



Coral Waves

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A. The Weeks Ahead

Date	Event / Programme / Activity
3 May (Wed)	SA1 EL
4 May (Thu)	SA1 Math
5 May (Fri)	SA1 Mother Tongue
8 May (Mon)	SA1 Science
10 May (Wed)	Public Holiday – Vesak Day
12 May (Fri)	SA1 Higher Mother Tongue
15 May (Mon)	P3 & P4 Chinese Cultural Camp
17 May (Wed)	P4 Malay Language & Cultural Camp
24 May (Wed)	Parent-Teacher Meet/Home-Based Learning
29 May (Mon) to 31 May (Wed)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• P6 Camp Carpe Diem• P5 Support Programme (Selected students)
26 Jun (Mon)	School Holiday - Hari Raya Puasa (Students return to school on Tuesday, 27 June 2017)
30 Jun (Fri) to 1 Jul (Sat)	P4 camp

B. East Zone Music Warriors Competition (Ms Gunita Kaur, Music Coordinator)

1. On 27 March 2017, six of our Coralites took part in the East Zone Music Warriors Competition 2017. The students competed on their general music abilities and knowledge across six stations against 17 Schools. With strong determination and resilience, our Coralites emerged as the overall champion.

The list of our Music Warriors is as follows:

No.	Name	Class
1	Nathaniel Lim Tze Yang	4C
2	Oh Weihe	4C
3	Nayli Fatini Binte Sulaiman	5C
4	Oliver Alexander Wang	5C
5	Sim Jixiong, Draco	5C
6	Taen Chong	5C

Well done, Coralites! We are proud of you.

C. Friends of Singa (Mrs Julie Ling & Mdm Tan Meo Cher, Teachers I/C)

1. Our Friends of Singa Ambassadors will be embarking on a project to promote kindness among students from April to July. The theme for this year is "Kindness, it's up to us!" The aim of this project is to create a pervasive culture of care and respect in school by appreciating those who work behind the scene to make the school a better place. These include the administrative staff, security guards, school attendants, cleaners, canteen vendors, bookshop vendor and librarian. This is in line with our school's vision "Leaders with Heart, Learners for Life".
2. Activities such as morning assembly talks, recess games and Art competition will be some of the highlights of the project.
3. We are very proud of our Friends of Singa Ambassadors:

No.	Name	Class
1	Tan En Xi, Ericia	P3C
2	Patrick Eng Chee Hong	P3C
3	Sharma Prakriti	P4C
4	Putri Arfah Nabilah	P4O
5	Muhammad Azfar	P5C
6	Akimi Goh Hai Qi	P5C
7	Yunji Lim	P5C
8	Cortel Jillian	P5C
9	Asiff Khan	P5O

4. They have attended the 'Kindness' workshop on 15 February 2017 and these enthusiastic Ambassadors are all ready to promote a culture of CARE in our school!

D. P1 to P6 Parent-Teacher Meet (Mr Mohd Razlee, SH/Science)

1. As part of the school's effort in partnering parents to better support our students, we will be organising the P1 to P6 Parent-Teacher Meet on **Wednesday, 24 May 2017** from **8.00am to 3.00pm**. This is a platform for Form Teachers to meet you and provide feedback on your children's/wards' progress and development in the school.

2. For parents of students from **P1 and P2**, the session will be held in the **P1 and P2 classrooms**. For parents of students from **P3 to P6**, the session will be held in the **school hall**. Mother Tongue teachers will also be stationed in the **hall**. The programme for the day is as follows:

Session	Time
Session 1	8.00am – 10.10am
Session 2	10.30am – 1.00pm
Session 3	1.30pm – 3.00pm

3. Please book a time slot via the McOnline portal (Please refer to guide in **Annex A**). The online registration will be opened on **Saturday, 6 May 2017 at 8.00am and will close on Wednesday, 10 May 2017 at 11.59pm**.

E. Home based learning (Mr Lee Lin Ping, SH/ICT & Data Mgt)

- The Home Based Learning day for this year will be held on **Wednesday, 24 May 2017**. All students from P1 to P6 **will not** be attending school on that day. They will log on to their E-Learning portal to complete the assignments posted by their teachers. The purpose of having a Home Based Learning Day is to familiarise our students with the necessary procedures to engage them in their learning from home when the need arises.
- The school will be monitoring the Home Based Learning exercise and will be providing support if your child/ward faces difficulties in accessing the McOnline portal. Our technical support staff will be on-duty to assist you and your child/ward in this area. We would appreciate it if your child/ward can access the tasks assigned **at 8.00am on that day**. As an extension of our support, our staff will also be calling if your child/ward have not logged in **by 10.00am**.
- Please refer to the table below for the telephone numbers to call for assistance related to the E-Learning tasks on that day.

Personnel	Help Desk Number	Time Frame
School Staff	65851228	24 May 2017 8.00am to 3.00pm
	65854492	
McOnline	67775198	7.00am to 9.00pm

- Please complete **Annex B** and submit it to your child's/ward's Form Teacher by **Thursday, 4 May 2017**. We have also provided a guide on how to access McOnline portal (Please refer to **Annex C**).
- We seek the assistance of our parents/guardians to ensure that your child/ward completes the assigned tasks so as to enhance his/her learning.
- The school **will not** be opening the computer labs to students except for those who are enrolled in Student Care Centre. Hard copy assignments will be provided for students with no access to PCs or the internet.

F. P1 & P2 NE Learning Journey (Mr Gary Peh, HOD CCE; Ms Ong Yiu Yah, Teacher I/C)

- As part of the school's efforts to engage students meaningfully in their learning beyond the classroom environment, the teachers have designed experiential lesson packages which incorporate English, Mathematics, Science, Arts, career guidance and financial literacy activities for our P1 and P2 students. The experiential learning approach is to further engage and excite our students in their learning.

2. The schedule for the P1 and P2 National Education Learning Journeys is as follows:

Date	Level	Venue	Time	Remarks
Friday, 5 May 2017	P1	Singapore Zoo	8.00am to 1.30pm	School hours remain unchanged.
	P2	Jurong Bird Park		Learning Journey will be conducted during curriculum hours.

3. Please refer to the table below for the items to be brought on that day and the attire to be worn.

Items to bring:	Stationery (pencils/pens and eraser) Water bottle Umbrella / Rain coat / Poncho Wet wipes Light healthy snack (sandwich and fruit) Insect repellent (optional) Sunblock lotion (optional) A cap A story book A small bag to contain the above items
Attire:	PE Attire (girls in pinafore and PE T-shirt, boys in PE T-shirt and PE shorts)

4. We seek the co-operation of our parents/guardians to return **Annex D** to your child's/ward's Form Teacher by **Thursday, 4 May 2017**.

G. P3 & P4 Chinese Culture Camp (Ms Ong Yiu Yah, Teacher I/C)

- Chinese Culture Camp will be held on **Monday, 15 May 2017**, for P3 and P4 students who are taking Chinese. This event aims to provide an immersive environment for students to use Chinese and to learn and appreciate Chinese culture and traditions. These values are congruent with the school values of Caring, Respect, Responsibility and Resilience of which all Coralites strive to emulate and internalise.
- Students will learn about the history of Quilling (卷纸艺术) and complete a Chinese decorative design.
- The camp is fully funded by the Ministry of Education. We seek your support and understanding in ensuring your child's/ward's attendance. The details of the camp are as below:

Chinese Cultural Camp		
Level (Students taking Chinese Language)	Activity	Date & Time
P3 & P4	Quilling (卷纸艺术)	Monday, 15 May 2017 2.10pm to 5.10pm

H. P3 & P5 VIA: P3 Hydroponics (Mrs Tan Xiaoying, Teacher I/C), **P5 Food From The Heart** (Mr Gary Peh, HOD/CCE & Year Head)

- As part of the school's efforts to develop our students to become caring and responsible citizens, we have organised programmes such as **P3 & P5 VIA** and **P5 Food from The Heart** for P3 and P5 students.
- P3 VIA Hydroponics programme is aligned to the P3 Science curriculum and aims not only to engage students in soilless farming but also to instill a sense of care, responsibility and resilience during the growth cycle, from seed to harvest. It also provides students experiential learning so that they can understand the functions of plant parts.
- Towards the end of the P3: VIA, the students will take home the VIA booklet where they can be an advocate of food wastage minimisation. We look forward to your support in encouraging your child/ward to continuously learn and support our cause of sustaining a green school.
- P5 VIA is a collaboration between the school and Food From The Heart organisation to reach out to the less-fortunate and brighten their lives by alleviating hunger through a food distribution programme. (More details are available at: <https://foodheart.org/>)
- P5 students will spearhead the food donation drive in Term 2 weeks 9 and 10 (Thursday, 18 May 2017; Friday, 19 May 2017; and Tuesday, 23 May 2017)** within the school premise and curriculum hours after the Semestral Assessment 1. They will be encouraging **all Coralites** to bring non-perishable food items to school. These items include:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> bottles of cooking oil packets of rice packets of sugar/salt 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> cans of sardines cans of condensed milk cans of button mushrooms cans of baked beans 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> tins/packets of Milo tins of biscuits
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- Do take note that the food items must be **at least 3 months before their expiry dates**. We seek your understanding and support for our P5 students in this programme. We would like to thank all parents/guardians and students in advance for your generous donations.

I. P4 to P6 Motivational cum Well-Being Programmme (Mrs Tham-Wong Lin Yen, AYH covering)

- To nurture our students into passionate, lifelong learners and future ready citizens, the school has planned motivational and well-being workshops for P4 to P6 students. Through these differentiated workshops, we hope that the students will learn to develop positive mindset to embrace challenges, persist in the face of setbacks, learn and apply the various techniques and strategies.
- The schedule for the different levels and classes are shown below.

Level	P4	P5	P6
Session 1	Monday, 10 July 2017 2.10pm to 4.15pm	Monday, 29 May 2017 (June holidays) 9.40am to 12.40pm	Tuesday, 23 May 2017 2.10pm to 4.50pm
Session 2	Tuesday, 18 July 2017 During curriculum hours	Term 3 Week 3 During curriculum hours	Monday, 29 May 2017 Within P6 Camp Carpe Diem
Session 3	N.A.	Tuesday, 18 July 2017 2.10pm to 4.15pm	N.A.

J. P3 SwimSafer Programme (Mr Shafiruddin B Rahim, HOD/PE & CCA)

1. The school will be conducting the SwimSafer programme for its P3 students. The objective of this programme is to develop in students important life skills such as water confidence and water safety. Through the programme, students will develop water confidence and understand the principles of water safety. Survival and activity skills will also be taught during the programme.
2. The SwimSafer Programme comprises 8 weekly sessions which will be conducted during curriculum time on Wednesdays in Term 3 and 4. The details are as follows:

Start Date: 12 July 2017

Day: Wednesday

Time: 7.40am – 9.40am

Venue: To be confirmed

3. The SwimSafer programme is partially subsidised by the Ministry of Education (MOE) and Sport Singapore (SportSG) and is conducted by qualified swimming instructors. The school will arrange for two-way transport to ferry students from school to the swimming complex.

K. P4 Malay Language & Cultural Day Camp (Mr Ismail Kasim, SH/ML & TL)

1. As part of the school's continual efforts to expose students to Malay culture and traditions and to deepen students' engagement in the learning of the Malay Language, the Malay Language department will be organising a Malay Language and Cultural Day Camp for all P4 students who are currently studying Malay Language as their official Mother Tongue language on **Wednesday, 17 May 2017 from 2.00pm to 6.00pm.**
2. The day camp aims to provide students with a more authentic learning environment. The various experiential learning experiences will also provide students with:
 - an immersive environment for learning and using Malay Language
 - activities that allow them to appreciate the Malay culture, traditions and history
 - opportunities in developing their confidence in communication and oratorical skills
3. We seek your support and understanding in ensuring your child's/ward's attendance.

L. P4 Adventure Camp (Mr Shafiruddin Rahim, HOD/PE & CCA)

1. The annual P4 Adventure Camp (Camp LEAD) will be held from **Friday, 30 June 2017 to Saturday, 1 July 2017**. This cohort level camp is organised in line with the Ministry of Education's emphasis in providing more outdoor education opportunities for every student. As this is a milestone in a child's primary school education journey, every P4 student is expected to participate in this 2-day residential camp. Parents will be informed of the venue of the campsite closer to the date of the event.
2. During the 2 days, students will be able to experience various activities which serve to instil the values of resilience and care, enhance their level of confidence and foster team spirit and co-operation among them and their peers. The camp also provides ample opportunities for students to enjoy outdoor life within a secure setting.
3. The cost of the camp programme has been factored into the Consolidated Billing Exercise conducted earlier in March. As such, no collection of monies is required.

M. P5 Support Programme (Mr Gary Peh, HOD/CCE & YH)

1. In order to continually provide academic support for our P5 students, the school has planned the P5 Holiday Support Programme for **selected** students. The objective is to revisit the concepts and skills our students need help in. These students will receive a separate notification on the details of the programme nearer the date.

N. P6 Ecology Programme (Mr Mohd Razlee, SH/Science)

1. As part of the school's efforts in engaging students meaningfully in their learning beyond the classroom environment, a Wetland and Seashore Ecology programme will be conducted on **Friday, 19 May 2017** at Pasir Ris Beach.
2. Our students will have a closer look at the different organisms that live in that environment and the biodiversity as well. They will have the opportunity to observe and analyse the shore life. Through the learning journey, our students will also have a better understanding on ecology and the impact man has on the environment. Adaptations and themes of conservation will be the focus of the programme.
3. Following that, the students will be developing food webs to learn more about the features of plants and animals present in the different ecosystems and how they adapt to the different environments.
4. Details on the learning journey are shown below.

Day/Date	Departure Time	Returning Time
Friday, 19 May 2017	8.15am	12.45pm

P6 students will report to school as usual and the dismissal time will be as per normal.

O. P6 Camp Carpe Diem (Mr Shafiruddin B Rahim, HOD/PE & CCA; Mrs Tham-Wong Lin Yen, AYH covering)

1. This year, the school will be organising a day camp for the P6 students. This is part of the school's character and citizenship programme for our students.
2. The various venues and key activities for the respective levels are reflected in the table as shown below.

	Venue	Activities	Dates
Primary 6 Camp Carpe Diem (Day Camp)	Coral Primary School (Meeting Point – School Hall)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Motivational Talks▪ Study Improvement Programme (Supplementary Lessons)▪ Positive Mindset workshop▪ Lunch▪ Team Building Games▪ Career Day @ Coral▪ Snack break▪ Teacher-Student Bonding Activities	Monday, 29 May 2017 to Wednesday, 31 May 2017 Day 1, Day 2 & Day 3 7.30am to 4.00pm For students taking NTIL or exempted from MT, reporting time on 30 May (Day 2) is 9.10am

3. Students will receive a separate notification on the details of the camp nearer the date.
4. The students will be briefed separately on the camp details so that they will be more aware of the expectations and programme lined up for them.

P. Partnering Parents in Building Resilience in Students (Mdm Erica Cheah, P1 & P2 YH)

1. While adulthood is filled with serious responsibilities, growing up is not exactly stress-free. Our children take tests, learn new information, face changes, encounter conflicts and make new friends.
2. What can help children in navigating these kinds of challenges is resilience. Resilient children are problem solvers. When they face unfamiliar or tough situations, they strive to find good solutions.
3. As parents/guardians, you can play a part to help build resilience in your children.

Give our Children S.P.A.C.E to grow

SUPPORT	Provide positive feedback Be willing to listen
PROBLEM SOLVE	Reflect on setbacks together Guide your child to develop alternate plans
AFFIRM	Affirm strengths and efforts Use of effective praise
CHEER	Cheer your child on for every effort Celebrate all successes, even small ones
EMPOWER	Let your child make decisions Encourage your child to voice his/her ideas, and carry out the plans made

Hence, to strengthen our children’s resilience muscle, help them develop a sense of purpose and create a home environment that gives them S.P.A.C.E. to grow. Do spend time with your children this coming holiday and build a relationship of love and trust.

More information can be found in

<https://www.schoolbag.sg/story/building-the-resilience-muscle>

Q. Home-School Partnership – Request for Parent Volunteers (PV)
(Mr Gary Peh; HOD/CCE & Year Head)

1. The school always welcomes partnership between parents and the school in the various aspect and domains as we believe that such partnership will benefit our students. We would like to thank all the PVs who have set aside their precious time to support us in the various programmes.

- To further support the school, we would like to recruit more PVs for the P1 & P2 Project SHINE programme:

Activity	Description	Duration	Teacher i/c
P1 & P2 Project SHINE	Home Economics module to teach P1 & P2 students how to prepare simple food items. This is to equip them with 21 st CC skills, lifeskills such as independence. (Note: Lesson packages will be prepared. PVs need to help prepare ingredients and guide students on how to prepare the dishes for their groups)	P1: Term 4 P2: Term 3	Mdm Erica Cheah

- Please fill in **Annex E** to let us know your interest. Moving forward, we will continue to engage our parents to support our students through the various programmes we have planned for them.

R. Submission of Travel Plans during June School Holidays (Mr Benjamin Yap; Admin Manager)

- As part of the school's proactive measures to safeguard the well-being of our students, the school would like to seek the parents'/guardian's cooperation in keeping the school informed of their children's/wards' travel plans at the end of every school term.
- As such, parents/guardians are required to submit their children's/wards' travel plans for June School Holidays through the **McOnline portal** by **Friday, 26 May 2017**. Should there be any changes to the travel plans after submission, parents/guardians can **update the changes online**.
- Please note that it is mandatory for all P1 students to submit their travel plans through the McOnline portal. A "Nil" return is required.**

S. Temperature-taking Exercise on Friday, 30 June 2017 (Mr Benjamin Yap; Admin Manager)

- As part of our continuing efforts to provide a healthy and safe environment in our school, we will be conducting a temperature-taking exercise on **Friday, 30 June 2017**. In preparation for the routine exercise, there will be a pre-exercise check on Oral Digital Thermometers (ODTs) on **Thursday, 29 June 2017**.
- We would like to seek your assistance in ensuring that your child/ward brings his/her personal ODT on the two days mentioned. This is a good opportunity for us to reinforce the values of personal and social responsibility.
- Please note that your child/ward may purchase an ODT at \$4.50 from the school bookshop.

T. Eat With Your Family Day 2017 (Mrs Evelyn Tay, VP)

- "Eat with Your Family Day" is a nation-wide event initiated in 2003. This event is led by the *Centre For Fathering*, to encourage all Singaporeans to consciously set aside time on that day to be with their families. Through the simple ritual of having a family meal, we hope the event will serve as a reminder to families to encourage them to eat together regularly.

2. This year, “Eat with Your Family Day” is set to take place on **Friday, 26 May 2017** [last day of Term 2]. We aim to end all CCAs, enrichment and activities by 5.00pm to allow our staff to have dinner with their families. Do spend the day to have dinner and bonding time with your family too.
3. Your support in promoting strong families in Singapore, and to make Singapore the best place for families, would be greatly appreciated.

U. June Term Break (Mrs Evelyn Tay, VP)

1. The last day of Term 2 will be **Friday, 26 May 2017**. The June school holidays will be from **Saturday, 27 May 2017 to Monday, 26 June 2017**. All students are to report back to school on **Tuesday, 27 June 2017**. We strongly encourage our parents/guardians to schedule vacations to coincide with school vacations. During term time, the school will grant leave only on compassionate grounds such as bereavement in the family.
2. We seek your understanding in the matter as we do not want our students to miss curriculum time unnecessarily.
3. Parents/Guardians whose children/wards are having school activities organised by their teachers during the June holidays will be duly informed.

On behalf of Coral Primary School, the School Leaders would like to wish all staff, Coralites and their families a restful June holidays! To our Muslim students, parents and staff, Selamat Hari Raya Puasa.

The next issue of Coral Waves will be in July.

Your partners-in-education

Ms Chong Siew Fong
Principal

Mrs Evelyn Tay
Vice-Principal