

16 March 2023

# **COMMUNICATION 2/2023**

#### Dear Parents/Guardians

We would like to update you on the upcoming programmes and activities in Term 2 and look forward to your continued support for your child/ward.

### 1. 83rd Founder's Day Celebration

The school will be celebrating our 83rd Founders' Day on <u>Wednesday, 22 March 2023</u>. The theme for this year's event is 'Unity in Diversity'. The focus is to imbue a sense of pride and belongingness to the school. The students will be reminded that they have to work in unity and embrace one another's differences to bring about success in their endeavours. Students will participate in meaningful activities during school hours.

School dismissal is as usual at 1.30pm. There will be no CCAs after school, except for selected performing groups as informed by their teachers in-charge.

#### 2. International Friendship Day

This year, the school will be commemorating International Friendship Day on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>5 April 2023</u>, with the theme "Singapore in Asia".

International cooperation remains key in our complex world. Asia is the world's fastestgrowing region, and Singapore continues to facilitate closer economic, political, social, and cultural cooperation within ASEAN and in Asia. By recognising the importance of connectedness between our neighbouring countries, our youth can play an active role in fostering people-to-people ties, and thus celebrate the region's diversity and vibrancy and promote the spirit of friendship and collaboration. In addition, our older students can deepen their understanding of Singapore's realities as a small state and appreciate how we can safeguard our national interest and have much to contribute to efforts at international cooperation.

To commemorate International Friendship Day, our students will go through CCE lessons and related activities where they will appreciate the spirit of friendship and collaboration among different peoples in ASEAN and beyond.

# 3. School Annual Health Visit

#### For All Students

The Health Promotion Board's (HPB) Annual School-Based Health Screening will be conducted from **10 April to 20 April 2023** for all students.

### For Primary 1 and 5 Students

Please be advised that immunisation will be scheduled for Primary 1 and 5 students. Parents/Guardians are required to submit your child's/ ward's latest medical information and provide consent for the immunisation online via <u>https://childconsent.hpb.gov.sg</u> using your SingPass.

Please complete above required online and submit your Primary 1 and Primary 5 child's/ ward's health booklets/immunisation records to your child's Form Teachers latest by **Monday, 3 April 2023.** 

# 4. Hari Raya Puasa

As Hari Raya Puasa falls on Saturday, 22 April 2023, <u>Monday, 24 April 2023</u> will be a school holiday and a designated day off-in-lieu. Both the School and Ace @ Work Student Care Centre are closed that day.

We would like to wish all Muslim staff and students Selamat Hari Raya Puasa.

# 5. Arts Fest

As part of the school's Learning for Life Programme in "GRowing Appreciation for Creative Expression", all students are given the opportunity to immerse themselves in the vibrancy of the arts at NAPS on **Thursday**, **25 May 2023** to mark the end of a fruitful first semester at school. They will be treated to a day's worth of art and music activities beginning with an exciting line-up of performances by their peers. After which, students can also expect to learn something new about art and music which will be introduced to them by an older student from a senior level. During recess, there will be more art and music activities to look out for.

The Arts Fest was conceived with the intention of giving our students a wider perspective of the Arts as well as to give our art and music leaders an opportunity to lead and champion the Arts. We also hope that this inclusive platform will help students build confidence and create lasting shared memories of being a student at NAPS when they experience the joy of creative expression when acquiring new knowledge or skill and showcase their talent or passion for the Arts.

# 6. Online Parent-Teacher Meeting

In line with the school's continuous effort to foster School-Home partnership, the school will be organising our Parent-Teacher Meeting via Zoom on <u>Thursday, 25 May 2023</u> (2.30 pm – 4.30 pm) and <u>Friday, 26 May 2023 (7.30 am – 12.30 pm)</u>. More information on the booking of an appointment slot with the form/subject teacher(s) will be made known to parents/guardians at a closer date.

# 7. E-Learning Day for P1 to P6

All students are not required to report to school on <u>Friday, 26 May 2023</u>, which is E-Learning Day. Students can access the Student Learning Space (SLS) portal from 8.00 am onwards that day to complete the learning tasks assigned to them by the teachers. More information will be provided closer to date.

### 8. Road Safety Matters

### Travelling to school by private transport

Traffic congestion builds up along Marine Terrace every morning from 7.10am to 7.25am. During this period, drivers are advised to be patient and to give way to pedestrian and public transportation. Refrain from alighting your child/ward outside the front gates of the school, at the bus-stop or along Marine Terrace Road. Please note that vehicles are not allowed to make U-turns outside the front gate of the school.

Alight or pick up your child/ward at the nearby HDB carparks, especially the carparks serving Block 5-8 and Block 52 to ease the traffic congestion within the carpark at Block 4. When waiting for your child/ward during school dismissal, please park your car in a designated parking lot to reduce congestion within the carpark. Refrain from illegal parking and continuous honking at all times.

#### Walking to school

Parents/Guardians who walk your child/ward to school are encouraged to send them to Gate 1 or 4. We urge parents to move away from the gate areas quickly to allow other parents to drop their child/ward off. This is to prevent congestion at the gates and ensure the safety of the students crossing outside the school gate and facilitate movement of cars turning into the school compound.

### Riding to school by bicycle or scooter

Students who ride to school by bicycles or scooters are allowed to park their bicycles or scooters at the waiting area near Gate 4 at their own risk. They are to ensure that their bicycles and scooters are labelled, secured and locked at all times.

Students are reminded to observe road safety when riding on pedestrian pathways and designated areas. They are to refrain from using mobile phones and earphones when riding and always wear protective gears.

# 9. School Attendance

The school day starts at 7.30am daily with flag raising, singing of National Anthem and pledge taking. Students are required to report to school and be present at the Basketball Court (P1 & P2) or the Hall (P3 to P6) or they will be considered late.

The school would like to reiterate that absence during school term for reasons like early/ extended school vacations are not considered as a valid reason. It is important for our students to be in school every day when school is in session; and for parents / guardians and the school to be sending the same signal to them. The school tracks the attendance of our students closely as frequent absence will impact on students' progress and learning in school.

# 10. Silent Reading

Silent Reading is a school-based platform to cultivate in students the love for reading. From Term 2 onwards, students will be reading English Language storybooks on odd weeks and Mother Tongue storybooks on even weeks. Besides storybooks, they are also encouraged to bring newspapers (e.g. Little Red Dot/Thumbs Up Junior/Thumbs Up/新 朋友/新天地/新列车) and magazines (e.g. Young Scientists).

# 11. Term 2 Calendar of Activities

The Calendar of Activities for Term 2 is attached for your information. We will keep you updated if there are any changes.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all our students and their families a restful and enjoyable Term 1 school holiday break.

Thank you.

Yours faithfully,

Mdm Pang Siu San Principal

# NGEE ANN PRIMARY SCHOOL CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES 2023 (TERM 2)

Week	Date	Day	Activities	CCA Mon &/or Wed 2 – 5 pm	Remedial (This schedule does not apply to external enrichment programmes.) Tue &/or Fri 2-5pm
1	20 Mar	Mon	<ul> <li>P2 LJ to Science Centre*</li> <li>P3 LJ to Agritisan Urban Farm*</li> </ul>	Yes (except	No
	21 Mar	Tue	<ul> <li>P3 LJ to Agritisan Urban Farm*</li> <li>P3 &amp; P5 HCL Cultural Performance Exposure Scheme*</li> <li>Peer Support Leaders Training^</li> </ul>	Wed)	
	22 Mar 23 Mar	Wed Thu Fri	Founder's Day Celebration	-	
2	24 Mar 27 Mar 28 Mar	Mon Tue	P2 LJ to Science Centre*     P2 LJ to Science Centre*	Yes	Yes
	29 Mar 30 Mar 31 Mar	Wed Thu Fri	P2 LJ to Science Centre*	-	
3	3 Apr 4 Apr 5 Apr	Mon Tue Wed	<ul> <li>P2 LJ to Science Centre*</li> <li>P2 LJ to Science Centre*</li> <li>Commemoration of International Friendship Day</li> </ul>	Yes	Yes (except Fri)
	6 Apr 7 Apr	Thu Fri	- Public Holiday – Good Friday		
4	10 Apr 11 Apr 12 Apr 13 Apr 14 Apr	Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri	School Health Visit	Yes	Yes (except Fri)
5	17 Apr 18 Apr 19 Apr 20 Apr	Mon Tue Wed Thu	<ul> <li>P6 Parents' Briefing*</li> <li>School Health Visit</li> <li>C2L Leaders Training*</li> </ul>	Yes	Yes
	21 Apr 22 Apr	Fri Sat	C2L Leaders Training <sup>*</sup> - Hari Raya Puasa	_	
6	22 Apr 24 Apr 25 Apr 26 Apr 27 Apr 28 Apr	Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri	School Holiday – Hari Raya Puasa Peer Support Leaders Training^	Yes (except Mon)	Yes
7	1 May 2 May 3 May 4 May 5 May	Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri	Public Holiday – Labour Day - - - -	Yes (except Mon)	Yes
8	8 May 9 May 10 May 11 May	Mon Tue Wed Thu	-     -     P1 LJ to the Singapore Zoo*     P4 LJ to Dragon Kiln*	Yes	Yes
	12 May	Fri		-	

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9	15 May	Mon	٠	P5 LJ to Little India*	Yes	No
	16 May	Tue	•	P5 LJ to Little India*		
	17 May	Wed	-			
	18 May	Thu	•	P4 LJ to Dragon Kiln*		
			•	P5 LJ to Little India*		
	19 May	Fri	•	P4 Camp (1 Day Non-residential)*		
10	22 May	Mon	-		Yes	Yes
	23 May	Tue	•	P6 NAPFA test (Curriculum Time)		(except
	24 May	Wed	-			Fri)
	25 May	Thu	•	Arts Fest		
			•	Online Parent-Teacher Meeting*		
	26 May	Fri	•	E-learning Day (P1 - P6)*		
			•	Online Parent-Teacher Meeting*		

# JUNE HOLIDAYS ACTIVITIES

Date	Day	Activities	Students Involved
19 – 21	Mon	P6 Remedial Lessons (8am to 12.30pm)*	P6 Students
June	-		
	Wed		
21 June	Wed	P6 Camparaderie (1pm to 4.30pm)	P6 Students

School Term: Mon, 20 Mar 2023 – Fri, 26 May 2023 School Vacation: Sat, 27 May 2023 – Sun, 25 June 2023

\*More details will be provided closer to the date.