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ST ANDREW'S SCHOOL

27 June 2022

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s)

We hope you have been keeping safe and well. Please find below the key information for the new academic term:

1. Key Events in Term 3;
2. Schedule for Tech Goodness It's Friday (Blended Learning)
3. School Attire and Advisory on Wearing Masks;
4. Physical Education Lessons, CCA, NAPFA & National School Games; and
5. Reinforcing Social Skills and Social Responsibility at Home.

1. KEY EVENTS IN TERM 3

1.1 Vivace! (30 Jun, Thurs)

We are pleased to present a Saints Music Showcase on 30 Jun, Thurs in the Auditorium from 4.30 to 6.00 p.m. Audience will be treated to a vibrant range of musical genres performed by our students. Family and friends who are interested to attend the concert may scan the QR code to book an admission ticket to this event.



1.2 Youth Day Holiday (4 Jul, Mon)

As Youth Day falls on Sun 3 Jul, Mon 4 Jul will be a school holiday. Lessons will resume on Tues, 5 Jul.

1.3 Hari Raya Haji Holiday (11 Jul, Mon)

As Hari Raya Haji falls on Sun 10 Jul, the following Mon, 11 Jul will be a public holiday in lieu. Lessons will resume on Tues, 12 May.

1.4 National Day Holiday (9 Aug, Tues - 10 Aug, Wed)

Tues, 9 Aug is National Day and Wed, 10 Aug will be school holiday. Lessons will resume on Thurs, 11 Aug.

1.5 160th Founder's Day (11 Aug, Thurs)

The school celebrates its 160th Founder's Day in August this year with the theme: "*Keep the flame burning brightly ever.*" The prize-giving ceremony will be held in the school hall. Photos of the event will be put up on our school's Facebook page and parents of prize winners may access their child's photo through it.

In conjunction with our anniversary and to lend support to our nation's Green Plan, we are working with ActiveSG to recycle used sports shoes into materials that could be used for jogging tracks, fitness corners and playgrounds. We hope to collect 160 pairs of shoes and look forward to your support. Your sons/wards can bring them to school and place them in the specialised bins provided. Let's do our part in building a sustainable future for Singapore.

1.6 Teachers' Day cum Staff Appreciation Day Celebration and Last Day of Term (1 Sep, Thurs)

Our school will be celebrating Staff Appreciation Day on 1 Sep, Thurs. Fri, 2 Sep is a scheduled Teachers' Day school holiday and will mark the commencement of the September school holidays until Sun, 11 Sep. If your son/ward wishes to show his appreciation to his teacher and other staff in school, please note that the most appropriate gift would be a handmade card with an encouraging message.

1.7 School-based Assessments

To guide your son/ward in achieving his personal best, please note the dates of the following school assessments:

- a) Secondary 1 to 3 students will sit the WA3 from 25 Jul, Mon, to 19 Aug, Fri.
- b) Secondary 4 Normal (Academic) [N(A)] and 4 Normal (Technical) [N(T)] students will sit their Preliminary Examination from 25 July, Mon, to 5 Aug, Fri.
- c) Secondary 4 Express and 5 N(A) students will sit their Preliminary Examination from 3 Aug, Wed to 31 Aug, Wed. Detailed schedules will be furnished in due course.
- d) Secondary 1 and 3 students will sit the End-of-Year Internal MTL Oral Examination from 15 Aug, Mon to 19 Aug, Fri, 2.30pm to 5.30pm. A detailed schedule will be provided closer to the date.
- e) Secondary 3 students in the Express Course will sit the End-of-Year Internal EL Oral Examination on 22 Aug, Mon and 23 Aug, Tues from 3 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. A detailed schedule will be provided at a closer date.

1.8 Structured Remedial and Study Programmes

To prepare students for the Weighted Assessments and upcoming National Examinations, the following programmes will be conducted:

- a) Structured Remedial for Graduating students from Term 3, Week 1;
- b) Remedial for Secondary 1 to 3 students commencing Term 3 Week 2.

The instructional programme departments will provide you with a detailed schedule.

1.9 National Examinations

Secondary 4 and 5 students will be sitting the following national examinations:

- a) Mother Tongue Language 'O' level and 'B' Syllabus Listening Comprehension examination will take place on 6 Jul, Tues. All students will be dismissed at 12pm.
- b) Mother Tongue Language 'B' Syllabus Oral Examination will take place on 7 Jul, Wed.
- c) Mother Tongue Language 'O' Level Oral Examination will take place on 7 Jul, Thurs to 18 Jul, Mon.
- d) Design and Technology 'N' Level Coursework Submission will take place on 15 Jul, Fri.
- e) Design and Technology 'O' Level Coursework Submission will take place on 29 Jul, Fri.
- f) English Language (EL) 'N' Level Oral Examination is from 12 Jul, Thurs to 18 Jul, Mon.
- g) English Language (EL) 'O' Level Oral Examination is from 21 July, Thurs to 1 Aug, Mon.
- h) Mother Tongue Language 'N' Level Oral Examination is from 3 Aug, Wed to 5 Aug, Fri.

2. SCHEDULE FOR HOME-BASED LEARNING 'Tech Goodness It's Friday' (TGIF)

2.1 Please refer to the table below for the TGIF schedule for Term 3.

Week	Date
1	Fri, 1 July
3	Fri, 15 July <i>*Students taking D&T as an N Level subject are to report to school for the submission of coursework</i>
5	Fri, 29 July <i>*Students taking D&T as an O Level subject are to report to school for the submission of coursework</i>
7	Fri, 12 Aug <i>*4E5N students will report to school for their Prelims</i>
9	Fri, 26 Aug

On TGIF days, students need not report to school. Instead, students will log into the Student Learning Space (SLS) at 8 a.m. for specific instructions and tasks for the day. Students will be assigned work for a maximum of 4 subjects. Students are encouraged to complete all tasks by the end of the day. A schedule with the specific subjects stipulated for the day has been emailed out to all students and a copy of it has been placed on the school website.

3. SCHOOL ATTIRE AND ADVISORY ON WEARING MASKS / SHIELDS

- 3.1 Students should bring and wear their surgical masks or reusable masks of equivalent effectiveness at all times. Students who are not able to do this e.g., due to skin allergy, may seek permission from the school to wear a face shield.
- 3.2 Students should keep their masks in a clean bag e.g., zip lock bag, to have their meal / PE lessons so that they may retrieve the mask to wear again after their meal / lesson. When removing masks during recess and PE lessons, we advise the boys to fold their masks in half (inwards), such that the droplets from the mouth and nose are not exposed. The boys are encouraged to wash their hands before and after removing their masks.
- 3.3 We encourage all Saints to dispose their used masks in a responsible manner. Reusable cloth masks should be washed daily.
- 3.4 In view of the warm weather and the mandatory requirements of a mask to be worn, the school will allow all students to report to school in their P.E T-shirt and school shorts/pants (NOT P.E shorts). **Please note that for the National Exams, students will be required to be in full school attire unless otherwise stipulated.**

4. PHYSICAL EDUCATION (PE) LESSONS AND CCA, NAPFA & NATIONAL SCHOOL GAMES

- 4.1 Regular physical activity is important for our students' continued holistic development and physical well-being. PE lessons will continue when students return to school, and will be in accordance with the prevailing national guidelines.
- 4.2 CCAs will continue from week 2 onwards in accordance with the prevailing national guidelines and adherence to safe management measures.
- 4.3 NAPFA will be held for all Secondary 2 students from Term 3 Week 3 onwards. All NSG competitions will resume.

5. REINFORCING SOCIAL SKILLS AND SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY AT HOME

- 5.1 As part of our on-going effort to nurture positive behaviours, build grit and foster stronger bonds of friendship amongst students, you may wish to reinforce these social skills that will enable your son/ward to reflect on himself and regulate his emotions: Reflecting and Improving. Your support will go a long way in ensuring our boys apply the skills taught in and beyond school.
- 5.2 Key steps for 'Reflecting & Improving' are as follows:
 - 1) Think about the situation you are in.
 - 2) Identify your behaviour and feelings.
 - 3) Consider if your behaviour is appropriate for the situation.
 - 4) Identify other behaviours that would be more helpful for the situation.
- 5.3 We urge all parents to have their sons visit a doctor and recuperate at home if they are displaying flu-like symptoms like cough and / or cold, even if they do not have a fever.

Thank you, and stay safe and healthy.

Yours sincerely

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