

PASIR RIS CREST SECONDARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians

School updates 2023/04 (Secondary 1)

1. Homework and Revision

It is imperative that students cultivate the habit of completing their homework on time in order to reinforce their learning in class and succeed in their studies. It is through homework that teachers are able to identify their students' learning gaps and address them as soon as possible. Please continue to work with us to cultivate in your child the habit of completing homework on time and revising his/her work regularly as he/she prepares for his assessments in Term 2.

2. Academic Consultation with Teachers

Students are encouraged to clarify their doubts with their subject teachers during lessons. In the event that they remain unclear after the lesson, they could arrange to meet with their teachers after school for consultation. Clarifications should be sought early so that misconceptions do not adversely affect learning in the future.

3. Secondary 1 Parent-Teacher Meeting

The Parent-Teacher Meeting (PTM) will take place on **Friday**, **26 May 2023**. It will be held on a virtual platform via Zoom. To facilitate the meeting with as many parents/guardians as possible, the PTM will be held from **8.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.** Hence, there will be no physical lessons conducted that day. It will be a home-based learning day as per some past Fridays. **We strongly encourage both parents/guardian to attend the PTM with your child/ward**, to ensure common understanding of your child's/ ward's progress and follow-up actions, moving forward.

You will receive a message from Parents Gateway app to book a 20-minute timeslot to meet your child's/ ward's Home Tutor. The booking will start from 11 to 18 May 2023. More information for the booking will be provided later. We seek your cooperation to adhere to the timeslot you have booked.

Your child/ward will receive his/her Semestral 1 report on 25 May 2023.

In the event you are unable to attend the PTM on 26 May, please contact your child's/ward's Home Tutor to arrange for a separate Zoom meeting during the first week of June, especially if your child's/ward's learning attitude and performance has not been satisfactory. We believe the timely sharing of information will help you in guiding your child/ward well in their revision during the June holidays.

4. Secondary 1 Experiential Learning Programme

From 22 to 24 May 2023, the school will conduct our Experiential Learning Programme for all Secondary One students. The objective of this programme is to allow for learning in a differentiated and extended context beyond the physical space of the classroom.

Students will participate in different learning activities and visit different places on each of the three days. The attire for students during ELP days will be PE T-shirt with skirt/pants. They will report to school as per normal, by 7.20 am for the flag raising ceremony. All ELP programmes will end at 1.50 pm.

The schedule for the Sec 1 Experiential Learning Programme is as follows:

Date	Event	Class	Venue
22 May	Maths Trail	1/1, 1/2, 1/3	Tampines Hub
	Racial Harmony Trail	1/4, 1/5	Little India / Chinatown /
			Kampong Glam
	PE Outdoor Education	1/6, 1/7	Sports Hub
23 May	PE Outdoor Education	1/1, 1/2, 1/3	Sports Hub
	Maths Trail	1/4, 1/5	Tampines Hub
	Racial Harmony Trail	1/6, 1/7	Little India / Chinatown /
			Kampong Glam
24 May	Racial Harmony Trail	1/1, 1/2, 1/3	Little India / Chinatown /
			Kampong Glam
	PE Outdoor Education	1/4, 1/5	Sports Hub
	Maths Trail	1/6, 1/7	Tampines Hub

Students are to bring the following items for all 3 days unless otherwise stated:

- 1. Umbrella/ poncho
- 2. Writing materials (inclusive of a calculator for Maths Trail)
- 3. Water bottle (minimum capacity of 500 ml)
- 4. Day bag (with a story book and their personal belongings)
- 5. Hat / Cap (optional)
- 6. Personal Medication (e.g. inhaler)

We seek your understanding that on days when there are learning journeys outside the school, traffic conditions beyond our control may push back students' dismissal time accordingly. Parents may call the General Office when necessary.

5. Roald Dahl Showdown

As part of the English Language Department's ongoing efforts to promote a love for reading in our students, all Secondary One students have been introduced to Roald Dahl's works during their English Language lessons.

Following an in-class quiz, students will be competing with readers from other classes through a Showdown format.

Details of Roald Dahl Showdown:

Date: 15 May (Mon)

Venue: Hall

Time: 2.30 to 3.15 pm

Please note that the books for the Roald Dahl guiz and showdown can be borrowed from our library.

6. Webinar for parents: Parental well-being and building mental resilience

A webinar on parental well-being and building mental resilience will take place on 26 May 2023 (Friday). Using the lens of building parental well-being and managing parental burnout, this webinar provides useful strategies to help parents discuss and manage their child(ren)'s mental well-being too.

The details on the webinar are provided below. Please sign up using the link below if you are interested in this webinar. The zoom meeting link will only be sent to parents who have successfully registered for the workshop.

Date: 26 May 2023, Friday (Sec 1 – 3 PTM day)

Time: 12pm – 1pm Mode: Virtually via Zoom Capacity: First 80 signups

Topic: Parental well-being and building mental resilience

Speaker: Mr Gavin Seah, Soil of Humility

Objectives:

- Discuss the modern stressors and possible negative effects of modern society trends on parent's mental well-being
- 2. Learn strategies to build positive mental well-being
- 3. Learn practical tools to manage burnout, stress, and anxiety
- 4. Re-discover one's purpose with positivity

Webinar signup form: https://forms.moe.edu.sg/forms/vRbjQv

7. Consent for photography and video-taking

Please note that photographs and video recordings of parents/ guardians and/ or your child/ ward may be taken during lessons, CCA, school camps and events. These photographs and/ or video recordings may be used to celebrate your child's achievements and showcase his/her experiences.

Parents are deemed to have given consent for the school and our partner organisations to use and publish such photographs and/or video recordings in school publications, school website, social media channels and other communication channels.

All personal data received by our school is managed according to the MOE Data Management Policy and Guidelines. Should you have enquiries, please write in to prcss@moe.edu.sg.

8. General Office Operating Hours

During the June school holidays (29 May 2023 to 23 June 2023), the opening hours of the General Office are 8am to 5pm (Monday to Friday). The school's General Office will be closed on 08 June 2023 (Thursday) as the school office staff will be out of school for staff professional development.

Please contact the following personnel should you have any clarifications on the related matters:

Area	Personnel	Contact
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Roald Dahl Showdown	Ms Sharon Lam	Tel: 65811655 (ext 117)
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Matters pertaining to Sec 1	Ms Fatimah Ali	Tel: 65811655 (ext 124)
Level	(Assistant Year Head/ Sec 1)	Email address: fatimah_mohamed_ali@schools.gov.sg

We look forward to your continued support in helping your child/ward achieve success in his/her academic and co-curriculum development.

Thank you.

Yours faithfully

Principal Mrs Koh Caiyu