23 March 2015

Dear Parents

1. The passing of our Founding Prime Minister, Mr Lee Kuan Yew (1923-2015)

We are deeply saddened by the passing of our Founding Prime Minister, Mr Lee Kuan Yew. Mr Lee was Singapore’s first Prime Minister, from 1959 to 1990. He was also Senior Minister from 1990 to 2004, and Minister Mentor from 2004 to 2011. Mr Lee also served as Minister for Education in 1975. He continued to serve Singapore as a Member of Parliament of Tanjong Pagar GRC after stepping down as Minister Mentor. He had dedicated his life to the building of a prosperous and cohesive country where Singaporeans can pursue the ideals of democracy, justice, peace, progress and equality. The passing of Mr Lee is a deep loss to all of us.

As a mark of respect to Mr Lee, the State flag and school flag will be flown at half-mast. Mr Lee has lived a full and meaningful life. Mr Lee was known as a man of his word and a man of action. Let us share our thoughts about his life and contributions with family and friends. Beyond words, let us take action together, to build on the ideals and legacy of Mr Lee and his team of pioneers, so as to create a better future for all Singaporeans, and build an endearing home for all. That will be the best way to honour Mr Lee Kuan Yew’s life and his life’s work that is Singapore.

2. HPPS Athletic Meet 2015 (P4-P6) - to be postponed

The HPPS Athletic Meet 2015 was scheduled to be held on Friday, 27 March 2015. The school has decided to postpone the athletic meet to another time. More information will be provided at a later time.

We will therefore not hold the Athletic Meet this Friday. We seek understanding from our parents and students for this decision.

Friday, 27 March will function as a normal school day.

3. Character Value for Term 2 - Integrity

The character value for Term 2 is Integrity. Through the assembly and the Form Teacher Guidance Period (FTGP), we hope to introduce to students the various aspects of Integrity – in words and deeds. Below is a brief outline of the outcomes for the character value for Integrity.

P1/2 – Being truthful and sincere and keeping to promises made.
P3/4 – Doing what is right and leading by example and taking responsibility for one’s own actions.
P5/6 – Showing characteristics of moral uprightness in various situations and displaying personal integrity by readily recognizing and admitting mistakes.
4. Students’ Achievements

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5. 38th Anniversary & Launch of Henry Park Express (Tuesday, 7 April)

The school’s 38th Anniversary will be held on Tuesday, 7 April 2015. HPPS has extended an invitation to all pioneer staff (teachers and office staff). Mr Richard Lim and Mr Ng Teng Joo (both former principals of HPPS) have indicated they will be present. The Guest of Honour for the event is LG (Ret) Winston Choo.

On the same day, the GOH will also launch the Henry Park Express - the school’s Heritage Gallery.

For the students, the school will involve five students each from every P5/P6 class (to form the student audience). The other guests include HPPS alumni and friends of the school.

On 7 April, the students do not come to school (except for those who form the student audience and those who are helping).

6. NAPFA Test (P4 & P6 students)

All P4 and P6 students will sit for their NAPFA test. The first five items will be conducted in school on 9 Apr (P4) and 10 Apr (P6) after school (from 1.45 p.m. to 3.45 p.m). The 1.6 km run/walk will be conducted during curriculum time. A separate letter will be given on details of the test for the different levels.

7. Mid-Year Examination (SA1) - Time Table

The schedule for the SA1 can be found in Annex A. A hard copy of the schedule will also be given to your child. Primary 4 to 6 Oral Examinations will be conducted in the afternoons after school. Details will be shared by the English and Mother Tongue teachers at a later date.

For GEP students, please refer to the Common Test/End-of-year Exam Schedule that was given in Term 1. Students from GEP classes taking Tamil and Malay Language will sit for the same papers as the other students in the mainstream classes. Please refer to Annex A for the schedule.

There is no SA1 for Primary 1 and 2 students.
8. Visit by Olifant International School (Indonesia)

The school will host a visit by primary students from Olifant International School (Indonesia). During their 2-day (9-10 April) stay with us, the students will have an opportunity to spend time with our students in the classroom. The Olifant students have also prepared a special concert item, and they will perform it for our students on International Friendship Day (Friday, 10 April).

Warmest regards

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Vision
A Leader in Every Child - with Talents and Strength of Character

School Values
Respect, Integrity, Care, Excellence