



WE-CONNECT! (10)

2024/L199

1 October 2024

Dear Parents/Guardians,

During the last week of Term 3, we celebrated Teachers' Day through a charity walk, Horizon Cares!. A total of 1,686 students and 126 staff members from the primary and kindergarten sections, together with 585 parents participated and we are proud to inform you that we have covered an impressive distance of 5 960.88 km! For every 300 m recorded, FairPrice Foundation will donate 1 bowl of white rice, 1 bowl of brown rice and 1 bowl of oatmeal to a vulnerable family residing in South-East District. Thankful to the synergy, our collective steps have translated into an incredible 19 870 sets for the needy! In celebration of the school's 15th anniversary, the event carried deeper meaning as it embodied the theme "Leading with Hearts, Serving with Purpose". What made this event particularly special was its integration into the Teachers' Day celebration, fostering a stronger sense of togetherness and community. The collaboration between students, staff, and parents reflected how each step taken was not only a physical achievement, but also a step towards building a compassionate, service-driven school culture, together. #OneHorizon #HorizonCares

We are into the final term of the 2024 school year. In this letter, we will share with you some updates and events planned for the month of October:

1. Change in Student Care Centre (SCC) and Kindergarten Care Centre (KCare) Vendor

With effect from 1 Jan 2025, Horizon Primary School will be partnering Nascans Pte Ltd as our new Student Care Centre (SCC) and Kindergarten Care Centre (KCare) vendor. Nascans Pte Ltd will be managing the transition in phases, starting with the current SCC and KCare students, followed by the incoming 2025 P1 / K1 students, before opening the registration to the remaining students. Nascans Pte Ltd will be contacting the identified students shortly to provide more details.

2. Celebrating EL Fiesta on Children's Day on Thursday, 3 October 2024

We will be celebrating our English Language (EL) Fiesta on **Thursday, 3 October 2024**, in conjunction with Children's Day celebrations this year. Through EL Fiesta, we hope to develop in our students a love for English Language and reading.

Students will report to school as per usual and the dismissal will be at **11.15am via the various dismissal points**. They can dress up as a character from the literature books or storybooks they have read.

To ensure the wellbeing of our students, we have factored in recess in their respective schedules. All students are encouraged to bring a small bag to keep their belongings and water bottles on that day. Looking forward to a fun-filled Children's Day Celebration! Please refer to the separate PG that was sent out on 27 September 2024.



3. Children's Day on Friday, 4 October 2024

Please take note that Friday, 4 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.

4. 2024 PSLE Marking Days and Home-based Learning from Monday, 14 October 2024 to Wednesday, 16 October 2024

All Primary 1 to Primary 6 students need not be in school from Monday, 14 October 2024 to Wednesday, 16 October 2024 as our teachers will be involved in the 2024 PSLE Marking Exercise. This year, Horizon Primary School has been designated as a PSLE Marking Centre. As such, students and parents are advised not to turn up in school on these days.

As shared earlier, Primary 1 to Primary 5 students will be assigned online or offline Home-Based Learning (HBL) tasks to facilitate their learning at home. For some classes, there will be '**LIVE**' Zoom lessons scheduled for them either on Monday, 14 October 2024 (*for P1 to P3*) or Tuesday, 15 October 2024 (*for P4 and P5*) if their subject teachers are not deployed for PSLE marking duties. Please refer to the link shared below to check if your child/ward has scheduled '**LIVE**' Zoom lessons. If the teacher is available, he/she would have indicated the timing of the Zoom lesson on the Activity/Assignment column. An empty slot would mean there is no Zoom lesson. Students would then practise Habit 1: Be Proactive and complete the assigned tasks by Wednesday, 16 October 2024. The learning activity/assignment in the schedule will be updated again in early October.

Details of the HBL Schedule are as follows:

Level	Link
Primary 1	https://go.gov.sg/p1hbl2024
Primary 2	https://go.gov.sg/p2hbl2024
Primary 3	https://go.gov.sg/p3hbl2024
Primary 4	https://go.gov.sg/p4hbl2024
Primary 5	https://go.gov.sg/p5hbl2024

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>.

5. 2024 End-of-Year (EYE) Written Examinations from Friday, 18 October 2024 to Tuesday, 29 October 2024

The EYE Written Examinations will be from Friday, 18 October 2024 to Tuesday, 29 October 2024. During this period, please ensure that your child/ward has sufficient sleep the night before and has a balanced meal. If he/she is unwell, please take him/her to see a doctor and let him/her rest at home. As shared in our Horizon Learning and Assessment plan, students

who are absent for any written paper must submit a valid medical certificate (MC) from a certified doctor upon their return to school. Letters by parent/guardian and will not be accepted.

There will not be any make-up assessment for students who are absent. He/she will attempt the assessment as a form of practice at the end of the assessment period. It will not be counted towards his/her overall results but serve as feedback on your child/ward's learning.

2024 End-of-Year (EYE) Written Examinations		
Primary 3 to Primary 5	Friday 18 October 2024	English Language Paper 1 & Listening Comprehension
	Monday 21 October 2024	Mother Tongue Language Paper 1 & Listening Comprehension
Primary 5	Wednesday 23 October 2024	Higher Mother Tongue Language Paper 1 and Paper 2
Primary 3 to Primary 5	Thursday 24 October 2024	English Language Paper 2
	Friday 25 October 2024	Science
	Monday 28 October 2024	Mother Tongue Language Paper 2
	Tuesday 29 October 2024	Mathematics

6. Primary 6 Post-PSLE Programme 2024

In line with Habit 7: Sharpen the Saw, 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, students will be engaged in lessons on Artificial Intelligence as part of our 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.

Moreover, a half-day workshop has been arranged for all students to address the challenges associated with stress and anxiety, especially in the context of transitioning to secondary school and managing the inevitable changes that accompany their teenage years.

Anticipating an exciting final out-of-school learning adventure with their peers, students will embark on the "Race to Sustainability!" programme at the Gardens by the Bay. More details about this educational journey will be shared closer to the scheduled date.

Thank you for walking this exciting journey together with the school for the best of your child/ward!

7. Deepavali Public Holiday on Thursday, 31 October 2024

Please take note that Thursday, 31 October is a Public Holiday. Staff and students who are celebrating Deepavali will be dismissed at 10.45 a.m. on Wednesday, 30 October 2024. We



would like to wish all our Hindu parents and students, and all who celebrate Deepavali a most joyous and happy Deepavali!

8. Calendar of Events for Term 4 Week 4 onwards - Updated

Please refer to Annex A for more details.

Your partner-in-education,

Mrs Ong Hui Khim
Principal

**Horizon Primary School
Table of Key Events for Term 4, 2024**

Date / Time	Event/Activity	For
<u>Week 4</u> 30 Sep (Mon)	#P1 Learning Journey	P1 Students
30 Sep (Mon)	# P4 End-of-Year Examination: Oral Examinations for EL & MTL (After School) [Normal dismissal time]	P4 Students
30 Sep (Mon)	PSLE Mother Tongue Language Paper 1 and 2	P6 Students
1 Oct (Tue)	PSLE Science Paper	P6 Students
2 Oct (Wed)	PSLE Higher Mother Tongue Language Paper 1 and 2	P6 Students taking HMT
3 Oct (Thu)	Children’s Day Celebration – EL Fiesta [All students will be dismissed at 11.15 a.m.]	All Students
4 Oct (Fri)	School Holiday: Children’s Day	All Students
<u>Week 5</u> 7 Oct (Mon) – 8 Oct (Tue)	# P3 End-of-Year Examination: Oral Examinations for EL & MTL (After School) [Normal dismissal time]	P3 Students
<u>Week 6</u> 14 Oct (Mon) – 16 Oct (Wed)	PSLE Marking (3 Days) Students DO NOT need to come to school. #P1 to P5: Home-based Learning	All Students P1 to P5 Students
18 Oct (Fri)	P3 to P5 End-of-Year Examination: English Language Paper 1 & Listening Comprehension [Normal dismissal time]	P3 to P5 Students
<u>Week 7</u> 21 Oct (Mon)	P3 to P5 End-of-Year Examination: Mother Tongue Language Paper 1 & Listening Comprehension [Normal dismissal time]	P3 to P5 Students
23 Oct (Wed)	P5 End-of-Year Examination: Higher Mother Tongue Paper 1 and Paper 2 [Normal dismissal time]	P5 Students

24 Oct (Thu)	P3 to P5 End-of-Year Examination: English Language Paper 2 [Normal dismissal time]	P3 to P5 Students
25 Oct (Fri)	P3 to P5 End-of-Year Examination: Science [Normal dismissal time]	P3 to P5 Students
<u>Week 8</u>		
28 Oct (Mon)	P3 to P5 End-of-Year Examination: Mother Tongue Language Paper 2 [Normal dismissal time]	P3 to P5 Students
29 Oct (Tue)	P3 to P5 End-of-Year Examination: Mathematics [Normal dismissal time]	P3 to P5 Students
31 Oct (Thu)	Public Holiday Off-In-Lieu (Deepavali)	All Students
<u>Week 9</u>		
8 Nov (Fri)	School Administration Day Students <u>DO NOT</u> need to come to school.	All Students
<u>Week 10</u>		
13 Nov (Wed)	Promotion Day – P1 to P5 students will be dismissed at 12.45p.m. Last Day of School for students who are not involved in the school events listed below.	P1 to P5 Students
13 Nov (Wed)	# P6 Leadership Day	P6 Students and Parents
14 Nov (Thu)	# Star Awards Ceremony	P1 to P6 Award Winners and Parents
16 Nov (Sat) – 31 Dec (Tue)	Year-End School Holidays	All Students

Details of event/activity will be given closer to the event date.

Note:

Events listed here are accurate as of Tuesday, 1 October 2024. Should there be any changes or cancellation of events due to unforeseen circumstances, the school will inform you through writing or updates on the school's website