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24 June 2024

Dear Parents and Guardians,

It is always exciting to embark on a new term, filled with opportunities for learning, growth, and discovery. We believe that the time spent recharging over the holidays has left Damaians refreshed and eager to tackle the challenges and experiences that lie ahead. Our staff is committed to supporting our students in every possible way, ensuring an enriching term. We look forward to seeing all the wonderful achievements our students will accomplish with the unwavering support of their families.

1. **Travel Declaration for Mid-Year Holidays**

We would like to thank all parents who have submitted your child's/ward's 2024 mid-year holidays Travel Declaration. Should you have made last minute travel arrangements or have changed your travel plans and have yet to submit the declaration, we request that you update and submit the travel declaration for your child/ward via Parents' Gateway (PG). Go to [SERVICE > DECLARE TRAVELS]. Please declare your child's/ward's updated travel plan(s), indicating both the country and city of travel, and any city of transit, **by 5 July 2024 (Friday)**. Only one parent is required to make the declaration.

Alternatively, you may also submit via the following QR Code or link:



If your child/ward **did not travel** during the holidays, **no action is required**.

2. **Student Well-Being**

To ensure that our school remains a conducive and safe learning environment, we would like to seek your kind cooperation to keep your child at home if he/she is unwell. Students who are unwell should be resting at home for the duration of their medical or hospitalisation leave to allow them to recovery fully. This will help reduce the risk of infecting others.

Should your child be absent for the day, we appreciate that you inform your child's form teacher or call the General Office at 64456483 in the morning of the day of absence. Please submit the medical certificate to your child's form teacher when your child is well enough to return to school.

We also seek your support in ensuring that you child/ward brings along a working Oral Digital Thermometer to school as part of our periodic temperature taking exercise.



### 3. **School Emergency Drills**

As part of the School Safety and Security awareness, the school will be carrying the Lockdown Drill Familiarisation Exercise on Thursday, 27 June 2024. This exercise will allow our students and staff to better understand the appropriate measures and actions to be taken in the event of an emergency.

### 4. **Hot and Humid Weather Conditions**

Given the hot and humid weather conditions experienced over the past few months, we strongly encourage all students to bring a water bottle to school daily and hydrate regularly. Staying well-hydrated is crucial for maintaining focus and energy levels during these warm days. Students will be permitted to wear P.E. attire to school daily until further notice.

### 5. **Timetable – Semester 2**

Due to staff movement, there will be some changes to students' timetable for affected classes. Students of these classes will receive their timetable on **Monday, 24 June 2024**. The new timetable will take effect from **Tuesday, 25 June 2024**.

### 6. **Start-it-Right Programme**

To help our students get ready for the new school term, all students will undergo a Start-it-Right programme for 1.5 days. This is to support our students' transition back to learning in school after the mid-year holidays. Our teachers will spend time to check on the well-being of each student and conduct class discussions on the importance of establishing routines to ensure their well-being, manage time and identify locus of control and to manage expectations and increasing demands. There will also be class-bonding activities for Primary 1 to 4 students to further strengthen the peer relationships in class. We hope that our students come to school ready to learn something new every day and build on the knowledge they have acquired.

### 7. **Holistic Assessment Plan – Semester 2**

The Holistic Assessment (HA) Plan for Semester 2 will be issued in Term 3/Week 2. Parents can refer to the HA plan for detailed information on assessment matters.

### 8. **Primary School Leaving Examination (PSLE)**

**PSLE Oral Examination** will be held on **Tuesday and Wednesday, 13 & 14 August 2024**. Primary 1 to 5 students need not attend school on these two days. Primary 6 students will receive further instructions on their reporting time for the examination.

**PSLE Listening Comprehension** will be held on **Friday, 13 September 2024**. Primary 1 to 5 students need not attend school on this day. Primary 6 students will receive further instructions on their reporting time for the examination.

The **PSLE Written Examination** will be conducted **from Thursday to Wednesday, 26 September to 2 October 2024**. More information will be provided to Primary 6 students and parents nearer the dates. Here's wishing our class of 2024 all the best in the examination!



**9. Primary 6 Preliminary Oral Examination and Written Examination**

Students in Primary 6 will take their Preliminary Oral Examination on **Monday and Tuesday, 22 and 23 July 2024**. The oral examination will be conducted after curriculum hours. As such, parents and guardians will need to make the necessary transport arrangements for your children/wards after the examination. Please note that school bus service does not extend beyond the usual dismissal hours.

The Preliminary Written Examination will take place from **Thursday, 15 August 2024 to Wednesday, 21 August 2024**.

**10. Primary 6 Direct School Admission Exercise (DSA) 2024**

The Direct School Admission Exercise (DSA) 2024 has closed. The secondary schools have diverse selection processes. If shortlisted, your child will have to attend interviews, auditions or trials conducted by the DSA schools. Selected students will receive DSA-Sec offers directly from schools by **Monday, 9 September 2024**.

**11. Primary 6 Supplementary Class and Primary 3 to 5 Remedial Class**

Please take note of the date of commencement for the following classes in Term 3:

Primary 6 Supplementary Class will commence from the first week of Term 3.

Primary 3 to 5 Remedial Class will commence from the second week of Term 3.

All Primary 6 students and selected Primary 3 to 5 students have received the consent form and schedule from their Form Teachers. Please refer to the schedule for the specific date and time.

**12. Primary 5 National Education Show**

Primary 5 students will be attending the National Education (NE) Show at The Padang this year. The NE Shows are organised for Primary 5 students to provide them with a cohort experience of the National Day Parade (NDP).

<b>Date:</b>	Saturday, 29 June 2024
<b>Reporting Time:</b>	2.00 p.m.
<b>Venue:</b>	School Canteen
<b>Dismissal Time:</b>	9.30 p.m.

**13. Racial Harmony Day**

The school will be commemorating Racial Harmony Day on **Monday, 15 July 2024**. The theme this year is "Our Multicultural Mosaic". On this day, students reflect on and celebrate Singapore as a harmonious society built on a rich diversity of cultures and the collaborative effort of all to promote social cohesion.

Students can look forward to an assembly sharing in the school hall and hands-on activities in class. Members of the Parents Support Group will conduct interactive activities during recess for our students to learn more about the various cultures in Singapore.

We hope that the series of activities will deepen our students understanding of the importance of respecting and appreciating every race and religion.



**14. Primary 4 Subject-Based Banding (SBB) Briefing**

The Primary 4 Subject Based Banding (SBB) briefing aims to equip parents with a better understanding of the PSLE scoring and posting system as well as the Primary 4 Subject-based banding criteria offered by the school. The briefing will be held on **Friday, 26 July 2024**. A letter regarding the briefing will be sent to parents of Primary 4 students at a later date.

**15. Primary 4 National Physical Fitness Award (NAPFA)**

The NAPFA Test is a standard physical fitness test to assess the general fitness level of our students. The school will be conducting the NAPFA Test for all Primary 4 students from 5 July to 19 July 2024. Please ensure that your child/ ward is well-hydrated and has sufficient sleep preceding the days of his/ her NAPFA Test. Parents/ Guardians may refer the letter previously issued in Term 2.

**16. Primary 3 Gifted Education Programme (GEP)-Screening Exercise 2024**

The GEP Screening Exercise will be carried out on **Thursday, 15 August 2024**. It will be based on the Primary 1 to Primary 3 English Language and Mathematics syllabuses. More details for the GEP Screening Exercise will be given to parents of students in Primary 3 nearer the date.

**17. KidsREAD Programme, School-based Dyslexia Remediation Programme, Read Remediation Programme**

Please note the date of commencement for the following programmes in Term 3:

Levels	Programme	Date
Primary 1 and 2 selected students	KidsREAD Programme	From Term 3 Week 1, Tuesday, 25 June 2024 onwards
Primary 3 and 4 selected students	School-based Dyslexia Remediation Programme (SDR)	From Term 3 Week 1, Monday, 24 June 2024 onwards
Primary 4 selected students	Read Remediation Programme (RRP)	From Term 3 Week 1, Tuesday, 25 June 2024 onwards

Selected students have been issued the consent form and schedule.

**18. Virtual Open House 2024**

Our school will be holding a virtual open house on Saturday, 6 July 2024 from 10.00 a.m. to 10.45 a.m. Hosted via Zoom, the virtual open house provides students and parents an insight into our school's academic curriculum and niche programmes. Parents who wish to register their child in our school for academic year 2025 are invited to join us at the virtual Open House. Please refer to the school website for registration details.



### 19. School Health Visit and Roving Optical

The Health Promotion Board (HPB) School Health Service will be conducting its annual health screening and immunisation for all students of Damai Primary School from Monday, 22 July to Monday, 29 July 2024. During this visit, age-appropriate health screening and/or immunisation services will be provided for our students as required.

To ensure every child receives proper vision care, Damai Primary School will be partnering the Health Promotion Board to bring the Roving Optical Shop to our school on Tuesday, 20 August 2024. MOE FAS students who are required to put on spectacles will be able to receive a pair of spectacles frame with fully subsidised lenses of the right prescription, which will help them to correct their myopia.

### 20. Temporary Closure of Damai Primary Dental Clinic from 20 June 2024 until Further Notice

Damai Primary School Dental Clinic will be closed from Thursday, 20 June 2024 until further notice. Should students require urgent dental attention, the following clinics may be contacted during office hours (Monday - Friday: 8 a.m. – 12.30 p.m./1 p.m., 2 p.m. – 5 p.m./5.30 p.m.).

#### **Buddy Clinics for Damai Primary School Students**

	<b>School Dental Clinic</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Postal Code</b>	<b>Tel No.</b>
1	Red Swastika School	350 Bedok North Ave 3	469719	8940 9587
2	Canossa Catholic Primary School	1 Sallim Road	387621	9105 4971
3	Yu Neng Primary School	56 Bedok North St	469623	8338 6574

Parents/Guardians who wish to request for an appointment may do so via WhatsApp/SMS at **9105 4971**. Alternatively, you may also contact the School's General Office at 6445 6483 for other enquiries.

### 21. 2024 Primary 1 Registration Exercise - Phase 1 Registration

Phase 1 registration is for a Singapore Citizen (SC) or Permanent Resident (PR) child born between 2 January 2018 and 1 January 2019 (both dates inclusive) and has a sibling currently studying in our school.

For the 2024 P1 Registration Exercise (**2024 P1 Ex**), parents who are registering their younger child under Phase 1 are to **register during the Phase 1 registration period from Tuesday, 2 July 2024, 9 a.m. to Thursday, 4 July 2024, 4.30 p.m.** through the P1 Registration Portal. You may refer to [MOE P1 website for information on the 2024 P1 Ex.](#)



## 22. Youth Day School Holiday

Please note that **Monday, 1 July 2024**, is a Youth Day School Holiday. Students are not required to attend school on that day.

As we return to school, we are excited to continue our journey of joyful learning, growth, and discovery of our students' interests and passions. We are committed to working in partnership with you to make the rest of the semester productive and fulfilling for all our students. Together, we can ensure that our students not only succeed academically but also develop the skills and confidence to thrive in all aspects of their lives.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation. Here's to a fantastic semester ahead!

Appended to this letter for your reference is the school calendar for Semester 2.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Jenny Leong  
Principal





**Annex A**

**2024 Semester 2 Calendar**

DATE	DAY	PROGRAMME/ACTIVITY	LEVEL	TIME
<b>JUNE</b>				
24 Jun	Mon	Welcome back to School	ALL	AM
		Start of P6 Supplementary Classes	P6	2-4pm
<b>JULY</b>				
1 Jul	Mon	Youth Day School Holiday	ALL	-
4 Jul	Thu	Start of Remedial Classes	P3-P5	2-3pm
22 – 23 Jul	Mon-Tue	P6 Prelim Oral Examination	P6	PM
26 Jul	Fri	Primary 4 Subject Based Banding (SBB) Briefing	P4	PM
<b>AUGUST</b>				
8 Aug	Thu	National Day Celebration	ALL	AM
9 Aug	Fri	National Day Public Holiday	ALL	-
12 Aug	Mon	P6 Prelim Listening Comprehension Examination	P6	AM
13 - 14 Aug	Tue-Wed	PSLE Oral Day 1 and 2	P6	AM
		Home-Based Learning	P1-P5	AM
15 Aug	Thu	P6 Prelim English Language / Foundation English Language Paper 1 & 2 Examination	P6	AM
16 Aug	Fri	P6 Prelim Mathematics / Foundation Mathematics Examination	P6	AM
19 Aug	Mon	P6 Prelim Mother Tongue Paper 1 & 2 / Foundation Mother Tongue Paper 1 Examination	P6	AM
20 Aug	Tue	P6 Prelim Science / Foundation Science Examination	P6	AM
21 Aug	Wed	P6 Prelim Higher Mother Tongue Language Paper 1 & 2 Examination	P6	AM
29 Aug	Thu	No Supplementary & Remedial classes	ALL	-
30 Aug	Fri	Teachers' Day School Holiday	ALL	-
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>				
31 Aug – 8 Sep	Sat-Sun	September School Holidays	ALL	-
4-6 Sep	Wed-Fri	P6 Holiday Classes	P6	8am – 12.30pm
10 Sept	Tue	P4 End-Year Examination EL/MTL Oral	P4	PM
12 Sept	Thu	P3 End-Year Examination EL/MTL Oral	P3	PM
13 Sep	Fri	PSLE Listening Comprehension	P6	AM
16-18 Sep	Mon-Wed	P5 Cohort Camp	P5	-



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23-24 Sep	Mon-Tue	P5 End-Year Oral Examination EL/FEL and MT/FMTL	P5	AM
26 Sep	Thu	PSLE English/Foundation English	P6	AM
		Home-Based Learning for P5 Students	P5	AM
27 Sep	Fri	PSLE Mathematics/Foundation Mathematics	P6	AM
		Home Based Learning for P3, P4 and P5 Students. (Details to be shared at a later date)	P3-P5	AM
30 Sep	Mon	PSLE Mother Tongue/Foundation Mother Tongue	P6	AM
		Home Based Learning for P3 and P4 Students. (Details to be shared at a later date)	P3-P4	AM
<b>OCTOBER</b>				
1 Oct	Tue	PSLE Science/Foundation Science	P6	AM
2 Oct	Wed	PSLE Higher Mother Tongue	P6	AM
4 Oct	Fri	Children's Day School Holiday	ALL	-
10 Oct	Thu	P3-P5 End-Year Examination EL/FEL Paper 1 & Listening Comprehension	P3-P5	AM
11 Oct	Fri	P3-P5 End-Year Examination MT/FMTL Paper 1 & Listening Comprehension	P3-P5	AM
14-16 Oct	Mon-Wed	PSLE Marking Days	ALL	-
		Home-Based Learning	P1-P5	AM
18 Oct	Fri	End-Year Examination Higher Mother Tongue	P5	AM
21 Oct	Mon	End-Year Examination English Language/Foundation English Language Paper 2	P3-P5	AM
22 Oct	Tue	End-Year Examination Mathematics/Foundation Mathematics	P3-P5	AM
23 Oct	Wed	End-Year Examination Mother Tongue Paper 2	P3-P5	AM
24 Oct	Thu	End-Year Examination Science/Foundation Science	P3-P5	AM
31 Oct	Thu	Deepavali Public Holiday	ALL	-
<b>NOVEMBER</b>				
8 Nov	Fri	School Admin Day (No School)	ALL	-
14 Nov	Thu	Parent Teacher Meeting	ALL	-
15 Nov	Fri	Prize Giving Day (Details to be shared at a later date)	ALL	AM
		P1 2025 Orientation Day	-	PM
16 Nov - 31 Dec	Sat-Sun	December School Holidays	ALL	-