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PUNGGOL VIEW PRIMARY SCHOOL

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KEEPING-IN-TOUCH (Primary 3 and 4)

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Diary Dates		
Monday 4 Jul	Youth Day (School Holiday) Student Care Centre and General Office will operate as per normal.	
Tuesday 5 Jul	 Eve of Hari Raya Puasa Muslim students will be dismissed at 10.30 am. Please refer to our letter PGVP/169/2016 dated 27 Jun 2016. Owing to the early dismissal of the Muslim staff, some classes with be attended by other teachers from 10.30 am to 1.30 pm. Normal dismissal time for the rest of the students including Muslim students who have no pick up arrangements. 	
Wednesday 6 Jul	Hari Raya Puasa (Public Holiday)	
Friday 15 Jul	 P4 Subject-based Banding and Curriculum Briefing 7.00 pm to 8.50 pm (School Hall). Please refer to our letter PGVP/165/2016 dated 27 Jun 2016. 	
Saturday 23 Jul	 Community Sports Day We are collaborating with Punggol Coast CC to organise a Community Sports Day to promote healthy lifestyles through sports for the residents. We will be issuing a letter to you soon. Tickets are required for entry to the event. Each ticket is priced at \$2 per person/child. Students who are involved in the event as participants for the Racial Harmony Games or as student volunteers to help to manage the activities, will each be given a free ticket. We welcome you and your family to participate in this fun event to promote family bonding through sports. 	
Monday 8 Aug	 National Day Celebrations School will end at 11.00 am. A letter will be issued to you. P1 and P2 students will participate in the Lower Primary Games Day to promote healthy lifestyles and build character. Parents are invited to participate in the Parent-Child Race. The letter will be issued to you to register for the race. P3 and P4 students will have classroom activities to commemorate National Day. This is to help them develop a sense of belonging to and love for Singapore. 	

Diary Dates			
Tuesday 9 Aug	 National Day Observance Ceremony We are collaborating with Punggol Coast CC, Punggol West CC and Fo Guang Shan (Singapore) to organise a National Day Observance Ceremony for the residents and members of the public. Besides the formal National Day Observance Ceremony, there will mass exercise, mass walk and other fringe activities to promote healthy lifestyles and to celebrate our Nation's birthday. A letter will be issued to you. The event will start from 7.30 am to 10.30 am. Our student leaders, scouts and choir members will be involved. We welcome you and your family to participate in this ceremony as we celebrate our Nation's 51st Birthday. 		
Wednesday 10 Aug	National Day (School Holiday) Student Care Centre and the General Office will operate as per normal.		
Friday 26 Aug	P3 Gifted Education Programme (GEP) Screening Test All P3 students can choose to sit for the screening test to ascertain their suitability to be admitted to the GEP in Primary 4. A letter will be issued duly.		
Thursday 1 Sep	 Teachers' Day Celebration (School ends at 11.30 am) We will be celebrating Teachers' Day on 1 Sep and school ends at 11.30 am to allow the teachers to attend a Teachers' Day Lunch at 12.30 pm. A concert is planned from 10.00 am to 11.30 am by the Parents' Support Group (PSG). P1 / P2 students will learn about "Keeping Singapore Clean" and carry out handson activity to clean their classrooms. P3 / P4 will attend cyberwellness lesson. The P3 / P4 will participate the "Keep Singapore and Classroom Clean" lesson on Wednesday 30 Aug. Last day of Term 3 		
Friday 2 Sep	Teachers' Day (School Holiday) Student Care Centre will be closed.		
Saturday 3 Sep to Sunday 11 Sep	School Holiday Break Student Care Centre will operate on Monday 5 Sep to Friday 9 Sep.		
Monday 12 Sep	Hari Raya Haji (Public Holiday)		
Tuesday 13 Sep	First Day of Term 4 Students to report to school as per normal from 7.40 am to 1.40 pm. We will follow the Term 3 Tuesday's Time-table. A new Time-Table will be issued to the students.		

From The Principal

Dear Parents / Guardians,

Greetings from Punggol View Primary School!

We would like to take this opportunity to wish our Muslim families a Selamat Hari Raya Puasa. For the rest of us, a happy holiday break. We have completed one semester and we hope that your child's journey with us has been a joyful and engaging learning experience.

We will not be meeting up for Parent-Teacher Conferencing for this Term. Your child will receive his/her report book and portfolio on Thursday 1 Sep 2016. Please do contact your child's teachers directly if you need any clarifications or feedback.

Please see below the schedule for the Common Test 2 (CA2) for our P3 and P4 students.

Day / Date	Primary 3	Primary 4
Tuesday 16 Aug	CA2 English Language (EL)	CA2 EL
Wednesday 17 Aug	CA2 Maths	CA2 Maths
Thursday 18 Aug	CA2 Malay Language (ML), Chinese	CA2 ML & CL
	Language (CL) & Tamil Language (TL)	
Friday 19 Aug	CA2 Science & Science Practice Test	CA2 Science
Monday 22 Aug	None	Science Practical Test

^{*} We will be checking the scripts on Wednesday 23 Aug and Thursday 24 Aug 2016.

This term will be a busy one for us as we will be collaborating with the community to organise events for the residents like Community Sports Days on Saturday 23 Jul 2016 and National Day Observance Ceremony on Tuesday 9 Aug 2016. We would like to invite you and your family to make time to participate in these activities.

We would like to inform you of the following routines and procedures to ensure the smooth operations of the school and to create a safe and secure environment for all our students:

a. Safety and Security

- Please drive safely and slowly along Punggol Place. Our students are very precious to us and we will not want any careless driver to cause an accident.
- We would be grateful if you could constantly remind your child to <u>walk</u> along the walkway carefully. It will be a good habit to use the traffic lights, zebra crossings and overhead bridges, as well as to cross the road when the vehicles have stopped. Accidents may take place when the drivers are not careful or our children are not mindful when they cross the road.
- Parents/Guardians have to obtain a visitor's pass at the gate for security reasons during normal curriculum time. We have to tighten our security in line with the government's security guidelines.
- We need your cooperation and understanding on this. We do not make apologies for being rule-bound as our students are very precious to us and we take safety and security matters very seriously to ensure our parents/guardians have peace of mind knowing that their children are in a safe environment.

b. Health Matters

- Please be informed that we will not be administering any form of topical medications to your child such as antiseptic cream or medicated oil in view of possible allergic reactions.
- For students who are injured, we will ensure that the wound is washed and covered with a plaster. Our office staff will inform you of the injury so that you can administer antiseptic cream or any medications deemed fit for your child's wound at home.
- For students who have abdominal pain or related discomfort, we will put a heat pad
 to warm the abdominal area. We may also provide a cup of warm water to help the
 child to feel better.

b. <u>Health Matters</u>

- Our children may react different to medications and we want to ensure that we
 provide the basic medical support where applicable. It is advisable for every home to
 have a simple first aid box to provide basic medical treatments like cuts and bruises.
- We encourage you to ensure that your child <u>eats his/her breakfast before he/she</u> <u>comes to school</u>. Research has shown that there is a strong correlation between performance in academic studies and whether the child eats a meal or not. We would be grateful if you could also <u>encourage your child to eat healthily</u> as we certainly do not want our students to become unfit and suffer from obesity.
- Please do get your child to <u>sleep early and to have at least 9 to 10 hours of sleep</u>. We noted a good number of our children are not sleeping early and hence they may not be in the right frame to learn in the morning.

c. Giving Constructive Feedback

- We are very privileged to have you as our supportive parent/guardian. We hope to invite you to participate in the school's programmes and volunteer selflessly. We hope you could support us as Parent Volunteers or even join the Parents' Support Group as the EXCO members.
- You may wish to contact Aunty Alice or Mr Sigmund Seow at 6570 1588 to inform
 either one of them how we could tap on your expertise to volunteer some of your
 time to support our children in their learning. For example, you may wish to
 volunteer your time to share an interesting learning experience and/or your career
 experience with our students on career option and life after school.
- You have also helped by giving us constructive feedback. We want to do better and
 we have been trying to put in place systems and structures to enable us to provide
 quality service and teaching. Please accept our apologies should there be
 lapses but we will continue to do our best to work together with you to provide
 your child with an enriched education experience.
- Our staff works hard because they care for your child and want your child to experience success in school. Please do take every opportunity to encourage our staff through your emails and complimentary notes.

We look forward to your continued support and cooperation as we give your child the education experience that he/she deserves in Punggol View.

Thank you and take care.

Kelvin Tay Principal