

29 August 2024

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Thank you for your ongoing support and collaboration with the school in fostering the holistic development of your child/ward at Horizon. As Term 3 draws to a close, we would like to update you on the following matters:

1. Term 3 September School Holidays

Term 3 September School holidays are from Saturday, 31 August 2024, to Sunday, 8 September 2024. We look forward to a week-long term break, during which our students can enjoy more quality time with their families before returning for another exciting school term. We encourage our students to embrace Habit 7 - sharpening the saw, by having a well-balanced holiday that includes study, play, and rest.

To ensure schools continue to be a healthy and safe environment for all, we require parents/guardians to submit a travel declaration only if your child/ward intends to travel during the September school holidays. No declaration is required if there are no travel plans. Please declare your child/ward's travel plans for the September school holidays through the Parents Gateway App (refer to <https://pg.moe.edu.sg>). If you have more than one child with the same travel details, please select all of them and make a single declaration, even if they attend different schools. Only one parent needs to submit the declaration. Thank you for providing this information to help the school stay prepared for travel safety and emergencies.

2. P6 Booster Session (II) on Thursday, 5 September and Friday, 6 September 2024

As shared during our earlier letters to you on 1 July 2024 (*We-Connect! 7*) and 12 August 2024 (*P6 Booster sessions (II)*), please be informed that there will be supplementary lessons for Primary 6 students as part of the P6 Booster Session (II). These lessons will take place from 8.00 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and P6 students are to report to school by 7.50 a.m. Students taking NTIL or exempted from MTL are to report to their form class at 9.00 a.m.

3. PSLE Listening Comprehension Examination on Friday, 13 September 2024

The Primary 6 PSLE Listening Comprehension Examination will be held on Friday, 13 September 2024. The teachers have worked hard together with our Primary 6 students in preparing them for the upcoming Listening Comprehension Examination. Let us wish the Primary 6 students well in this examination, another milestone in their primary school journey. Details of the examination will be given out to parents of Primary 6 students in a separate letter.

4. Home-Based Learning (HBL) for Primary 1 to Primary 5 Students on Friday, 13 September 2024

To ensure continuity of learning and to develop our students to be self-directed learners, the school will be conducting HBL for Primary 1 to Primary 5 students during the PSLE Listening Comprehension Examination on Friday, 13 September 2024.

The assignments for the respective subjects will be informed by the respective subject teachers. Students are advised to access their online learning accounts prior to the HBL to ensure that they do not face difficulties when gaining access to the portal on that day. If they do encounter problems, please let your child's/ward's Form Teacher know. We will provide the necessary support for your child's/ward's HBL.

5. P6 Study Break on Monday, 23 September to Wednesday, 25 September 2024

The school will be implementing a three-day study break for Primary 6 students from Monday, 23 September 2024 to Wednesday, 25 September 2024 to support students' well-being prior to the PSLE. During the study break, students are strongly encouraged to remain at home and continue revising for the PSLE. Online consultation lessons will be arranged for students to go through the work assigned and answer students' questions.

In addition, selected students will be required to return to school during the study break. Parents/Guardians of selected students will be informed separately. More information on the arrangements will be sent to parents/guardians of Primary 6 students in a separate letter.

6. P2 Learning Journey to the Science Centre

The Primary 2 students will be going on a learning journey to the Science Centre over two days, **Thursday, 26 September 2024 and Friday, 27 of September 2024**. The purpose of the learning journey is for them to attend Science Centre-based workshops which brings out the science concepts in P2 STELLAR stories. These workshops encourage self-directed exploration, curiosity, discovery and a sense of wonder. Please refer to the following for the schedule.

Day and Date	Classes going on Learning Journey	Classes on Home-Based Learning (HBL)
Thursday, 26 September 2024	P2 Innovator, P2 Thinker, P2 Creator, P2 Reflector	P2 Inventor, P2 Inquirer, P2 Explorer, P2 Discoverer
Friday, 27 September 2024	P2 Inventor, P2 Inquirer, P2 Explorer, P2 Discoverer	P2 Innovator, P2 Thinker, P2 Creator, P2 Reflector

Classes not scheduled to go for the learning journey will be on HBL. Teachers will be assigning work to the students. More information on the learning journey will be provided in a separate letter.

7. P1 Learning Journey to the Zoo on Monday, 30 September 2024

The Primary 1 students will be going on a learning journey to the Singapore Zoo *during school hours* on **Monday, 30 September 2024**. This interdisciplinary learning journey will allow students to make connections between what they have learnt in school to real-life examples in an outdoor environment and build on their learning experiences in literacy, numeracy, art, music and outdoor education. They will also learn about the wildlife conservation initiatives by Mandai Wildlife Reserve as they explore the various enclosures during the learning journey. More details will be provided to parents/guardians in a separate letter.

8. Assessments for Students in Term 4

The Holistic Learning and Assessment Plans (HLAP) will be issued to P1 to P5 students at the beginning of Term 4. We would like our students to practise 7 Habits to develop good study habits essential for life-long learning.

As shared in Term 1 P3 to P6 HLAP, please take note of the following guidelines to ensure understanding and smooth administration of the school assessments:

- a. Students who are absent from any assessment due to valid reasons (VR) such as medical leave, compassionate leave or representing school for competitions will need to inform the school and produce the medical certificate or other supporting documents to the school on the day the students return to school. MCs from Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) practitioners with the exception of TCM clinics under the purview of a hospital are **not accepted**.
- b. Students who are absent for an assessment **without a valid reason will be given a zero mark** for that assessment and this assessment mark will be included in the computation of the overall total marks for the subject.
- c. **No make-up session** will be conducted for students who are absent from the End-of-Year written assessment. He/she will attempt the assessment as a form of practice at the end of the assessment period. For the End-of-Year Oral assessment, the date for the make-up assessment will be decided by the school.

More assessment guidelines will be shared in Term 4 HLAP.

We wish our students and their families to have a fruitful and restful holiday! Thank you for walking this exciting journey together with the school for the best of your child/ward!

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>Sep Holidays</u> 31 Aug (Sat) – 8 Sep (Mon)	Term 3 School Holidays	All Students
5 Sep (Thu) – 6 Sep (Fri)	# P6 Booster Session (II)	P6 Students
<u>Week 1</u> 13 Sep (Fri)	PSLE Listening Comprehension P1 to P5 students DO NOT need to come to school. P1 to P5: Home-based Learning	P6 Students P1 to P5 Students
<u>Week 3</u> 23 Sep (Mon) – 24 Sep (Tue)	# P5 End-of-Year Examination: Oral Examinations for EL & MTL (After School) [All students will be dismissed at 12.45 p.m.]	P5 Students
23 Sep (Mon) – 25 Sep (Wed)	# P6 Study Break	P6 Students
26 Sep (Thu) – 27 Sep (Fri)	# P2 Learning Journey	P2 Students
26 Sep (Thu)	PSLE English Language Paper 1 and 2	P6 Students
27 Sep (Fri)	PSLE Mathematics Paper 1 and 2	P6 Students

<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 12.15 p.m.]	All Students
4 Oct (Fri)	School Holiday: Children's Day	All Students

Date / Time	Event/Activity	For
<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) 18 Oct (Fri)	PSLE Marking (3 Days) Students DO NOT need to come to school. #P1 to P5: Home-based Learning P3 to P5 End-of-Year Examination: English Language Paper 1 & Listening Comprehension	All Students P1 to P5 Students P3 to P5 Students
<u>Week 7</u> 21 Oct (Mon) 23 Oct (Wed) 24 Oct (Thu) 25 Oct (Fri)	P3 to P5 End-of-Year Examination: Mother Tongue Language Paper 1 & Listening Comprehension P5 End-of-Year Examination: Higher Mother Tongue Paper 1 and Paper 2 P3 to P5 End-of-Year Examination: English Language Paper 2 P3 to P5 End-of-Year Examination: Mathematics	P3 to P5 Students P5 Students P3 to P5 Students P3 to P5 Students
<u>Week 8</u> 28 Oct (Mon) 29 Oct (Tue) 31 Oct (Thu)	P3 to P5 End-of-Year Examination: Mother Tongue Language Paper 2 P3 to P5 End-of-Year Examination: Science Public Holiday Off-In-Lieu (Deepavali)	P3 to P5 Students P3 to P5 Students All Students
<u>Week 9</u> 8 Nov (Fri)	School Administration Day Students DO NOT need to come to school.	All Students

Date / Time	Event/Activity	For
<u>Week 10</u> 13 Nov (Wed)	Promotion Day Last Day of School for students who are not involved in the school events listed below.	All Students
13 Nov (Wed)	# P6 Leadership Day	P6 Students and Parents
14 Nov (Thu)	# Star Awards Ceremony	P1 to P6 Award Winners and Parents
15 Nov (Fri)	# Orientation for 2025 Primary 1	P1 Students and Parents of 2025 cohort
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 Thursday, 29 August 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.