



# KHENG CHENG SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

## ***Ready, Set, Go!***



**前人栽树, 后人乘凉 Singapore will mark its bicentennial in 2019**

We start off 2019 with a warm welcome to our new Vice Principal, Mr Khoo Ghee Han! We look forward to a new year of learning and growing together as a team.

Just before the new year, our teachers had the privilege to be addressed by Mr Lai Chin Kwang, Chief, ActiveSG, at our annual Learning Symposium with Raffles Girls Primary School and Marymount Convent School. We learnt from him that we are never too old to acquire knowledge, never too old to take on different roles and never too old to add value to our work. To him, nothing beats the motivation that comes from within, especially when one says, "I want to try." We can identify with Mr Lai as we always encourage our students to say "I want to try" through the varied learning opportunities in Kheng Cheng School. We believe that parents play an important role too as part of the home-school partnership and we look forward to share our initiatives with you through our monthly memos and various engagement sessions.

### ***School Hours, Punctuality & Snack Time***

We have implemented the revised school hours for a year. As most days end at 1.45 pm, the snack time at 11.50 am is important so that our students would continue to be energized. Do pack a healthy snack for them or encourage them to buy a snack from the school canteen before school or during recess. School starts at 7.30 am and we encourage students to come early so that they can participate in our daily pre-assembly programmes such as story-telling, community singing, calisthenics and informative talks. Punctuality is a crucial life skill we want to imbue in our students. Our teachers take daily attendance and late coming will be noted as part of the student's behaviour records.

### ***Safety and Security in School***

Our students' safety is of paramount importance. Students will be dismissed according to the written instructions provided by parents. Please give your child clear instructions on where you will pick him/her up after school. Staff will also be deployed at the front gate during peak hours to ensure students' safety. As the school is undergoing upgrading works, we would like to ask parents to ensure that their child would not stay back after school for unsupervised activities. In addition, visitors and parents would not be allowed to loiter in school premises. All visitors and parents would be required to register with the guard at the front gate before reporting to the general office.

### ***Students' Well-Being & Temperature Taking***

We expect our students to maintain a high standard of personal hygiene. If your child is unwell, do consult a doctor and let him/her rest at home. Our teachers will carry out daily visual checks and will contact

parents to bring unwell students home/to seek medical attention. Keep the form teacher updated and submit the medical certificate when he/she is fit to return. The school will be conducting a temperature taking exercise on **Mon, 7 Jan**. Please ensure that your child has his/her thermometer and that it is in good working condition<sup>1</sup>. Replacement ODTs can be purchased from the school bookshop.

### **Remedial, Supplementary & Enrichment Classes**

To complement the existing school curriculum and to provide a varied learning experience, the school will schedule enrichment courses for our students. Students may need to pay for these enrichment courses using their Edusave funds and/or cash. Additionally, students who need support in their learning will be identified accordingly for remedial (P1-4) and supplementary (P5-6) classes. The Form Teachers will inform you via a memo if your child is attending any of these programmes. If there are changes to the regular schedules, the teachers will inform you and your child in writing. Please keep all memos and consent forms so as to ensure your child return home safely. **Do communicate additional after-school activities and transport arrangements you have made, clearly to your child and caregivers.**

### **PSG Meeting 1/19 (Sat, 12 Jan)**

You can make a positive impact on your child's attitude, motivation and self-esteem by being actively involved in your child's school experience. Find out how you can be part of this special group of fathers, mothers and guardians on **Sat, 12 Jan** at our first Parent Support Group (PSG) Meeting 1/19 (10 am to 12 pm). A special call to our new P1 parents to partake in this journey with their child. Do indicate your interest and sign up with us at <https://tinyurl.com/kcspsg2019meet1>.

### **Parents' Briefing (Sat, 26 Jan)**

The school will also be conducting a briefing on **Sat, 26 Jan** for P1-P6 parents. We will share with parents on the curriculum and how we can work together to better support our students. We will share more details via the school website and email to parents.

### **Parents Gateway**

Parents Gateway (PG) is a mobile app to update parents and perform administrative functions (such as publishing Announcements and requesting consent via Consent Forms). The school is currently working with MOE on the rollout of PG for the school. We will notify parents via the school website and monthly memo when we are ready with PG. Parents do not have to download PG until then.

### **Conclusion**

This year, we will also celebrate Singapore's bicentennial since Sir Stamford Raffles landing in 1819. Kheng Cheng School; a school by the community and for the community, will be 92. We have come thus far and will to continue to live the values our founder had espoused. The school rounded off a good 2018 with a celebration of our students' achievements in their PSLE, especially in 10 point increase in the mean PSLE score. We have done well in many areas, and are proud of every single one of our students. We are glad to have provided the varied learning experiences and opportunities afforded through the years that have borne fruit: *Thinking Routines, LLP Value-In-Action projects, national competitions, enrichment programmes and the many school events like Arts Festival.*

We press on to embrace the year, as we continue to relook and reframe to grow the compassionate leader and critical thinker in every Kheng Cheng student. Happy new year!

Sincerely,



Mdm Sarah Leong  
Principal



**PSG Meeting 1/19**  
<https://tinyurl.com/kcspsg2019meet1>

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<sup>1</sup> For lower primary students, teachers will assist them to maintain their ODTs.

**CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES, SEMESTER 1 2019**

DATE	DAY	PROGRAMME / ACTIVITY	LEVEL	TIME
<b>JANUARY</b>				
2 Jan	Wed	Welcome Back to School / Start of Term 1	All	AM
7 Jan	Mon	Temperature Taking Exercise	All	AM
21 Jan	Mon	Commencement of Enrichment, Supplementary & Remedial	P2-P6	PM
26 Jan	Sat	Parents' Briefing	All	AM
31 Jan	Thu	Smartcard Photo Taking (School Uniform)	P1, P6	AM
<b>FEBRUARY</b>				
4 Feb	Mon	Chinese New Year Celebrations	All	AM
5 Feb	Tue	Chinese New Year Public Holiday	All	-
6 Feb	Wed	Chinese New Year Public Holiday	All	-
14-16 Feb	Thu-Sat	P5 Camp	P5	
26 Feb	Tue	P6 CA1 EL & MT LC	P6	AM
27 Feb	Wed	P6 CA1 EL Paper 1 & 2	P6	AM
28 Feb	Thu	P6 CA1 MA Paper 1 & 2	P6	AM
<b>MARCH</b>				
1 Mar	Fri	Founder's Day Celebrations	All	AM
4 Mar	Mon	P6 CA1 MT Paper 1 & 2	P6	AM
5 Mar	Tue	P6 CA1 SCI Paper 2	P6	AM
6 Mar	Wed	P6 CA1 HMT Paper 1 & 2	P6	PM
<b>16-24 Mar</b>	-	<b>Term 1 Vacation</b>	<b>All</b>	-
25 Mar	Mon	Start of Term 2	All	-
<b>APRIL</b>				
13 Apr	Sat	Parents' Symposium	All	AM
<b>19 Apr</b>	<b>Fri</b>	<b>Good Friday Public Holiday</b>	<b>All</b>	-
22-23 Apr	Mon, Tue	P4 SA1 EL & MT Oral	P4	PM
25 Apr & 2 May	Thu	NAPFA Test	P4, P6	AM
29-30 Apr	Mon, Tue	P6 SA1 EL & MT Oral	P6	PM

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<b>MAY</b>				
<b>1 May</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>Labour Day Public Holiday</b>	<b>All</b>	<b>-</b>
2-3 May	Thu, Fri	P5 SA1 EL & MT Oral	P5	PM
10 May	Fri	P4-P6 SA1 Social Studies	P4-P6	AM
13 May	Mon	P4 & P5 SA1 EL Paper 1 & LC P6 SA1 EL LC	P4-P6	-
13-24 May	-	Annual Health Screening	All	AM
14 May	Tue	P4 & P5 SA1 MT Paper 1 & LC P6 SA1 MT LC	P4-P6	-
15 May	Wed	P4 & P5 SA1 EL Paper 2 P6 SA1 EL Paper 1 & 2	P4-P6	-
16 May	Thu	P4 & P5 SA1 MA	P4, P5	AM
17 May	Fri	P4 & P5 SA1 MT Paper 2 P6 SA1 MT Paper 1 & 2	P4-P6	AM
<b>20 May</b>	<b>Mon</b>	<b>Vesak Day Public Holiday</b>	<b>All</b>	<b>-</b>
22 May	Wed	P4 – P6 SA1 SCI	P4-P6	AM
23 May	Thu	P5 & P6 SA1 HMT Paper 1 & 2	P5, P6	AM
31 May	Fri	Parent-Teacher Meeting Last Day of Term 2 (No School for students)	All	AM
<b>JUNE</b>				
1 Jun	Sat	Open House	Select	AM
<b>1-30 Jun</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>Term 2 Vacation</b>	<b>All</b>	<b>-</b>
1-7 Jun	-	China Immersion Programme	Select	-
3 & 4 Jun 26 & 27 Jun	-	P6 Supplementary Lessons	P6	AM
TBC	TBC	SZ Chess Carnival	Select	AM/PM