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T1W5
Parents
Notification

5 February 2025

Dear Parents,

| | Our Strategic Thrusts | | | | | | |
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| | 1: Future-Ready Learners 2: Accomplished and Engaged Professionals | | | | | | |
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| 1. | Calendar of Events (T1W5 & T1W6) | | | | | | |
| | T1W5 | | | | | | |
| | Mond | ay, 3 February | | | | | |
| | • | 12:00pm P3 Swimsafer- 3C 3H | | | | | |
| | • | 2:00pm | | | | | |
| | | P3 HCL Lessons: Selected Students | | | | | |
| | • | 2:00pm P6 Supplementary Lessons | | | | | |
| | • | 2:00pm | | | | | |
| | | P4 P5: Remedial Lessons (1st Slot, for Selected Students) | | | | | |
| | • | 3:00pm P4 P5: Remedial Lessons (2nd Slot, for Selected Students) | | | | | |
| | Tueso | lay, 4 February | | | | | |
| | • | 3R1 3R2: Social Studies Learning Journey to Geylang Serai | | | | | |
| | • | 2.30pm | | | | | |
| | Thure | P4 to P6: CCA day, 6 February | | | | | |
| | | 12:00pm | | | | | |
| | | P3 Swimsafer- 3R1 3R2 3R3 3I | | | | | |
| | • | 2:00pm P3 to P6 HMTL Lessons (Except P3, P4 & P6 HML; and Selected P3 HCL Students) | | | | | |

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P6 Supplementary Lessons

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P4|P5: Remedial Lessons (1st Slot, for Selected Students)

• 3:00pm

P4|P5: Remedial Lessons (2nd Slot, for Selected Students)

Friday, 7 February

• 2:00pm

P3 to P4 MTSP (TL) Lessons

• 2:00pm

P6 HML Lessons

T1W6

Monday, 10 February

• 7.30am

Assembly: Total Defence Day

• 12:00pm

P3 Swimsafer- 3Cl3H

• 2:00pm

P3 HCL Lessons: Selected Students

• 2:00pm

P6 Supplementary Lessons

• 2:00pm

P4|P5: Remedial Lessons (1st Slot, for Selected Students)

• 3:00pm

P4|P5: Remedial Lessons (2nd Slot, for Selected Students)

Tuesday, 11 February

3R3|3I: Social Studies Learning Journey to Geylang Serai

• 2.30pm

P4 to P6: CCA

Thursday, 13 February

• 12:00pm

P3 Swimsafer- 3R1|3R2|3R3|3I

• 2:00pm

P3 to P6 HMTL Lessons (Except P3, P4 & P6 HML; and Selected P3 HCL Students)

• 2:00pm

P6 Supplementary Lessons

• 2:00pm

P4|P5: Remedial Lessons (1st Slot, for Selected Students)

• 3:00pm

P4|P5: Remedial Lessons (2nd Slot, for Selected Students)

Friday, 14 February

• 3C|3H: Social Studies Learning Journey to Geylang Serai

• 2:00pm

P3 to P4 MTSP (TL) Lessons

• 2:00pm

P6 HML Lessons

2.15pm

P5 ALP: Design Thinking to Improve Everyday School Experience

(Events listed above are for the masses. Information is correct as on 5 February 2025. For updates or to subscribe to our calendars, please visit the school website at https://www.ferngreenpri.moe.edu.sg/general-information/School-Calendar/)

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2. P4 Light and Shadow Kits and P6 Energy Conversion Kits for Inquiry-based Learning for Science

As part of the Ministry of Education (MOE) Science Education vision of Inspire, Inquire and Innovate, we hope that our FGians enjoy learning Science and are fascinated by how everyday phenomena have scientific connections. We also hope for our students to have strong fundamentals in Science and possess the spirit of scientific inquiry. As such, we are introducing the Inquiry-based Learning Kits for P4 (Light and Shadows) and P6 (Energy Conversion). These Science kits will used in the classroom during experiments as well as at home for self-directed learning.

The cost of each Science Kit is \$10. Payment for the Science Kits will be made through deduction from your child's Edusave account. The cost will be included in the next school bill. No action is required from parents for now. Please contact your child's Science teacher via email if you require additional information.

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3. P1 Digital Literacy Lessons

Our school has planned a series of three Digital Literacy Lessons specifically designed for all P1 students. These lessons aim to equip our students with essential Digital Competencies that align with the Ministry of Education (MOE) initiatives on Digital Literacy, Technological Skills, and Cyber Wellness Education.

Learning Objectives:

These lessons are designed to empower our students to effectively utilise technology for learning while safely navigating the digital world.

During the lessons, students will develop the following digital competencies:

Digital Responsibility:

- Developing good digital habits (Student Handbook, page 30)
- Understanding the importance of balancing screen time

Device and Software Operations:

- Etiquettes of using devices and logging in to laptops
- Practicing touch typing
- Logging in to Student Learning Space (SLS)

The Digital Literacy Lessons are scheduled to take place during the PAL periods on 11, 18, and 25 February 2025. Throughout these lessons, students will receive guidance and support from their PAL teachers.

Additionally, please note that details regarding the SLS account will be sent out in Term 1, Week 6 when P1 students are assigned their permanent classes.

We hope that parents will partner the school in helping our students become responsible future-ready learners.

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4. <u>P5 Applied Learning Programme (ALP): Design Thinking to Improve Everyday School Experience</u>

We will be conducting the upcoming P5 Applied Learning Programme (ALP) for 2025, centred around the theme *Design Thinking to Improve Everyday School Experience* which will take place on 14 February 2025 (Friday). The objectives of the ALP are to equip our students with:

- 1. Enhanced 21st Century Competencies, including critical, adaptive, and inventive thinking;
- 2. FGPS core values of resilience and innovation; and
- 3. problem-solving abilities through the Design Thinking process, culminating in building prototypes to address school-based challenges.

During the programme, students will be guided by their teachers and facilitators to apply their critical, analytical, and creative thinking skills, as well as STEM concepts, to devise and create artifacts that meet the project outcomes. Prior to the programme, students will receive preparatory guidance from their Social Studies teachers.

Programme Details:

| Date | 14 February 2025 (Friday) |
|-------|---------------------------|
| Time | 2.15pm to 5.15pm |
| Venue | P5 Classrooms |
| Cost | Fully subsidised |

Please note:

- Students will be required to stay back after school for this face-to-face after-school
- activity
- There will be no makeup for missed session.
- · Parents of students taking the school bus will need to make alternative pick-up
- arrangements.
- Students are to bring extra pocket money for lunch at the school canteen. Students in SCC will continue to have their lunch at the SCC before the workshop.

Please provide your consent for your child to participate in the programme via the Consent Form that was sent via Parents Gateway on 3 February 2025 (Monday) if you have not done so. Kindly note that the deadline for responding is **9 February 2025 (Sunday).**

Thank you for your support and partnership in nurturing our P5 students to become Resilient Innovators through the ALP experience.

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5. Total Defence Day (TDD): Together We Keep Singapore Safe

We commemorate Total Defence Day (TDD) on 15 February each year to mark Singapore's fall to the Japanese in 1942. This serves as a reminder of the importance of Total Defence as our best response to evolving threats such as terrorism, pandemics, cyber-attacks, and economic crises. Students will reflect on the relevance of the six pillars of Total Defence—Military, Civil, Economic, Social, Digital, and Psychological Defence—and the collective role every Singaporean plays in safeguarding our nation.

To deepen students' understanding, the school held an engagement session on 3 February 2025 (Monday) and will be following up with a TDD performance during assembly on 10 February 2025

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(Monday). Additionally, FTGP lessons will reinforce key messages through reflection and discussions on Singapore's resilience.

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6. Student Performances at Chingay 2025 Celebrations

Chingay is a people's parade celebrating multiculturalism with elaborate costumes, colourful floats, and cultural performances that showcase Singapore's rich traditions and artistic diversity. This year's parade, themed "JOY", is a vibrant celebration of our shared experiences and cultural heritage, featuring a diverse display of community participation.

As part of Chingay@Heartlands Celebrations 2025, selected students from the CCA groups, i.e. Modern Dance, Guitar Ensemble and Show Choir, will be performing at **Chingay@Fernvale 2025!** The event details are shown in the table below:

| Date | 15 February 2025 (Saturday) |
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| Time | 7.30pm to 10.00pm |
| Venue | Thanggam Hard Court (Beside Thanggam LRT Station) |
| GOH | Mr Gan Thiam Poh |
| | Member of Parliament for Ang Mo Kio GRC, |
| | Adviser of Ang Mo Kio GRC Grassroots Organisations |
| | and Member of the Ang Mo Kio Town Council |
| Admission | Admission is free and all are welcomed. |
| | Nominal fee is chargeable for goodie bags and at the |
| | carnival booths. |
| Website Link | go.gov.sg/fvchingay25 |



Our students will be performing approximately between 7.45pm to 8.00pm that day. In addition, the Modern Dance group is being featured on the Fernvale Community Club social media.

- Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/share/r/1B2HepBZxp/?mibextid=wwXIfr
- Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/reel/DFO5NI9S i5/?igsh=dngybG0zcnhpY2ti

We hope to see you there and thank you in advance for your support!

7. P2 to P6 Parent Engagement Session 2025 (Online)

The Form Teachers will be holding an online meeting with Parents (as a class) via Microsoft Teams in Term 1, Week 9/10. The objectives of this engagement session are:

- To partner parents in the holistic development of our children;
- To help parents understand the individual class's learning environment; and
- To establish clear communication between parents and teachers.

The details for the online meeting for each level are as follows:

| Date | Level | Time |
|-----------------------------|-------|------------------|
| 27 February 2025 (Thursday) | P3 | 2.30pm to 3.30pm |
| 27 February 2025 (Thursday) | P4 | 3.30pm to 4.30pm |
| 3 March 2025 (Monday) | P2 | 2.30pm to 3.30pm |
| 6 March 2025 (Thursday) | P5* | 4.30pm to 5.30pm |
| 6 March 2025 (Thursday) | P6* | 2.30pm to 3.30pm |

*3.30pm to 4.30pm: Principal's Engagement Session with P5 and P6 Parents (via Microsoft Teams Webinar)

Kindly note that a Principal's Engagement Session (from 3.30pm to 4.30pm) will be weaved into the sessions for P5 and P6 Parents to update parents on:

- PSLE Matters
- Admission to Secondary Schools
- Direct School Admission (DSA)
- Preparing FGPS Students for PSLE and the Future

Form Teachers will be sharing the Online Meeting details with parents via Parents Gateway (PG) by 12 February 2025 (Wednesday).

During the online meetings with Form Teachers, parents can also expect to learn more about the key and/or signature programmes for the respective level in 2025.

Kindly note that the session is meant for parents and it is not necessary for your child to be present.

For concerns specific to your child, kindly email the Form Teacher(s)/Subject Teacher(s) to arrange for a separate appointment.

Parents are most welcome to send in your questions (if any) via the link/QR code below prior to the sessions so that we can address them as much as possible during the online meetings and via the Form Teachers later:

https://go.gov.sg/fgps25mwp



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8. Invitation to attend Ang Mo Kio Town Council (AMKTC) Exhibition

In appreciation for partnering Ang Mo Kio Town Council (AMKTC) on various initiatives such as litter picking exercises, tree planting events, sustainability activities and participating in the creative bins project, teachers, students and parents of Fern Green Primary School have been invited to attend Ang Mo Kio Town Council's Exhibition Event. During the event, the Members of Parliament (MPs) will share about the transformation of Ang Mo Kio over the years, improvements made and upcoming works. There will also be educational game booths with prizes and snack booths. Event details are as follows:

| Date | 15 March 2025 (Saturday) |
|-------|--|
| Time | 9.30am to 12.00pm |
| Venue | Ang Mo Kio Central Stage (on the street of Blk 720 Ang Mo Kio Ave 6) |
| GOH | MPs of Ang Mo Kio GRC, Kebun Baru SMC and Yio Chu Kang SMC |



If you are interested to attend, please fill up this <u>form</u> with your name, child's name and the number of attendees, by 10 February 2025 (Monday).

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9. Primary School Transfer Service: 2025 Cycle 1 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 https://www.moe.gov.sg/primary/transfers between 9.00am on 3 March 2025 (Monday) and 4.00pm on 14 March 2025 (Friday).

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 24 March 2025 (Monday). After which, you will be required to report to your child's current and receiving schools to finalise the transfer between 25 March 2025 (Tuesday) and 28 March 2025 (Friday).

10. Call for Nominations: Inspiring Teacher of English Award 2025

All endorsed nominees will be eligible for a Singapore Association for Applied Linguistics membership!



*This award is open to all in-service teachers of English Language, including teachers of Literature in English and General Paper, from primary, secondary and integrated programme schools, centralised institute and junior colleges.

Nominations open on <u>3 February 2025</u> and all forms must reach the Speak Good English Movement <u>by 5pm on 4 April 2025</u>.

Download the nomination forms at www.goodenglish.org.sg.

We are looking for

teachers of English* who:



exemplify the use of good spoken and written English



enact learner-centred approaches during English lessons;



select pedagogical approaches appropriate to learners' readiness, interests and learning profiles; and



develop their teaching competencies to enact classroom practices in alignment with the syllabuses and curriculum, as well as classroom-based innovations.

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Nominations for the annual *Inspiring Teacher of English Award* are now open. Presented by the Speak Good English Movement and The Straits Times with the support of the Ministry of Education, the Award has two categories – the Teaching Award and the Leadership Award.

Please click here to download nomination forms for the Teaching Award. The Award is open to all in-service teachers of English Language, including teachers of Literature in English and General Paper. All students, their parents, and teachers are invited to send in nominations for the Teaching Award to the Principal of the nominee's school via ferngreen_ps@moe.edu.sg by 6pm on 24 March 2025.

Should you require more information, please email SGEM at nhb_speakgoodenglishmovement@nhb.gov.sg.

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Thank you.

Ms Agnes Chow Vice-Principal (Academic)