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Dear Parents,

Re: Welcome Back! An Exciting Term 2 Awaits

It is with great joy that I welcome you all back for the new term! Seeing our classrooms filled with the energy and curiosity of our Marsilians is truly the best part. A new term brings with it the promise of discovery and the opportunity for every Marsilian to grow in ways they never imagined. We are committed to fostering a nurturing environment where learning goes hand-in-hand with social and emotional development. To our parents: your partnership is our greatest asset. Together, let us embark on this journey of learning and growth, ensuring that every child feels empowered to reach their highest potential. We recognize that a strong partnership between home and school is essential for student success. We look forward to a term filled with powerful learning, lasting memories, and shared achievements."

Celebrating Our Term 1 Highlights

We would like to take a moment to celebrate some of the memorable moments and accomplishments from Term 1. Our Marsilians demonstrated remarkable growth, dedication, and enthusiasm across various events and activities. Here are some key highlights:

Total Defence Day (TDD)

This year, our students commemorated Total Defence Day under the theme '*Together We Keep Singapore Strong*'. The theme focuses on Singapore's readiness and resilience as Total Defence underpins our ability to deal with the ever-evolving threats and challenges to Singapore. Students were reminded that everyone plays a part in our daily lives to ensure that Singapore is prepared for crises and disruptions. They engaged in meaningful activities, including a digital connectivity disruption simulation where WIFI and internet connection were switched off for an hour, helping them appreciate the importance of self-sufficiency and resilience. Students also took part in a fire and lockdown drill to have themselves familiarized with the evacuation processes should an emergency occur. A highlight of the event was the exciting collaboration with the Singapore Police Force, where students got an up-close look at the New Generation Fast Response Car (NGFRC). They also had the opportunity to interact with police officers and explore interactive exhibits, including trying on bulletproof vests!

Chinese New Year Celebration

The theme for Chinese New Year celebrations 2026 was '*Stronger Together, Abundance Forever*'. Our Chinese New Year festivities were a vibrant celebration of culture and tradition! Our Marsilians enjoyed a spectacular Lion Dance performance and engaged in hands-on activities such as paper cutting craftwork, and the creating of decorative pieces through calligraphy-tracing methods. The celebration not only brought joy but also deepened students' appreciation of cultural heritage.

For more glimpses of these wonderful moments, we invite you to follow our official Instagram account at <https://go.gov.sg/mpsinstagram>, where we regularly share updates on school events and achievements.

Looking Ahead: Exciting Events in Term 2

As we embark on a new term, our Marsilians can look forward to enriching experiences through upcoming school events such as Hari Raya celebrations, International Friendship Day, and Earth Week. These activities aim to develop 21st-century competencies, fostering adaptive and critical thinking, communication skills, and civic literacy in our Marsilians.

Celebrating Our Students' Achievements

At MPS, we encourage our students to *Aspire, Believe* in themselves, and have the *Courage* to give their best in all that they do. We are pleased to announce that our Brownies CCA students and teachers achieved a Silver Award in the prestigious Puan Noor Aishah Award 2025! This award reflects the dedication and teamwork of our Brownies, CCA leaders and teachers in-charge.

Our Scouts CCA students represented the school at the Founders' Day Carnival and received the Most Creative Award. Our Scouts organised a Japan-themed Sushi Obstacle Relay in line with the 'All Around the World' theme, and their booth truly stood out among more than 18 schools in the North Area. Many participants were drawn to the activity, and the judges were impressed by the originality and enthusiasm displayed by our Scouts.

Our Badminton CCA Senior Boys team participated in the National School Games for the first time and made the school proud. Our Marsilians demonstrated great teamwork and resilience when they faced strong opponents and gave their best at every match. Having won some matches and lost others, it was an invaluable experience for our Marsilians who believed in themselves and displayed sportsmanship at the games.

The Singapore Kindness Movement organises the Friend of Singa (FOS), an annual programme aimed at empowering students to become kindness ambassadors. The aim is to have students be role models who lead by example and spark ripple effects of care in their schools and communities. Our P5 Prefects participated in the programme and were awarded the Certificate of Achievement in recognition of their commitment to promoting kindness within the school community.

Change in Timetable in Term 2, Week 2

In view of staff movement and to meet the requirements of certain school programmes, students will be issued with a new timetable for Term 2, 2026. This timetable will take effect on **Mon, 30 Mar (Monday)**. Form teachers will be sharing more information with their students.

Temperature-taking Exercise on 1 April 2026

The annual temperature taking exercise for all schools is scheduled for 1 April (Wednesday). Students must bring their personal oral digital thermometers (ODTs) that are in good working order. As part of social responsibility and student well-being, students who are unwell should consult a doctor if necessary, stay home and recover fully before coming to school.

Parent-Child-Teacher Conference (PCTC) – A Time to Connect

We are excited to invite you to our Parent-Child-Teacher Conference (PCTC) for P1 to P6 students, scheduled for **28 May (Thursday, PM) and 29 May (Friday, Full Day), in Term 2, Week 10**. This is a special opportunity to strengthen the parent-child bond, gain insights into your child's learning journey, and hear directly from them about their experiences and reflections from Semester 1. More details on booking appointments with Form Teachers will be shared closer to the date.

Thank you for your continued support and for partnering with us in your child's education.

Yours faithfully,



Mrs Heather Thio
Principal

2026 Term 1 Consolidated List of Prize Winners for Academic & CCA

| Subject/CCA | Competition/Programme | Achievement | No. of students |
|--------------------|--|----------------------------|-----------------|
| Chinese Language | Publication of Model Essay on Chinese Magazine Xin Lie Che | Article Contribution | 1 |
| Scouts | Founder's Day Carnival | Most Creative Booth | 7 |
| Brownies | World Thinking Day (Two Minds, One Mission Award) | Second Place | 2 |
| | | Third Place | 2 |
| | Puan Noor Aishah Award (PNAA) (Year of Assessment 2025) | Silver Award | Team |
| Student Leadership | Singapore Kindness Movement (Friends of Singa) | Certificate of Achievement | 18 |