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ST ANDREW'S SCHOOL

13 March 2026

Dear Parents/Guardians

We are pleased to furnish you with the following key information for the forthcoming Term 2:

1. Key Events in Term 2
2. Secondary 3 Work Experience Programme
3. Reinforcing Social Skills at Home
4. Strengthening School-Home Partnership

1. KEY EVENTS IN TERM 2

1.1 Hari Raya Puasa Holiday (23 Mar, Mon)

As Hari Raya Puasa falls on 21 March, Saturday, the designated Off-in-Lieu for Hari Raya Puasa will be on 23 March, Monday. School will resume on 24 March, Tuesday.

1.2 Term 2 First Day of School (24 Mar, Tue)

With effect from Term 2, all boys will be allowed to report to school daily in half-uniform (PE T-shirt with school shorts for Lower Secondary boys, and PE T-shirt with school pants for Upper Secondary boys) as we anticipate warmer weather in the coming months.

Saints are expected to continue to maintain good grooming standards in accordance with the Saints Code of Conduct. Hair should be kept short and neat.

1.3 New Timetable for Term 2

A new set of Even- and Odd-week timetables will be implemented in Term 2. The updated timetable will be shared with all boys via the Student Learning Space (SLS). Boys are advised to check their SLS and pack their bags accordingly for their lessons when Term 2 begins on Tuesday, 24 March.

1.4 **Home-Based Learning (HBL) on Tech Goodness It's Friday (TGIF) and Flexi Day**

Home-Based Learning (HBL) will be conducted on TGIF (Secondary 1-5) and Flexi Day (Secondary 1-3 only).

(i) TGIF will be scheduled on Odd week Fridays in our school as per normal. On TGIF days, boys need not report to school. Instead, they will log on to the Student Learning Space (SLS) for specific instructions and tasks for the day. Boys will be assigned work for a maximum of four subjects a day, to take into consideration factors such as curriculum time for all subjects and the nature of assignments given.

(ii) Flexi Days were introduced in Term 1 2026, providing opportunities for staff and boys to explore innovative approaches to teaching and learning. On these days, Secondary 1 to 3 boys will participate in lessons conducted synchronously via Microsoft Teams, with meeting links and lesson materials shared through the Student Learning Space (SLS). Secondary 4 and 5 boys will report to school for their lessons as usual. There will be three Flexi Days in Term 2.

(iii) Please refer to the schedule below for the specific TGIF and Flexi Day dates for Term 2:

Week 1 (Friday)	27 March	TGIF
Week 2 (Tuesday)	31 March	Flexi Day
Week 3 (Friday)	10 April	TGIF
Week 5 (Friday)	24 April	TGIF
Week 6 (Wednesday)	29 April	Flexi Day
Week 7 (Friday)	8 May	TGIF
Week 8 (Thursday)	14 May	Flexi Day
Week 9 (Friday)	22 May	TGIF

(iv) Odd Wednesday

Starting in 2026, staff will have meetings on Odd Wednesday mornings. On these days, boys are to report directly to their classrooms by 8.20 a.m. and ensure that their mobile phones are stored into their lockers. Lessons will begin thereafter.

1.5 **Structured Remedial**

Remedial lessons will commence in Term 2 to provide additional academic support for boys. These sessions are compulsory for selected Secondary 4 and 5 boys. Subject teachers will notify the selected boys of the date and time of their remedial sessions.

1.6 **Mother Tongue Language Fortnight (24 Mar, Tue, to 2 Apr, Thu)**

Parents/Guardians may refer to the information via Parents Gateway subsequently.

1.7 **School Cross-Country (26 Mar, Thu)**

The Annual Cross-Country will take place on 26 March, Thursday, from 8.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. at the Esplanade Park in the Civic District. Boys are to report to the Esplanade Park in the Civic District in their PE attire by 7.40 a.m.

1.8 **Saints Parent-Teacher Conference I (27 Mar, Fri)**

The Saints Parent-Teacher Conference I will be held on 27 March, Friday, between 8.00 a.m. and 12.00 noon. Parents/Guardians may refer to the information via Parents Gateway subsequently.

1.9 **Beyond Secondary School: Navigating Pathways, Purpose and Pressure (April)**

We will be conducting online engagement sessions for parents of the graduating cohort on 2 April for Sec 4Exp/5N(A), 9 April for Sec 4N(A), and 16 April for Sec 4N(T), from 5.00 to 6.00 p.m.

Parents/Guardians may refer to the information via Parents Gateway subsequently.

1.10 **Good Friday Holiday (3 Apr, Fri)**

As 3 April, Good Friday, is a public holiday, lessons will resume on 6 April, Mon.

1.11 **NAPFA Test (Term 2, Week 3 to Week 6)**

Secondary 2 boys will take their NAPFA test during PE lessons in Term 2, Weeks 3 and 4, while Secondary 4 and 5 boys will take theirs during PE lessons in Term 2, Weeks 5 and 6.

1.12 **One Family Unbroken - The Musical (10 Apr, Fri)**

Our Performing Arts Group (PAG) CCAs of Concert Band, Drama and Choir will be performing in our very own production - **One Family Unbroken - The Musical** - a stirring school musical about belonging, brotherhood and discovering what it truly means to be a Saint! Event details are as follows:

Date: Friday, 10 April 2026

Time: 7.30 p.m. to 9.00 p.m. (Doors open from 7.00 p.m.)

Venue: SAJC Cultural Centre

Tickets are sold at \$25.00 per ticket, and can be bought at <https://www.eventbrite.sg/e/one-family-unbroken-the-musical-tickets-1981980190102?aff=oddtcreator>.

We look forward to your strong support for our boys as we celebrate their months of dedication, teamwork and heart. Join us for an inspiring story of friendship, growth and becoming *One Family - Unbroken!*

1.13 Band “Limelight” Concert (14 Apr, Tue)

We would like to share our joy, and most importantly, invite you to come and watch our Concert Band which has been selected to participate in “Limelight”, a series that gives some of the best school symphonic bands in Singapore an opportunity to perform at the Esplanade Concert Hall. Our Concert Band performance will be held at the Esplanade Concert Hall on Tuesday, 14 April 2026, at 7pm, ticketed at \$16 per ticket. You may use the Singapore Cultural Pass to purchase tickets. Please click on the link below to purchase the tickets and support us:

https://www.esplanade.com/whats-on/festivals-and-series/series/limelight/2026/st-andrews-school-secondary-concert-band?fbclid=PAAdGRleAQEAoxleHRuA2FibQIxMQBzcnRjBmFwcF9pZA8xMjQwMjQ1NzQyODc0MTQAAad5HFZhY7vm4ltM1CKhrkWRmKubUTgZ135VD7c58CyUPiuKoJi_G_a mfvaW-A_aem_e0mjkrO3UmYMq2X0pmAqTA#synopsis

1.14 Sec 3 Subject Selection Briefing for Parents of 2026 Sec 2 Boys (16 Apr, Thu)

Parents of Secondary 2 boys will be invited to attend an online briefing on the 2027 Secondary 3 Subject Selection options on 16 April, Thursday, at 6.00 p.m. More details will be provided via Parents Gateway nearer the date.

1.15 Weighted Assessment (WA) 2 (20 Apr, Mon – 15 May, Fri)

Secondary 1 to 5 boys will sit for Weighted Assessment (WA) 2 from 20 April, Monday, to 15 May, Friday. A detailed schedule will be furnished in due course.

1.16 Mother Tongue Languages (MTL) & English Language (EL) Internal Oral Examination (24, 27, 28 Apr & 8 May)

- The MTL oral examinations will be held on 24, 27 and 28 April. Results attained in the school’s MTL oral examinations will be counted as part of the Preliminary Examinations for Secondary 4N(A) and 4N(T) boys. Secondary 4Exp and 5N(A) boys will use their GCE O-Level Mid-Year achievement as their MTL Preliminary Examinations result.
- The EL oral examinations will be held on 8 May. Results attained in the EL oral examinations will be counted as part of the Preliminary Examinations for all boys.
- Attendance for the oral examinations is compulsory and absence must be supported by a medical certificate. Boys who are absent without a valid reason will not be allowed to attend make-up sessions. Boys in the different Teaching Groups (TGs) will be informed via their EL and MTL teachers on their scheduled sessions.

1.17 Labour Day Holiday (1 May, Fri)

As Labour Day falls on 1 May, Friday, lessons will resume on 4 May, Monday.

1.18 **Sec 2 Museum-Based Learning Journey (8 May, Fri)**

As part of the National Education programme for our boys, all Secondary 2 boys will participate in a learning journey to the National Museum on 8 May, Friday. Please refer to the Parents' Gateway message that would be sent closer to the date for more details.

1.19 **Programmes for Saints Development (19 May, Tue, to 29 May, Fri)**

Boys will be involved in an array of programmes in the last two weeks of the term, culminating in Class Bonding Day for all classes on 29 May.

Level	Date	Activities
Secondary 1	26 May	Sec 1 Empathy Trail & LJ to Urban Farms
	28 May	Inter-House Games
Secondary 2	26 May	Subject Experience
	28 May	Inter-House Games
Secondary 3	26 May	Inter-House Games
	28 May	EL Debate & Literature Poetry Trail
Secondary 4 and 5	19 - 22 May	e-SAJC (selected boys)

1.20 **Mother Tongue Languages Intensive Programme (25 May, Mon, to 28 May, Thu)**

An Intensive Programme will be conducted for Secondary 4N(A), 4Exp and 5N(A) boys offering MTL at Express Level, including Chinese 'B' Syllabus, on 25, 26 and 28 May, to prepare them for the MTL O-Level Written Examination that will take place on 2 June, Tuesday.

S/N	Date	Time/Duration	Remarks
1.	25 May, Mon	0830-1400	Recess break from 11.00 to 11.40 a.m.
2.	26 May, Tue	0830-1400	Students who require 1-to-1/small group consultation may arrange to meet with their respective MTL teachers from 1500-1700.
3.	28 May, Thur	0830-1400	

1.21 **Saint-Parent-Teacher Conference II (29 May, Fri)**

The Saints Parent-Teacher Conference II will be held on **29 May, Friday, between 12.00 noon and 5.00 p.m.**

1.22 **Timed Practice for Graduating Boys**

As part of the preparations for the national exams, the school has arranged timed practice sessions for selected subjects for our graduating boys in Terms 2 and 3. More information will be shared through Parents Gateway in due course.

1.23 **Mid-Year School Holidays (30 May, Sat, to 28 Jun, Sun)**

School holidays will begin on **30 May, Saturday**. Boys will return to school on **29 Jun, Monday**, for the commencement of Term 3.

2. ST ANDREW'S SCHOOL (SECONDARY) WORK EXPERIENCE PROGRAMME FOR SECONDARY 3 [16 October (afternoon) and 19 to 21 October 2026 (full days)]

2.1 Following our letter dated 9 March 2026, we would like to thank parents and guardians who responded positively and provided opportunities for our Secondary 3 boys to have work experience with your company or organisation.

2.2 We continue to seek your valuable support in partnering us to provide meaningful work experience and learning opportunities for our Secondary 3 boys. If your company or organisation can offer such opportunities, we would appreciate it if you could kindly indicate your interest by completing this form: <https://forms.moe.edu.sg/forms/JB32dm>.

For more details, please refer to the attached documents:

1. Aims & Boys' Roles and Responsibilities during WEP
2. Terms of Reference for Companies/Organisations

We deeply appreciate your support in making this programme a meaningful and enriching experience for our boys. Thank you for your kind consideration.

3. REINFORCING CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT AT HOME

3.1 To support your child/ward's growth, you may wish to reinforce two of the school values: **Self-Discipline** and **Excellence**. The behavioural outcomes listed below may serve as a guide for conversations with your son/ward and help support his development at home.

Exemplary Character (Leading Self) - WISE

Saints pursue wisdom through a passion for learning, having a healthy sense of wonderment about the world, and active reflection of God-centred values.

(Proverbs 2:10-12)

Self-Discipline	Excellence
<p>A Saint wants to be known for his self-control. He perseveres because he wants to finish well.</p> <p>Behavioural Outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Manages his emotions appropriately- Obeys school and class rules- Takes responsibility for his own learning- Is punctual- Uses appropriate language- Attends CCA regularly	<p>A Saint relentlessly strives to exceed his personal best, celebrating high endeavour as its own reward.</p> <p>Behavioural Outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Works hard to achieve his goals- Takes pride in his work- Assumes leadership in class, CCA & student activities

4. STRENGTHENING SCHOOL-HOME PARTNERSHIP

- 4.1 We seek the kind understanding of all parents/guardians to contact our teachers via email for non-urgent matters. The teachers' email addresses are available on the school website for ready reference. Please be informed that our teachers are not expected to provide their personal phone numbers to parents.
- 4.2 Should you need to contact the teachers urgently, please call our school's office at 62851944. The teachers may be contacted during the weekdays from 8.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m. They are also not expected to respond to parents' and boys' queries during the weekends except for emergencies. We seek your gracious consideration to allow our teachers personal space and rest time on weekends as well as weekday evenings.
- 4.3 Further to the above, the teachers may only be able to respond on the next working day if they were not contactable or unable to access their emails promptly during the day or if the queries and/or requests were made beyond the stipulated hours.

We look forward to a fruitful partnership with you.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Lee Han Hwa
Principal