



Dear parents/guardians,

We are reaching the end of Term 2. We would like to thank you for your continued partnership in developing the success stories in all our pupils. Following are some important announcements and information for your noting.

1. Parent Engagement Sessions on 29 and 30 May 2025 (Thursday and Friday)

a) *GROW with Me!* Conversations (Parent-Teacher-Child Conference)

GROW with Me! Conversations was developed as a platform for our P1–P6 White Sandians to grow as confident communicators. During this conference, your child will share their successes and challenges with you and their C4RE Teacher. With the combined support and wisdom of both teachers and parents, we hope to encourage your child to take greater ownership of their learning journey and empower him/her to develop essential skills to thrive in school.

All parents and guardians are strongly encouraged to book a session with your child's C4RE Teacher to participate in these purposeful conversations. More details of this conference will be shared via Parents Gateway closer to the date.

Please note that there will be no formal lessons on these two days. Instead, pupils will be engaged in the *Student-Initiated Learning Programme*, which is detailed in the next section.

b) Information on PSLE, Full Subject-Based Banding, S1 Posting & DSA-Sec

Information related to the PSLE, Full Subject-Based Banding (SBB), Secondary 1 (S1) Posting, and Direct School Admission for Secondary Schools (DSA-Sec), which was shared during the February School–Parents Engagement and Communication session for P6 parents/guardians and pupils, is available on the school's website for your reference: <https://www.whitesandspri.moe.edu.sg/for-parents/Briefing-Slides-2/P6/>

2. Student-Initiated Learning Programme

As part of our school's mission to develop our pupils as passionate learners, we will be implementing a non-graded Student-Initiated Learning (SIL) programme during the upcoming mid-year school holidays. The objectives of SIL are to:

- Provide opportunities for pupils to explore their interests and passions.
- Promote self-directed learning and encourage pupil voice.
- Uncover hidden talents that pupils may have.

Pupils can access the lesson package via the SLS portal on **Thursday, 29 May 2025** to kick-start the programme. Selected pupils' work will be showcased in Semester 2 through presentations and exhibitions.

We strongly encourage all pupils to participate in the spirit of lifelong learning. Parents are also encouraged to provide support and guidance to their child throughout the SIL journey.

3. Primary 6 Supplementary Lessons During June Holidays

To support our Primary 6 pupils in easing back into the learning routine after the term break, the school has scheduled supplementary lessons from **25 to 27 June 2025 (Wednesday to Friday)**, tentatively from **8.00 am to 12.30 pm**. The detailed schedule and the consent form will be shared via Parents Gateway before the end of Term 2.

4. NatureQuest: Active Adventure League for Primary 4 Pupils

The Primary 4 pupils will be going for an outdoor gamification learning experience to Pasir Ris Park on **Thursday, 15 May 2025** during school curriculum hours.

Pupils will get to apply outdoor competencies learnt during PE lessons to discover nature from different perspectives. They are also given the opportunity to explore their surroundings safely with the help of technology, and to optimise the use of their senses to stay present and focused through various outdoor activities.

Please refer to the notification sent out via Parents Gateway on **22 April** for more details.



5. **Preserving our Biodiversity (in support of: #GoGreenSG)**

The International Day for Biodiversity, celebrated annually on **22 May**, raises awareness about the importance of protecting our planet's biodiversity and the challenges it faces — such as habitat loss due to urban development.

In support of **#GoGreenSG**, we encourage families to learn more about how each of us can play a part in preserving biodiversity. Visit <https://www.greenplan.gov.sg/take-action/what-you-can-do/> to discover how you can be part of the Green Plan.

Let's work hand in hand to protect our environment and build a more sustainable future for all.

6. Primary 6 Mother Tongue Language Day Camp

The Mother Tongue Languages (MTL) Department will be organising a MTL Day Camp for all Primary 6 pupils taking the Chinese, Malay and Tamil Languages as their official Mother Tongue language on **Friday, 23 May 2025** from 2.00pm – 4.30pm.

The primary objective of the MTL Day Camp is to create an immersive learning environment aimed at refining pupils' comprehension and writing skills. Through a variety of experiential learning activities, pupils will have the opportunity to:

- Engage in immersive language learning experiences.
- Refine their comprehension and writing skills through interactive activities.
- Develop confidence in written communication skills.

We look forward to your child's participation in this enriching learning experience, which will support their continued growth in the Mother Tongue Languages. Please refer to the consent form sent via Parents Gateway (PG) on **29 April** for more details.

7. Healthy Living #4: Nutrition and Exercise

Proper nutrition is essential for active children, providing the energy they need to play, learn, and grow well. The Health Promotion Board (HPB)'s Healthy Plate is a simple and effective guide to ensure a balanced diet. It recommends:

- Half the plate with fruits and vegetables
- One-quarter with whole grains, such as brown rice or whole-wheat bread
- One-quarter with lean proteins like chicken, beans, or fish

This balanced approach helps children get a good mix of vitamins, minerals, and energy to support their active lifestyles. Healthy snacks like yogurt, nuts, and fruit can also help maintain their energy levels throughout the day.

Hydration is just as important as nutrition. Drinking fluids before, during, and after physical activity helps maintain their energy and performance. Water is the best choice for hydration and children should be encouraged to take small sips regularly throughout the day. In hot weather or during extended activity, while sports drinks may help to replenish electrolytes, but water should remain the primary choice.

For more tips on healthy eating and hydration, you may visit the following HPB resources:

<https://www.healthhub.sg/programmes/nutrition-hub/eat-more>

<https://www.healthhub.sg/live-healthy/the-best-refreshment>

8. Growth Mindset Nuggets #5: Effort Leads to Mastery

The idea that **effort leads to mastery** is incredibly powerful when applied to literacy skills like reading. The key is to read regularly and widely with a variety of texts — whether it is fiction, non-fiction, or of different genres. Since mastery does not happen overnight, repeated exposure to texts and consistent effort in reading are crucial in building strong literacy foundations.

Consistent effort in reading could also nurture your child's growth mindset. For example, when your young child mispronounces a word or struggles with understanding a passage. These are perfect opportunities to pause, re-read together, or look up unfamiliar words. Over time, this shared attention to detail will enhance your child's literacy skills. As their confidence grows, reading will become even more enjoyable. Effort in reading isn't just about fluency — for more mature readers, it is about engaging deeply with the text, learning from mistakes, and staying committed to the learning process.

As part of our SG60 celebration, we encourage your child to explore recommended books from the NLB's Singapore Collection, featured in the CYLA Quest booklist (<https://go.gov.sg/nlb-cyla-booklist>), where they can discover more about Singapore's culture and literature. You may also scan the QR code to access a list of recommended books (Primary 1 to Primary 6), curated by our English Department to keep your child engaged in meaningful reading.



<https://go.gov.sg/recommendedreadinglist>

Thank you for your kind attention to the above information.

Your partner-in-education,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Audrey Wong'.

Ms Audrey Wong
Principal