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18 September 2023

Dear Parents and Guardians,

1. Appreciation

Food from the Heart (FFH) Donation Drive

The school would like to express our sincere thanks to parents and guardians who have supported the FFH Donation Drive. Through your kindness and compassion, we were able to collect a substantial amount of food items that will go a long way in helping those in need. We are proud to have parents like you who are committed to teaching our children the value of giving back to community.

Primary 6 Gift of Love

The school would like to thank our Parent Support Group (PSG) members who have specially prepared personalised motivational and encouragement cards for our Primary 6 students to support them in their preparation for PSLE. Each Gift of Love contains all the love, care, and encouragement the school, our PSG members and Primary 5 students have for our Primary 6 students. The moral support has spurred our students in their pursuit of academic excellence and boosted their morale. Your love and care have really touched the hearts of every Primary 6 student.

Primary 2 Mother Tongue Languages (MTL) Speech & Drama Performance

We would like to express our heartfelt appreciation to parents of our Primary 2 students for your overwhelming support and attendance at our Primary 2 MTL Speech and Drama performance. Your presence meant the world to your child. We hope that watching the children showcase their talents and hard work brought you much joy.

Talentine@Damai

A big thank you to parents who have encouraged your child to perform at Talentine@Damai. We are very heartened by the effort and dedication put in by parents who put up a joint performance with your child. We look forward to more opportunities to showcase the talents of you and your child through parent-child performances in the future.

2. Students' Attendance in School

The school places a premium on the importance of attending school regularly so that we can help our students develop learning routines and maximise their potential to learn. Regular attendance in school is necessary for your child to build a strong academic foundation. Should your child not be well, the school encourages you to take your child to consult a doctor and obtain a medical certificate to cover his/her absence from school. Should you choose not to take your child to the doctor's, a parent's letter to cover the absence is to be submitted to the Form Teacher upon your child's return to school. **Please note that the school will accept no more than 5 days of absence covered by Parent's Letter in each semester.** Do contact your child's Form Teacher should his/her number of days of absence from school exceed the stipulated number



of parent's letter allowed, and the school will work with you to render assistance if needed. We would like to thank you for the strong partnership in your child's learning thus far.

3. Students' Well-being

Students who have been prescribed medication for asthma must bring their inhaler to school daily. The prolonged hot weather conditions might increase the risk of haze in Singapore, which may affect students with asthma. Do ensure that the medication for asthma has not expired and that the students are familiar with the use of inhaler.

4. Primary 6 PSLE Study Break for Students

To support the well-being of Primary 6 students in the lead up to PSLE, the school will be implementing a three-day study break from **25 to 27 September, Monday to Wednesday**. During the study break, Primary 6 students are strongly encouraged to remain at home to do their revision. The school will remain open to students whose parent/guardian are unable to secure alternative care arrangements during the study break. Selected students are required to attend school for additional support during the study break. Parent/Guardian of those students will be informed separately. Teachers have already planned online consultation sessions for the remaining students.

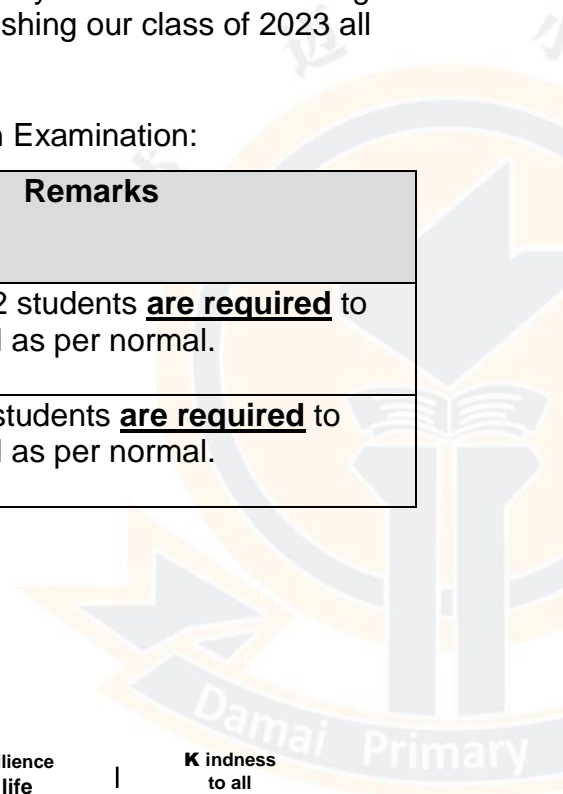
Students enrolled in the school-based Student Care Centre (SCC) may report to the SCC in the afternoons at 1.30 p.m. during the study break should parent/guardian choose to send their children/ward to SCC.

5. Primary 6 PSLE Written Examination

The PSLE Written Examination will be conducted **from 28 September to 4 October, Thursday to Wednesday**. As preparations for PSLE and the End-Year Examinations intensify, we would like to remind parent/guardian that a child's overall well-being greatly influences their academic performance. Do ensure that your child/ward is eating well and getting adequate rest to be at their best. Here is wishing our class of 2023 all the best in the examinations!

A reminder for the E-learning Days during the PSLE Written Examination:

Date/Day	Levels involved for E-learning Days	Remarks
28 & 29 Sep 2023 (Thurs & Fri)	Primary 3 & 4	Primary 1 and 2 students <u>are required</u> to report to school as per normal.
2 Oct 2023 (Mon)	Primary 5	Primary 1 to 4 students <u>are required</u> to report to school as per normal.





6. Primary 3 to 5 End-Year Examinations (Written Papers)

The End-Year Examination Schedules for Primary 3 to 5 have been issued to all parent/guardian. The End-Year Listening Comprehension Examination and Paper 1 for English Language and Mother Tongue Languages will be conducted on **12 and 13 October, Thursday and Friday**, respectively. The remaining papers are scheduled from **23 October to 27 October, Monday to Friday**.

Preparation is the key to success. Please ensure that your child starts revision early and keep them motivated. While preparing for the End-Year Examination is important, studying should not be your child's only focus. More importantly, make sure your child stays healthy. Having adequate sleep and healthy diet will boost energy and increase concentration level.

Please note that students in Primary 1 and 2 students do not have End-Year Examination.

7. Primary 1 to 5 E-Learning Days during PSLE Marking Exercise

The PSLE Marking Exercise will take place from **16 to 18 October, Monday to Wednesday**. All students need not attend school on these three days. To ensure that learning continues, Primary 1 to 5 students will be engaged in E-Learning.

Information regarding E-learning Days will be posted on the school website and a letter will be issued to parents via Parents Gateway.

Date/Day	Levels involved	Remarks
16 to 18 October 2023 (Monday to Wednesday)	Primary 1 to 5	All students are not required to attend school due to PSLE Marking Exercise . Only Primary 1 to 5 students are involved in E-learning.

8. Primary 5 Cohort Camp

The Primary 5 Cohort Camp (non-residential) will be held **from 27 to 29 September, Wednesday to Friday**. The camp aims to expose students to outdoor living skills and help them learn about safety awareness and safety management as they engage in outdoor activities. By participating in the various outdoor activities, our students will learn the meaning of cooperation, communication, perseverance, and care as they work with their group members in achieving the various goals set. We wish the students in Primary 5 an enjoyable and meaningful camp ahead!

9. Children's Day Celebration and School Holiday

To celebrate Children's Day, all primary schools will be closed on **6 October, Friday**. Children's Day celebration will take place in school on **5 October, Thursday**. School hours will be as per usual on that day.



10. Primary 6 Post-Examination Activities

The school has planned a series of post-examination activities to engage all our students purposefully after PSLE. Primary 6 students can look forward to participating in exciting learning activities during that period. Hence, students are expected to attend school daily and participate in all post-PSLE activities.

11. School Administration Day

Please note that students will **not** be required to attend school on **10 November, Friday**, as it is a day designated for teachers to complete students-related administrative work.

12. Parent-Teacher Meeting

There will be a Parent-Teacher Meeting on **16 November, Thursday**, for a selected group of students. Form Teachers will be contacting parents to make arrangements for the meeting. Please note that students will not be required to attend school on that day.

13. Prize Giving Day

Prize Giving Day will take place on **17 November, Friday**, which is the last day of the academic year. Prize recipients will be notified by their form teachers. Only performers, student helpers, and prize recipients together with their parents, are to report to school. More details will be shared nearer to date.

14. Primary 1 Orientation Day

The Primary 1 Orientation Day will be held on **17 November, Friday**, in the school hall from 2.30 p.m. to 5 p.m. During the session, the school will welcome the new intake of Primary 1 students and parents as well as introduce our school programmes to the latter. Parents with children entering Primary 1 in 2024 will receive details pertaining to the Primary 1 Orientation via Parents Gateway.

15. Our Damaians, Our Pride

We want to extend our heartfelt congratulations and deep appreciation to all Damaians who represented our school in recent competitions.

Junior Floorball Team (Boys) National School Games	Champion – Tier 1
Junior Floorball Team (Girls) National School Games	Champion – Tier 1
Junior Rugby Team	Champion – Tier 2
Red Cross Youth	Excellent Unit Award (Gold)

Our Damaians remarkable achievements have filled us with immense pride, and we are truly grateful for their dedication and hard work.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Jenny Leong
Principal