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Dear Parents/Guardians,

**Re: Welcome Back to School (Semester 2)**

Welcome back to another thrilling semester at Marsiling Primary School! We are delighted to embark on this journey with you and your children, filled with new opportunities for growth, learning, and memorable experiences. Our dedicated team of teachers has been hard at work preparing an engaging curriculum and a variety of activities to ensure a vibrant and enriching environment for all our students. First of all, I would like to share the key highlights for Term 2, followed by important updates for Term 3.

**(A) Highlights for Term 2**

**International Friendship Day (IFD) and Education & Career Guidance (ECG) Week**

In Term 2, MPS commemorated International Friendship Day (IFD) together with our Education & Career Guidance (ECG) week. We also celebrated the Green Citizenship@MPS Earth Week. Our Marsilians had positive learning experiences and learnt a lot through the various activities and programmes conducted for these key school events.

**Marsilians featured in Zaobao online print edition on Responsible Pet Ownership**

In a recent feature on Zaobao's online print edition, a group of Marsilians were interviewed on the theme of advocating responsible pet ownership. The interview highlighted our students' demonstration of the school value of Responsibility. Our students' ability to express their views, speak confidently and knowledgeably about their responsibilities is a testament to their maturity and commitment to exemplifying the school values.

**Revamped School Website**

MPS is delighted to announce the launch of our revamped school website, a comprehensive platform that highlights the vibrant culture of MPS. It showcases the enriching experiences planned for our Marsilians, the remarkable achievements of our Marsilians, and our teachers' unwavering commitment to providing a holistic education for all. It also serves as a dynamic gateway for students, parents, and the broader community to know more about our school. Kindly visit us at <https://www.marsilingpri.moe.edu.sg/> to learn more.

**Parent Child Teacher Conference (PCTC)**

The recent Parent Child Teacher Conference (PCTC) that took place at the end of Term 2 saw a remarkable turnout, with enthusiastic participation from parents and Marsilians who partnered teachers in supporting our students in their learning. This event facilitated meaningful conversations between teachers and parents, focusing on collaborative strategies to further develop students' competencies and dispositions in their learning. Marsilians also had the opportunity to confidently share with their parents the knowledge and skills they have acquired in school. The students' active participation not only showcased their progress but also fostered a deeper understanding between home and school partnership.

## **(B) Looking Forward to Term 3**

### School-wide Events

As we embark on Term 3, we are excited to share a host of engaging activities and programmes designed to enrich Marsilians' learning experiences. This term will be marked by the celebration of National Day, where students will participate in festivities that foster national pride and unity. Our Mother Tongue Languages (MTL) Fortnight will offer Marsilians the opportunity to deepen their appreciation for their cultural heritage through a variety of immersive activities. Additionally, STEAM Week will ignite curiosity and innovation as Marsilians explore the fascinating worlds of Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics. We will also observe Racial Harmony Day, celebrating our diverse community and promoting understanding and respect among our students.

### Level-wide Programmes

For Primary 5 Marsilians, this term promises to be particularly eventful. They will participate in the comprehensive Swimsafer Programme designed to build their confidence, skills and safety in the water, which is part of the national PE curriculum. The much-anticipated P5 cohort camp in August will provide them with opportunities to develop leadership, teamwork, and resilience in an outdoor setting. Moreover, attending the P5 NE Show will be a memorable experience, allowing them to witness the grandeur of our National Day celebrations firsthand and instill in them their sense of pride for the nation. Meanwhile, our Primary 3 students can look forward to a refreshed learning environment with the introduction of new tables and chairs in their classrooms, enhancing the classroom vibrancy, comfort and focus. We are progressively replacing the furniture in the classrooms by level, which started with lower primary classes last year. We look forward to a dynamic and productive Term 3, filled with enriching experiences for all our students.



## **(C) Introduction of New Staff**

It is with great pleasure that we introduce our newest staff members to the MPS family. Each one brings a wealth of experience, passion, and dedication to their roles, enhancing our commitment to providing an exceptional learning environment for our students. I am happy to share that we have one new staff member joining the school in Term 3. The staff member is:

- 1) Mdm Masnurie Bte Mohd Ramli – School Counsellor

### (D) Semester 2 Students' Timetable & Dates of Public Holidays/ School Holidays in Term 3

For Semester 2, your child will be receiving a new timetable from his/ her Form Teacher by Mon, 24 Jun. The new timetable will take effect from Tue, 25 Jun 2024.

In Term 3, there are public holidays, scheduled school holidays and school events where **students do not need to report to school**. Please refer to the table below for the details and to plan for your child's care needs during these dates. Year Heads will be sending to parents the full Term 3's Calendar of Events by the end of this week.

Day/ Date	Occasion/ Event	Levels Affected	Remarks
Mon, 1 Jul	Day after Youth Day	All Levels	Scheduled School Holiday
Friday, 9 Aug	National Day	All Levels	Public Holiday
Tue, 13 Aug	2024 PSLE Oral Exam	P1 to P5 Levels	Oral Exam for P6 students
Wed, 14 Aug	2024 PSLE Oral Exam	P1 to P5 Levels	Oral Exam for P6 students
Fri, 30 Aug	Teachers' Day	All Levels	Scheduled School Holiday

On the eve of National Day (8 Aug 2024, Thursday), MPS will be having its National Day celebration and students will be dismissed at 10.30am. Students may report to school in red-coloured T-shirts (without offensive prints or logos) with their school PE shorts for our National Day celebration.

On 29 Aug 2024, Thursday, MPS will be celebrating Teachers' Day, hence all students will be dismissed at 10.30am as well. Kindly make the necessary transport and care arrangement for your child for both 8 Aug and 29 Aug due to early dismissal.

### (E) Semesterly Attendance and Temperature-Taking Exercise (ATTEEx) on 3 July 2024

There will be a ATTEEx held on Wed, 3 July 2024 and all students will be participating in this exercise. This exercise serves to maintain schools' preparedness to re-activate the attendance and temperature-taking regime should there be a need, and to educate students to take personal responsibility for their own health and practise social responsibility. Students will still need to bring a working thermometer to school daily. To ensure that students continue to be familiar with the temperature-taking process, please check that your child's thermometer is in good working condition.

In MPS, we strongly encourage our Marsilians to '**Aspire**', '**Believe**' in themselves and have the '**Courage**' to do their best in all the domains that they undertake. Kindly refer to the Annex for the list of student achievements in Term 2. Lastly, our Form Teachers will be spending some time at the start of the term, to reintegrate our Marsilians back to school practices and re-establish learning routines. As we step into this new semester, we are looking forward to the creativity, enthusiasm, and achievements that your children will bring to our school community. Thank you for your continued support and partnership. Here's to an amazing semester ahead!

Yours faithfully,



Mrs Heather Thio  
Principal

**Student Achievements in Term 2**

We would like to extend our heartiest congratulations to Marsilians for their excellent performance and affirm the efforts of our students who participated in the following:

<b>Subject/CCA</b>	<b>Competition/Programme</b>	<b>Achievement</b>
English Language	Marsiling I.A.E.C E-Story Book Creation Competition	Consolation Prize
Chinese Language	Publication of Model Essays on Chinese Magazine Xintiandi	2 Article Contributions
	National Bilingual Creative Writing Competition	Certificate of Participation
Tamil Language	Thirukkural Memorising Competition Thirukkural Vizha 2024	1 <sup>st</sup> Place
Mathematics & Science	Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Festival 2024	Certificate of Participation
Mathematics	Raffles Mathematical Olympiad	Junior Category – 6 Distinction, 3 Merit Open Category – 1 Distinction, 1 Merit
	Hwa Chong Institution – Singapore Mathematical Olympiad for Primary Schools	Bronze Award
Arts & Craft	N5 Cluster Art Exhibition	Certificate of Appreciation
Chinese Dance	Singapore Youth Festival Arts Presentation 2024	Certificate of Accomplishment
Choir	Singapore Youth Festival Arts Presentation 2024	Certificate of Accomplishment
Malay Dance	Singapore Youth Festival Arts Presentation 2024	Certificate of Accomplishment
Brownies	World Thinking Day 2024	Most Innovative Education Booth Award
	North Division Day North Division Got Talent	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place
	North Division Day Boardgame Design	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place
	North Division Day Photography	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place
Rugby	National School Games Senior Division League 2 Group	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place
Taekwondo	National School Games Poomsae Senior Division Girls White 9	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place
	National School Games Poomsae Senior Division Boys Yellow 8	8 <sup>th</sup> Place
	National School Games Poomsae Senior Division Boys Poom 1	4 <sup>th</sup> Place
	National School Games Poomsae Senior Division Boys Poom 3	1 <sup>st</sup> Place
Tchoukball	2nd ActiveSG-TBAS Inter-School Tchoukball Championships 2024 Senior Division Girls	4 <sup>th</sup> Place

Track & Field	National School Games S2 Boys Long Implement Throw 400g	8 <sup>th</sup> Place
	National School Games S2 Boys 80m	3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> , 7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> Place
	National School Games S2 Boys Standing Long Jump	4 <sup>th</sup> , 7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> Place
	National School Games S2 Boys Shot Put (3kg)	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place