



Coral Waves

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A. The Weeks Ahead

Date	Event / Programme / Activity
8 Aug (Tues)	National Day Celebrations (7.20am – 10.00am)
9 Aug (Wed)	National Day Public Holiday (All students to report to school on 11 Aug Fri)
10 Aug (Thur)	National Day School Holiday
17 Aug – 18 Aug (Thur & Fri)	PSLE Oral
21 Aug (Mon)	CA2 & Prelims (EL Paper 1 & 2)
22 Aug (Tues)	CA2 & Prelims (Math)
23 Aug (Wed)	CA2 & Prelims (MT Paper 1 & 2)
24 Aug (Thur)	CA2 & Prelims Science
25 Aug (Fri)	CA2 & Prelims (HMT Paper 1 & 2)
23 Aug (Wed)	Gifted Education Programme P3 [Screening Stage]
29 Aug (Tues)	P5C Learning Journey to Science Centre
30 Aug (Wed)	P5O & 5R Learning Journey to Science Centre
31 Aug (Thu)	Teachers' Day Holiday
1 Sept (Fri)	Hari Raya Haji
2 Sept (Sat) – 10 Sept (Sun)	September Holidays
6 Sept (Wed) – 8 Sept (Fri)	P6 Supplementary Classes

B. National Day Celebration (Mr Gary Peh, HOD/CCE cum YH; Mr Christopher Shau, Teacher coordinator)

1. Schools will commemorate National Day (ND) on **Tuesday, 8 August 2017**. This year's National Day Celebration marks our nation's 52nd birthday. The theme is "#OneNationTogether", a rallying call to unite all Singaporeans to stand together and overcome all odds together. 'One Nation' is to remind Singaporeans that regardless of origin and background, we belong as one people and one nation. It encourages Singaporeans to harness our diversity and to leave no one behind as we strive towards an even brighter future. 'Together' emphasises the importance of unity in times of uncertainty and challenges ahead and represents a call-to-action for all Singaporeans to overcome the odds together.
2. In Coral Primary, we will commemorate ND with engaging and enriching level-based activities and an assembly programme. These activities will provide an opportunity for pupils to identify values and attitudes needed to contribute to Singapore's future.
3. The reporting and dismissal times on **Tuesday, 8 August 2017** will be as follows:

Reporting Time	7.20 am	Students are strongly encouraged to wear red T-shirt with the school shorts/pinafore.
Dismissal Time	10 am	

4. The bus service providers have been informed of the school hours on that day. Parents/Guardians fetching their children/wards home are to make the necessary arrangements.

C. Evacuation Drill – Term 3 Week 6 (Mr Choy, Operations Manager)

1. As part of emergency preparedness, the school will conduct a fire drill during the first week of August. During the drill, all the pupils will evacuate from their classrooms and assemble in a designated area within the school; under the close supervision of the teachers. The school will take all necessary precautions and measures to ensure the safety of our pupils.

D. CA2 and P6 Preliminary Examinations (Mrs Low Chiew Chuet, HOD/Math & Exam Head)

1. **There will be no CA 2 for P1, P2 and P3 students. However, there is P3 termly review.** Please refer to Section E below.
2. The schedule and coverage for the **CA 2 for the P4 and P5 students** as well as the **Preliminary Examinations for the P6 students** were attached in July issue Coral Waves.
3. For parents of P4, P5 and P6 students, we seek your partnership with the school in ensuring that your child/ward is physically and mentally prepared for the assessment. We seek the co-operation of our parents/guardians to ensure that their children/wards revise consistently as part of their preparation for the examinations.
4. If your child/ward is unwell, we seek your cooperation to exercise social responsibility by seeking medical attention for your child/ward and ensuring that your child/ward is well before returning to school. For the well-being of your child/ward, we do not encourage the practice of sending a child/ward who is unwell to sit for an exam and then bring him/her home immediately after the paper.
5. If your child/ward has missed the examination, he/she would be assessed/promoted based on his/her overall performance for the year.

E. P3 Termly Review (*Mrs Low Chiew Chuet, HOD/Math & Exam Head*)

- 1 As part of holistic assessment, the school conducts ongoing non-weighted formative assessments throughout Term 1 to Term 4. This is to allow a fuller picture of your child's/ward's progress and learning throughout the year.
- 2 We have attached the schedule and coverage for P3 non-weighted Term 3 Termly Review in the Annexes for your reference. We seek the co-operation and support of all parents/guardians to ensure that your children/wards revise daily as part of their preparation for the non-weighted assessment.

F. 2017 PSLE Oral Examination (Mr Ismail Kasim, PSLE coordinator)

1. The **PSLE Oral Examination for P6 students fall on Thursday and Friday, 17 and 18 August. On these 2 days, students from P1 to P5 levels do not report to school.** The P6 students will receive a separate notification (**P6 Annex**) with more details.

A summary of the information is shown below.

Type of PSLE Paper	Dates	Remarks
Oral Examination	17 & 18 August	P1 to P5 students do not report to school.

G. P3 Gifted Education Programme (GEP) Screening Exercise (Mr Wong Yexiang, P3 Assistant Year Head)

1. The Gifted Education Branch of the Ministry of Education conducts the GEP Screening exercise to shortlist Primary 3 students for the GEP. This year's Screening exercise will be held in school on **Wednesday, 23 August 2017**.
2. All Primary 3 students are invited to participate in the GEP Screening exercise which consists of 2 papers, English Language and Mathematics. The Screening exercise will be based on what students have learnt from Primary 1 to Primary 3 in the English Language and Mathematics syllabuses. The topics "Area and Perimeter", "Geometry" and "Time" in the Primary 3 Mathematics syllabus will be **excluded**.
3. The schedule for the respective papers is stated below:

English Language	8.30 a.m. – 9.45 a.m. (1 hr 15 min)
Mathematics	10.30 a.m. – 12 noon (1 hr 30 min)
4. Candidates who have been shortlisted will be invited to the Selection exercise on **Thursday and Friday, 19 and 20 October 2017**.
5. You will find more information in the explanatory note provided by MOE attached with this issue of Coral Waves. Please complete the reply slip attached to the note and return the reply slip to the Form Teacher by **Friday, 4 August 2017**.
6. If you require the explanatory note in Chinese, Malay or Tamil, please inform the Form Teacher via your child before **Friday, 4 August 2017**.

H. P5 Lessons @ Science Centre (Mr Mohd Razlee, SH/Sci)

1. The lessons at Science Centre aim to provide our students with an authentic learning environment and to actively engage pupils in the learning of Science beyond classroom
2. The P5 classes are scheduled to attend the session on the following days as indicated below.

Class	Day/Date	Reporting Time	Returning Time
5 Caring	Tuesday, 29 Aug	1.40 pm	5.00 pm
5 Obedience	Wednesday, 30 Aug	1.40 pm	5.00 pm
5 Responsibility	Wednesday, 30 Aug	1.40 pm	5.00 pm

Please return the acknowledgement form to his / her Form Teacher by **Fri, 4 Aug**.

I. P4 Road Safety Traffic Games (Mr Manaf, Teacher i/c)

1. As part of our school's efforts to raise students' awareness on Road Safety, the P4 students will be participating in the Traffic Games. The Traffic Games will serve to educate students on the importance of road safety through a fun and interactive learning environment within a simulated road safety park and will also promote road courtesy amongst the different road users like pedestrians, cyclists and motorists.
2. The details are as follows:

Date	Friday, 25 August	
Time	2.00 pm to 5.15 pm	
Venue	Road Safety Community Park (East Coast Parkway)	
Things to bring	1. Small bag 2. Pen 3. Water Bottle 4. Light healthy snack	5. Cap 6. Sunblock 7. Mosquito repellent 8. Poncho/umbrella

3. As such, the SDR programme will be suspended on that day.
 - a. We strongly encourage your child/ward to attend the traffic games as it is a form of experiential learning which provide him/her with a holistic education, whilst raising his/her own awareness of road safety.
 - b. We thank you for your kind attention and support. If you have any queries, please contact your child's/ward's form/co-form teachers at 65854491 or via email.

J. Suspension of after-school programmes on eve of Teachers' Day 30th Aug (Wed)

1. In view of the Teachers' Day celebration, the following programmes will be suspended on Wednesday, 30 August 2017:
 - a) P1 & P2 Reading@Coral
 - b) P2 Maths Remedial lessons
 - c) P3 Maths Remedial lessons
 - d) P3 & P4 SDR

- e) P5 Supplementary lessons
- f) P6 Supplementary lessons
- g) P6 Support Programme for selected students (Mathematics)

K. P6 September Vacation Supplementary Lessons (Mrs Tham-Wong Lin Yen, AYH covering)

1. The school will be conducting supplementary lessons during the school holidays as part of our continual efforts to prepare the P6 students for their PSLE. The classes will be conducted from **Wednesday, 6 September to Friday, 8 September**.
2. Students are required to be in their school uniform when they assemble in the school hall at **7.35 am**. We seek your cooperation in ensuring that your children/wards are punctual for their lessons. Please refer to the schedule below.

Dates	Time	Remarks
Wednesday, 6 September	7.35 am to 1.40pm	Malay food and hot beverage stalls will be opened during recess. Students are also encouraged to bring healthy snacks if they wish to.
Thursday, 7 September		
Friday, 8 September		

3. The schedule for **those exempted from Mother Tongue** is as follows:

Dates	Reporting Time	Dismissal Time
Wednesday, 6 September	7.35 am	12.40 pm
Thursday, 7 September	7.35 am	12.10 pm
Friday, 8 September	9.05 am	1.40 pm

L. Submission of Travel Plans during September School Holidays (Mr Benjamin Yap, Admin Manager)

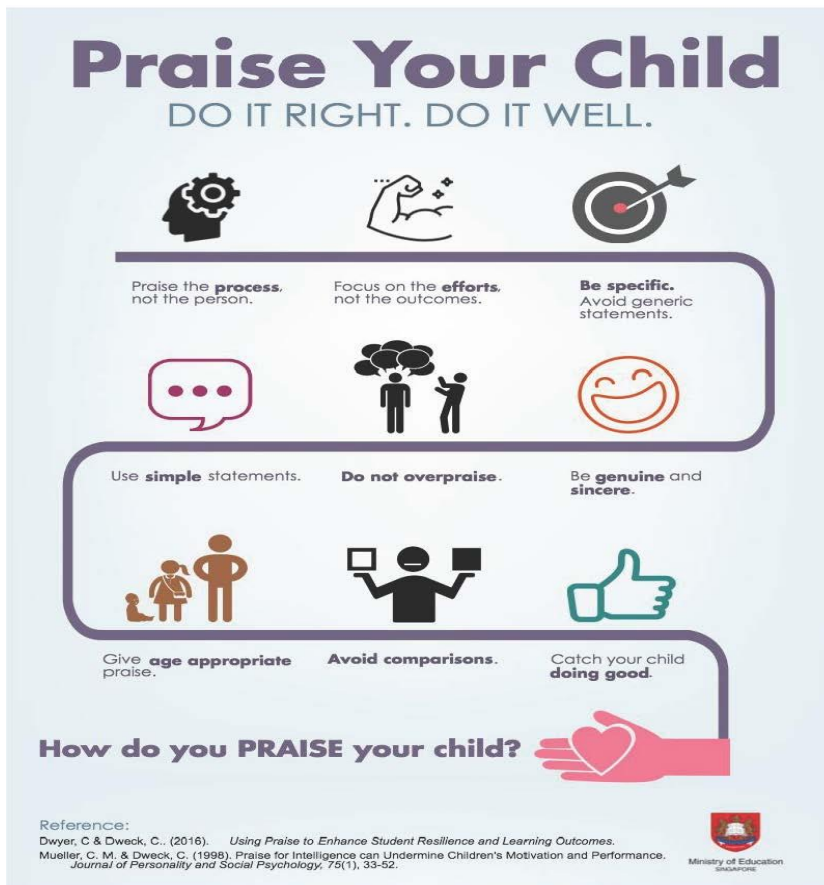
1. As part of the school's proactive measures to safeguard the well-being of our students, the school would like to seek the parents'/guardians' co-operation in keeping the school informed of their children's/wards' travel plans at the end of every school term.
2. As such, parents/guardians are required to submit their child's/ward's travel plan for September school holidays through the **McOnline.sg portal by 1 Sep 2017**. Should there be any change to the travel plan after submission, parents/guardians can **update the change online**.
3. **Please note that it is mandatory for all P1 students to submit their travel plan through the McOnline.sg portal. A "Nil" return is required.**

M. Preventive Drug Education Information for P5 & P6 parents (Mr Gary Peh, HOD/CCE cum YH)

1. The Preventive Drug Education information brochures for parents from Central Narcotics Bureau aim to generate awareness among parents on drug-related issues and encourage you to speak to your child on the harm of drugs.
2. As key influencers during a child's development, parents play an important role in keeping youths away from drugs. As such, we are our vital partners in guiding our youths towards making the right decisions and leading a drug-free, healthy lifestyle. We hope that you will help champion the drug-free cause within your sphere of influence and help advocate for a drug-free Singapore.

N. Partnering parents (Mdm Erica Cheah, Year Head / Lower Primary)

1. Praise is one of the most powerful tools parents can use to teach their children positive skills. As parents /guardians, our words help to shape the children. Gaining approval from important adults in their lives becomes more important to children as they grow. Praising and rewarding children for their achievements are often used to increase children's motivation.
2. Praise is more effective when parents and guardians are mindful of how and when they praise. When praising children, it is most important to focus on their efforts and achievements. Praise that is specific and acknowledges the processes of completing an activity or solving a problem helps develop children's learning and motivation.



More information can be also found in

<https://www.schoolbag.sg/story/how-do-you-praise>

O. Teachers' Day (Ms Chong, Principal)

1. Teachers' Day falls on **Thursday, 31 August 2017**. The school will celebrate Teachers' Day on Wednesday, 30 August 2017.
2. On this special day, on behalf of the school, I would like to thank our educators for their contributions and hard work towards the holistic education of our pupils.
3. Happy Teachers' Day!!

Your partners-in-education

Ms Chong Siew Fong
Principal

Mrs Evelyn Tay
Vice-Principal