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Parents' Connect

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1. Principal's Address

As we start a new school semester, we continue to ask for the support of parents to work hand in hand with the school as we encourage, support and develop our students to be engaged, self-motivated and self-directed learners, and for our students to proactively seek the help of their teachers in improving their learning and achieving their learning goals.

At the same time, the school will continue to manage the COVID-19 situation in line with the national posture. We continue to urge all our students and staff to practise good personal hygiene and be socially responsible. The school appreciates your continued support and trust in the school's measures to ensure a safe learning environment for your child. My staff and I look forward to working with you hand in hand to maximise the learning success of your child.

2. Blended Learning Days

In Term 3, the following are the Blended Learning Days, when students will stay at home to engage in their learning, either in synchronous or asynchronous mode, developing self-directedness and independent thinking in the process.

Term 3 Weeks	Date (Day)	Levels involved for Blended Learning
Week 1	29 June (odd Wed)	Sec 1, Sec 2, Sec 3 & Sec 4/5
Week 4	20 July (even Wed)	Sec 1, Sec 2 & Sec 3
Week 6	1 August (even Mon)	Sec 1, Sec 2 & Sec 3
Week 9	22 August (odd Mon)	Sec 1, Sec 2 & Sec 3

3. Weighted Assessments and Examinations

We would like to reiterate that students' attendance for weighted assessments/examinations is compulsory. Any student who is absent from the weighted assessments/examinations without a valid reason will be given a zero mark for the assessments missed. If your child/ward is unwell, he/she is advised not to come for the assessment. The subject teacher for the assessment missed will inform him/her of the date/time for the make-up test so that feedback can still be given.

a) GCE O Level MTL/MTLB Listening Comprehension

The GCE O Level Mother Tongue / Mother Tongue B Syllabus Listening Comprehension Examination will take place on 5 July 2022, Tuesday, from 2.00pm to 5.30pm. All candidates taking this examination will be dismissed at 1.20pm. To facilitate a conducive environment for this examination, non-candidates will follow a staggered dismissal timing on 5 July:

Level	Dismissal Timing for non-candidates
Sec 1/2/4/5	1.20pm
Sec 3	1.55pm

b) Sec 4 & 5 Preliminary Examination

Students sitting for the N-Levels will be given the school's Preliminary Examination timetable in Week 2, while those sitting for the O-Levels will be given theirs in Week 3. We would like you to take note of the detailed schedule and timing of the papers and support your child in his/her preparation.

c) Sec 1 – 3 Weighted Assessments

Weighted Assessments for Sec 1-3 will be conducted from 1 August to 26 August (Weeks 6 to 9). The detailed schedule will be shared with the students by their respective Form and subject teachers by Week 4.

d) Secondary 3 English Language End-of-Year Oral Examinations

The schedule for the Sec 3 EL oral examinations is as follows:

Classes	Date
3RP, 3RS, 3L	23 August 2022 (Tuesday – after school)
3C, 3E	12 September 2022 (Monday – after school)
3I, 3Ex	19 September 2022 (Monday – after school)

4. Remedial and CCA Schedule

The schedule for remedial and CCA will be uploaded on the school website. For CCA schedules that differ from the weekly routine, a notification/consent form will be sent to you via Parents Gateway. In addition, for students who are selected for remedial based on needs basis, their parents will also be notified via Parents Gateway.

5. Edusave Character Awards (ECHA) 2022

MOE introduced the Edusave Character Award (ECHA) in 2012 to enable schools to recognise students who demonstrate exemplary character and outstanding personal qualities through their behaviour and actions. This is part of the larger goal to foster an inclusive and stronger Singapore as we broaden the qualities and achievements to be encouraged and applauded. The award also supports schools' continuing efforts in nurturing students of good values and character, who are active contributors and concerned citizens. These students can be role models to inspire others. They may be nominated by their teachers or any staff members, peers,

parents, instructors, coaches, members of school Alumni and/or other key stakeholders who interact with them.

Nomination forms are obtainable from the school's general office or can be downloaded from the school website, from 12 July till 21 July 2022. Completed forms can either be dropped into a sealed nomination box in the school's general office or emailed to ycss@moe.edu.sg. The closing date for submission is 21 July 2022.

We thank you for your support and look forward to receiving your nominations. If there are any queries, please contact Mr Leung Yulun, Year Head/ Upper Sec, at 62612489 (ext 115).

6. Play Inclusive 2022

Since 2018, Special Olympics Singapore (SOSG) and SportCares, supported by MOE (SEB) have organised Play Inclusive to promote inclusion in the community through shared sporting experiences between persons with and without special needs. As part of the school's continuous pursuit of Inclusive Education and the development of GRIT21 (G – Growth Mindset, R – Resilience, I – IExCEL (School Values), T – Thrive, 21 – 21st Century Competencies), the LLP Committee has been partnering Grace Orchard School in the above endeavour since 2019. This year, the organising committee will be bringing back the face-to-face version of Play Inclusive! 18 of our student athletes will be training with athletes from Grace Orchard School for a total of 8 sessions in July and August. Together, they will be competing against other schools of similar partnership in Football, Badminton and Basketball. Play Inclusive 2022 Finale will be held on 26 August, 27 August, 16 September and 17 September at the OCBC Arena (Singapore Sports Hub). Together, the students will foster meaningful friendships and develop important values that make Singapore a more caring and inclusive community.

7. YCSS Homecoming 2022 (30 Aug 2022) & The Homecoming Run (20 Jun – 30 July)

We are bringing back our valued alumni to celebrate our connections themed 'Together we regale the present with our shared past' in conjunction with the mid-autumn festival on 30 Aug 2022. Preceding the Homecoming Event is the Homecoming Run where staff, students and parents can 'Run for your health, Run for a Cause, and Run to Yuan Ching'. You can register for the Homecoming Run with HOD PE/CCA, Mr Jack Liew and the \$10 registration fee will be donated to the Children's Wishing Well. If you know of anyone who has graduated from Yuan Ching, please encourage him/her to form a table and register for the Homecoming Dinner on 30 Aug 2022. Details can be found on the microsite <https://tinyurl.com/ycsshomecoming2022>. You can contact Ms Ong Ka Min, Chairman of the Homecoming Organising Committee, at 62612489 ext 212 (email: ong_ka_min@moe.edu.sg) during office hours if you need clarification.

Together We Thrive!

NG SOOK KIT (MS)
PRINCIPAL
28 June 2022

(This is a computer-generated letter which does not require a signature.)