



## CORAL PRIMARY SCHOOL

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### **Conversational ML/CL Programme (P3/2018)**

Dear Parents

1. MOE has been encouraging schools to conduct school-based Conversational Chinese Language (CL)/Malay Language (ML) programme for their students since 2005. The aims of introducing Conversational CL/ML in schools are two-fold: to strengthen Singapore's multiracial compact and to enable Singaporeans to have some grounding in functional CL/ML, so that they could more easily pick up the language should they need it for economic reasons or other reasons in adult life.
2. We will be offering **Conversational ML/CL programme** as an after school enrichment lesson for students next year. Students already taking ML during Mother Tongue (MT) lessons will learn Conversational CL while those taking CL as Mother Tongue will learn Conversational ML. Students who take TL or NTIL or are exempted from MT could choose either Conversational CL or ML. As for International Students (IS) who are taking ML/CL during Mother Tongue lesson, you are advised to take up the same MT for Conversational ML/CL programme.
3. Students are advised to learn one conversational language only so that they can focus on gaining some grounding of a conversant language.
4. Next year, all **Primary 3 students** are required to attend the 12 hours **Beginner** Conversational ML/CL programme (compulsory) in Term 1. In addition, we are also offering 12 hours **Basic 1** Conversational ML/CL programme to the P3 students in Term 2. The commencement date will be on **Thursday** next year and each lesson will last 1.5 hrs for 8 weeks only from 2.10pm to 3.40pm. Further notice will be given next year.