

28 April 2023

Dear Parents/ Guardians,

Semester 1, Term 2 is coming to an end. We would like to take this opportunity to inform you of upcoming events/activities that will be happening in the month of May. Please visit our school website (<https://www.horizonpri.moe.edu.sg>) and Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/HorizonPrimary>) to keep yourselves updated on the latest news and events.

1. Public Holiday in May

Labour Day falls on Monday, 1 May 2023. It is a Public Holiday. All students will report back to school on Tuesday, 2 May 2023.

2. P5 Outdoor Adventure Camp from Tuesday, 2 May 2023 to Thursday, 4 May 2023

The P5 Outdoor Adventure Camp is one of the most memorable milestones that a Horizon student will experience. The camp provides students with authentic learning opportunities beyond the classroom walls and allows them to build character as well as deepen values such as resilience and independence. Through the intentionally designed shared camping experience, students will also get to forge greater camaraderie and form stronger bonds with their peers and teachers.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank parents/guardians of P5 students for your unwavering support in the holistic development of your child/ward. We look forward to an amazing P5 Outdoor Adventure Camp from 2 May to 4 May. You may refer to the letter dated 6 April for more details on the P5 Outdoor Adventure Camp. Dare to Dream!

3. P4 Social Studies Learning Journey to Kreta Ayer

As part of the refreshed Character and Citizenship Education curriculum, the Primary 4 students will be embarking on a one-day learning journey to Kreta Ayer Heritage Gallery between Monday, 8 May 2023 and Thursday, 11 May 2023, from 2 pm to 4.30 pm. This learning journey is one of the key Student Development Experiences for primary school students to deepen their understanding of the heritage and culture of Singapore beyond the classroom context, specifically, the contributions of our forefathers to nation building.

This museum-based learning experience will be guided and facilitated by specially-trained museum educators using various artefacts in the heritage gallery. In addition, students will also take part in a precinct walk in Kreta Ayer, where students will be encouraged to observe some traditional trades and architectural designs that are preserved till today.

4. P5 TIE Virtual Immersion on Friday, 12 May 2023

Our P5 students will have the opportunity to go on a virtual immersion trip to Indonesia on 12 May 2023. Through this internationalisation experience, we hope to:

- a) Deepen in our students the 21CC of global awareness and cross-cultural skills and sensitivities;
- b) Expose students to Asia and sensitise them to the place of Singapore in the World; and
- c) Strengthen students' commitment and rootedness to Singapore.

A separate PG message will be sent to P5 parents/guardians to provide further details on this programme.

5. P1 Viva la Musica on Monday, 22 May 2023 & P2 Viva la Musica on Thursday, 25 May 2023

Every year, our Primary 1 and 2 students showcase their experiential learning through play during Viva la Musica. This platform helps to build their confidence as they present musical items and artworks. It also provides an opportunity for students to develop a connection to music. The students will communicate and make meaning of the artworks by connecting with society and culture.

6. Meet-the-Parents (Virtual) Session (MTPS) on Friday, 26 May 2023

MTPS has always been a valuable platform for our teachers to engage parents/ guardians and strengthen our partnership with you in your child's/ ward's learning and progress. This year, the above session will continue to take place through video conferencing. Do take the opportunity to share your concerns with your child's/ ward's Form Teachers and discuss strategies to support him/ her. Please refer to Parents Gateway for more details on booking system sent by Form Teachers. The booking of MTPS appointments has been available via the booking system from 28 April 2023.

7. P1 to P6 Home-Based Learning (HBL) Day on Friday, 26 May 2023

MTPS will be on Friday, 26 May 2023 and all students are not required to come to school. School-based student care services will continue to be available for the full-day on that day.

The school will be conducting HBL during MTPS on Friday, 26 May 2023 to ensure continuity of learning. During HBL, students will be carrying out e-learning using the school's e-learning portal. Through HBL, students will develop self-directed learning skills that will enable them to be independent learners. At the same time, it ensures that our students are well prepared when they are required to learn from home.

For students with no computer or internet access at home, parents are strongly encouraged to find alternative venues for their children to access the SLS on that day.

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

8. P6 Booster Programme (1) from Wednesday, 21 June 2023 to Friday, 23 June 2023

The school will be organising the above programme prior to the start of term 3. This will better prepare our P6 students for the commencement of the new term by providing support for students to address their gaps in learning as well as enriching the learning of students by building on their knowledge and skills acquired in the preceding semester. More details of the above programme will be sent to you via Parents Gateway at a later date.

9. Travel Plans for Mid-Year Holidays

Term 2 June school holidays are from Saturday, 27 May 2023 to Sunday, 25 June 2023. Do enjoy the term break spending quality time with your children and family before returning to school for another exciting new school term. We would like to encourage our students to practise Habit 7, that is, to sharpen their saw by having a well-balanced holiday with time set aside to study, play and rest.

To ensure schools continue to be a healthy and safe environment for all, we require parents/guardians to make a travel declaration if your child/ward intends to travel for the June school holidays. There is no requirement for declaration if you are not travelling. Please declare your child's/ward's travel plans for the June school holidays via the Parents Gateway App (refer to <https://pg.moe.edu.sg>). If you have more than 1 child, and the declarations details are the same, please select all of them and make only

1 declaration, even if they are in different schools. Only one parent is required to declare. When planning your child's/ward's travel, please refer to <https://www.ica.gov.sg/enter-transitdepart> for more information and updates.

Thank you for providing travel information to help the school to be prepared for travel safety and emergencies. We hope that you and your family continue to be well and healthy. Should your child/ward fall ill, do bring him/her to see a doctor. We thank you for being socially responsible and helping to keep our families, school, community and Singapore safe.

Thank you for standing by Horizon Primary as supportive partners. Let's work together to help our children enjoy school every day!

Your partner-in-education,
Mrs Ong Hui Khim
Principal