Kepalang

The above programme will be conducted by Storyscribblers for the **Primary 5 and 6 students** taking Malay on Monday, **31 August from 2 to 3.30 pm**.

With gratitude as the central theme, the performance aims to bring to light a folktale that offers life lessons from the main character, Pak Lebai. His actions, driven by his pride in being the respected elder across three villages, led him to believe he was indeed deserving of the honour bestowed by the villagers, clouding his judgment. In the current world, where FOMO (fear of missing out) is rampant amongst the youth, students will learn that indecisiveness and greed don't pay. The session will be followed by a hot-seating segment, where students will have the opportunity to interview each character to delve deeper into their thoughts and actions in the performance. More details will be posted in Parents Gateway nearer the event.

Students taking the 3.30 pm school bus are to make the necessary arrangements with the bus company.

[By: Subject Head / Mother Tongue Languages (MTL), Ms Palaniammal]

By Parents, For Parents – Caring for Yourself During Exam Season

As August begins, our Primary 6 boys will soon be sitting for their preliminary examinations, while many of our students continue preparing for upcoming assessments. As parents, we naturally focus on supporting our children through this busy period. At the same time, remember to care for yourself too. Looking after your own physical, mental, and emotional well-being enables you to better support and encourage your child.

Self-care is not selfish—it is an important part of caring for your family. Take time to rest, recharge, and seek support when needed. Scan the QR code below to read the full article and discover practical self-care tips for parents during the examination season. May God bless our students with wisdom and perseverance, and grant every family His peace, strength, and loving guidance throughout the weeks ahead.



Scan for the full MOE article

[By PSG Chairman, Mdm Marlina Chen]

General Admin Matters: School Holidays / Public Holidays

Term 3

Week	Dates	Description	Remarks
Week 6	7 Aug 2026 (Fri)	National Day Observance Ceremony	Dismissal at 10.30 am
Week 7	10 Aug 2026 (Mon)	Public Holiday (National Day)	National Day on Sun 9 Aug. Mon 10 Aug 2026 will be a public holiday.
	12 Aug 2026 (Wed) & 13 Aug 2026 (Thurs)	PSLE Oral (EL/MTL)	No school for P1 to P5 students
Week 9	27 Aug 2026 (Thurs) & 28 Aug 2026 (Fri)	e-PTM	No school for all students (HBL)
Week 10	3 Sep 2026 (Thurs)	Teachers' Day Celebration	Dismissal at 10.30 am
	4 Sep 2026 (Fri)	School Holiday (Teachers' Day)	
	5 Sep 2026 (Sat) to 13 Sep 2026 (Sun)	School Holidays (Sep)	School Resumes on 14 Sep 2026 (Mon)

Term 4

Week	Dates	Description	Remarks
Week 1	15 Sep 2026 (Tues)	PSLE Listening Comprehension	No school for P1 to P5 students
Week 2	24 Sep 2026 (Thurs) & 25 Sep 2026 (Fri)	PSLE Written Paper	P4 & P5 students on HBL
Week 3	28 Sep 2026 (Mon)	PSLE Written Paper	P1 & P3 students on HBL
	29 Sep 2026 (Tues)	PSLE Written Paper	P2 & P3 students on HBL
	1 Oct 2026 (Thur)	Annual Games Day & Children's Day Celebrations	Dismissal at 10.30 am
	2 Oct 2026 (Fri)	School Holiday (Children's Day)	
Week 5	12 Oct 2026 (Mon) to 14 Oct 2026 (Wed)	PSLE Marking Exercise	No school for all students
Week 9	9 Nov 2026 (Mon)	Public Holiday (Deepavali)	
	10 Nov 2026 (Tues)	Admin Day	No school for all students
Week 10	21 Nov 2026 (Sat) to 31 Dec 2026 (Thurs)	School Holidays (Year End)	School will resume on Mon, 4 Jan 2027 for 2027 P1 Students & Tues, 5 Jan 2027 for 2027 P2 to P6 Students

[By: Admin Manager, Ms Chua Bee Peng]