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Dear Parents / Guardians

A warm welcome back to Term 4

Time flies! We are finally going into the last term of our school year. It has been a fulfilling three terms of learning and growth for our school community, with differentiated resources prepared by our dedicated staff.

Despite the restrictions which have been necessitated by the pandemic, our Eliasians continued to experience many exciting learning experiences. They included our MOE-School Emergency Exercise which was conducted at an external holding site (Pasir Ris-Elias CC), P3 Learning Journey to Fort Canning Park, P3 Mother Tongue Language Cultural Camp, P4 Values-in-Action with Project Work on sustainable practices (Sungei Api-Api river clean-up), hosting of school visits by our Eco-Stewards, P5 activities (NE Show, Swimsafer Programme, School Camp) as well as the Teachers' Day Concert Performance and the upcoming Children's Day celebrations in October.

Through these opportunities, our students learn to make their thinking visible, discuss ideas, consider others' perspectives, reflect on their takeaways, and engage in creative problem-finding and solving. We hope our Eliasians have enjoyed their learning and are well adjusted to blended learning approaches. Above all, we will continue to support them in their growth as Citizen Leaders with empathy and resilience who can make a difference for the greater good.

EPPS Celebrates!

We are pleased to share that our Eliasians worked very hard for their first physical presentation at the 2022 Singapore Youth Festival (SYF), after a two-years hiatus. The SYF Arts Presentation will not be benchmarked this year, but students will receive feedback from the SYF panel of adjudicators.

All our Performing Arts CCA groups did exceedingly well, including our Modern Dance and Chinese Orchestra (ECHO). In addition, our Choir also presented their maiden performance and it was very well-received by the audience.

The National School Games for Juniors, which was completed in Term 3, also took on a different game structure whereby students were grouped into different tiers based on their preliminary round performances. We are pleased to share the following results from our junior Volleyball and Table tennis players.

Volleyball

3rd placing for Junior Division Girls Tier 1

1st placing for Junior Division Boys Tier 2

Table Tennis

1st placing for Junior Boys Individual Tier 2

1st placing for Junior Boys Individual Tier 3

We would like to express our deepest appreciation to all CCA teachers-in-charge for their hard work, parents as well as CCA instructors for their strong support and dedication to make these learning, achievements and performances possible.

Emotional support for students

With changes in learning modes in the past few years, some students may experience uneasiness or even feel distracted as they spend excessive screen time during their leisure breaks. As students across all levels prepare for their formative and summative assessments in Term 4, our children may also experience higher levels of anxiety. Some symptoms could include feeling worried and overwhelmed, feeling hopeless, always feeling tired and burnout.

On the school's end, we will continue our proactive approach to nurture Eliasians' resilience and sense of belonging, empower them as learners and monitor their mental well-being through our teachers' observations and dialogues. We would also like to seek our parents' assistance in early detection so that the school can work together with you for early intervention and support. Please feel free to contact your child's Form Teachers if you have any concerns.

As we continue to develop every Eliasian to be a Scholar, Sportsman, Artist, Leader and 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,



Chua Pei Pei (Mdm)
Principal

A IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

1 First Day Matters (Term 4, 2022) and Safety Management Measures

All students will report back to school on Monday 12 September 2022. As the school community returns to a learning environment with more social interactions, our students may better cultivate dispositions of character, socio-emotional well-being and feel empowered to become their best selves.

With further relaxation of the safe management measures announced in August, mask wearing will be optional in both indoor and outdoor settings in MOE schools. Schools will also 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, practice good personal hygiene and seek medical attention if they are unwell.

2 PSLE Examination Timetable, School Closure and HBL Dates

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

PSLE Examination	Date	Announcement
Oral	Monday 15 August – Tuesday 16 August	P1-P5 students will remain at home.
Listening Comprehension	Friday, 16 September	
Written Papers	Thursday, 29 September – Wednesday, 5 October	P1 – P3 students report to school as usual. P4 students report to school as usual on 29 & 30 Sept and have HBL on 3 and 4 Oct. They report back to school on 5 Oct. P5 students have HBL on 29 & 30 Sept and report to school as usual from 3 Oct. More details on P4 & P5 HBL will be shared on PG nearer the dates.
Marking Exercise	Monday, 17 October – Thursday, 20 October	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. For 2022 PSLE matters such as exam timetable, paper formats, approved calculator, and 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>

3 End-of-Year Examination

Information on the End-of-Year Examinations was shared with parents/guardian via PG announcement sent in end Aug. 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.

4 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 Same Class in 2023	Students promoted to New class in 2023
Primary 1 (2022) Primary 3 (2022) Primary 5 (2022)	Primary 2 (2022) Primary 4 (2022)

5 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 Wednesday 9 November 2022. Parents/Guardians are to indicate their choice of 2023 Primary 5 subject combination for their child/ward. Please check that the option form is completed accurately and submitted to Form Teachers latest on Friday 11 November 2022. Please kindly be informed that the school will not be accepting further requests for subject combination changes after the submission date. For more information on SBB, please visit <https://www.moe.gov.sg/primary/curriculum/subject-based-banding>

6 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 a. Edusave Character Award (ECHA), the school would like to invite students, instructors/coaches and parents to make their nominations for deserving students so as to provide a diversity of perspectives. The nominated students must demonstrate exemplary character, integrity and altruism with consistent behaviour that would serve as a role model to others, and be held in high esteem by peers, staff, parents and other key stakeholders.

Nominations via https://bit.ly/ECHA_Nomination_By_Parents, opens on Monday 12 September 2022 and closes on Friday 30 September 2022. 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 2022.

B SCHOOL PROGRAMMES IN TERM 4

1 Children's Day Celebrations

EPPS will be celebrating Children's Day on Thursday, 6 October 2022, with the theme 'Around the World'. In the first segment, students will enjoy a thematic concert especially prepared by our teaching staff. This is followed by our 'Happy Play' programme, which has different levels participating in various sports activities such as Archery and Human Foosball.

Primary 2 and 6 students will participate in learning journeys to the Singapore Zoological Gardens and urban farm, Ground-Up Initiative (GUI). During recess, games and gift exchange booths will be set up for our children to have some fun. All students should be in their PE attire for the celebrations.

This year's Children's Day celebration emphasizes the importance of having a balanced lifestyle. The need 'to play and relax' is just as important as working hard. MOE has scheduled the primary school holiday on Friday, 7 October 2022. The school staff and School Leaders wish all Eliasians an enjoyable Children's Day.

2 Deepavali Celebrations

Deepavali falls on Monday 24 October 2022. As part of our celebrations on Thursday 3 November from 7.30 – 8.00 a.m., there will be cultural performances and showcase of traditional wear. The school wishes all Eliasians and families a happy and joyous Deepavali!

3 Results Processing & Promotion Day

There will be **no school** on Tuesday 8 November 2022 as teaching staff will be involved in the processing of academic results and discussions on student promotion. All P1-P6 students **will not** need to report for school.

4 Meet-The-Parents Session (for Primary 1- 5)

At the upcoming MTP Session on Wednesday, 16 November 2022, parents/guardians will have the opportunity to meet your child/ward's Form Teacher(s) and obtain feedback on his/her learning progress. MTP sessions may be conducted either in person or via online conferencing.

Instructions for the booking MTP Session will be sent via PG in end Sep. From Monday 3 October to Friday 14 October 2022, parents/ guardians can log into Parent Gateway app to book the MTP session to meet your child/ ward's Form Teacher(s). A separate booking should be made should parents/ guardians wish to meet Mother Tongue Language Teachers. Slots will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.

If parents /guardians are unable to book any slots for MTP, please feel free to contact your child's/ ward's Subject Teachers via email or phone call. Report books will be returned to students by Form Teacher(s) from Tuesday 15 November 2022. 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 2023.

5 Honours Day 2022

Our Honours Day is an annual awards ceremony which recognizes 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. The school is pleased to share that the awards ceremony will be held in the school hall with invited parents and peers joining us on this joyous occasion. The programme will also include performances by our Performing Arts CCAs.

Level	Date /Time	Audience	Remarks
Primary 1 and 2	Thursday 17 November 2022 8.00 a.m.	Invitations will be given to parents of awardees to attend the awards ceremony.	On Thursday 17 November, P1-P6 students should report to school as usual by 7.30 a.m. and will be dismissed at 1.30 p.m. Last day of school for P1 – P4 students.
Primary 3 and 4	Thursday 17 November 2022 11.00 a.m.	Details will be sent to awardees via PG nearer the date.	
Primary 5 and 6	Friday 18 November 2022 8.00 a.m.		

6 Summary of Term 4 Events (Mid Sept – Nov 2022)

Date	Events	Remarks
Monday 12 September	First Day of School	All students report for school.
Friday 16 September	PSLE Listening Comprehension	P1-P5 remain at home.
Monday 19 September	End Year Exam: P4 English Language Oral P3 Mother Tongue Language Oral	For P3 and P4 only. <u>After</u> curriculum hours. The letter on Oral Grouping will be taken home by your child.
Monday 26 September	End of Year Exam: P5 English Language Oral P4 Mother Tongue Oral	For P4 and P5 only. <u>After</u> curriculum hours. The letter on Oral Grouping will be taken home by your child.
Tuesday 27 September	End of Year Exam: P3 English Language Oral P5 Mother Tongue Oral	For P3 and P5 only. <u>After</u> curriculum hours. The letter on Oral Grouping will be taken home by your child.
Monday 26 September - Wednesday 28 September	P6 Study Break	P6 remain at home for self-study. Normal school days for P1-P5.
Thursday 29 September – Wednesday 5 October	PSLE Written Papers	For P6 only. During curriculum hours. P1 – P3 students report to school as usual. P4 students report to school as usual on 29 & 30 Sept and have HBL on 3 and 4 Oct. P4s report back to school on 5 Oct. P5 students have HBL on 29 & 30 Sept and report back to school from 3 Oct. More details on P4 & P5 HBL will be shared on PG nearer the dates.

Date	Events	Remarks
Thursday 6 October	Children's Day Celebration	During curriculum hours. Details will be sent through PG.
Friday 7 October	Children's Day	School Holiday.
Tuesday 11 October	End of Year Exam: English Language Listening Comprehension and Paper 1	For P3 – P5 only. During curriculum hours. Assessment circular was sent through PG in end Aug and is on the school website.
Wednesday 12 October	End of Year Exam: Mother Tongue Listening Comprehension and Paper 1	
Monday 17 October – Thursday 20 October	PSLE Marking Exercise	P1-P6 students remain at home.
Tuesday 18 October – Wednesday 19 October	Gifted Education Programme: Selection Exercise	For shortlisted P3 students only. Details will be sent through PG.
Monday 24 October	Deepavali	Public Holiday.
Wednesday 26 October - Tuesday 1 November	End of Year Exam: 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. Assessment circular was sent through PG in end Aug and is on the school website.
Tuesday 8 November	Results Processing & Promotion Day	No school for P1-P6 students.
Friday 11 November	Subject-Based Banding: Submission of option forms for 2023 P5 subject combination	For P4 students only. Option forms must be duly completed and returned to Form Teachers.
Wednesday 16 November	Meet-The-Parents Session	For P1-P5 parents/guardians. 8.00 a.m. – 5.00 p.m. Details will be sent through PG. Students need not report to school and will return on Thursday 17 November.
Thursday 17 November	Honours Day (P1-P4)	P1 - P6 students report to school as usual by 7.30 a.m. and will be dismissed at 1.30 p.m. Last day of the school for P1 – P4 students.
Friday 18 November	Honours Day (P5-P6)	P5 – P6 student report to school as usual by 7.30 a.m. and will be dismissed at 1.30 p.m. Last day of the school for P5 – P6 students.
Friday 18 November	Eat with Family Day	Home celebrations