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2 February 2018

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

From the Principal's Office – February 2018

1) Public/School Holidays and Major School Events

Please note the following School and Public Holidays for the rest of Term 1.

Date	Event	Remarks (if any)
15 Feb, Thu	Chinese New Year Celebration	
16 & 17 Feb, Fri - Sat	Chinese New Year	Public Holiday
19 Feb, Mon	Chinese New Year	School Holiday
9 Mar, Fri	Parent-Teacher Meeting & E-Learning Day	No school for P1 – P6 pupils

2) Learning Journeys

As part of the school's efforts to make pupils' learning more engaging and authentic, the school has organised the following learning journeys for P2 – P6 pupils in Term 1.

Date	Learning Journey	Level	Remarks
26 Jan, Fri (6/1 & 6/) 2 Feb, Fri (6/3, 6/4, 6/5, 6/6)	Science Centre: Aquatic Plants & Animals	All P6 Pupils	
6 Mar, Tue	National Orchid Gardens	All P2 pupils	
6 Mar, Tue	National Museum of Singapore	All P4 pupils	
5 - 6 Mar, Mon - Tue (Gp 1) 7 - 8 Mar, Wed - Thu (Gp 2)	P6 Internationalisation Programme: Malacca, Malaysia	All P6 Pupils	Briefing for parents will be on 3 Feb, Sat, 8am – 8.30am, Music Rm, Level 4
7 – 12 Mar, Wed - Mon	P5 Internationalisation Programme: Suzhou & Shanghai, China	Selected P5 Pupils	

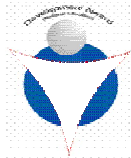
3) Learning Festival for P3 – P6 Parents, 3 February 2018

We thank all parents who took the time to attend the Learning Festival for P1 – P2 parents on 27 January, Saturday. We would like to invite all parents to attend the Learning Festival for P3 – P6 parents on 3 February, Saturday, 8.30am – 12.15pm.

The Learning Festival series originated from parents' feedback that they wanted to learn more about teaching and learning in a primary classroom. They also wanted to be updated on essential strategies so that they could better support their child at home. The Learning Festival is a session conducted for parents by our very own Jing Shan teachers and we strongly encourage all parents to attend. It. Please refer to letter dated 19 January 2018 for more details.



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4) **iSpeak & iBusking**

iSpeak and iBusking are two school initiatives for pupils to showcase their talent or share their areas of interest with the school population. These were designed with the purpose of providing pupils with a platform to practise their communication skills and to build their confidence in front of an audience. These initiatives have also served to support the school's efforts to promote joy of learning in the school, beyond the classroom.

iSpeak and iBusking take place during recess time on Wednesdays and Fridays respectively. Pupils can sign up individually or as a group, and perform or speak on a chosen topic on a special stage located in the canteen.

In iBusking, pupils can choose to put up a performance in the form of song, dance or instrumental showcase. In iSpeak, pupils are encouraged to practise their communication skills. They can choose to tell a story / joke / riddle, put up a skit, or present a speech based on their topic of interest, in either English or their Mother Tongue.

To sign up, interested pupils may approach their English or Mother Tongue teacher for iSpeak and Music teacher for iBusking.

5) **Commemoration of Total Defence Day, 12 February 2018**

Singapore fell under Japanese Occupation on 15 February 1942. The date is now synonymous with Total Defence Day as we seek to remember and learn from our history. Our school will be commemorating Total Defence Day on 12 February, Monday, with activities that will help pupils to learn the 5 Pillars of Total Defence (Military Defence, Civil Defence, Economic Defence, Social Defence and Psychological Defence). Everyone has a part to play in ensuring the safety and defence of Singapore.

6) **Chinese New Year Celebration, 15 February 2018**

School hours on the eve of Chinese New Year, 15 February, Thursday, will be from 7.30am – 10.00am. The programme for the day is as follows:

Time	Programme	Venue	Remarks
7.30am	Flag Raising	Classroom	All pupils to proceed to the classroom upon arrival as flag raising will be conducted in the classroom.
7.35am – 8.45am	Class Activity		
8.45am – 10.00am	Chinese New Year Concert	Hall	
10.00am	School Dismissal	Hall	

Parents are cordially invited to the concert which will start at 8.45am. Please be seated in the Hall Gallery by 8.30am if you wish to attend the event. Due to space constraints in the Hall, only 2 members from each family are invited.

All pupils are encouraged to wear traditional ethnic costume to school on that day. Alternatively, they may choose to wear their school uniform. For footwear, all pupils are to wear their black school shoes and socks. They should not come to school in slippers, sandals or party shoes. Dismissal time on that day will be at 10.00am. The school bus service and Alphajoy have been informed of the early dismissal.



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7) WOW Mum / DAD, 8 & 22 February 2018

WOW MOM/DAD programme (WOW stands for Words of Wisdom) has been scheduled on Thursday recesses on 8 and 22 February. Do encourage your child to visit the Ligerbrary for the storytelling sessions conducted by our Parent Support Group (PSG) storytellers.

8) Parent-Teacher Meeting and e-Learning Day, 9 March 2018

The school will organize the Parent-Teacher Meeting on 9 March, Friday, from 8.30am – 5.00pm. The objective of the session is to provide parents/guardians with the opportunity to discuss about your child's/ward's learning needs and progress with his/her Form Teachers or Subject Teachers. Pupils need not attend the event and will have to work on their e-learning assignments at home. A detailed letter will be given out near the date of the event.

9) Career Fest, 22 May 2018

The school will be organizing the biennial Career Fest for P5 and P6 pupils on 22 May, Thursday. Career Fest has been conducted in Jing Shan since 2015 and is the school's efforts to enrich our pupils' education and career guidance (ECG). During the event, volunteers from a wide range of occupations are invited to speak to our P5 – P6 pupils about their career, and the paths they took to get there. Past runs of this event have succeeded in exposing our pupils to the diversity of occupations available in the working world, widen their perspectives on the opportunities open to them, and inspired them to work hard to achieve their dreams.

The school is looking for parent volunteers who are open to share with our pupils about your occupation on 22 May morning. Alternatively, we would be grateful if you could share any available network or contact who might be able to support our pupils' learning in career and education guidance. Please contact Mrs Uma Rama (rama_uma@moe.edu.sg) by 1 March 2018 if you would like to volunteer as a presenter and/or share your industrial contacts with the school.

10) Traffic advisory: Traffic along Ang Mo Kio Street 52

The Land Transport Authority (LTA) has written to the school with regard to parents/guardians parking or stopping their vehicle along Ang Mo Kio Street 52 during morning and afternoon peak period causing a congestion or obstruction to other road users such as public buses and residents of Park Central. LTA has confirmed that parents may stop your vehicle along Ang Mo Kio Street 52 to drop off or pick up your children. However, such activity must be immediate and the vehicle is to move off immediately after the activity. This is similar when parents are picking up your children after dismissal. If there is a need to park your vehicle, please do so at the nearest Multi-Storey Car Park at Block 596 beside the school. We seek your continued understanding and support in this matter.

Goh Meei Yunn (Mdm)
Principal



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Dear Parents,

The school is organizing a Parent and Child hands-on workshop entitled, '**Arts and Science through Miniature Terrarium Making**'. This is one in a series of workshops that the school organizes throughout the year to promote parent-child bonding.

This workshop will be conducted by the organisation, 'Gardens with Purpose', and provides all the practical tips you need to design and build eye-catching Terrariums.

We would like to encourage parents to register early as this workshop is limited to the **FIRST 20 pairs of parent and child only.**

Details of the event

Date: Saturday, 3 March 2018

Time: 9am to 11.30am

Venue: Jing Shan Primary School Canteen

Fee: \$10 per pair (Parent and Child)

Please complete the attached registration slip and submit the slip together with the payment (placed in a sealed envelope, Attn: Mdm Jaya) and drop in the Family Matters @ School (FMS) box near the General Office by **Friday, 23 February 2018.**

REGISTRATION SLIP

"Art and Science through Miniature Terrarium Making"
Saturday 3 March 2018

Name of Parent: _____

Contact Numbers: (HP) _____ (H) _____

Email: _____

Name of Child: _____ Class _____