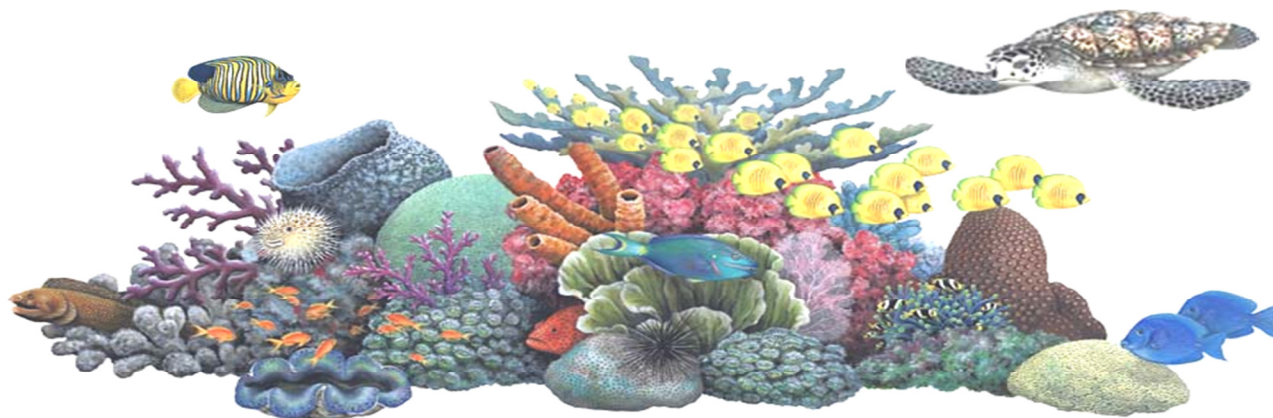




Coral Waves



Dear Parents/Guardians of Coralites

1. Moo-O Programme for P1 to P3 Students

- 1.1 Moo-O is an immersive digital storybook software which allows students to read fluently and expressively. Besides developing students' clarity and fluency in their reading, they also use expression and creativity through their voice and facial expressions to make the characters in the digital storybook come alive. In total, there are 60 stories in Moo-O.
- 1.2 The school is using Moo-O as a supplementary resource for reading for P1 to P3 students. During the lessons, the students will assume the characters in the stories and have fun reading aloud their parts in the stories with their friends.
- 1.3 The students have an account with a User ID and password which they can use to access the software in school and at home. An instruction sheet on how to download the Moo-O software at home has been given to all P3 students in Term 1.
- 1.4 The English Language Teachers of P1 and P2 students will start to use Moo-O from August. An instruction sheet will be given to the students after their first lesson. Parents are highly encouraged to access Moo-O and read with their children at home. This would help to improve the child's reading and foster family bonding over stories.

2. Fire Drill – Term 3 Week 6

- 2.1 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.

3. Values In Action (VIA): Community Project – Donation of Dry Food Items to `The Singapore Cheshire Home`

- 3.1 As part of the Character and Citizenship Education (CCE) Department's effort to uphold the Coral Values of Care and reach out to the society, our school will be participating in a Community Project (VIA) to help the Physically Disabled at the Singapore Cheshire Home.
- 3.2 On these three collection dates : **Monday, 3 August, Wednesday, 12 August & Tuesday, 18 August**, all our **P1 - P6** students will be encouraged to donate **dry food items** such as cans of sardines, button mushrooms, Milo tins, 3 in 1 Coffee/Tea/Milo packets and instant noodles. Our Student Leaders will be rostered to be on duty to collect the donations and record the contributors' names. Students will be given VIA hours for their contributions.
- 3.3 We encourage your child/ward to participate in this activity. We strongly believe that the small things that each one of us does can brighten up the lives of the less fortunate.
- 3.4 To recognise the efforts of our students in their contributions of the food items, VIA hours will be awarded according to the total number of days the students participated in. This will only apply if they contribute during this period.

| <i>Days of Participation</i> | <i>Number of VIA hours</i> |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <i>1</i> | <i>0.25</i> |
| <i>2</i> | <i>0.5</i> |
| <i>3</i> | <i>1</i> |

- 3.5 We would like to thank all parents/guardians and students in advance for donating generously.

4. National Day Celebration on Thursday, 6 August

- 4.1 Schools will commemorate National Day (ND) on **Thursday, 6 August** (National Day falls on a Sunday this year). Singapore's story is a tale of defying all expectations, overcoming all odds and punching above our weight. Singapore is where we are today because of the contributions of our pioneers. Thus, the theme for our nation's Golden Jubilee celebrations is '**Majulah Singapura, Our Golden Jubilee**'.
- 4.2 In Coral Primary, we will commemorate ND with engaging and enriching activities such as level-based Visual Art and Crafts activities and an assembly programme. One of the highlights of the assembly programme will be a segment of which we pay tribute to our pioneer teachers.
- 4.3 The above activities serve to provide a timely reminder of the foundation of our continued existence, calling on Singaporeans to remember our roots, reflect on our achievements over the last 50 years and anticipate the future with optimism.
- 4.4 The reporting and dismissal times on **Thursday, 6 August 2015** will be as follows:

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|----------------|----------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Reporting Time | 7.20 am | Students are strongly encouraged to wear red T-shirt with the school shorts/pinafore. |
| Dismissal Time | 10.10 am | |

- 4.5 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.

5. School and Public Holidays

The details for the August and September school holidays are listed below for your reference.

| Day / Date | Public / School Holiday | Remarks |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Friday, 7 August Sunday, 9 August Monday, 10 August | SG50 Public Holiday National Day Public Holiday – National Day | All students will report back to school on Tuesday, 11 August 2015. |
| Friday, 4 September Saturday, 5 September to Sunday, 13 September | Teachers' Day Holiday September Holidays | All students will report back to school on Monday, 14 September 2015. |

6. 2015 PSLE Oral Examination

- 6.1 The **PSLE Oral Examination for P6 students fall on Thursday and Friday, 20 and 21 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 | 20 & 21 August | P1 to P5 students do not report to school. |

7. Submission of Travel Plans during September School Holidays

- 7.1 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.
- 7.2 As such, parents/guardians are required to submit their child's/ward's travel plan for September school holidays through the **Lead.com portal (MCOonline) by 28 Aug 2015.** Should there be any change to the travel plan after submission, parents/guardians can **update the change online.**
- 7.3 **Please note that it is mandatory for all P1 students to submit their travel plan through the Lead.com portal. A "Nil" return in the Lead.com is essential.**
- 7.4 We thank you for your understanding and support.

8. Gifted Education Programme (GEP) Screening Test on Friday, 28 August

- 8.1 The Gifted Education Branch of the Ministry of Education conducts the GEP Screening Test to shortlist Primary 3 students for the GEP Selection Test. The Screening Test will be held in the school on **Friday, 28 August.**

- 8.2 All Primary 3 students are invited to sit for the GEP Screening Test which consists of 2 papers, English Language and Mathematics. This Test 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**.
- 8.3 Candidates who have been shortlisted to sit for the Selection Test will be informed through the school in early October. The Selection Test will be held on **20 (Tuesday)** and **21 (Wednesday)** October.
- 8.4 You will receive a copy of the explanatory note through your child/ward together with this issue of Coral Waves. Please complete the reply slip attached to the note and return it to the Form Teacher by **Wednesday, 12 August**.
- 8.5 If you require the explanatory note in Chinese, Malay or Tamil, please inform the Form Teacher via your child.

9. Going Green@Coral

- 9.1 We are proud to announce that the whole school - Coralites, staff and school vendors – has embarked on the intense effort of 3Rs-Reduce, Reuse and Recycle in July and will continue till September. We have also started the ‘No Waste Day’ initiative. Coralites were made aware of the waste generated and how they can do their part in waste minimization in an assembly talk. They are encouraged to make a ‘No Waste Day’ pledge to show their commitment. Parents, do join your child/ward in taking part in this ‘No Waste Days’. For more information, please refer to the website nea.gov.sg/no_waste_day.

‘No Waste Days’ Challenge – Reduce food and plastic waste



- ❖ So why do we need to reduce plastic and food waste?
 - Food and plastic waste have high waste generation and low recycling rates.



NO waste DAYS CHALLENGE



- ❖ From Nov 2014 to 31 Dec 2015
- ❖ Commit yourself to *No Waste Days*!

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