

## NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

*Dear Parents & Guardians*

THREE terms have gone by in the blink of an eye, and we are now already into the last term of 2023. With school activities back in full swing, we certainly had a very exciting Term 3, which included our annual IJ FLAIR, cross-country championships at Bishan–Ang Mo Kio Park, and many enriching learning journeys. Looking back, we started Term 3 with our Youth Day Mass and celebration on the first Friday of the term, and, fittingly, we ended it with our Teachers' Day Mass and celebration.

Term 4 is an important period for consolidation of learning. While it is important for our girls to work hard and be steadfast in their learning, we would like to remind them that examinations are not the be-all and end-all of school life. To quote President-elect Tharman Shanmugaratnam, 'Life is a long game... [we] keep learning and keep improving. So when we are young, we've got to broaden ourselves, have a range of enjoyable experiences, make friends, and don't let stress build up in our system.'

There is a whole range of enjoyable activities lined up for our students this term. In fact, half of our Secondary 3 cohort just completed their Outward Bound Singapore experience and the other half will be embarking on theirs in Term 4 Week 1. The Sec 3s will soon also be participating in a work exposure programme. There are exciting enrichment activities planned for the post-examination period as well. I am sure our graduating students are looking forward to their graduation ceremony on 22 Sep and their graduation dinner on 16 Nov. Parents of graduating students: do refer to our letter of 1 Aug for details.

Our girls' growth and well-being are important to us, and we continue to strive to help them flourish. We thank you for your close partnership. As usual, should you have any enquiries, pls contact the school on 6353-4972 or email us at [chijtpss@moe.edu.sg](mailto:chijtpss@moe.edu.sg).

I wish everyone a blessed and grace-filled term ahead.

Warmest regards

*Mrs Rachel Lee*  
Principal

## SAFETY & SECURITY

To enhance security, the school has installed a turnstile at Gate 3. With this turnstile in place, students entering or leaving the school on foot will only be allowed to use **Gate 2** (facing Lorong 1 Toa Payoh) and **Gate 3** (next to Block 168) at these times: 0630–0730, 1330–1900.

For morning drop-offs, please keep to the leftmost lane on Lorong 1 Toa Payoh for entry into the school; students are to alight at the designated drop-off point along the driveway – drop-offs at the porch are not allowed unless it is raining, and drop-offs at the bus stop are not allowed at all times. We appreciate your cooperation to maintain a smooth and safe flow of traffic during the morning peak hours.

## For Graduating Students: NATIONAL EXAMINATIONS & ECG

### For 4/7–4/10

A modified class timetable was emailed to our students on 29 Aug. This timetable covers revision lessons for the subjects to be tested in the second phase of the GCE N Level examination (2–10 Oct), and will apply to the following periods:

♦ 4/7–4/9: 19–21 Sep;

♦ 4/10: 25–26 Sep.

In addition to these dates, students will report to school on 22 Sep for the Farewell & Exam Mass, level retreat and graduation ceremony. The rest of the time will be a study break for the students.

### For 4/1–4/6 and 5/1

Students will follow the Semester 2 class timetable till 29 Sep, and thereafter go on a study break in preparation for the GCE O Level examination.

### Education & Career Guidance (ECG)

ECG sessions were conducted by our ECG Counsellor, Ms Sharon Tay, for 4/7–4/10 in August, and will be conducted for 4/1–4/6 and 5/1 on 21 Sep, covering the various post-secondary pathways, so that our students are informed of their options. Do speak with your daughter/ward about her strengths and passions and her post-secondary choices. We encourage our students to consult Ms Tay to explore their options if they are still unsure; she is available at the school library on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

## For Sec 2 Students: SUBJECT COMBINATION OPTION EXERCISE

A briefing to Sec 2 students on the Sec 3 Subject Combination Option Exercise will be held during the post-examination period. Students will be informed of the details closer to the date.

A letter on the subject offerings will be sent via Parents Gateway. Please work with your daughter/ward and have her indicate her preferred subject combination on an online form by Mon 30 Oct. The 2024 Sec 3 classes and subject allocations will be released on Fri 10 Nov.

## KEY EVENTS IN TERM 4

-  **Sec 3 MOE–Outward Bound Singapore Challenge Programme**  
3Clare, 3Elizabeth, 3Frances, 3Josephine, 3Louise: **Tue 12 Sep–Fri 15 Sep**  
The other half of the cohort will have their school holidays in this week.
-  **Farewell & Exam Mass**  
**Sec 4 & 5 Level Retreat**  
**Sec 4 & 5 Graduation Ceremony**  
**Fri 22 Sep**
-  **Sec 1–3 Post-Exam Activities**  
**Mon 16 Oct–Fri 27 Oct**  
The school year ends on 27 Oct for Sec 1–3 students.
-  **Sec 3 Work Exposure Programme**  
**Mon 30 Oct–Fri 3 Nov**
-  **Open House**  
**Sat 11 Nov 0830–1200**
-  **Sec 4 & 5 Graduation Dinner**  
**Thu 16 Nov 1900–2200**

## Examinations & Related Dates

-  **Sec 2 Mother Tongue Oral Exam**  
**Tue 12 Sep, Wed 13 Sep, Fri 15 Sep 1500–1800**
-  **Prelim Exam for O Level Students (continued)**  
**Tue 12 Sep–Mon 18 Sep**
-  **PSG Prayer Session for GCE N Level Exam**  
**Tue 12 Sep 0740 Chapel**  
All are welcome to join in!
-  **GCE N Level Exam (listening & written)**  
**Tue 12 Sep–Thu 21 Sep, Mon 2 Oct–Tue 10 Oct**
-  **Sec 1–3 Exam**  
**Sec 3: Thu 21 Sep, Wed 27 Sep–Mon 9 Oct**  
**Sec 1 & 2: Thu 21 Sep, Thu 28 Sep–Mon 9 Oct**
-  **Sec 3 Mother Tongue Oral Exam**  
**Mon 25 Sep, Tue 26 Sep 1500–1800**
-  **GCE O Level Exam (Science practical & 3rd Languages)**  
**Wed 4 Oct–Tue 17 Oct**
-  **Marking Day & Result Processing Day**  
**Tue 10 Oct, Fri 20 Oct**  
Sec 1–3 students do not report to school on these two days.
-  **Sec 1–3 Review of Exam Scripts**  
**Wed 11 Oct–Fri 13 Oct**
-  **Masses for GCE O Level Exam**  
**Wed 18 Oct 1300–1330 Chapel**  
**Thu 19 Oct 1200–1230 Chapel**  
The PSG will hold a prayer session after each Mass. All are welcome!
-  **GCE O Level Exam (listening & written)**  
**Wed 18 Oct–Fri 10 Nov**

## Home-Based Learning Days

<b>Wed 27 Sep (Sec 1 &amp; 2)</b>	<b>Thu 19 Oct (Sec 1, 2 &amp; 3)</b>
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## Holidays

<b>Mon 11 Sep</b>	In lieu of <b>Teachers' Day</b> (school holiday)
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<b>Mon 13 Nov</b>	In lieu of <b>Deepavali</b> (public holiday)
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