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Dear Parent/Guardian,

A Note of Thanks

With your strong support, many major events were successfully completed in Term 3. Special mention should be made to our Parent-Teacher Association (PTA) that showed its strong presence during the Cross Country at Bishan Park and Teacher's and Support Staff Day lunch. Additionally, we want to extend our gratitude to the PTA for its unwavering support for the Sports Fiesta and Racial Harmony Day Commemoration too.

GESS would also like to express our heartfelt thanks to Mr Wong Peng Meng, former President of GESSOSA (Gan Eng Seng School Old Students' Association) and the outgoing committee members for their many years of unwavering support given to the school, students and staff. Under Mr Wong and his team, our partnership has strengthened, enabling us to provide varied opportunities to students to enhance their positive schooling experience. We would like to extend a warm welcome to the new team headed by Mr Shahrin Abdol Salam, PBM, Managing Director, SMRT TEL Pte Ltd and Snr VP (Strategic Relations), SMRT Corp, (Class of 1989), as our new GESSOSA President. Mr Shahrin and his team aim to continue building on the good work done by the outgoing committee. Welcome on board!

Our Proud Moments

Our heartiest congratulation goes to the following staff for receiving the National Day Award 2023 this year:

- Mr Teo Peng Kee (Year Head) -Commendation Award
- Mdm Hanitah Binte Musa (Admin Executive) – Efficiency Award
- Mr Wong Chin Yeow (Teacher)- Long Service Award

In recognition of their public spirit and contributions to the nation's fight against COVID-19, special state awards were also given to Ms Tan Hwee Pin (Principal), Mr Glynn Tan (VP), Mr Lim Swee Chye (Operations Manager) and Mr Loh Choon Yang (Year Head).

Special thanks to Mrs Selva for her 32 years of dedicated service to MOE.

Teacher's Day School Holiday

GESS celebrated Teacher's and Support Staff Day on 31 August 2023. We are grateful to past and current students for affirming the good work of our staff and making this day special for them. Do note that due to the Presidential Election, **Monday, 11 September is now a school holiday.**

Graduation Day 2023

We will be having a Graduation Day on 22 September 2023 and it is a key milestone in the life of all Gessians as it signifies the end of their 4/5 years of educational journey in the school. GESS has planned meaningful activities for our graduating cohort to build on their fond memories of the school and these include a cohort hike and a formal farewell ceremony cum photo taking session. Built into this programme is a parents'/ guardians' motivation segment. Parents/Guardians of Sec 4/5 students, do look out for a PG notification for this segment. We would strongly encourage all of you to write notes to motivate/inspire your child/ward as he/she works towards achieving his/her goals.



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National and End-Of-Year Examinations

This term, students will be taking their National or End-Of-Year Examinations. The Sec 1-3 End-Of-Year Examination will commence on 28 September and end on 12 October 2023. Students have received their examination timetable and a copy of it and the topics to be covered for each level/stream is published on the school website <https://www.ganengsengsch.moe.edu.sg/school-information/exam-matters/>.

CCAs will stand down from 16 September to 13 October 2023 for students to focus on their academic work. Let us work together to provide emotional and academic support to our students as they prepare for their examinations. If your child/ward needs emotional support during this period, please inform the form teacher who will then work with the School Counsellor.

Last Day of School

Do take note of the last day of school for the various cohorts of students:

Level	Last Day of School
Sec 4NT & 4NA	22 Sept 2023
Sec 4 Exp/5NA	11 Oct 2023
Sec 1-3	26 Oct 2023 (27 Oct is Parent-Teacher Conference Day)

Term 4 Key Events

Kindly refer to **Annex A** for information on the key events for Term 4. We will also be uploading the CCA schedule for the Nov-Dec holidays on our school website. Please note that our school will keep 27 Nov to 22 Dec free from school activities, including CCA training, so that our Gessians can enjoy a well-deserved holiday break with their family and friends.

Onward!

Mrs Selva
Vice-principal



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Annex A

Term 4 Key Events

Dates	Event	Remark (if any)
11 Sept	Teacher's Day School Holiday	
12 Sept	Early Dismissal For GCE' N' Level Listening Comprehension Examination 2023 Sec 1-3 students will be dismissed at 1.10 pm	
12-21 Sept & 2 -10 Oct	GCE 'N' Level written examination for Normal Academic & Normal Technical students	
13 Sept – 26 Sept	Sec 2 & 3 EL and MTL Oral Examinations	Refer to PG letter dated 6 Sept for more details
16 Sep – 13 Oct	CCA stand-down (No CCA for students during this period)	
20 Sept	Early Dismissal For GCE' N' Level Listening Comprehension Examination 2023 Sec 1-3, 4Exp & 5NA students will be dismissed at 1.10 pm	
22 Sept	Graduation Day for 4Exp, 5NA, 4NT and 4NA Last day of school for Sec 4NT and 4NA	All Sec 4 & 5 students will attend the Graduation Day programme followed by a phototaking session in the afternoon.
28 Sept– 12 Oct	End -Of -Year Exams For Sec 1 to Sec 3 (all streams)	Students may leave school at the end of their last paper for each day.
4 Oct – 17 Oct	<u>GCE O-Level Science Practical Exam 2022</u> 4 Oct : Chemistry Practical Exam 9 Oct: Physics Practical Exam 12 Oct : Science (Phy/Chem, Phy/Bio, Chem/Bio) Practical Exam 17 Oct : Biology Practical Exam	Refer to this for the updated N & O level exam timetable: https://www.seab.gov.sg/
11 Oct	Last day of school for Sec 4Exp/5NA	
13 Oct	Marking Day	Sec 1-3 students need not attend school.



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18 Oct -26 Oct	<u>Dismissal Times of Sec 1-3 due to GCE 'O' Level Listening Comprehension and Written Examinations 2023</u>		
	Date	Dismissal Time	
	18 Oct	1.40 pm	
	19 Oct	12.40 pm	
	23 Oct	1.40 pm	
	24 Oct	1.40 pm	
	25 Oct	1.40 pm	
26 Oct	1.40 pm		
20 Oct	Promotion Meeting	Students do not need to attend school.	
23 – 26 Oct	Sec 1 – 3 Post-Exam Activities	More information regarding the Post-Exam Activities will be given to students closer to the date.	
26 Oct	Last School Day for Sec 1 – 3		
27 Oct	Parent-Teacher Conference	More details will be provided nearer to the date.	
30 Oct – 8 Nov	Bridging Lessons The following students will attend the Bridging Lessons: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All 3NA and 3 Express students (30 Oct to 3 Nov) • Selected students who qualify for lateral transfer to a more demanding stream (6-8 Nov) • Sec 2 NA students who opt to do A Math in 2022 (6-8 Nov) 		
7 Nov	Sec 2 Subject Allocation Exercise Sec 2NT: 8 – 9am Sec 2NA: 8 – 9am Sec 2EX: 8 – 9.30am	Results of Sec 2 subject allocation exercise will be released. All Sec 2 students will report to school at 8 am and they should be in proper school attire.	
18 Nov	GESS Open House	More details will be sent to all parents/guardians by mid-Oct 2023	
20 Nov	GESS Graduation Night		
23, 24 & 27 Nov	Fairprice Share-a-Textbook Project Our school is participating in this community project with the support of our staff and students. The project needs volunteers to sort books. Interested parents and students may email Mr Farid by end of this term at muhammad_farid_b_mohd@moe.edu.sg		