



Dear Parents / Guardians

A Warm Welcome Back to Term 4

Welcome to the final term of our school year! As we step into Term 4, we reflect on the excitement and fulfillment that 2024 has brought us. This year has been a journey of learning and growth for our entire school community as we work on strengthening our emphasis on 21st Century Competencies (21CC) to help our students cultivate future-ready competencies that will better enable them to achieve their aspirations and contribute back to society.

Our Eliasians continued to enjoy a wide array of exciting learning experiences. They participated in diverse Learning Journeys to various locations, immersing themselves in experiential learning. Some of these include the P3 Learning Journey to Gardens by the Bay, the P4 Values-in-Action project focusing on sustainable practices (Sungei Api-Api River clean-up), and the P5 activities such as the P5 Code for Fun, In-Conversation programme and the NE Show. Students also showcased their talents in the Teachers' Day Concert and eagerly anticipate the upcoming Children's Day celebrations in October. Additionally, they participated in various competitions and programs, equipping them with essential skills and values that will help them thrive beyond the classroom.

Through these opportunities, our Eliasians have also developed the ability to make their thinking visible, engage in meaningful discussions, consider diverse perspectives, reflect on their learning, and tackle creative problem-finding and solving. We hope they have enjoyed these experiences and have adapted well to various learning approaches, both in the classroom and online. Most importantly, we remain committed to supporting their growth as empathetic and concerned citizens who are committed in making a meaningful difference for the greater good.

Emotional support for students

With the changes in learning modes over the past few years, some students may feel uneasy or distracted, especially if they spend excessive screen time during their leisure breaks. As our students, especially those in P3-6, prepare for their summative assessments in Term 4, they may also experience heightened anxiety. Symptoms of this anxiety could include feelings of worry and overwhelm, a sense of hopelessness, lethargy, and burnout.

In school, we remain committed to nurturing our Eliasians' resilience and sense of belonging, empowering them as learners, and closely monitoring their mental well-being through our teachers' observations, interactions and dialogues. We also seek parents' assistance in early detection, so that we can work together to provide the child with timely intervention and support. If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to your child's Form Teachers.

As we continue to develop every Eliasian to be a life long learner, future ready and concerned citizen, we would like to thank you for your partnership and support, for working alongside our teachers and taking a keen interest in your child/ward's educational journey.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Chua Pei Pei', written in a cursive style.

Chua Pei Pei (Mdm)
Principal

A IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

1 First Day Matters (Term 4, 2024)

All students will report back to school on Monday, 9 September 2024.

In Semester 2, our recess time slots are:

Level	Recess Time
Primary 1 and 2	9.30 a.m. to 10.00 a.m.
Primary 3 and 4*	10.00 a.m. to 10.30 a.m.
Primary 5 and 6	10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m.

*There may be some changes in the recess time slots for P4 students on Swimsafer days.

2 Ensuring a Safe Environment for All

EPPS will continue to employ measures to ensure a safe school and examination environment, including wiping down high-touch surfaces and conducting visual screening of students' well-being. Exercising personal and social responsibility is key in keeping the school community safe. Those who are unwell are advised to follow the Ministry of Health's protocols to self-isolate and to see a doctor. We encourage all students and teachers to continue to stay vigilant, practise good personal hygiene and seek medical attention if they are unwell.

3 MOE Kindergarten @ Elias Park (MK@Elias Park)

The renovation of our MK@Elias Park is near completion and we will be ready for operations from 2 Jan 2025 to welcome our very first cohort of K1 children. Our MK K1 programme runs from 8am to 12.30pm where children will be engaged in enjoyable and meaningful activities that promote their holistic development. We offer the 3 official Mother Tongue Languages (Chinese, Malay and Tamil) and nurture bilingualism to develop listening, speaking and early reading and writing skills through interactive games and activities. In addition to the MK programme, MK@Elias Park offers Kindergarten Care (KCare), for parents who require a full-day care service within the same premises.

Our enrolment of MK students is all-year round. If your child is born between 2 Jan 2020 and 1 Jan 2021 and you are interested to find out more about MK@Elias Park, please connect with us via email at mk_eliaspark@moe.edu.sg.

4 PSLE Examination Timetable, School Closure and Home-based Learning (HBL) Dates

Please note the important dates for PSLE Examinations, school closure and HBL dates for P4 and P5 levels.

PSLE Examination	Date	Announcement
Listening Comprehension	Friday, 13 September	P1-P5 will remain at home.
Written Papers	Thursday, 26 September – Wednesday, 2 October	<p>P1 – P3 students report to school as usual.</p> <p>P4 students have HBL on 26 & 27 Sep and will report back to school as usual from 30 Sep.</p> <p>P5 students report to school as usual on 26 & 27 Sep and have HBL on 30 Sep and 1 Oct. They report back to school on 2 Oct.</p> <p>More details on P4 & P5 HBL will be shared via PG nearer the dates.</p>
Marking Exercise	Monday, 14 Oct – Wednesday, 16 Oct	All P1-P6 students will remain at home.

The General Office remains open from 7.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. on all the above-mentioned dates.

The 2024 PSLE Examination timetable is available on the school and SEAB websites. For PSLE matters such as paper formats, approved calculator/dictionary lists, please visit <https://www.seab.gov.sg/home/examinations/psle> .

For the new PSLE Scoring, please visit <https://www.moe.gov.sg/microsites/psle-fsbb/psle/main.html>

5 End-of-Year Examination

Information on the End-of-Year Examinations was shared with parents/guardian via PG announcement sent in end August. On our school website home page, please select the tab 'For Parents', followed by tab 'Assessment'. Parents can view:

- School Examination Policy
- Format of the Exam Papers
- Exam Schedule
- Exam Scope of Topics

If your child/ward is unwell on the exam day, we appeal to parents/guardians **not to send** their child/ward to school for exams. Parents/Guardians are required to take their child/ward to a clinic

and obtain a medical certificate to certify their absence. Kindly note that there will be **no re-test** for any written component/paper for all examinations.

6 Guidelines for Class Allocation

Please be informed that the school follows these guidelines in our allocation of classes:

- Enhancing social diversity in the classroom
- Maintaining class integrity
- Strengthening peer relationships
- Reducing over-emphasis on academic performance

Students promoted to <u>same class</u> in 2025	Students promoted to <u>new class</u> in 2025
Primary 1 (2024) Primary 3 (2024) Primary 5 (2024)	Primary 2 (2024) Primary 4 (2024)

7 Subject-Based Banding (For Primary 4)

Subject-based banding (SBB) gives our students the opportunity to take a combination of subjects at standard and foundation levels based on their strengths. Students can take a mix of standard and foundation subjects through SBB at Primary 5 and Primary 6.

Primary 4 students will receive their Report Books and option forms on **Monday 11 November 2024**. Parents/Guardians are to indicate their choice of Primary 5 subject combination for their child/ward. Please check that the option form is completed accurately and submitted to Form Teachers **latest by Wednesday 13 November**. Please kindly be informed that the school will not be accepting further requests for subject combination changes after the submission date.

More details will be sent to parents through PG nearer the date.

8 MOE Edusave Awards

Edusave Awards are given by the MOE annually to Singaporean students to enhance educational opportunities and motivate students to excel in schools in academic and non-academic domains. The three broad categories of Edusave Awards are:

- a. Excellence in Character and Values
Edusave Character Award (ECHA)
- b. Excellence in Non-Academic Achievements
Edusave Awards for Achievement, Good Leadership & Service (EAGLES)
- c. Excellence in Academic Achievements
Edusave Scholarship (ES)
Edusave Merit Bursary (EMB)
Edusave Good Progress Award (GPA)

For the Edusave Character Award (ECHA) and EAGLES (E21CC) Award, the school would like to invite parents and instructors/coaches to make their nominations for deserving students so as to provide a diversity of perspectives. The nominated students must demonstrate exemplary character/ 21st century competencies, integrity and altruism with consistent behaviour that would serve as a role model to others and be held in high esteem by the school community.

Nominations may be submitted via these 2 links - <https://go.gov.sg/eppsechanomination> and <https://go.gov.sg/eppse21ccnomination> (Monday 9 September to Sunday 29 September 2024).

For more information about the Edusave Awards, you may contact Mdm Marilyn Goh at marilyn_goh_jing_ling@moe.edu.sg or visit the MOE website at <https://www.moe.gov.sg/financial-matters/awards-scholarships/edusave-awards>. Parents/Guardians will be notified if their child/ward has been awarded with the Edusave Awards in December.

B SCHOOL PROGRAMMES IN TERM 4

1 Children's Day Celebrations

The school will celebrate Children's Day on Thursday, 3 October 2024. A series of performances and activities have been planned to ensure our students have an enjoyable and memorable day. All students are required to wear their PE attire for the celebrations. There will be early dismissal for all students at 10.30 a.m.

MOE has scheduled the primary school holiday on Friday, 4 October 2024. On behalf of the school staff and School Leaders, we wish all Eliasians a joyful and restful Children's Day.

2 Deepavali Celebrations

Deepavali falls on Thursday, 31 October 2024. EPPS will celebrate the occasion with cultural performances and a showcase of traditional wear. The school wishes all Eliasians and families a happy and joyous Deepavali!

3 Results Processing and Promotion Day

There will be no school on Friday, 8 November 2024 as the teaching staff will be involved in the processing of academic results and discussions on student promotion. All P1-P6 students will not report to school.

4 Parents-Child-Teacher-Conference (PCTC) for P1-5

During the upcoming PCTC session on Friday, 15 November 2024, parents/guardians will have the opportunity to meet your child/ward's Form Teacher(s) and engage in a meaningful dialogue about your child's progress. This session provides a valuable opportunity for students, parents, and teachers to interact, allowing students to take an active role in sharing their learning experiences and achievements. Students are active participants during the PCTC session, where they will present a portfolio of their work and reflect on their areas of growth and strengths. Parents will have the opportunity to affirm their child's efforts and achievements.

PCTC sessions aim to:

- (i) Strengthen parent-child bonding,
- (ii) Provide parents with a fuller understanding of what and how your child has learned,
- (iii) Offer a platform for students to share highlights of their learning journey throughout the year.

The PCTC sessions are conducted in person. Instructions for the booking of PCTC Session will be sent via PG by mid-September. From **Monday 30 September to Friday 11 October 2024**, parents/guardians can log into the Parent Gateway app to book the PCTC session to meet your child/ward's Form Teacher(s). If parents/guardians are unable to book any slots for PCTC, please feel free to contact your child's/ward's Form Teachers via email or phone call.

Report books will be returned to students on Wednesday, 13 November 2024. Please ensure that the report book is duly signed and returned to your child/ward's Form Teacher(s) on the first day of school in 2025.

5 Annual Art Charity Sale 2024

EPPS will be having our annual #SpareYourChangeForSuzy Campaign, in partnership with the Cerebral Palsy Association.

Cerebral Palsy is a permanent condition caused by damage to the developing brain and affects muscle movement and posture. These donations will make a profound impact by providing essential programmes and services to over 700 individuals with cerebral palsy and multiple disabilities.

Our Art Charity Sale is scheduled to take place during recess in the final week of the term. Eliasians may lend their support with the purchase of hand-made items made lovingly by our Art & Crafts Club members. All proceeds will go to the charity.

More details on the Art Charity Sale will be shared on PG nearer the date. Should you require any clarifications on the Art Charity Sale, please contact Mdm Azilla at nur_azilla_nazli@moe.edu.sg.

6 E-Honours Day 2024

Our Honours Day is an annual awards ceremony which recognises our students' diverse achievements in both academic and co-curricular domains. As a school community, we celebrate the continued growth and holistic achievements of our Eliasians.

Due to the school renovation works that will begin in October, the school hall will be out of bounds. As such, the Honours Day ceremony has been redesigned into a blended format. The recorded ceremony will be shared with parents of awardees after the programme.

Level	Date	Audience	Remarks
Primary 1 - 4	Wednesday 13 November 2024	During respective sessions, all P1-P6 students will view the live award presentations via Zoom, in their own classrooms.	All P1-P6 students should report to school as per normal by 7.30 a.m. and will be dismissed at 1.30 p.m. Last day of school for P1-4 students.
Primary 5 and 6	Thursday 14 November 2024	The recorded ceremony will be shared with parents of awardees on Parents Gateway.	Only P5 – P6 students should report to school as per normal by 7.30 a.m. and will be dismissed at 11a.m. Last day of school for P5 and P6 students.

7 Eat with Your Family Day

'Eat With Your Family Day' (EWYFD) reminds parents to put aside their work and devices and connect with their children during meals. It is an important reminder to make time for our families. Held on the last Friday of each school term, EWYFD is a joint effort by Centre for Fathering, MUMS for Life and DADs for Life, in partnership with Families for Life and in support of the Made For Families initiative.

Building strong and resilient families, makes for stronger communities and better individual well-being. For more information on Made for Families, please visit www.madeforfamilies.gov.sg.

Summary of Term 4 Events (Mid Sept – Nov 2024)

Date	Events	Remarks
Monday 9 September	First Day of School	All students report back to school.
Friday 13 September	PSLE Listening Comprehension	P1-P5 remain at home.
Tuesday 17 September	End Year Examination: P3 Mother Tongue Language Oral P5 English Language Oral	For P3 and P5 only. <u>After</u> curriculum hours. The letter on Oral Grouping will be given to your child.
Wednesday 18 September	End Year Examination: P3 English Language Oral P4 Mother Tongue Language Oral	For P3 and P4 only. <u>After</u> curriculum hours. The letter on Oral Grouping will be given to your child.
Monday 23 September	End Year Examination: P4 English Language Oral P5 Mother Tongue Language Oral	For P4 and P5 only. <u>After</u> curriculum hours. The letter on Oral Grouping will be given to your child.
Monday 23 September – Wednesday 25 September	P6 Study Break	P6 remain at home for self-study. School as usual for P1-P5.
Thursday 26 September – Wednesday 2 October	PSLE Written Papers	P1 – P3 students report to school as usual. P4 students have HBL on 26 & 27 September and will report back to school as usual from 30 Sept. P5 students report to school as usual on 26 & 27 Sept and have HBL on 30 Sept and 1 Oct. They report back to school on 2 Oct. More details on P4 & P5 HBL will be shared via PG nearer the dates.
Thursday 3 October	Children’s Day Celebration	Early dismissal for all students at 10.30am.
Friday 4 October	Children’s Day	School Holiday
Wednesday 9 October	P3-5 End Year Examination: English Language Listening Comprehension and Paper 1	For P3- P5 only. During curriculum hours. Please refer to the Assessment Curricular sent through PG and uploaded on the school website.
Thursday 10 October	P3-5 End Year Examination: Mother Tongue Listening Comprehension and Paper 1	For P3- P5 only. During curriculum hours. Please refer to the Assessment Curricular sent through PG and uploaded on the school website.

Date	Events	Remarks
Monday 14 October – Wednesday 16 October	PSLE Marking Exercise	P1-P6 students remain at home.
Tuesday 15 October – Wednesday 16 October	Gifted Education Programme Selection Exercise	For shortlisted P3 students only. Details will be sent through PG.
Monday 21 October – Friday 25 October	P3-5 End Year Examination: English Language Paper 2 Mathematics Paper Mother Tongue Paper 2 Science Paper Higher Mother Tongue Paper 1 & 2	For P3- P5 only. During curriculum hours. Please refer to the Assessment Curricular sent through PG and uploaded on the school website.
Monday 28 October	P6 Graduation Party	For P6 only. Please refer to the PG message that will be sent out nearer the date.
Thursday 31 October	Deepavali	Public Holiday
Monday 4 November – Wednesday 6 November	P5 Camp	For P5 students only. Please refer to the PG message that will be sent nearer the date.
Thursday 7 November	P5 HBL	For P5 only. Please refer to PG message that will be sent nearer the date.
Friday 8 November	Results Processing & Promotion Day P1 (2025) Orientation	No school for P1-P6 students.
Wednesday 13 November	Subject-Based Banding: Last day of submission of option forms for 2025 P5 subject combination	For P4 students only. Option forms must be duly completed and returned to Form Teachers.
	E-Honours Day (P1-4)	P1-6 students report to school as usual by 7.30 a.m. and will be dismissed at 1.30p.m. P1-4 students will view the live award presentations via Zoom, in their own classrooms. The recorded ceremony will be shared with parents of awardees on Parents Gateway.

Date	Events	Remarks
Thursday 14 November	E- Honours Day (P5-6)	<p>Only P5-6 students should report to school as usual by 7.30 a.m. and will be dismissed at 11 a.m.</p> <p>P5-6 students will view the live award presentations via Zoom, in their own classrooms.</p> <p>The recorded ceremony will be shared with parents of awardees on Parents Gateway.</p>
Friday 15 November	Parent-Child-Teacher-Conference (PCTC)	<p>For P1-P5 parents/ guardians and their child/ward. 8.00a.m. – 5.00 p.m. Details will be sent through PG. Students are encouraged to attend the PCTC slot with their parents/ guardians to share about their learning.</p>
	'Eat with Family' Day	Home celebrations