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Dear Parents/Guardians,

1. Punctuality

School starts at **7.30 a.m.** and we encourage students to come early. Punctuality is a crucial life skill we want to imbue in our students. While punctuality will promote learning, arriving late to school can be very disruptive for the child, the teacher, and the other students in the class. We seek the support of parents/guardians to ensure that your child/ward is ready early and prepared for school. Our teachers take daily attendance and late coming will be noted as part of his/her behavioural records which will be considered when assigning conduct grades.

2. Students Leaving the School Before the Dismissal Time

We acknowledge that your child/ward may need to leave the school earlier than the usual dismissal time due to illness, medical appointments or any other unforeseen circumstances. In the event of such situations, please inform your child's/ward's Form Teacher. Parents/Guardians will then be required to pick up your child/ward from the General Office, where you will need to sign a record book to acknowledge that you are picking up your child/ward. Subsequently, you will receive a "Permission to Leave School Early" slip which must be handed over to the security personnel at the main gate. Please note that entry and exit into our school will only be via the main entrance. As the safety of our students is of paramount importance, we would appreciate your cooperation in adhering to these guidelines.

3. School Staff Updates

We would like to warmly welcome the following personnel who have joined the school:

- Mr Desmond Lim
- Mr Jeremy Teo
- Miss Melati Binte Zulkarnaen
- Mdm Nurul Amirah Binte Amiruddin
- Ms Tam Ya Wen
- Miss Sim En Qi
- Ms Han Jiao

We bid a fond farewell to the following staff who will be leaving us, and we thank them for their contributions to the school.

- Ms Joycelyn Ho
- Ms Chen Chen
- Miss Ashley Mong

4. Co-Curricular Activities (CCAs) in Semester 2

CCAs are a key component of students' holistic education and in our school, they are part of the school curriculum. It starts at **1.00 p.m. and ends at 3.00 p.m. every Friday**. All Primary 3 to 5 students must attend Friday CCA sessions. In Semester 2, Primary 6 students will not attend Friday CCAs until the end of PSLE. Instead of CCAs, they will seek out and meet up with their Primary 6 subject teachers who will provide further support to them in their preparation for PSLE. All parents have been notified of the dates for CCA sessions via Parents Gateway.

5. 2024 Primary 1 Registration Exercise

The dates for the various phases of registration for admission to Primary One (P1) in 2024 can be found via this link: <https://www.moe.gov.sg/primary/p1-registration/registration-phases-key-dates>. Similar to last year's Primary 1 Registration Exercise, there will not be in-person registration at the school as registration will be fully online.

6. Canteen Update

We are excited to announce the addition of Stall 8 to our canteen, offering a variety of delicious vegetarian meals. Miss Clara Goh will be there to serve our students and staff with healthy and nutritious options.

7. Youth Day

Youth Day is celebrated on **Sunday, 30 June**. As such, **Monday, 1 July**, will be a school holiday. This is a day dedicated to the youth of Singapore. We wish all students and those young at heart a Happy Youth Day!

8. Temperature-taking Exercise (ATTEEx)

Please note that the Annual Temperature-Taking Exercise (ATTEEx) is conducted twice yearly, and it aims to:

- maintain the schools' preparedness to re-activate the attendance and temperature-taking regime should there be a need to, and
- educate our students to be responsible for their own health and practise social responsibility. The ATTEEx for Term 3 will be conducted on **Wednesday, 3 July**.

Please ensure that your child/ward has a functioning oral digital thermometer with them daily.

9. Preliminary Oral Examinations

The Primary 6 English and Mother Tongue Preliminary Oral Examinations will take place on **11 and 12 July**. All Primary 1 to 5 students will stay home and engage in Home-Based Learning (HBL) on these two days. Your child's/ward's Form/Subject Teachers will assign relevant homework through the different HBL platforms according to the timetable for the day. A separate notification will be sent to all parents via Parents Gateway (PG). The details of the HBL assignments will be uploaded to the school website. We seek your assistance in ensuring that your child/ward sets aside sufficient time to complete the assigned tasks.

10. Primary 5 National Education (NE) Show

As part of the key National Education efforts, NE Shows have been organised since 1997 to provide a cohort experience for Primary 5 students to immerse in the full 'live' spectacle of the National Day Parade (NDP). This year, our students will have the opportunity to watch the parade at the Padang on **Saturday, 13 July**.

11. Racial Harmony Day (RHD) Commemoration

The theme for Racial Harmony Day (RHD) this year is *Singapore: Our Multicultural Mosaic*. It reflects how communities in Singapore are unique yet intertwined, creating the cultural diversity that characterises Singapore life. In KCS, we will be focusing on the sub-theme, Our Social Fabric.

The school will commemorate RHD from **15 to 19 July** by organising a variety of activities to deepen our students' understanding of racial harmony in Singapore. On **Friday, 19 July**, we will have food and drinks sampling during recess to expose students to the different traditional food available in Singapore. More details regarding the recess activity will be shared nearer the date. Finally, the assembly programme will also take place on **19 July**. All students are encouraged to come to school in their ethnic attire that day. Ethnic attire should be worn with school shoes for the students' safety. Students also have the options to come to school in their school uniforms or PE attire. It is also a CCA day, so they can bring along their CCA attire to change into before they report for their CCAs.

12. Health Fair

The school will promote healthy living through a series of recess activities during the Health Fair held from **23 to 26 July**. Station games will be set up in the canteen. The school aims to create awareness of mental and physical health, focusing on nutrition, sleep and exercise. We are pleased to invite National Kidney Foundation to educate our students on kidney health as part of their outreach programme. We look forward to our students' active participation during Health Fair.

13. Cyber Wellness Week

As technology advances and more students access the internet, it is crucial to teach them positive online behaviour, encourage them to use the internet responsibly and equip them with the knowledge and tools to safeguard themselves while online. Cyber Wellness Week 2024 will take place **from 30 July to 2 August** with "IT Safety and Security " as the focus. Various activities, both inside and outside the classroom, aim to enable students and staff to learn about and manage cyber wellness issues. Students will have the chance to explore and demonstrate their cyber wellness skills.

14. From the Principal's Desk

Welcome back to a new semester. We hope you had a good term break, spending time with your little ones. We ended Semester 1 with our Learning Festival, where we were able to consolidate our students' learning through various activities that provided them with opportunities to apply and appreciate what they had learnt.

We look forward to an exciting Term 3, where our Primary 5 students will have the opportunity to be part of Singapore's birthday celebration at the NE Show. We will hold celebrations for Racial Harmony Day and National Day, events which the students look forward to yearly. Our Health Fair and Cyber Wellness Week will also be taking place this term. As the Preliminary Examinations will soon commence for our Primary 6 students, we want to wish them all the best as they prepare for their PSLE.

We look forward to your continued support in our home-school partnership so that our students get a quality school experience in KCS, creating memories with their teachers and friends that they will cherish for a long time.



Yours sincerely,
Mdm Cheryl Tan
Principal



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