



FERN GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

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School Vision: Reflective Inquirers, Aspiring Advocates, Steadfast Leader

School Core Values: Respect, Responsibility, Resilience, Integrity, Care, Harmony

**T2W8
Parents
Notification**

8 May 2024

Dear Parents,

Our Strategic Thrusts

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ST2: Growing Competent & Happy Staff

ST3: Fostering Effective Partnerships

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1. Calendar of Events (T2W8 & T2W9)

T2W8

Monday, 6 May

- Mother Tongue Language Fortnight
- P3 Class Test: MA
- 4H|4D Class Test: MA
- P6 Class Test: MA & FMA (Paper 1)
- 7:30am
Assembly: Cyber Wellness Talk | Engagement on School Core Values (Responsibility & Integrity)
- 11:30am
P1 CL Students: Enrichment - Speech and Drama
- 2:00pm
P6 Supplementary Lessons
- 2:00pm
P3, P4 & P5 (Selected Students): Remedial Lessons (1st Slot)
- 2:00pm
P6 FMA Lessons
- 3:00pm
P3, P4 & P5 (Selected Students): Remedial Lessons (2nd Slot)

Tuesday, 7 May

- Mother Tongue Language Fortnight
- 3R2|3R3 Class Test: SCI
- 4C|4I Class Test: SCI
- 5R1|5R3 Class Test: SCI
- P6 Class Test: MA & FMA (Paper 2)
- 2:30pm
Art Club: Learning Journey to Sengkang Riverside Park
- 2:30pm
P4 to P6: CCA

Wednesday, 8 May

- Mother Tongue Language Fortnight
- 3C|3H|3I Class Test: SCI
- 4D Class Test: SCI
- 4R1|4R2|4R3|4I|4C Class Test: MA
- 5C|5H Class Test: MA
- 5D|5I|5R2 Class Test: SCI
- P5 Class Test: FSCI
- P6 Class Test: SCI & FSCI
- 8:30am
P1 CL Students: Enrichment - Speech and Drama
- 2:00pm
P3 & P4 [Registered Students]: Conversational Chinese & Malay (CCM) [Session 2]

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No. Item**Thursday, 9 May**

- Mother Tongue Language Fortnight
- 3D|3R1 Class Test: SCI
- 4H|4R1|4R2|4R3 Class Test: SCI
- 5C|5H Class Test: SCI
- 5FMA Class Test: FMA
- 5R1|5R2|5R3|5I|5D Class Test: MA
- ALP: Tinkering Thursdays @ FGPS
- 7:30am
P1 to P5: FTGP
- 7:30am
P6 Performance Character Programme
- 10:30am
P1 CL Students: Enrichment - Speech and Drama
- 11:30am
P2 CL Students: Enrichment - Speech and Drama
- 2:00pm
P6 Supplementary Lessons
- 2:00pm
P3 to P6 HMTL Lessons (Except P3 HML & P4 HML)
- 2:00pm
P4 & P5 (Selected Students): Remedial Lessons (1st Slot)
- 3:00pm
P5 (Selected Students): E2K Science
- 3:00pm
P4 & P5 (Selected Students): Remedial Lessons (2nd Slot)

Friday, 10 May

- Mother Tongue Language Fortnight
- 11:30am
P2 CL & P2 ML Students: Little Stars of Broadway Showcase
- 2:15pm
P1 to P3 TL Students: Little Stars of Broadway Showcase
- 2:15pm
P5: Applied Learning Programme - Design Thinking for School Improvement [Session 2/2]
- 6:00pm
P5 Parents (of Selected Students): Briefing on Overseas Learning Journeys (TIE) to Penang & Beijing

T2W9**Monday, 13 May**

- Mother Tongue Language Fortnight
- 7:30am
Assembly: ECG Talk | Talk on School Library
- 11:30am
P1 CL Students: Enrichment - Speech and Drama
- 2:00pm
P6 FMA Lessons

Tuesday, 14 May

- Mother Tongue Language Fortnight
- 11:30am
P1 CL Students: Enrichment - Speech and Drama

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- 2:30pm
P4 to P6: CCA

Wednesday, 15 May

- Mother Tongue Language Fortnight
- 8:00am
P1 CL and P1 ML Students: Little Stars of Broadway Showcase
- 2:00pm
P3&4 [Registered Students]: Conversational Chinese & Malay (CCM) [Session 3]

Thursday, 16 May

- Mother Tongue Language Fortnight
- 7:30am
P1 to P5: FTGP
- 7:30am
P6: Sexuality Education
- 2:00pm
P3 to P6 HMTL (Except P3 HML & P4 HML): e-Learning [No Lessons]

Friday, 17 May

- Drug Victims Remembrance Day
- Olympic Day 2024

(Events listed above are for the masses. Information is correct as on 8 May 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. P1 to P6: Parent-Child-Teacher Conference (PCTC)

The school will be holding the PCTC for P1 to P6 parents on:

Day	Date	Period
Thursday (Online via Zoom)	23 May 2024	2.30pm to 5.00pm (After School)
Friday (Face-to-Face)	24 May 2024 (No School)	8.00am to 5.00pm

Form and Subject Teachers will be sending out messages via PG (Parents Gateway) to inform parents of the PCTC details today. Please note that

- there will be **no school for all students on Friday, 24 May 2024.**
- your child should be present during the PCTC.

Objectives of the PCTC

The PCTC is one of the key platforms whereby Form Teachers and Subject Teachers would share with you their observations of your child this Semester, his/her academic progress and growth based on their day-to-day interactions with him/her. They would also share on key aspects relating to class routines, holistic assessments, portfolios and assignments. It would help provide a fuller picture of your child's learning progress, learning attitudes and behaviour in school. We certainly hope this will help offer parents some insights to your child's schooling experience and the type of support you could provide for him/her at home.

To facilitate a smooth flow of events on the days of the PCTC, please book your preferred time slots to meet up with the Form Teachers and/or Subject Teachers **by Wednesday, 15 May 2024, 12.00pm.**

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Booking of Meeting Slots via Parents Gateway (PG)

- Online booking of meeting slots will open from **Thursday, 9 May 2024, 8.00am to Wednesday, 15 May 2024, 12.00pm** via Parents Gateway (PG).
- In PG, you will receive notifications on the meeting schedules of your child's Form Teachers and Subject Teachers. Please select from the available 15-minute slots thereafter. Please note that booking of slot is on a **first-come, first-served basis**.
- You only need to book slots for the teachers you would like to meet. You need not meet every subject teacher. If you would like to meet the Form Teachers, you only need to book the slot for one Form Teacher.
- Once you have confirmed your bookings, you may check back on the PG app the timings that you have chosen.
- Please note that you will only be able to make changes to the bookings **once** in PG.
- Do approach the Subject/Form Teachers for assistance should you have any difficulty making the bookings via the email address provided in the PG notification.
- You will receive confirmation of details (such as details of Zoom meetings and venues) from the respective Form and/or Subject Teachers whom you have booked **on Monday, 20 May 2024**.

Please refer to the Booking Guide (for Parents) on how to book a slot here:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1h-Xr99cXI3KFUrsasC29z570Fa9jFSxP/view?usp=sharing>

If you are unavailable on these two dates, you may contact your child's Form Teachers and/or Subject Teachers via email to make alternative arrangements. Their email addresses can be found on our school website (<https://www.ferngreenpri.moe.edu.sg/about-us/Our-Staff/>).

If you need further information or clarification, please contact your child's Form Teachers or write to the respective Year Heads:

- Ms Serene Khoo, YH (Lower Primary) at khoo_seok_ling@moe.edu.sg
- Mr Mohamed Ridza, YH (Middle Primary) at mohamed_ridza_b_hashim@moe.edu.sg
- Mrs Cheryl Lee, YH (Upper Primary) at ng_peck_mui@moe.edu.sg

3. Preparation for Olympic Day 2024

On Olympic Day, 17 May 2024, all students will be given an opportunity to try out different sporting activities. To ensure students are well-prepared for the activities, instructional videos on how the different games are played have been uploaded to the SLS portal (in the **Olympic Day Package**) for them to access and view. We strongly encourage all students to view these videos before the event to maximise their Olympic Day experience.

To help create a unique experience for them and to enliven the atmosphere, we would like to encourage parents to help your child paint temporary face/hand tattoos for the event. Please adhere to the following guidelines:

The temporary tattoos should

- Not exceed 6cm by 4 cm in dimensions
- Not contain offensive or inappropriate language or images (e.g. no cartoon characters or full-face animal designs)
- Be painted on the face or hands only

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Examples:



Please also help remind your child to bring along the following items on the day of the event:

P1	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Colouring materials (markers/ coloured pencils)2. Glue/ Scotch tape/ double-sided tape3. Scissors4. A pair of adult socks
P2 & P3	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Colouring materials (markers/ coloured pencils)2. Scotch tape3. Scissors4. A pair of adult socks
P4	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Black markers2. Colouring materials (markers/ coloured pencils)3. Scissors4. Sticky glue/ sticky tape
P5	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. 2 kitchen roll tubes/ 2 disposable water bottles2. Scissors3. Glue4. Colouring materials (markers/ coloured pencils)

These materials are essential for the successful completion of the art activities planned for the day of the event.

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4. **ALP (Applied Learning Programme): Tinkering Thursdays @ FGPS**

The school will be introducing **Tinkering Thursdays**, as part of our Applied Learning Programme, from T2W8 to

- Introduce students to the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) subjects in an engaging manner.
- Equip students with critical and inventive thinking skills (emerging 21st Century Competencies).
- Foster innovation and develop students' abilities to identify and solve problems.
- Enable students in using everyday materials and STEM concepts to design and build meaningful artefacts.

Tinkering is all about using unstructured time for students to **Explore** and **Invent**. Students will get to engage in hands-on experiences and learn from failures through specially curated activities.

The schedule for the tinkering activities is as follows:

Key Activity	Term & Week	Date
SLS Activity 1	T2W8	9 May
Recess Activity 1	T2W10	23 May
SLS Activity 2	T3W2	4 Jul
Recess Activity 2	T3W4	18 Jul
SLS Activity 3	T3W6	1 Aug
Recess Activity 3	T3W8	15 Aug
SLS Activity 4	T4W4	3 Oct
Recess Activity 4	T4W6	17 Oct

On above **Tinkering Thursdays**, students will get to experience the following:

Tinkering@Home (SLS Activity)

SLS activities will be assigned to all students according to the schedule above. Students with the best prototypes (sieved from the Padlet submissions) will be invited to bring their prototypes to school to showcase their work before their classmates and teachers. Students will also get to vote for the **most creative prototype** from their classes, and a certificate will be presented to the identified **Tinkerer** from each class.

Tinkering@Recess

Students will be encouraged to bring identified recyclable materials (e.g. bottle caps, cardboard, newspapers, etc.) to school for some of the recess activities. More information will be provided prior to each recess activity.

We look forward to parents' support in nurturing our students to be great **Tinkerers!**

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The Direct School Admission for Secondary Schools (DSA-Sec) is open for application from **11am, 7 May 2024 to 3pm, 3 June 2024**. Information on important dates and the 2024 DSA-Sec can be found on <https://www.moe.gov.sg/dsa-sec>.

Other useful links:

- Information Sheet on 2024 DSA-Sec for P6 students and parents:
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1s_VTjAuDg9edkRzbS8H-SzpAobZ3Xnl/view?usp=sharing
- Information on how one can apply:
<https://www.moe.gov.sg/secondary/dsa/application>

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6. Performance by Show Choir at Fernvale Mother's Day Celebration 2024

We are proud to share that our Show Choir CCA group will be performing at *Fernvale Mother's Day Celebration 2024*, organised by Fernvale Community Centre. The details are as follows:

Day & Date	Sunday, 12 May 2024
Venue	Common Green in front of BLK 459A & BLK 462A, Sengkang West Way
Estimated Performing Time	5.45pm

You may click on the link below for more information about the event:

<https://www.onepa.gov.sg/events/fernvale-mother-s-day-celebration-2024-99468593>

FERNVALE
Mother's Day
CELEBRATION

12 May 2024, Sunday
Common Green in front of
459A & 462A Sengkang West Way
4.00pm - 8.00pm

Joining Us
Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong
Adviser to Ang Mo Kio GRC Grassroots Organisations

Host Adviser
Mr Gan Thiam Poh
Adviser to Ang Mo Kio GRC Grassroots Organisations

Ticket Price:
\$5.00*
Get your ticket now online or physically at Fernvale CC

PROGRAMME HIGHLIGHTS

FERNVALE MAKER'S MARKET [12PM TO 9PM] FRINGE ACTIVITIES
FAMILY GAME CHALLENGE LIVE MUSIC PERFORMANCE GOODIE BAG*
LIVE FOOD STATIONS* ICE CREAM & SNACK*

<https://go.gov.sg/fvmothersdaycelebrate>

*Ticket holders are entitled to a goodie bag and food & snack coupons.
Fringe activities and games operate from 4pm to 8pm; on a first come, first served basis. #FernvaleMothersDay2024

Organised by: Fernvale GROs

6322 6588
10.00am to 6.00pm, Monday to Sunday excluding Public Holiday

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7. P6 Parents: SJI Open House on Saturday, 18 May 2024 (8.30am to 4.00pm)

St. Joseph's Institution (SJI) invites our P6 boys and their parents to their in-person Open House event on Saturday, 18 May 2024 (from 8:30am to 4.00pm).



SJI OPEN HOUSE
Sat, 18 May | 8.30am – 4.00pm



Pre-registration is not required for the Open House. However, parents would need to register if you are interested to attend the Information Talks.

To indicate your interest for the Talks, you may register via the QR code or the link below:
<https://www.sji.edu.sg>

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8. Primary School Transfer Service: Cycle 2 Application

The aim of the Primary School Transfer Service is to centrally facilitate the transfer of primary school students who are Singapore Citizen (SC) or Permanent Resident (SPR) and have relocated to another address, to schools nearer to their new residences.

Parents who are seeking school transfers due to change of address are to submit your application online at www.moe.gov.sg/primary/transfers between **9.00am on Monday, 13 May 2024** and **4.00pm on Friday, 31 May 2024**.

A step-by-step guide is available on the website for parents to familiarise yourselves with the application form before applying.

Parents will receive the outcome of your application via SMS on **Tuesday, 18 June 2024**. After which, you will be required to report to your child's current and receiving schools to **finalise the transfer between Wednesday, 19 June to Friday, 21 June**.

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9. Families for Life @ Community by Methodist Welfare Services: Article on Self-Care

In supporting more parents in their parenting journey, Families for Life @ Community have shared the following article with all parents. This article focuses on self-care for parents.

IS PARENT SELF-CARE SELFISH?

PARENT SELF-CARE IS NOT SELFISH. YOU CANNOT SERVE FROM AN EMPTY VESSEL™ - ELEANOR BROWN

WHY?
Just like our electronic devices that need constant charging after long hours of usage, **WE TOO** need to constantly re-charge our mind, body and soul to handle everyday parenting challenges and stress!

YES! TO SELF-CARE
Consistent recuperation
↓
Stress levels and anxiety is lower
↓
Ability to stay calm, prepared and composed in challenging situations with your child
↓
Strong ability to parent in positive ways (being firm, calm, empathetic, responding, optimistic etc.)

NO! TO SELF-CARE
Piled up stress
↓
High levels of stress and anxiety accumulated
↓
Lack of patience
↓
Loss of self-control
↓
Inability to parent in positive ways (yelling, shouting, yelling, reacting, critical etc.)

2 pointers to get you going in your journey of self-care...

01 LET IT GO!
Empower your child to perform age appropriate tasks. Use words like.. "Can you help mummy/daddy to..." (We feel good about ourselves when we are able to help others)
I learn discipline, responsibility and independence by helping out with the household chores

02 CONNECT!
CONNECT WITH YOUR CHILD
Talk, laugh and act silly with your children, friends and spouse. Talking and playing not only helps you to feel loved and connected, but also creates happy times and opportunities for bonding with your child
When I feel happy around my parents, I experience discipline like and children are more receptive to their teachings and influence

Need support in your role as a parent? Want to know if you have been taking care of yourself?
Talk to us!
SIGN UP NOW!

Thank you.

Mr See Kok Kiong
Vice-Principal (Academic)