

1 October 2022

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are into the final term of the 2022 school year. On behalf of the teachers and staff, I would like to extend my gratitude to parents and students for their kind wishes on Teachers' Day. We also appreciate the time and effort taken by parents and students to participate in the sharing of students' work during the Parent-Teacher-Student Conference (PTSC).

In this letter, we are delighted to share with you some updates and events planned for the month of October:

1. **Children's Day Celebration on Thursday, 6 October 2022**

We are glad to inform you that we will be celebrating Children's Day through our annual Junior Olympic Games (JOG) in-person this year.

Students can look forward to a variety of games for them to participate in and bond with their peers and teachers. All games and activities have also been planned with student and staff safety and well-being in mind, with reference to National and MOE Safe Management Measures. All students will report to school in their PE attire for this event. Please find the details below:

Thursday, 6 October 2022	
0730 to 0745	Flag Raising & Community Singing
0745 to 0800	JOG Torch Relay Ceremony & Children's Day Message
0800 to 1015	JOG at various venues in Horizon Primary School
1015 to 1045	Form Teachers' Bonding Time with Children
1045	Dismissal
<p>Note: All students are encouraged to bring their own hand sanitizer and packed food for QuickBites. The following canteen stalls will remain open for students who need to purchase food:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Stall 1 (Cafe Fantasy) - Stall 2 (Nasi Pandang) - Stall 3 (Noodles Delicacy) 	

As we celebrate the joyous occasion through sports, we are partnering South-East Community Development Council (CDC) to provide students with opportunities to contribute back to society through the *Walk for Rice (WFR)* initiative. Students will be participating in safe activities during JOG and PE lessons to contribute to the total number of steps taken.

In addition, we would also like to extend this opportunity to participate in the WFR component of the JOG to parents/guardians as well. You may consider completing our Outdoor Activity segment of Horizon Family Day 2022 to be part of our school's collective effort to contribute back to society through sports and encourage family bonding. We would like to invite parents/guardians to participate in this charitable cause while exploring and discovering the 'Hidden Stars of Punggol' as you bond with your children/wards.

You may participate as a family and share with us the answers and family photographs taken during the walk via this link: <https://go.gov.sg/ndc-hfd2022stars>. For those who have already completed the activity, we will include your previous submission in the total distance travelled by Horizon Primary School for the WFR. Thank you for your support!

2. Children's Day on Friday, 7 October 2022

Please take note that Friday, 7 October is a School Holiday. Students need not report to school on that day. We would like to wish all students a very happy Children's Day.

3. 2022 PSLE Marking Days and Home-based Learning from Monday, 17 October 2022 to Thursday, 20 October 2022

All Primary 1 to Primary 6 students need not be in school from Monday, 17 October 2022 to Thursday, 20 October 2022 as our teachers will be involved in the 2022 PSLE Marking Exercise. This year, Horizon Primary School will be a PSLE Marking Centre. As such, students and parents are advised not to turn up in school on these days.

To ensure continuity of learning, **Primary 1 to Primary 5 students will be assigned Home-Based Learning (HBL) assignments** (either hardcopy or online) to facilitate their learning at home. Students will be informed of the list of assignments to be completed during HBL period by their subject teachers. Details of platforms supporting online learning are as follows:

English, Science and Malay Language	Singapore Student Learning Space (SLS) https://vle.learning.moe.edu.sg/login
Chinese Language	www.ezhishi.net
Tamil Language	https://pazhahutamil.com/
Mathematics	https://member.koobits.com/

Students are advised to access their online learning accounts **prior to the HBL period** to ensure that they do not face difficulties when gaining access to the portal on that day.

Should your children/wards encounter any difficulty accessing online learning platforms during HBL, please contact the designated Technical Helpdesk for immediate assistance:

- SLS at 6702 6513,
- eZhishi.net at 6742 7555, and
- Koo Bits Support Centre through 'Submit a Request' function at <https://support.koobits.com/hc/en-gb>.

4. **2022 End-of-Year (EYE) Written Examinations from Tuesday, 11 October 2022 to Monday, 31 October 2022**

2022 End-of-Year (EYE) Written Examinations		
Primary 3 to Primary 5	Tuesday, 11 October 2022	English Language Paper 1 & Listening Comprehension
	Wednesday, 12 October 2022	Mother Tongue Language Paper 1 & Listening Comprehension
Primary 5	Friday, 21 October 2022	Higher Mother Tongue Language Paper 1 and Paper 2
Primary 3 to Primary 5	Wednesday, 26 October 2022	English Language Paper 2
	Thursday, 27 October 2022	Mathematics
	Friday, 28 October 2022	Mother Tongue Language Paper 2
	Monday, 31 October 2022	Science

5. **Early Dismissal of All Students**

On Wednesday, 26 October to Friday, 28 October 2022 and Monday, 31 October 2022, **all students** will be dismissed at 12.45 p.m. to facilitate the marking of the Primary 3 to Primary 5 End-of-Year Written Examinations.

6. **Primary 6 Post-PSLE Programme 2022**

A spread of activities catered for the mind and body have been planned for our Primary 6 students as part of the post-PSLE Programme to continue to maximise their learning opportunities in Horizon Primary School.

For example, the students will be embarking on their final series of lessons in Computational Thinking in Mathematics (CTiM). This is our Applied Learning Programme (ALP) which provides opportunities for students to acquire information and technology literacies as well as develop students' 21st century skills and dispositions such as resilience and collaboration.

In addition, there will be a half-day workshop for all students on dealing with stressors and anxiety associated with transitions as they prepare to enter secondary school and manage other changes in their lives as teenagers. Students can also look forward to an interesting learning journey with their classmates - the *Race to Sustainability!* programme at Gardens by the Bay. More details on the learning journey will be shared closer to the actual date.

7. **Deepavali on Monday, 24 October 2022**

Please note that Monday, 24 October 2022 is a School Holiday. We would like to take this opportunity to wish all our Hindu staff, parents and students a very Happy Deepavali.

Your partner-in-Education,

Mrs Grace Leong
Principal