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Dear Parents/Guardians,

2018 has been an exciting and an eventful year. We are grateful for your partnership and hope that you will continue to support the school in its drive towards holistic education and inculcation of school values of Discipline, Integrity, Respect and Resilience.

### Our Proud Moments

We are, indeed, proud to share that two of our students, Georgia Ng (4F) and Carmen Lai (3B), took part in the Olympic Hopes Regatta in September 2018 at Poznan Poland. We are also happy to share that Joshua Wong (3E) is selected to represent Singapore at the NPCC OEV Hong Kong in November 2018. Only 26 NPCC cadets nationwide are chosen for this event.

For the Queen's Commonwealth Essay Competition 2018, our students wrote on the theme of 'Towards a Common Future' and in the Junior category, we achieved 1 Gold, 1 Silver and 3 Bronze awards. In the Senior category, we attained 2 Silver and 1 Bronze Awards.

We would like to congratulate all students for their effort and commitment to not only their academic work but also to developing their strengths in the other domains.

### Upcoming Events

Kindly take note that the last day of school is **25 October 2018** and that school will end at 12.55 pm on that day. The FA Cup Parent-Teacher Conference will be held on **26 October 2018** and only invited students and their parents need to attend this event.

The GESS Open House on 17 November 2018 is where we showcase our quality curriculum, signature programmes, facilities and school activities. We invite you to bring your relatives and friends who are keen to find out more about the GESS brand of education. In particular, if you know parents/guardians of P6 students, do encourage them to join us on that day so that they can make an informed decision about choosing a secondary school for their child/ward.

All students who are travelling overseas from 27 October to 31 December 2018 are required to make a travel declaration by 26 October 2018. This can be done online via the LMS portal <http://lms.asknlearn.com/gess/>.

As CCAs provide students with the opportunities to develop their interests, talents and abilities, CCA training and activities will continue after school has closed. To view the CCA schedule for the holidays, please go to <http://ganengsengsch.moe.edu.sg/events/event-calendar/>.

Attached to this letter is a handout on 'Helping your children protect their personal data online'. Please share it with your child/ward. This is part of our effort to educate our students to be responsible and respectful users of social media.

For general information on bookshop and uniform suppliers' opening hours, please refer to our school website at <http://www.ganengsengsch.moe.edu.sg/>.

We hope that the school holidays will be a refreshing break for you and your child/ward and that you have quality time with your family. We look forward to your continued support as we strive to nurture and develop students to become Gessians of Excellence, Standing and Significance.

Onward!

Yours faithfully,



Mdm Jenny Tan  
Principal

## Key Events from October – December 2018

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22 Oct - 24 Oct 2018	<b>Post Exam Activities for Sec 1 &amp; 2</b>													
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25 Oct (Thu)	<b>GCE O-Level EL Listening Comprehension Exam</b>	Students will be dismissed at 12.55pm for the school to prepare for the National Listening Comprehension exam.												
25 Oct (Thu)	<b>Last day of school</b>													
26 Oct (Friday)	<b>FA Cup Parent-Teacher Conference</b> Time: 8am – 12pm Venue: AVA Room	Only invited students and parents will attend the FA Cup Parent-Teacher Conference.												
29 Oct -2 Nov	Bridging Lessons for selected students	Sec 3EX/NA classes and selected students who qualify for lateral transfers to a more demanding stream will attend.												
5 Nov (Mon)	<b>Sec 3 Subject Combination Announcement</b> Sec 2NT: 8 – 9am Sec 2NA: 8 – 9am Sec 2EX: 8 – 9.30am	Results of Sec 3 subject combination exercise will be released. All Sec 2 students will report to school on 5 Nov 2018 (Monday) during the stipulated time to receive their subject combination results.												
17 Nov (Sat)	<b>GESS Open House</b> (9am – 12.30pm)	All parents and students are invited. All are encouraged to bring interested Primary Six students and their parents to this event.												
19 Nov (Mon)	<b>Graduation Nite for Sec 4 &amp; 5 Students</b>													
23, 26 – 30 Nov ( 8.30 am to 1 pm)	<b>NTUC Fairprice Share-a-Textbook Project 2018</b>	Our school is participating in this community project for the 6 <sup>th</sup> year. The project needs volunteers to sort the textbooks at <b>NTUC FairPrice Hub at 1 Joo Koon Circle, Singapore 629117</b> . Interested parents/ guardians may email Mr Farid at muhammad_farid_b_mohd@moe.edu.sg before 26 October 2018.												



# HELPING YOUR CHILDREN PROTECT THEIR PERSONAL DATA ONLINE



## What is Personal Data?



Personal data refers to data, whether true or not, about an individual who can be identified from that data; or from that data and other information to which the organisation has or is likely to have access.

Source: PDPC website

Some examples are: includes full name, date and year of birth, contact number, home address, medical conditions, identification number, geographical position (for example, the location data tracked on a mobile phone) and Internet Protocol (IP) address.

It can also include data that can be processed to learn, record or decide something about an identifiable individual. Some examples are daily routines of an individual such as frequent hangouts and online browsing habits. These can be used to compromise the user's personal safety or privacy.



## Why is it a Concern?



Data may be misused by third parties for:

- Illegal online activities such as phishing, scams, identity theft and influence of personal opinion
- Tracking a person which may lead to crimes such as kidnapping and burglary
- Financial gain



## How can Parents Help?

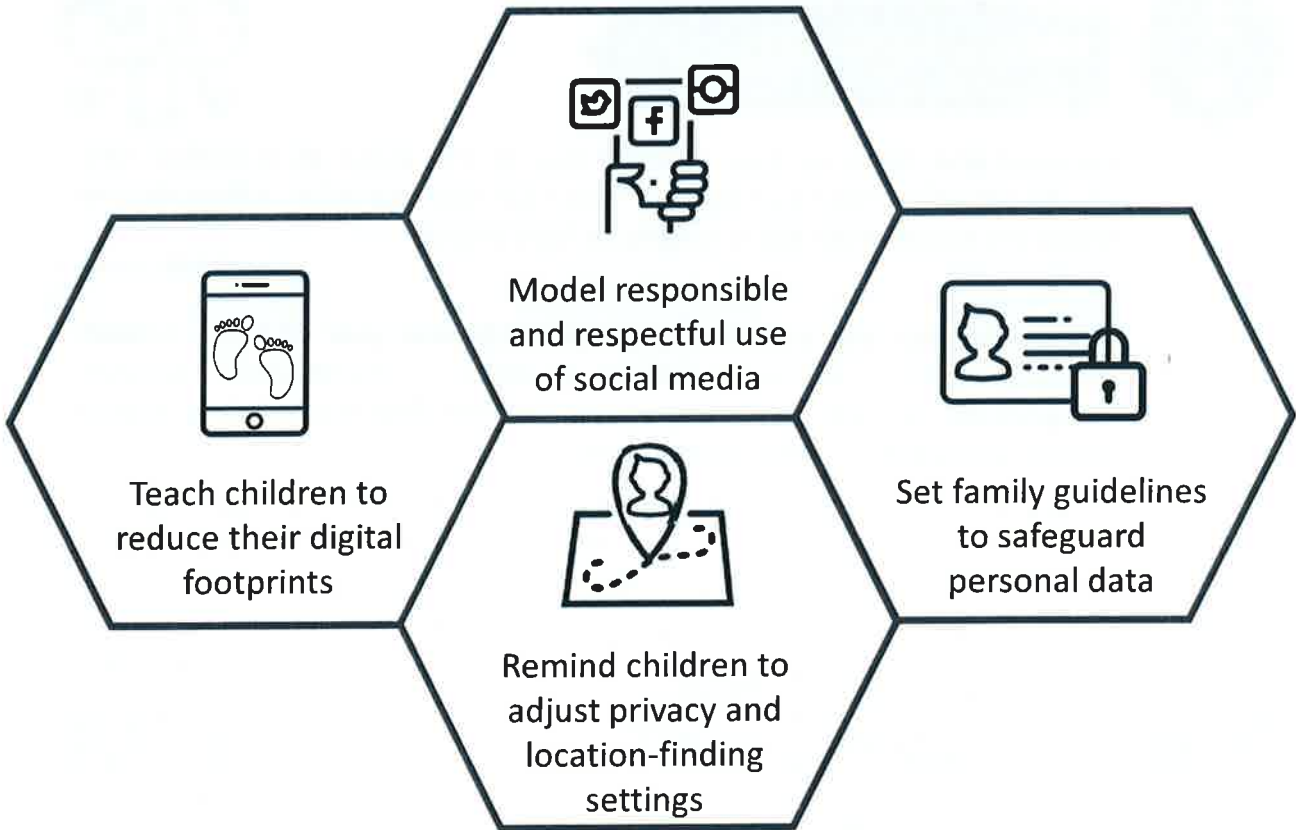


Parents can help their children to safeguard their personal data by:

- ✓ Modelling and guiding responsible and respectful use of social media, e.g., think before posting information about children.
- ✓ Discussing with children their personal data practices such as the need to be mindful about posting personal data and the dangers of sharing information.
- ✓ Reminding children about setting strong and unique passwords, and reviewing privacy and location-finding settings on devices and social media accounts.
- ✓ Teaching children to reduce their digital footprints, e.g., asking friends not to post or tag photos of them without permission.



## Key Messages



## Resources



### Ministry of Education

MOE's Cyber Wellness Portal has useful tips, strategies and resources on various cyber issues. You can also access it through "The ICT Connection" mobile app.  
[ictconnection.moe.edu.sg/cyber-wellness/cyber-wellness-101/handling-inappropriate-content](https://ictconnection.moe.edu.sg/cyber-wellness/cyber-wellness-101/handling-inappropriate-content)



### Media Literacy Council

Media Literacy Council provides information, tips and resources on managing personal information online.  
[medialiteracycouncil.sg/Online-Safety/sharing-personal-information-online](https://medialiteracycouncil.sg/Online-Safety/sharing-personal-information-online)



### Personal Data Protection Commission

Personal Data Protection Commission Singapore shares useful information and tips on protecting personal data.  
<https://www.pdpc.gov.sg/Individuals/Protecting-Your-Personal-Data>