### FERN GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

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T1W4
Parents
Notification

24 January 2024

#### Dear Parents.

#### **Our Strategic Thrusts**

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### 1. Calendar of Events (T1W4 & T1W5)

#### T1W4

### Monday, 22 January

• 7:30am

Assembly: Sharing on TTSH Hong Bao Project

• 2:00pm

P6 FMA Lessons

### Tuesday, 23 January

7:30am

P1 Kids Athletics & LTA Road Safety Programme

2:30pm

P4 to P6: CCA

### Wednesday, 24 January

• 7:30am

P2: ICT Baseline Training [Session 3]

#### Thursday, 25 January

• 7:30am

**FTGP** 

2:00pm

P3 to P6 HMTL Lessons (Except P3 HML & P4 HML)

### Friday, 26 January

1:30pm

2R1|2R2|2R3: Social Studies Learning Journey (LJ)

### T1W5

## Monday, 29 January

- P1: Class Orientation
- 7:30am

**FTGP** 

• 2:00pm

P6 FMA Lessons

### Tuesday, 30 January

7:30am

1C|1D|1H|1I: Get REAL!@FGPS Safe Cycling Programme [Session 1]

7:30am

1R1|1R2|1R3|1M: Music Milestone Programme - Let's Play SoundShapes and BoomWhackers! [Session 1]

2:30pm

P4 to P6: CCA

### Wednesday, 31 January

7:30am

2C|2D|2H|2I: Get REAL!@FGPS Safe Cycling Programme [Session 1]

7:30am

2R1|2R2|2R3|2M: P2 Music Milestone Programme - Handbells [Session 1]

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### Thursday, 1 February

7:30am

Class Contact Time: NE Engagement on Total Defence Day (Discussion on Contemporary Issues)

• 2:00pm

P3 to P6 HMTL Lessons (Except P3 HML & P4 HML)

### Friday, 2 February

• 2I|2C|2M: Social Studies Learning Journey (LJ)

(Events listed above are for the masses. Information is correct as on 24 January 2024. For updates or to subscribe to our calendars, please visit the school website at https://www.ferngreenpri.moe.edu.sg/general-information/School-Calendar/)

### 2. P3 to P5: Update on P3 to P6's Assessment Schedules for Term 1

With reference to <u>T1W3 Parents Notification (2024-01-17)</u>, Item 3, kindly note that the school has since **updated the assessment schedules for the P3 to P6 levels** to **reflect the dates** for the different assessments. You may refer to the same links for the updated assessment schedules; we have also listed them below for ease of access:

P3 to P6 Term 1 Non-Weighted and Weighted Assessments: Class Tests

### P3 Class Tests Schedule:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/16AMjPhx1qvNZu9d8ejq7-PC6K4QqMDLn/view?usp=sharing

#### P4 Class Tests Schedule:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/10vE5oXjLbW4g7WVINVFAObeml5cvEHhu/view?usp=sharing

#### P5 Class Tests Schedule:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1RJ8u47RchB5-GEpYgcp520t58QB843jR/view?usp=sharing

#### P6 Class Tests Schedule:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1e6uLoWOiXOjclKNip0UKFlzsXRIMVxZ7/view?usp=sharing

Please also note the following **rules and regulations** for all weighted assessments:

- 1. Students who are absent during the assessment must produce a <u>valid medical certificate</u> for the day. These students' marks will be pro-rated accordingly. **No marks will be given** for the paper if students are absent without a valid medical certificate.
- 2. Students who have registered a temperature at or above the trigger temperature, are ill/unwell or are covered by medical certificates on the day of the assessment will not be allowed to sit for it.
- 3. Latecomers will not be given additional time. Latecomers who miss the paper entirely **will not be allowed** to sit for the paper and **no marks will be awarded to them**.
- 4. There will be no make-up papers (except for Oral Assessments) for students who are absent on assessment days.
- 5. In line with PSLE guidelines, students are not allowed to bring mobile phones or any other electronic devices capable of storing and displaying visual or verbal information into the examination room as this will be construed as attempting to cheat.
- 6. Students who attempt to cheat during an assessment **will not be awarded any marks** for the paper.

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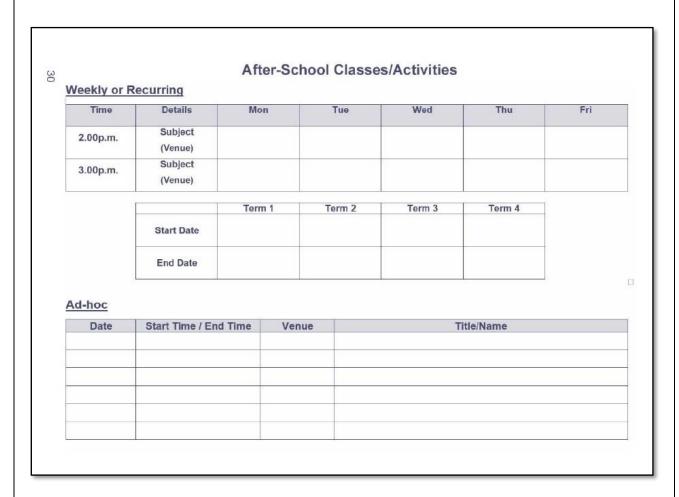
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### 3. Commencement of Remedial Lessons (for P3 to P5) & Supplementary Classes (for P6)

Remedial lessons for <u>identified P3 to P5 students</u> and supplementary classes for <u>all P6 students</u> will commence in <u>Term 1</u>, <u>Week 6</u>.

Parents will be informed of the details by the respective teachers-in-charge via Parents Gateway (PG) by Friday, 26 January 2024 if your child is to attend the above lessons/classes.

With reference to page 30 of the Student Handbook (After-School Classes/Activities), please encourage your child to fill in the subject(s) and venue(s) in the corresponding columns and rows to remind himself/herself of the scheduled after-school lessons/classes:



### 4. Re-opening of Multi-Purpose Hall (MPH) in T1W5

As part of our General Repairs and Redecorations works to provide a conducive learning environment for our students, the school has embarked on the replacement of our MPH flooring in November 2023.

We are pleased to share that the replacement works are almost done and our MPH will be reopened for use from **next Monday**, **29 January 2024**. Students will soon get to enjoy the new flooring as they assemble in the MPH for assembly programmes and other school activities.

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### 5. Survey on Students' Access to Computing Devices and Internet from Home

As part of school's overall emergency planning, and to ensure that students' learning will be least disrupted during an emergency school closure due to unforeseen circumstances, we are administering a survey to better understand students' access to computing devices and/or Internetenabled devices and Internet from home (for e-Learning or Home-Based Learning) in the event of a (simulated) school closure.

Kindly refer to the announcement, "Survey on Students' Access to Computing Devices and Internet from Home" in Parents Gateway (PG) and respond by **Monday, 29 January 2024**. It will take approximately 5 minutes to complete. Thank you.

# 6. Appeal for Support in Aid of Tan Tock Seng Hospital (TTSH) Community Fund (Project Hong Bao 2024)

This Lunar New Year, our school is proud to support the TTSH Community Fund, the charitable arm of Tan Tock Seng Hospital, in its fundraising effort.

The aim of Project Hong Bao 2024 is to nurture the spirit of giving among the younger generation while instilling the core value of Care. Students get to express their creativity by colouring and designing their own Lunar New Year red packets. We believe that this activity will also instil the value of empathy in our students, fostering an appreciation for their blessings and encouraging them to share their resources with those who are less fortunate.

During assembly periods on Monday, 22 January, students designed their own red packets using the template provided. This year, **students will not be putting cash donations into the red packets**. Instead, the **red packets will include a QR code for convenient scanning to access the online donation form**. We would like to encourage parents in making donations on behalf of their children via the online donation form.

Funds raised through this project will go toward helping needy patients with their out-of-pocket medical expenses, as well as supporting healthcare research, innovation and training for the community to deliver better patient care.

Form Teachers will collect the decorated red packets (no cash is to be put inside) from students from Wednesday, 24 January 2024 to Monday, 29 January 2024.

Link & QR Code for Online Donation: for.sg/ttshcfphb



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### **About TTSH Community Fund**

In keeping with Mr Tan Tock Seng's Legacy of Giving, Tan Tock Seng Hospital (TTSH) sets up its charity arm, TTSH Community Fund, in August 1995 to improve the quality of life of patients and the community.

Today, the Charity runs more than 100 patient-centred programmes targeted at different groups of needy patients, especially the elderly, and those who are unable to receive help from mainstream charitable agencies. Each year, TTSH Community Fund disburses more than \$3 million, supporting over 2,500 needy patient cases as well as many patient-centred initiatives.

From expensive non-standard medication to breathing equipment, mobility aids and dentures, TTSH Community Fund helps needy patients gain greater independence, improves their quality of life and enables them to integrate back into the community. The Charity also supports healthcare research, innovation, and training for the staff and the community to deliver better patient care.

The Charity runs entirely on public donations. Every dollar to the Charity goes directly to support the activities. TTSH Community Fund is a registered Charity with IPC status.

For more information, please visit <a href="https://www.ttsh.com.sg/about-ttsh/ttsh-community-fund">https://www.ttsh.com.sg/about-ttsh/ttsh-community-fund</a>

### 7. P1 Music Enrichment Programme: Let's Play SoundShapes and BoomWhackers

From Term 1, Week 5 to Term 1, Week 9, P1 students will experience spontaneous self-expressions and inter-cultural interaction through the 'voices' of SoundShapes and the BoomWhackers.

SoundShapes are frame drums that allow the students to be creative in their rhythmic expression, while the BoomWhackers provide the opportunities for melodic expressions for the students' musical sounds explorations.

### 8. P1 & P2 Get REAL!@FGPS Safe Cycling Programme

Get REAL!@FGPS Safe Cycling Programme is part of the school's Learning for Life Programme (LLP). The Safe Cycling Programme is specially designed for our P1 and P2 students and is conducted from Term 1, Week 5 to Term 1, Week 9, during school hours. It is a milestone programme aimed at equipping students with an important life skill and encouraging them to lead an active and healthy lifestyle. The programme will be conducted by certified cycling instructors engaged by the school.

### 9. P2 Music Enrichment Programme

From Term 1, Week 5 to Term 1, Week 8, P2 students will be given a brief introduction of what is a handbell and what sounds it can produce. They will be introduced to the correct posture of holding and playing the handbell. The students will also be taught to read a score and perform a song together on the handbells by the end of the sessions.

### 10. P2 Social Studies Learning Journey to the National Orchid Garden

As part of the Social Studies curriculum, P2 students will be going to the National Orchid Garden for their Field-Based Learning. The Learning Journey to the National Orchid Garden will provide opportunities for them to learn about the many types of orchids, as well as the national flower, Vanda Miss Joaquim.

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The details of the Learning Journey are as follows:

Class	Date & Day	Time
2 Respect (2R1)	26 January 2024	1.30pm - 5.00pm
2 Responsibility (2R2)	(Friday)	
2 Resilience (2R3)		
2 Integrity (2I)	2 February 2024	1.30pm - 5.00pm
2 Care (2C)	(Friday)	
2 Motivation (2M)	, ,,	
2 Harmony (2H)	16 February 2024	1.30pm - 5.00pm
2 Discipline (2D)	(Friday)	

Parents would have received the electronic consent form via Parents Gateway (PG). Students are strongly encouraged to attend this enriching learning experience. If you have yet to give your consent via PG, kindly contact your child's Form Teacher to do so **before** the day of the learning journey.

Kindly refer to the electronic consent form for more information and the list of items your child is to bring on the day of the Learning Journey.

For further enquiries, you may email Mdm Durrah at <a href="mailto:durrah\_ahmad@moe.edu.sg">durrah\_ahmad@moe.edu.sg</a> or Mrs Sundar at <a href="mailto:mai

### 11. Science KooBits Subscription Drive 2024

As part of our continued efforts to engage the students and to inculcate an interest in the learning of Science, the school is introducing the "Science KooBits Premium Plan" to all P1 to P6 students (KooBits has recently started offering P1 and P2 content as a bridging resource to prepare them for P3 Science).

It is an online e-learning platform that offers additional science resources geared towards making science learning a fun and engaging activity. In Science Premium, KooBits has a vast pool of learning resources including animated tutorial videos, practice questions and challenges, assessment papers, engaging stories and more. Designed with pedagogical principles, KooBits delivers these learning resources in a way that helps students develop confidence, motivation and a love for learning.

Subscription is on a voluntary basis and is <u>not</u> compulsory. Please note that subscription can only be done online. Interested parents can scan the QR code below or visit <a href="https://www.koobits.com/fgps">https://www.koobits.com/fgps</a>, which is **only accessible for 1 week (24 to 31 January 2024)**, to subscribe:



Please subscribe and make your payment via the link, or scan the QR Code here: http://www.koobits.com/fgps



Should you require further information on the subscription, please contact KooBits personnel directly.

#### **FAQs**

- Is the subscription compulsory?
   Subscription is <u>not</u> compulsory and is based on interest.
- 2. Can we pay using edusave?

  No. Payment for subscription is to be made personally to KooBits.

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- 3. Will the cost be pro-rated since I subscribed at a later time of the year?

  No. The cost will not be pro-rated. It will be based on a 12-months subscription fee.
- 4. Why is the link accessible only for 1 week? We would like to encourage interested parents to sign up within the 1 week using the subscription link as this would allow the service provider to group your children together with the existing students/users of Fern Green Primary School to differentiate them from random public subscribers. This will make it easier for them to add friends and join virtual competitions together with their schoolmates. Please note that the link will expire after 31 January 2024.
- 5. What if I decide to subscribe 1 week later and the link is not accessible anymore? Parents will still be able to subscribe via the official KooBits website at https://www.koobits.com/.
- 6. Who should I contact if I have further questions?

  Please contact KooBits via WhatsApp at +65 8484 6624 or email them at <a href="mailto:support@koobits.com">support@koobits.com</a>

### 12. External Painting Competition, "3 Acts of Goodness"

Fo Guang Shan (Singapore), in collaboration with Buddha's Light International Association, invites students from Fern Green Primary School to participate in their 2024 Art Painting Competition. This creative initiative aims to inspire young minds, foster artistic expression, and create a platform for students to showcase their talents.

### **Competition Theme:**

"Three Acts of Goodness": Do Good Deeds; Speak Good Words; Think Good Thoughts ("说好话,做好事,存好心")

Kindly refer to the details and rules of the competition <u>here</u>.

### 13. Nominations for the Most Inspiring Tamil Teachers' (MITT) Award 2024

The Most Inspiring Tamil Teacher Award (MITT) inaugurated in 2002 is an annual award which seeks to recognise Tamil Language teachers who have made significant contributions to the teaching and learning of Tamil language in schools.

Nominees should be:

- Teachers who nurture students' interest in TL by using innovative methods to make lessons more interesting and engaging; and
- Dedicated and passionate teachers who demonstrate a keen interest in students' well-being and inspire students to be self-directed and engaged learners.

Tamil Murasu ™ with the partnership of the Tamil Language Learning and Promotion Committee (TLLPC) and the Singapore Tamil Teachers' Union (STTU) is organising the event this year.

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Students, teachers and parents are invited to nominate Tamil Language teachers who are eligible and deserving of this award. Nomination is open from 15 January 2024 to 1 April 2024.

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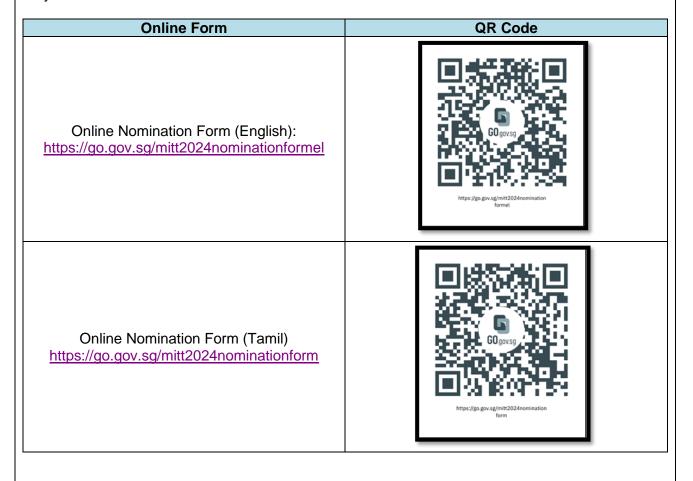
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Nominations can be made via physical forms (please click on links below to download the nomination form) or online.

- MITT Nomination Form in English: https://drive.google.com/file/d/178unaJuzHz9F\_HL0XW0fcr9dFnky7\_k8/view?usp=sharing
- MITT Nomination Form in Tamil: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1hZ2S4EbEBL\_r5nTIRHCmA\_dA52QTLsAq/view?usp=sharing

Do note that online nomination closes on 1 April 2024. The links and QR code are provided below for your ease of access.



Thank you.

Mr See Kok Kiong Vice-Principal (Academic)