



1. Welcome to Semester 2! We hope you have spent a meaningful mid-year vacation with your child/ward.

## 2. **STAFF UPDATES**

2.1 We would like to take the opportunity to welcome as well as introduce our **new staff** who has **joined the Coral family**:

S/n	Name Of Personnel	Designation
1.	Mdm Siti Aminah Bte Mohd Aris	Teacher

## 3. OUR STUDENTS, OUR PRIDE

- 3.1 We are very proud to share with our parents/guardians the recent achievements that our students have attained. This is reflected in the table below. We would like to congratulate the students involved and thank the teachers in-charge for their dedication and commitment.
- 3.2 We would also like to thank our parents/guardians for always supporting the school in providing the best learning experiences for our students.

Competitions	Achievements
SPSSC/FAS National Primary Schools Championship Girls' Junior 2015	Soccer CCA (Junior Girls) – 1 <sup>st</sup> Runner Up
Inter School Sudoku Mania 2015 organised by Yu Ying Secondary School	Winners of consolation round (out of 20 schools) - Chen Yinan (5C) Lin JingYing (5C) Limcharoen Napin (5C) Zheng Tianyi (5O)
9th Inter- School Sudoku Challenge organised by Broadrick Secondary School	6 <sup>th</sup> Position (out of 17 schools) - Chen Yinan (5C) Lin JingYing (5C) Limcharoen Napin (5C) Zheng Tianyi (5O)

Competitions	Achievements
Singapore Mathematical Olympiad For	Silver Award -
Primary Schools 2015	Chua Chin Kiat, Bryan(6C)
	Bronze Award -
	Rosh Chan Teck Woon (6C)

### 4. P4 TO P6 LEVEL CAMP

- 4.1 The P4 to P6 level camps held in the first week of the June holidays were a great success. The active participation of the students and the strong bonds between the students and their teachers were the main contributors to this success.
- 4.2 I would also like to thank the Camp Commandants, the Assistant Camp Commandants, our teachers and other school personnel for their active involvement and commitment for this camp.

# 5. UPDATING OF HANDPHONE NUMBERS AND RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS TO THE SCHOOL

5.1 We seek the understanding of all our parents/guardians to update the school accordingly your latest contact numbers (especially handphone numbers) and residential address (if relevant) to ensure that we will be able to get in touch with you in times of emergencies or to provide you with updates and reminders of school programmes.

## 6. BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS IN SCHOOL

6.1 The school does not encourage parents to send goodie bags, titbits and cakes to school for their children's birthday celebrations. However, we appreciate the good intention of parents who wish to share the joy of their children's birthdays with their classmates. Parents could contact the Form Teachers (at least 3 days before the actual day) to gain entry to school during recess and celebrate their children's birthdays with food purchased from the school canteen. Your kind understanding and co-operation is greatly appreciated

# 7. Chinese Language Fortnight Starting from Monday, 29 June to Friday, 10 July

7.1 As part of the school's continual efforts to engage students in learning Chinese Language as well as to expose them to Chinese culture, the Chinese department is organising a series of activities and workshops for all students taking Chinese Language from 29 June to 10 July 2015. As these programmes are fully funded by the Ministry, we strongly encourage your child's/ ward's participation in the various activities as we believe that he/she would benefit from the programmes planned.

	Chinese Language Fortnight 2015 Theme: Chinese Festivals and Cultures		
Level (Students taking Chinese Language)	Activity	Time	
P1 & P2	Chinese Speech and Drama     To enable students to understand the basic stage acting, including body language, facial	6 & 7July 2015 [curriculum hours]	

	<ul> <li>expressions, voice projection, vocal expression.</li> <li>To teach the students that everyone has a role to</li> </ul>	
P3 & P4	play in a team.  Allegro and ink and wash  Appreciation of traditions and cultures  Fan painting  Allegro mastery	30 June & 7 July 2015 [curriculum hours]
P5	Learning Journey to Tea Chapter	6 July 2015 [2 pm – 4 pm]
P6	<ul> <li>Primary 6 Chinese Songs Appreciation cum studio recording experience</li> <li>To introduce Xin Yao, local culture to students.</li> <li>Through teaching and singing of Xin Yao to arouse students' interest in learning of Chinese</li> <li>To let the students have the recording experience where they will be able to share the experiences with peers</li> </ul>	30 June, 7 July 2015 & 8 July 2015 [2 pm – 4 pm]

## 8. Temperature-taking Exercise on Thursday, 2 July

- 8.1 As part of our continuing efforts and ring-fencing measures to provide a healthy and safe environment in our school, we will be conducting a temperature-taking exercise on Thursday,
  2 July. In preparation for the routine exercise, there will be a pre-exercise check on Oral Digital Thermometers (ODTs) on Wednesday, 1 July.
- 8.2 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.
- 8.3 Please note that your child/ward may purchase an ODT or even the batteries from the school bookshop. The prices for the items are listed below.

Item	Cost
ODT	\$4.50
Batteries for ODT	\$0.80

8.4 Thank you in advance for your support and cooperation. Together, we can provide a healthy and safe environment for all in our school.

## 9. P3 - P5 SCIENCE PRACTICAL TESTS

9.1 There will be a Science Practical Test for students from P3 to P5. The dates for the tests for each level are as follows:

Date	Level	Time
Monday, 13 July 2015	P3	
Tuesday, 14 July 2015	P4	During curriculum time
Wednesday, 15 July 2015	P5	

9.2 This is a 10-mark test and will constitute 10% of CA 2 Science paper (for P4 and P5 students).

- 9.3 With effect from 2015, this 10-mark test will constitute 10% of the overall Science Examination Marks for all P3 students.
- 9.4 The aim of this practical test is to assess students on the basic process skills and integrated processes learnt.
- 9.5 The various Science process skills assessed are:
  - Observing
  - Comparing
  - Classifying
  - Measuring and using apparatus
  - Communicating
  - Generating
  - Evaluating

## 10. NATIONAL EDUCATION (NE) SHOW ON SATURDAY, 18 JULY

- 10.1 Since 1997, the National Education (NE) Show has been organised to instill a sense of pride and belonging in students and to bring across the significance of our National Day. Every year, the NDP full dress rehearsal provides an opportunity for organisers to inculcate NE values in our students. This year, our P5 Coralites will be attending the NE Show at the Padang on Saturday, 18 July.
- 10.2 The **theme** for NDP 2015, "**Majulah Singapura**" calls on Singaporeans to reflect on what we have achieved over the last 50 years and anticipate our bright future together as one Singapore. As we gather the nation to celebrate Singapore's 50<sup>th</sup> year of independence, the Golden Jubilee serves to give a timely reminder of the foundation of our continued existence, calling on Singaporeans to remember our roots and reflect on our achievements over the last 50 years.
- 10.3 The programme for the NE Show commences with the Pre-Parade Segment at about 5.15 pm and ends with the Grand Finale at approximately 8.10 pm.
- 10.4 Various measures have been put in place to facilitate the arrival and departure of the schools during the show. Hence, to ensure the safety and security of all our students, parents/guardians will only be allowed to fetch their children/wards from our school.
- 10.5 All P5 students are required to attend the NE show. Only International Students and students with medical problems may be exempted. As part of the precautionary measures, students who are unwell on that day should not attend the show. More details on the event are as follows:

Date:	Saturday, 18 July
Reporting Time in School:	2.00 pm in the School Hall
Estimated Dismissal Time from School:	10 pm to 10.30 pm
Attire:	P5 Camp RED T-shirt in school shorts/pinafore
Mode of Transport:	Bus

- 10.6 We estimate the dismissal time from school to be **between 10.00 pm to 10.30 pm**. Parents/Guardians fetching their children/wards home may wait for them at the school canteen.
- 10.7 Please return the reply slip to the Form Teacher through your child/ward by **Friday**, **3 July**. Please indicate with a tick in the reply slip if your child/ward needs a vegetarian meal.

## 11. RACIAL HARMONY DAY (RHD)

- 11.1 Schools in Singapore commemorate Racial Harmony Day (RHD) on 21 July every year. This year the theme for RHD is 'Harmony in our Hands', to celebrate 50 years of harmony since independence.
- 11.2 At the primary school level, RHD commemoration aims to:
  - provide students with opportunities to make friends with people of other races and religions
  - allow students to understand that in Singapore, people are treated equally regardless of their race and religion, and
  - encourage students to appreciate the different cultures that make up Singapore
- 11.3 In Coral Primary, we will commemorate RHD on **Thursday**, **23 July** with an engaging and enriching assembly programme by Singapore Discovery Centre, "*The Island That Grew*" in conjunction with SG50. This programme aims to promote students' sense of appreciation of Singapore's diversity and to challenge them to think of how they can contribute to Singapore so that Singapore can remain a nation that we are all proud of.
- 11.4 In class, Social Studies and CME lessons leading up to RHD comprise activities for students to learn to appreciate the different cultures. Recess activities will allow students to learn more about the different food, costumes, practices, art and music of the 4 main races in Singapore, Chinese, Malay, Indian and Eurasian.
- 11.5 The above activities aim to help promote inter-racial understanding among our students. With a better understanding and appreciation of the different cultures, our students can become advocates for inter-cultural understanding.
- 11.6 In addition, our students are strongly encouraged to come dressed in their ethnic costumes on **Thursday, 23 July.**

#### 12. P4 Chinese Cultural Performance

12.1 In response to the ministry's initiative to expose students to Chinese Language related cultural performances, the school will be arranging for P4 students taking Chinese Language to attend a Chinese play, *Treasure Island 金银岛*, on **Tuesday, 21 July 2015**.

Chinese Cultural Performance		
Level (Students taking Performance Date & Time Chinese Language)		
P4	Treasure Island 金银岛	Tuesday, 21 July 2015 2.30pm – 5.20pm

# 13. CONTINUAL ASSESSMENT 2 (CA 2) AND P6 PRELIMINARY EXAMINATIONS

- 13.1 There will be no CA 2 for P1, P2 and P3 students.
- 13.2 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 cooperation of our parents/guardians to ensure that their children/wards revise consistently as part of their preparation for the examinations.

- 13.3 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.
- 13.4 If your child/ward has missed the examination, he/she would be assessed/promoted based on his/her overall performance for the year.
- 13.5 The schedule and coverage for the CA 2 for the P4 and P5 students as well as the Preliminary Examinations for the P6 students are attached in the Annexes for your reference.
- 13.6 The P6 Preliminary Oral Examination will be held on 29 and 30 July 2015 after school from 2.10 pm - 5 pm.

## 14. PRIMARY SCHOOL LEAVING EXAMINATION (PSLE) SCHEDULE

14.1 Below is the PSLE Time-table for the P6 parents'/guardians' reference.

Type of PSLE Paper	Dates
Oral Examination (English / Mother Tongue)	Thurs & Fri, 20 & 21 Aug
Oral Examination (Non-Tamil Indian Language, NTIL)	Fri, 21 Aug
Listening Comprehension (English / Mother Tongue/ NTIL)	Fri, 18 Sept
English Language / Foundation English Language (Paper 1 & Paper 2)	Thurs, 1 Oct
Mathematics / Foundation Mathematics	Fri, 2 Oct
Mother Tongue / Foundation Mother Tongue/NTIL (Paper 1 & Paper 2)	Mon, 5 Oct
Science / Foundation Science	Tues, 6 Oct
Higher Mother Tongue (Paper 1 & Paper 2)	Wed, 7 Oct

14.2 The P6 students have also been issued the 'PSLE - Instructions to Candidates' booklet from the Singapore Examinations and Assessment Board (SEAB) on 21 April 2015.

# 15. PSLE ORAL AND LISTENING COMPREHENSION EXAMINATIONS

- 15.1 The PSLE Oral Examinations for P6 students will be held on Thursday and Friday, 20 and 21 August. There will be no school for P1 to P5 students on these 2 days.
- 15.2 PSLE Listening Comprehension will be held on Friday, 18 September 2015. There will be no school for P1 to P5 students on that day.
- 15.3 There will be a PSLE briefing for the students nearer to the exam dates. They will also receive a separate notification with information on the reporting times.

15.4 A summary of the information above is shown below.

Type of PSLE Paper	Dates	Remarks
Oral Examination	20 & 21 August	P1 to P5 students do not report
Listening Comprehension	18 September	to school.

## 16. RECYCLING @ CORAL – JULY TO SEPTEMBER 2015

- 16.1 Recycling has always been part of our school's Values-in-Action (VIA) Programme. Our aim is to create awareness on the importance of recycling and to inculcate the habit of caring for the environment among our students.
- 16.2 We encourage your child/ward to participate in this activity. We strongly believe that the little things that each one of us do can make a difference.

Materials to recycle:	Newspapers /magazines/writing papers/junk mails
	Cans/Plastic bottles/Plastic containers (Please rinse these items to ensure that they are clean)
Procedure:	Bring the above materials to the class and the class Green Monitor will count and record it on the class list.
Day of collection:	Every Tuesday

16.3 To recognise the efforts of our students in recycling and caring for the environment, the number VIA hours attributed will be shown below. This will only apply if they contribute during this period.

Items	Number	Points awarded
Newspapers	1 set	1 point per item
Magazine	1	
Writing papers	10 sheets	
Junk mails	10	
Can	1	
Plastic bottle	1	
Plastic container	1	

Accumulated points	Number of VIA hours
25	0.5 hour
50	1 hour
75	1.5 hour
100	2 hours
125	2.5 hours
150	3 hours

16.4 We would like to thank you in advance for your invaluable support for this project.

# 17. SCHOOL AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

17.1 Below are the dates for the July and August school holidays for your reference.

Day / Date	Public / School Holiday	Remarks
Friday, 17 July	Hari Raya Puasa	All students will report back to school on Monday, 20 July 2015.
Sunday, 26 July Monday, 27 July	Youth Day School Scheduled Holiday - Youth Day	All students will report back to school on Tuesday, 28 July 2015.
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.

# 18. CALENDAR OF EVENTS – TERM 3

Date	Event
13 Jul 15 (Mon)	Science Practical Test (P3)
14 Jul 15 (Tue)	Science Practical Test (P4)
15 Jul 15 (Wed)	Science Practical Test (P5)
17 Jul 15 (Fri)	Hari Raya Puasa
23 Jul 15 (Thu)	Hari Raya Celebration
26 Jul 15 (Sun)	Youth Day
27 Jul 15 (Mon)	School Scheduled Holiday - Youth Day
29 - 30 Jul 15 (Wed – Thu)	P6 Prelim Oral (EL & MT)
7 Aug 15 (Fri)	SG50 Public Holiday
9 Aug 15 (Sun)	National Day
10 Aug 15 (Mon)	Public Holiday – National Day
13 Aug 15 (Thu)	P6 Prelims English Language Paper 1 & 2 /
	CA2 English Language (P4 & P5)
14 Aug 15 (Fri)	P6 Prelims Math / CA2 Math (P4 & P5)
24 Aug 15 (Mon)	P6 Prelims Mother Tongue / CA2 Mother Tongue (P4 & P5)
20 – 21 Aug 15 (Thu – Fri)	PSLE Oral Exam
25 Aug 15 (Tue)	P6 Prelims Science / CA2 Science (P4 & P5)
26 Aug 15 (Wed)	P6 Prelims Higher Mother Tongue / CA2 Higher Mother Tongue (P5)
27 Aug 15 (Thu)	P6 Prelim LC (EL & MT)
28 Aug 15 (Fri)	Sports Exposure Program Tchoukball (P5)
4 Sep 15 (Fri)	Teachers' Day Holiday
	Term 3 School Vacation – 5 Sep 2015 to 13 Sep 2015

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