

NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents & Guardians

GREETINGS of peace and joy! We trust that our girls have had a restful break during the June holidays, and we look forward to welcoming them back to school for Term 3.

With the gradual resumption of activities, we have been able to hold many programmes. In Term 2, we were delighted to have parents in school for activities, including Honours Day and Parent-Teacher Meetings. We are grateful to have held the *Faith Aflame!* day camp for our upper secondary Catholic girls during the June holidays too.

Our students are involved in this year's National Day Parade show segment and have been training hard since February. Our grateful thanks to the parent volunteers who have supported us to ensure that the girls are well taken care of. We look forward to their performance at the parade on 9 Aug!

The school carried out a mid-year check-in with our girls in May. Overall, our students expressed that they enjoyed school and were happy with school programmes and their friends (who were most important to them!). However, they also reported feeling physically tired very often. Upper secondary students are grappling with more stress and exhaustion because of new subjects and pressure from the national exams, while lower secondary students are learning to manage their workloads and their own expectations of themselves.

The school will continue to look into ways to support our girls effectively in their learning and well-being. We would like to seek parents' support to ensure that the girls have sufficient rest and sleep: eight hours of sleep each night is essential for their well-being. Please look out for a separate letter on Project HERO for Term 3 and an upcoming webinar for parents on enhancing mental resilience, which we hope will be helpful to you in supporting your children.

Parent-School Communication

We urge parents to keep updated via Parents Gateway and the [school website](#), and appreciate your prompt response when required. Do also follow our school's official social media accounts on [Instagram](#), [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#) for highlights of school life.

Should you need to contact our teachers, please email them or call them on 6353-4972. The email addresses of your daughter's/ward's teachers were shared with you in the introductory letter from Form Teachers sent via Parents Gateway in January. Teachers will respond to your queries as soon as they can. However, we seek your understanding that they may not be able to attend to your email or call immediately owing to lessons or other school commitments. Moreover, for their well-being, they may not respond to queries after office hours – that is, from 1800 to 0700 on weekdays, and at weekends.

Apart from Form Teachers, who will be maintaining close contact with you regarding your daughter's/ward's progress, the Year Head team will also be working closely with you:

- ♦ Lower secondary:
 - Year Head: **Mr Francis Yap**
 - Assistant Year Head: **Ms Christine Koh**
- ♦ Upper secondary:
 - Year Head: **Ms Eulalia Han**
 - Assistant Year Head: **Mr Eraja Rajan**

Please do send any queries that you have to us. As usual, you can reach us at chijtpss@moe.edu.sg or email me directly at rachel_ang@moe.edu.sg.

Thank you for your support. Stay safe and stay well. God bless!

Warmest regards

Ms Rachel Lee
Principal

STAFF MOVEMENT

We bid farewell to our Vice-Principal, Ms Teo Geok Sian, who has retired, and Ms Joy Tan. We thank them for their dedicated service to the school and wish them God's blessings.

SAFE MANAGEMENT MEASURES

Our school will continue to adhere closely to the Ministry of Education's guidelines on safe management measures, particularly in the areas of mask-wearing and the conduct of school programmes and events. Daily wipe-down routines will remain in place. A temperature-taking exercise will be conducted once a semester, the next being on 29 Jun.

Maintaining good personal hygiene and exercising social responsibility will be key to keeping your daughter/ward and our staff safe. Students and staff who are unwell or have a positive ART result should not report to school; they should continue to follow the Ministry of Health's Protocols 1 or 2. Students and staff who have been informed of their exposure to an infected person should follow Protocol 3 – they should take a daily ART over the next five days and come to school only if the ART result is negative.

SafeEntry check-ins in schools are no longer required. Nevertheless, students and staff are strongly encouraged to keep the TraceTogether (TT) app on their phones and/or hold on to their working TT tokens, in case there is a need to rapidly step up the safe management measures.

SCHOOL CANTEEN PRICING

Food prices in the school canteen will be raised in July 2022, in line with the increased underlying costs incurred by the stallholders. Each meal, excluding drinks, will be priced between \$2.50 and \$3.00. The school will review the meal allowance for students on the MOE Financial Assistance Scheme to align it with the revised food prices.

ACADEMIC SUPPORT

We encourage students who require additional academic support to seek individual or group consultations with their subject teachers. Students may approach their teachers to arrange an ideal time to meet.

The information in the rest of this section pertains to **graduating students**.

Structured Intensive Revision Programme

The school has planned a Structured Intensive Revision programme in Term 3 to better support our graduating students in their revision. Students have been identified for the programme based on their performance in each subject in Semester 1, and would have received a letter providing the details of the programme.

Preliminary Examinations

The school's preliminary examinations for graduating students will be held during the following periods:

- ♦ GCE N Level: 11–22 Aug
- ♦ GCE O Level: 23–31 Aug, 12–16 Sep

The exam timetable will be posted on the school website approximately a month before the start of each exam.

National Examination Timetables

The timetables for the **GCE N Level** and **GCE O Level** examinations are available at these links. The GCE O Level timetable is also applicable to Sec 3 students offering Higher Mother Tongue.

National Examination Coursework

Given below once again, by way of reminder, are the deadlines for the coursework components of subjects for the national examinations:

Higher Art	Tue 20 Sep, 1700 (coursework)
Art	Tue 2 Aug, 1700 (N(A) Level) Tue 20 Sep, 1700 (O Level)
Drama	Mon 15 Aug, 1700
Food Studies	Tue 12 Jul, 1700
Nutrition & Food Science	Tue 12 Jul, 1700 (N(A) Level) Mon 1 Aug, 1700 (O Level)

KEY EVENTS IN TERM 3

 **Youth Day Mass & Celebration**
Fri 1 Jul 1100–1300 (early dismissal: please see details below)

 **IJ FLAIR**
Tue 5 Jul–Thu 7 Jul, Tue 12 Jul–Thu 14 Jul

 **National Day Mass & Celebration**
Mon 8 Aug 0730–1030 (early dismissal: please see details below)

 **Investiture of Student Leaders**
Fri 12 Aug 1730–2000

 CCA Stand-down
Wed 31 Aug

 Teachers' Day Mass & Celebration
Thu 1 Sep 0730–1030 (early dismissal: please see details below)

Examinations

 Sec 4 & 5 English Oral Prelim Exam
Mon 27 Jun–Wed 29 Jun 1450–1730

 GCE O Level Mother Tongue Listening Exam
Tue 5 Jul 1430–1730 (early dismissal: please see details below)

 GCE O Level Mother Tongue Oral Exam
Wed 6 Jul–Mon 18 Jul 1430–1730

 GCE N Level English Oral Exam
Tue 12 Jul–Mon 18 Jul 1430–1730

 GCE O Level English Oral Exam
Thu 21 Jul–Mon 1 Aug 1430–1730

 GCE N Level Mother Tongue Oral Exam
Wed 3 Aug–Fri 5 Aug 1430–1730

 Prelim Exam for N Level Students
Thu 11 Aug–Fri 22 Aug

 GCE O Level Higher Mother Tongue Oral Exam
Mon 15 Aug–Fri 19 Aug 1430–1730

 Sec 3 English Oral Exam
Wed 17 Aug–Fri 19 Aug 1450–1730

 Prelim Exam for O Level Students
Tue 23 Aug–Wed 31 Aug, Mon 12 Sep–Fri 16 Sep

Sec 1–3 Home-Based Learning Days

Sec 4 & 5 students will report to school as usual on these days.

Fri 8 Jul

Thu 21 Jul

Holidays

Mon 4 Jul In lieu of **Youth Day** (school holiday)

Mon 11 Jul In lieu of **Hari Raya Aidiladha** (public holiday)

Tue 9 Aug **National Day** (public holiday)

Wed 10 Aug **Day after National Day** (school holiday)

Fri 2 Sep **Teachers' Day** (school holiday)

Days with Early Dismissal

Fri 1 Jul **Youth Day Mass & Celebration**
 ♦ Dismissal at **1300**

Tue 5 Jul **GCE O Level Mother Tongue Listening Exam**
 ♦ Dismissal at **1240** for Sec 4/1–4/6 and 5/1–5/2, as well as students of Sec 4/7–4/9 taking the exam
 ♦ Dismissal at **1300** for the rest of the school

Mon 8 Aug **National Day Mass & Celebration**
 ♦ Dismissal at **1030**

Thu 1 Sep **Teachers' Day Mass & Celebration**
 ♦ Dismissal at **1030**