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Dear Parents/ Guardians,

Welcome back to a new school term. As we start Term 2, we would like to update you on the following:

1. National School Games

We are very proud of our Basketball Senior Boys and Senior Girls teams for **emerging 2nd and 4th respectively in the South Zone Basketball Championship 2018**. Both teams have successfully progressed to the National Basketball Championship, where they will play with the top teams from the other three zones.

Coming up soon in early Term 2 will be the **Rope Skipping Championship**. Our skippers have trained very hard so let us wish them all the very best in the competition.

The true value of sports for young students comes not only from the outcomes of the games, but also from the process of going through preparation, training, and experiencing the full range of emotions with their team-mates as they progress through the competition. These are the kinds of learning experiences that are enduring and will shape their character for life.

2. Singapore Youth Festival 2018 Presentations

Our performing art groups (Chinese Dance, Choir, Fusion Dance and Guzheng) will be taking part in the biennial Singapore Youth Festival (SYF) 2018 Presentations in Term 2. Like the sports boys and girls, our talented young performers have also practiced hard so that they can rise to the occasion and put up performances that they can be truly proud of. We wish them all the best too and we look forward to sharing the outcomes with all of you in due time.

3. School Facilities

We are happy to update that our **Indoor Sports Hall (ISH)** will be ready for use soon in Term 2. This is part of MOE's PERI upgrading where facilities in primary schools are upgraded to enhance the quality of holistic education. With the opening of the ISH, our students will have more spaces for physical education and outdoor play. In addition, we will also have dedicated and custom-built CCA rooms for our performing art groups to hold their practices.

In TGPS, we place a lot of emphasis in promoting a culture of reading in school so that all our students can cultivate a lifelong love for reading. One of the ways to enhance students' interest in reading is to encourage them to visit the library to look for books that they enjoy reading. We are excited to announce that our refurbished **Library** will be ready to receive our students again in Term 2. We will inform the students of the opening date soon.

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4. Enhancement of MOE Financial Assistance Scheme

It has been recently announced that the MOE has enhanced the MOE Financial Assistance Scheme (FAS). Starting from 1 April 2018, Singapore Citizen students from households with gross monthly household income (GHI) of \$2,750 and below (previously \$2,500), or per capita income (PCI) of \$690 and below (previously \$625) will be eligible for the MOE FAS. Eligible families may apply for the MOE FAS by obtaining a copy of the application form from the General Office and return the completed form to the school for processing by 26 Mar 2018. You may also contact the school General Office if you have any enquiries on the MOE FAS.

5. Active & Healthy Living: Physical Health

In TGPS, we advocate “Active & Healthy Living” for our students. We do so by providing students with opportunities and exposure to partake in various physical activities in school. According to studies, being active in physical activities can help our students to:

- Improve academic performance and self-esteem
- Reduce stress and anxiety
- Develop leadership and teamwork

As an extension of what we do in school as well as for family bonding, you might like to consider the **HPB-ActiveSG Active Family Programme** that offers a wide range of enriching and exciting activities that your whole family can be engaged in over the weekends. You can refer to the following link for more details. (<https://www.healthhub.sg/programmes/109/active-family>)

6. Calendar of Events in Term 2

The list of tentative dates for events in Term 2 is appended at the end of this letter. In general, we will confirm the dates between 2 weeks to 1 month in advance.

We look forward to continue working closely with all parents/guardians as strong partners. If you have any queries on any matters concerning the school or your child/ward, please feel free to call the general office or contact the Form Teachers.

Yours sincerely,

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Principal



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School Calendar of Events for Term 2, 2018

Date	Events
30 March	Good Friday holiday
6 April	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sports Fiesta• International Friendship Day
16 April	Earth Day commemoration
19 – 26 April	School Health Services team visit to TGPS
23 April	SA1 Oral Examinations (P3)
24 April	SA1 Oral Examinations (P4)
25 April	SA1 Oral Examinations (P5)
26 April	SA1 Oral Examinations (P6)
27 April	P3 to P6 SA1 English and Mother Tongue Languages Listening Comprehension Examinations
1 May	Labour Day holiday
3 May	P3 to P6 SA1 English Language Paper 1
4 May	P3 to P6 SA1 Mother Tongue Languages Paper 1
7 May	P3 to P6 SA1 English Language Paper 2
8 May	P3 to P6 SA1 Mother Tongue Languages Paper 2
9 May	P3 to P6 SA1 Mathematics
10 May	P3 to P6 SA1 Science
11 May	P3 to P6 SA1 Higher Mother Tongue Languages
14 – 16 May	P5 Adventure Camp @ Dairy Farm
21 – 24 May	TGPS Innovation Week / P4 Code for Fun
23 May	Art Jamming @ TGPS
25 May	P1 Parent-Teacher Conferencing P2 to P6 Student-led Parent-Teacher Conferencing