



Dear parents/guardians,

Happy New Year and welcome to the new school year 2026. We would like to extend a warm welcome to all parents and guardians, especially those who are joining our White Sands family for the first time. As we embark on another year of learning together, we look forward to working closely with you to support the holistic growth and development of our pupils.

Guided by our school's vision, mission, and core values, we remain committed to providing a nurturing and positive learning environment for every child. With the continued partnership between home and school, we will support our pupils in developing strong values, building meaningful friendships, and creating joyful learning experiences as they grow, learn, and strive for excellence.

1. Staff Appointment and Movement

- a) Congratulations to the following staff on their new appointment:
- Mrs Alexandra Droze (SH Aesthetics)
- b) We would like to welcome the following staff to the WSPS family:
- Mr Chua Chun Wei Jerry (HOD PE, CCA & Aesthetics)
 - Ms Quek Li Ching, Kat (HOD CCE)
 - Ms Soon Li Ming Karen (Year Head/ Lower Primary)
 - Mdm Suzanah Binte Yahaya (HOD MTL)
 - Mdm Goh Hong Buay Iris (ST Science)
 - Miss Nadia Tara Chevroulet (Teacher)
 - Mrs Susan (Teacher)
 - Mdm Mazirah Binte Abdul Rahman (School Counsellor)
- c) We would also like to bid farewell to and thank the following staff for their contributions in WSPS:
- Mrs Joycelyn Lok (HOD CCE)
 - Mr Ismail Bin Kassim (SH ML & TL)
 - Mr Chong Thiam Hock (Teacher)
 - Miss Poh Hui Qin (Teacher)
 - Mdm See Swee Tee (Teacher)
 - Mr Tan Yew Wee (Teacher)

2. Communications between Parents and School

- a) Below are the email address of the school leaders and key personnel for your reference.

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b) Student Handbook Details

All pupils would receive the Student Handbook 2026 by the first week of school. Please do spend some time to go through the details provided in the Handbook. We would like to draw parents' attention to the section on gate opening hours, school rules, information for pupils and parents, school safety measures, expected attire and behaviour in school and possible consequences, and assessment guidelines. Thereafter, do acknowledge on page 33 of the Student Handbook.

c) Parents Gateway (PG)

The school will continue to use Parents Gateway (PG) as the primary communication channel between the school and parents/guardians. You will also receive important messages through PG that are centrally sent by the Ministry of Education (MOE). Therefore, it is important to stay logged in to PG and enable push notifications to receive announcements and forms promptly. Please read the messages carefully, as some may require a quick response, acknowledgment, or feedback.

d) Use of Photographs and Videos for Publicity Purposes

We are excited about the activities and programmes planned for your child/ward this year! As part of these activities, which may take place during or after school hours, photographs and/or video recordings may be captured to document the educational journey of our White Sandians. These images and videos may be used and published in our school publications, website, social media, and other official school communication channels.

We also seek your understanding regarding the following:

i. Sharing Photos/Videos on Social Media

If you take any photographs or videos of your child/ward during a school event that include other pupils or staff, please refrain from sharing them on social media out of respect for the privacy of others who may not wish for their images to be shared publicly.

ii. ClassDojo and Informal Platforms

The same guideline applies to any photos or videos shared via ClassDojo or other informal platforms, especially if they feature other pupils.

e) White Sands on Social Media

Our school maintains a presence on Facebook and Instagram. These platforms are used to share updates on school activities, learning experiences, relevant resources, and exciting news. Parents can access and follow the school's official accounts at:

i. Facebook – <https://www.facebook.com/whitesandsprimaryschoolofficial>

ii. Instagram – https://www.instagram.com/whitesandsprisch_official

Please be informed that photos and videos of pupils participating in school events and learning experiences may be posted on these platforms and those of other educational institutions. These are shared to highlight the vibrant learning environment at school and keep our community informed.

3. Daily Assembly and Punctuality

We seek parents' support in ensuring that your child/ward is punctual. Being punctual will imbue the habit of responsibility and develop self-discipline and time management. We would like to remind parents that pupils who are not present for the flag-raising ceremony by 7.30 a.m. at the hall/classroom will be considered as late for school.

As we also have pre-assembly programmes planned, we strongly encourage your child/ward to be in school by 7.30 a.m.

4. Pupils' Well-Being

We would like to seek your partnership to inculcate good habits and personal hygiene practices in your children to keep school a safe environment for our pupils.

Personal Hygiene

a) Washing hands with soap/ sanitising of hands when they reach school and before their snack break/ recess.

b) Wiping down of canteen tables/ desk areas and common shared equipment after using them.

Social Responsibility

c) Seeing a doctor and stay at home if they are unwell.

d) Wearing a mask and minimise social interactions with big groups if they are recovering from respiratory-related illnesses.

We appreciate your support and will continue to work with you closely. Let us all do our part to exercise personal and social responsibility and stay safe.

5. School-Parents Engagement and Communication Session (SPECS)

The school believes in the importance of two-way communication between parents and teachers to support the holistic development of our pupils. School-Parents Engagement and Communication Sessions (SPECS) is the school's annual platform for school leaders and teachers to engage parents on the pupils' learning experiences for the year ahead so that parents may provide the necessary support and reinforcement at home. This year's schedule is appended below for your convenience to join us on campus/virtually for the engagement sessions.

Level	Date	Mode of Engagement	Time
Primary 1	13 March 2026, Friday	Virtual	3.00 p.m.
Primary 2	6 March 2026, Friday	Virtual	
Primary 3	13 February 2026, Friday	In-person	
Primary 4	13 February 2026, Friday	Virtual	
Primary 5	6 February 2026, Friday	In-person	
Primary 6	6 February 2026, Friday	Virtual	

Invitations will be sent to parents via PG nearer the dates for the respective levels' engagement sessions. We hope to see you then.

6. Remedial Schedule

P6 remedial lessons will be conducted every Tuesday afternoon from February onwards. Remedial lessons for P5 pupils will commence in Term 2. Parents will be notified via PG if your child is selected to attend remedial lessons.

7. Supplementary Foundation Lessons

P5 and P6 pupils offering Foundation English and Mathematics are to note that afternoon lessons for these subjects will commence in Term 1, Week 2. Parents will be notified separately via PG of the specific dates and timings for the supplementary foundation lessons.

8. Assessment Schedule

Please take note of the assessment schedule in the table below. Further details on the assessment coverage and topics for the year will be shared via PG by **19 January 2026**.

Period of Assessment	Level	Remarks
WA1: 23 Feb – 6 Mar	P3 to P6	C4RE teachers will inform pupils of the exact dates for each subject one week prior to the assessment.
WA2: 4 May – 15 May	P3 to P6	
WA3: 27 Jul – 7 Aug	P3 to P5	

9. Co-Curricular Activities (CCA) Schedule for Term 1/ 2026

All pupils from Primary 3 to Primary 6 are strongly encouraged to participate in one CCA. CCAs form an integral part of our pupils' holistic education where they discover their strengths, interests and talents. It also helps to develop values and life skills that are essential for them to do well in life.

CCA sessions are held on Wednesdays from 2.15 p.m. to 3.45 p.m., except for Football Girls. Football Girls CCA sessions are conducted on Fridays from 3.30 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. Please refer to the table below for the Term 1 CCA dates. More specific details will be shared by the respective CCA teachers.

CCA Calendar 2026 (Term 1)

Dates			P3 to P6
Term 1	Week 1	7-Jan	No CCA
	Week 2	14-Jan	CCA
	Week 3	21-Jan	CCA
	Week 4	28-Jan	CCA
	Week 5	4-Feb	CCA
	Week 6	11-Feb	CCA
	Week 7	18-Feb	No CCA
	Week 8	25-Feb	CCA
	Week 9	4-Mar	CCA
	Week 10	11-Mar	CCA

10. Group Personal Accident (GPA) Insurance for Pupils

The Ministry has purchased a Group Personal Accident (GPA) insurance plan from Income Insurance Limited (Income Insurance) for all pupils. Information on claims, FAQs and other details pertaining to the GPA insurance plan can be found on Income Insurance's website at <https://www.income.com.sg/studentgpa>.

For claims submission, parents are to submit their claims online and check their claims status through the Income Insurance's online claims portal <https://studentgpa.incomegroupins.com.sg>.

11. Starting the School Year Right!

As we begin 2026, it is important as parents, to prepare your child/ward to start the school year off right. This requires some planning to ensure that he/she is prepared. By following these easy tips, not only will you make it a smooth transition into the school year, but your child/ward will come to school with confidence, ready for a successful year ahead.

a) Set specific goals

Work with your child/ward to determine what they want to achieve this school year. Help them break long-term goals down into smaller goals that they can see themselves achieving. Every little step is important in reaching those goals!

b) Deliver genuine praise often

Praise your child/ward not only for what they accomplish, but also for what they try to accomplish. Let them know that you believe in them and reflect on any new skill they gained over the year like resilience, time management and responsibility.

c) Set up a study area

Make study time more effective by creating a distraction-free zone away from the television, tablets and phones. Be sure this area is stocked with necessary supplies like pens, paper, markers, books, magazines that they can use as they are engaged in a task.

d) Establish a consistent homework routine

Schedule a daily homework time and make it a part of your family's routine right from the start. This also helps children to see that homework is a priority.

e) Get to know your child's/ward's teachers

One of the most important aspects of any parent-teacher-child relationship is the establishment of regular communication. This will strengthen the relationship in developing healthy skills and habits which will in turn help your children start the school year off right and finish it off successfully.

12. Growth Mindset Nuggets #1: G.R.O.W. with Me! @ WSPS

G.R.O.W. with Me! @ WSPS reflects our school's whole-school approach to nurturing resilience and a Growth Mindset in every White Sandian. The acronym G.R.O.W. represents our commitment to developing pupils with a **G**rateful heart, a **R**esilient spirit, the ability to **O**vercome obstacles, and the mindset to **W**in together.

In today's rapidly changing world, developing a Growth Mindset and strong social-emotional competencies helps our pupils build confidence, positive relationships, and well-being, while strengthening their character and values.

We invite parents to scan the QR code to learn more about how you can support your child's social-emotional development at home. Let us start 2026 on the right footing, together, as partners in your child's growth.



13. Major Events and Holidays for Term 1

Date	Event	Remarks
1 Jan (Thu)	New Year's Day	Public Holiday
2 Jan (Fri)	Back to school for P1 pupils only	P2 – P6 pupils do not report to school.
5 Jan (Mon)	Back to school for P2 – P6 pupils	All pupils to report to school.
9 Jan (Fri)	Annual SSC Phototaking for P1 and P6 pupils	--
14 Jan (Wed)	Commencement of CCA	For P3 – P6 pupils only
6 Feb (Fri)	P5 and P6 SPECS	More details will be provided at a later date.
13 Feb (Fri)	P3 and P4 SPECS	
17 Feb (Tue) – 18 Feb (Wed)	Chinese New Year	Public Holiday
23 Feb (Mon) – 6 Mar (Fri)	P3 – P6 Weighted Assessment (WA) 1	More details will be provided at a later date.
6 Mar (Fri)	P2 SPECS	
13 Mar (Fri)	P1 SPECS	
14 Mar (Sat) – 22 Mar (Sun)	Term 1 School Holidays	--

Thank you for your kind attention to the above information. We look forward to a fulfilling Term 1 in 2026 with your child/ward.

Your partner-in-education,



Ms Audrey Wong
Principal