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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome back to another exciting and enriching term. As we begin Term 2, we would like to update you on some of our proud moments and key achievements. We would also like to share with you measures the school has taken to safeguard your child/ward from COVID-19.

Our Proud Moments

We wish to congratulate our teachers, Mr Tan Yong Geng, Mdm Foo Lee Lian, Ms Beh Jing Ying and Mrs Tan-Ong Li Pei for receiving the 2019 Caring Teachers' Award. Organised by the National Institute of Education (NIE), Singapore, and supported by ExxonMobil Asia Pacific Pte Ltd and the Ministry of Education, this award aims to acknowledge and reward teachers who, through their daily deeds and actions, exemplify the values of care and concern for the holistic development of students.

Our CCA Achievements

Our Uniformed Groups (UGs) have done us proud once again. St John Brigade, Girls' Brigade, National Police Cadet Corp and National Cadet Corp have all achieved GOLD for their Achievement Award 2019. Over the years, through the dedication and close guidance of teachers and the strong belief and commitment of students, the school has been able to sustain such commendable performance.

Other achievements include our 'B' Division soccer team making it to League 4 in the NSG 'B' Division Football Competition and Dennis Foo Yi Wei (4H) of Boys' Brigade receiving the Best Boy Award 2020.

COVID-19 School Measures

As Term 2 commences, we are mindful of the rapidly developing COVID-19 situation and we have stepped up measures in school to keep your child/ward safe. The additional precautionary measures in our school include:

- a. Students and staff who have travelled overseas during the March holidays will not report to school for 14 days upon their arrival to Singapore.

- b. CCAs and school-based after-school programmes will be suspended until 5 April 2020.
- c. Students will adopt an assigned fixed seating arrangement in classrooms and in the canteen.
- d. Students will carry out a daily wipe-down routine for spaces that they have used, which include classrooms and the canteen.

To further safeguard our school community, we seek your assistance with the following:

a) If any household member has returned from overseas within the past 14 days and develops a fever or starts to display flu-like symptoms, please ensure that he/she gets the necessary medical attention as soon as possible. While waiting for the outcome of medical diagnosis, we seek your understanding and cooperation in informing us immediately and keeping your child/ward at home.

As we are unclear how the COVID-19 situation will play out in the months to come, we seek your cooperation in alerting the school at any time a household member is given Home Quarantine Order (HQO), Stay Home Notice (SHN) or Leave of Absence (LOA). The school will then advise you on the appropriate measures to be taken for the well-being of your child and the others in the school.

Please be assured that the school will minimise disruption to your child's/ward's learning by making arrangements for Home-Based Learning.

b) Do remind your child/ward to exercise good personal hygiene practices, social responsibility and safe distancing measures even when they are not in school. Students are strongly encouraged to avoid crowded places, gatherings and situations of prolonged mixing that could increase the risk of inter-class or inter-school transmission.

c) Kindly ensure that your child/ward has an SLS (Student Learning Space) account that is working and that he/she has a valid password should there be a need for lessons to be uploaded on SLS for Home-Based Learning.

We all play an important part in times of crisis. Your vigilance and assistance will help us to keep our school as a safe place for learning for all. Together, we can get through this. The school will continue to provide you and your child/ward with timely updates on new measures that MOE will be rolling out to manage the situation.

Changes to Events / Internal e-Oral Examinations

As part of our effort to manage the spread of COVID-19, the following events are cancelled:

- Cross Country scheduled on Friday, 27 March 2020 and;
- Sec 4 & 5 Meet the Parents' Session on 3 April 2020

On both days, students are required to report to school for lessons as usual.

To manage the spread of COVID-19 while still balancing the need for graduating students to prepare for their national examinations, **Mid-Year e-Oral exam for English scheduled in April is cancelled**. Nonetheless, students will still have the Prelim English e-Oral Exam in June to help them prepare for their national e-Oral examination in August.

Sec 2 Mid-Year English and MTL e-Oral Exams will be postponed to Semester 2.

Important Dates for Term 2, 2020

Refer to pages 4 and 5 for information on some of the key events for Term 2. Please note that our school will keep week 2 and 3 of the June holidays (7 June – 21 June) free from school activities, including CCA training, so that our Gessians may enjoy a well-deserved break with their family and friends. We look forward to your continued partnership to realise our vision of Gessians of Excellence, Standing and Significance.

Onward!

Yours faithfully,



Ms Tan Hwee Pin
Principal

Important Dates for Term 2 (2020)

Dates	Event	Remark (if any)
23 March- 3 April 2020	CCA suspended due to COVID-19	
27 March 2020	Cross-Country cancelled	Students are required to report to school for lessons as usual.
3 April 2020	Sec 4 & 5 Meet the Parents' Session cancelled	Students are required to report to school for lessons as usual.
13 April-16 April 2020	<u>Mother Tongue Oral Exam</u> Sec 4 Exp & 5NA 'O' and MT (B) (13 April) Sec 4NA (14 April) Sec 4 Exp HMT & 4NT (16 April)	
20 April 2020	CCA stand down for graduating classes	
20 April – 17 May 2020	CCA suspended for Sec 1-3	
21 April – 29 April 2020	<u>Mid- Year Science Practical Examination</u> 4D, 4E, 4F & 4G Chemistry (21 April) 4D & 4G Biology (23 April) 4D, 4E & 4F Physics (28 April) 4H, 5A & 5B Combined Sciences (29 April)	
4 May – 15 May 2020	Mid- Year Examination for Sec 2, Sec 4 & Sec 5	
11 May -15 May 2020	Sec 1 Learning Fortnight cum ECG programme	
18 May 2020	Marking Day	Students do not need to attend school. Lessons will resume on 19 May 2020.
29 May 2020	Sec 1-5 Parent Teacher Conference	Parents/ Guardians of selected students would be invited to meet Form teachers/ Subject Teachers.
1 & 2 June 2020	GCE 'O' level Mother Tongue Written Examination Mother Tongue 'O' level papers (1 June) Mother Tongue Syllabus B papers (2 June)	
2 June, 4 June, 24 June & 25 June 2020	Art Coursework preparation for 4Exp/5NA	

22 & 23 June 2020	<u>EL e-Oral Examination Practice</u> 4Exp & 5NA Prelim EL Oral (22 June) 4NA & 4NT Prelim EL e-Oral (23 June)	
23 & 24 June 2020	<u>Mother Tongue Language e-Oral Examination Intensive Practice</u> Intensive MTL Practice for All Sec 4E/5NA	

