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From the Principal's Office (July 2021)



Greetings from Kranji Primary School! We ended last semester with 6 days of Home-Based Learning (HBL) and a day of Parent-Teacher Meeting. I am glad to observe that our children (or it could be parents) are much better prepared than last year, and were able to swing to action when HBL was activated.

Nonetheless, we are all glad that school has resumed in Term 3, albeit one week later for our Primary Ones to Threes. During the almost six weeks away from school, I hope your child has spent his/her time well

and is raring to start school this semester with great enthusiasm. For some children, there is bound to be transition issues, but be rest assured that my colleagues and I are on the lookout to help our children to ease back to school.

Since the start of the Covid-19 situation, the school has done our utmost to clean and disinfect thoroughly. As parents/guardians would understand, any compromise on the measures taken would mean that the school could be closed, and learning and even assessments would be affected. In view of this, we seek parents'/guardians' partnership in reinforcing the message to your child/ward on adhering to our safe management measures. This includes wearing their masks all the time; practising safe distancing; wiping down after themselves after each lesson; and frequently washing their hands and practising good personal hygiene. In addition, we hope for your cooperation to practise social responsibility and abide by the guidelines shared by the school via Parents Gateway on 22 & 25 Jun 2021 on the different instances when you should keep your child at home and contact the school for further guidance.

As part of our continued efforts to showcase our good efforts to parents and the community, we have revamped our website, as well as our Virtual Open House microsite (https://kranjipri.moe.edu.sg/life-at-kranji/virtual-open-house). I am happy to share with you our **EXCITE Learning Approach**, which frames our strategy to provide quality holistic education that is future-looking. The EXCITE approach outlines what our Kranjians experience here in Kranji Primary on a daily basis, and is a consolidation of how learning is designed, curated and enacted in Kranji Primary School (KPS).

- a) Anchored by the knowledge of how children learn and develop to their full potential, learning is designed to be **Experiential** so as to bring about authentic and purposeful learning. This facilitates meaningful interactions between the learning content, the learner and the teacher.
- b) Character Focused development has always been a prominent and valued part of the school experience at KPS. School values are leveraged to help students build character and sow the seeds in developing Kranjians as leaders.

- c) In driving the school's efforts to grow Future Ready Learners, opportunities are provided for exploration, creativity and cognitive development through Inquiry Based learning to build greater student agency.
- d) In supporting our students to navigate the future, **Technology Mediated** learning drives active and deep learning while providing our students with the opportunity to learn about the ethical and competent use of technology.
- e) Recognising the importance of creating a positive environment for learning and growth, the school embraces a **Positive Education** approach to raise student motivation and engagement.

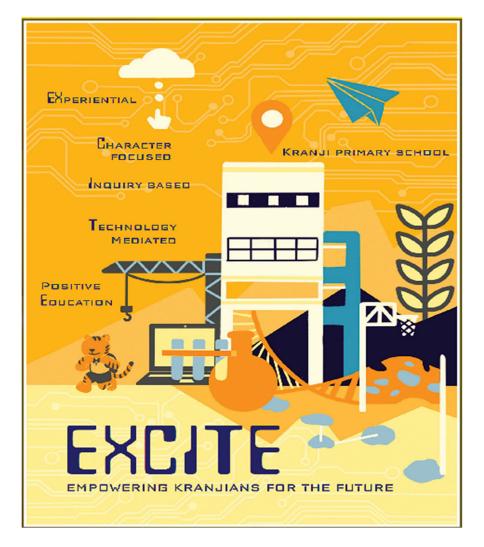
Our pupils have done us proud in the first semester. In the current climate where many competitions have been postponed, we are proud to highlight the following achievements:

- 1. Encouragement Award for the 2021 Singapore Olympic Foundation–Peter Lim Scholarship for Football
- 2. Certificate of Recognition at Singapore Youth Festival 2021 and selection for SYF Art Exhibition
- 3. 2nd Prize for the Presentation Award at Singapore Amazing Flying Machine Competition
- 4. Finalists in 7th Cub Scout Mind Quiz
- 5. 2nd Runner-Up in Memory Games Challenge

I look forward to providing your child with another semester of bountiful learning at Kranji Primary School.

Your Partner in Education

Mdm Goh Meei Yunn Principal



Assessment Plan for Term 3 & Issuance of Report Book

"All things are difficult before they are easy — Thomas Fuller" Assessment is an integral part of the learning process, helping students become self-directed learners and taking ownership for their learning. In Kranji Primary, a variety of weighted and non-weighted assessments are used to provide students and parents with feedback on where students are currently at in learning, and the learning outcomes they need to work towards. This is complemented by further support and interventions by teachers to bridge the learning gaps surfaced from the assessments. The Assessment Plan for all levels will be issued to parents separately via Parents Gateway.

Besides the use of a variety of weighted and non-weighted assessments to provide feedback to students in the cognitive domains, the school will be issuing the **Holistic Development Profile (HDP)** or what is commonly called the report book on Friday, 9 July for students in Primary 6 and Friday, 30 July for students from Primary 1 to Primary 5. This will include results for all the School-Based Assessments planned for Semester 1 as well as students' achievements in the non-cognitive domains.

Co-Curricular Activities

As part of the school's efforts to gradually bring back essential components of the school experience such as Co-Curricular Activities (CCA), the school will be implementing eCCA, in weeks 3 and 4. These sessions will be conducted on weekday afternoons via ZOOM and SLS. Attendance is strongly encouraged. Students are to log into the eCCA from home. More details will be provided through Parents Gateway (PG) by the individual CCA Teachers-in-charge. In line with the national posture on the evolving COVID-19 situation, in-person CCA for primary schools will resume in the fifth week of Term 3.

CCA	Basketball	Percussion Ensemble	Basketball Football Modern Dance Art Club Science Club Digital Media Club Scouts
Day/ Dates	Tuesday 13/7 Thursday 15/7 & 22/7	Thursday 15/7 & 22/7	Friday 16/7 & 23/7
Time / Level	Session 1: 3pm to 4.30pm P4 Selected Session 2: 4.30pm to 6.00pm P5 Selected	Session 1: 3pm to 3.45pm P3 & P4 Session 2: 3.45pm to 4.30pm P5	3pm to 4.30pm P3 to P5

Racial Harmony Day 21 July 2021

This Racial Harmony Day (RHD), we want our students to embark on a journey of discovery through an 'Amazing Race'. Students will explore and discover the uniqueness and strengths of our diverse city-state. We hope that this will spark curiosity and allow the students to show appreciation for cultural diversity. In the week leading up to RHD, during Social Studies period, our Primary 6 students will post their thoughts about growing up in a racially diverse country like Singapore via social media. The RHD Assembly will be held in class and form teachers will conduct this session with their students. After the RHD week, students will log onto SLS to apply what they have learnt and complete a quiz on SLS.



Mother Tongue Language Fortnight 26 July-6 August 2021

The Mother Tongue Language Fortnight will be held in Term 3 Week 5 and 6. We have planned a wide range of fun-filled activities related to Chinese, Malay and Tamil languages and culture to provide opportunities and platforms to expose our students to learn more about their respective MTL. Activities organize include, inter-class competitions, language games, cultural performances, cultural-related workshops, book sharing, etc. We hope that all these activities will create an immersive environment for the learning of Mother Tongue Languages.



"Don't worry
about failure.
Worry about the
chances you miss
when you don't

Sherman
Finesilver"

Gifted Education Programme (GEP) Screening and Selection

The GEP Identification Exercise aims to identify pupils with high intellectual potential who will benefit from the enriched curriculum. Below are the dates for the exercise in 2021 as informed in our letter issued in January 2021. Please refer to the consent forms issued via Parents' Gateway for details.

Stage	Date	Participants	Papers
GEP Screening Exercise	18 August 2021 (Wednesday)	Primary 3 pupils enrolled in government and government and government-aided schools	English Language Mathematics
GEP Selection Exercise	19 and 20 Octo- ber 2021 (Tuesday & Wednesday)	Primary 3 pupils <u>shortlisted</u> after the GEP Screening Exercise	English Language Mathematics General Ability



|Singapore Youth Festival (SYF) Art Exhibition

This year's SYF Art Exhibition celebrates the artist in every student and aims to promote appreciation of the arts. Themed 'Artist and Technology', the exhibition invites student artists to reflect on how technology has impacted their lives. Over 3,500 students submitted more than 500 artworks via a range of media in response to the theme.

We are pleased to share that the artwork "Technology in our Lives" by 5 of our following Primary 2 students has been chosen by the SYF committee for exhibition. The students will be receiving a Certificate of Recognition.

- 1. Chia Wei Jian Derrick (2CO)
- 2. Riley Blaine Nunag Salcedo (2CO)
- Adriana Batrisyia Binte Fadeli (2IN)
- 4. Aireez Qalysha (2IN)
- 5. Sofia Ariana Binte Syed Shameer Shah (2RP)

Congratulations to our students and our Art Teachers, Mrs Gwen Tan and Miss Fan Yiou!

The SYF Art Exhibition will be showcased online via SYF website from 3 July to 31 December 2021. For more details on SYF celebration, please scan the QR code on the left or follow the link qo.qov.sq/syfgoesonline to visit the SYF website.

Covid-19 Vaccination for Primary 6 Students

With the ongoing Covid-19 vaccination programme, we would like to remind parents of eligible P6 students who had received their COVID-19 vaccination to look out for any side effects experienced by your child following the vaccination. Please refer to the table below.



Please bring your child to see a doctor if:

- The side effects persist or get worse, or the fever persists for more than 48 hours (2 days)
- Respiratory symptoms such as cough, runny nose, sore throat, shortness of breath or loss of sense of taste and smell develop. If your child experiences a severe allergic reaction, please seek medical attention immediately. Call 995 or go to the nearest A&E immediately.

Students should <u>not</u> participate in strenuous activities in the week following their vaccinations (regardless of first/second dose).

Side Effects	How to Manage
Pain, redness, swelling at the injection site	Those with fever are advised to self-isolate at home
Fever, chills	until the fever subsides. Fever medications dosed
Headache, muscle pain, joint pain	according to the child's weight as needed
Tiredness	Rest
Lymph node swelling at neck or arms	Usually gets better by itself in a week or so

"Life is 10% what
happens to you
and 90% how you
react to it.—
Charles Swindoll"

School Health Service (SHS) Annual Health Visit 9 July & 12 July 2021 (UPDATED)

In the recent Covid-19 Vaccination Exercise rolled out nationwide, majority of the nurses and doctors are deployed out for vaccination duties. Due to this, there has been adjustments again to the health screening programme. It has been rescheduled to 9 & 12 Jul 2021, in which the following levels will receive the necessary health screening and/or immunisation:

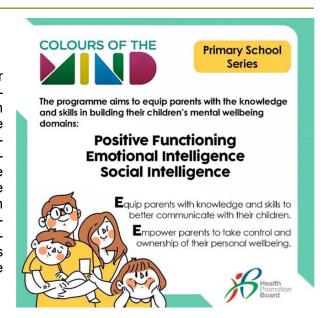
- P1 Students Catch-up Immunisation
- P2 Students Catch-up Health Screening
- P5 Students Immunisation

Details has been shared with the relevant levels via Parents Gateway. Kindly monitor your child for any vision problems, hearing impairment and curved spine (scoliosis). More information on these conditions and how you can make appointment for your child to see a doctor and/or optometrist at Student Health Centre has been provided by HPB and is attached in Annex A.

PARENT-RELATED MATTERS

"Colours of the Mind" Workshop for Parents

The Health Promotion Board (HPB) is conducting a 1-hour workshop 'Colours Of The Mind, for parents with children in Primary school. Through the workshop, parents can learn about the 3 domains of Mental wellbeing: Positive functioning, Social and Emotional Intelligence. You can also pick up practical parenting tips and engage in discussions on how to help our pre-teens develop a healthy sense of mental wellbeing. Parents will also learn about self-care techniques which will be useful as you journey through parenthood. There are a choice of dates in July 2021, targeted separately at parents of lower primary and upper primary students. If you are interested, please register via this link https://go.gov.sg/parentwkshp. The workshops will be conducted via Zoom.



STAFF-RELATED MATTERS

Staff Movement

We would like to bid farewell to the following colleagues who have left the school, and thank them for their contributions to the school.

- Juliana Bte Johari (Senior Teacher, Special Education Needs)
- Lim Su Bing (Teacher)

The school would also like to extend a warm welcome to the following staff:

Mdm Angeline Foo, Allied Educator (Learning & Behavioural Support)





SCHOOL-RELATED MATTERS

Public Holidays and Major School Events in Term 3

Date	Event	Remarks
5 Jul, Mon	Youth Day School Holiday	No school for students
20 Jul, Tue	Hari Raya Haji Public Holiday	No school for students
6 Aug, Fri	National Day cele- bration	The celebration will be conducted during curriculum hours
9 Aug, Mon	National Day Pub- lic Holiday	No school for students
10 Aug, Tue	National Day School Holiday	No school for students
12 Aug, Thu 13 Aug, Fri	PSLE Oral Examination	Students in P1 to P5 need not report to school on these two days
19 Aug, Thu	Start of P6 Preliminary Examinations (Main Papers)	Please refer to the letter issued to P6 parents
2 Sep, Thu	Celebration of Teachers' Day	The celebration will be conducted during curriculum hours
3 Sep, Fri	Teachers' Day School Holiday	No school for students
4 Sep, Sat to 12 Sep, Sun	School Holidays	_

We would like to take this opportunity to send our advance wishes to all our Muslim students and parents - Selamat Hari Raya Haji



24 June 2021

Parents and Guardians of Primary School Students

Dear Parents/Guardians

RESUMPTION OF SCHOOL HEALTH AND DENTAL SERVICE PROGRAMMES IN PRIMARY SCHOOLS DURING PHASE 3 (HEIGHTENED ALERT)

- 1 Health Promotion Board (HPB)'s School Health Service (SHS) and School Dental Service (SDS) were suspended from 19 May 2021 during Phase 2 (Heightened Alert, "HA").
- 2 SHS will gradually resume the school-based immunisation programme for students from 5 July 2021. In addition, screening will be conducted for Primary 2 students who did not undergo screening in 2020. Screening for other levels will resume in 2022. Please provide consent for your child to receive the vaccination by accessing the Child Consent portal via this link https://childconsent.hpb.gov.sg.
- 3 Dental services will resume in Term 3 in a phased approach:
 - a. Students in schools with operating dental clinics who *require dental attention* may contact the dental clinic to request for an appointment.
 - b. Students with *dental emergencies* (e.g. severe pain affecting sleep, facial swelling due to dental infection, dental injury) in schools without operating dental clinics may call for an appointment to be seen at the School Dental Centre* in HPB

In the interim, please monitor your child for vision problems, hearing impairment and curved spine (scoliosis). Annex A provides information on these conditions and how you can make an appointment for your child to see a doctor and/or optometrist at Student Health Centre*.

4 Please do not hesitate to contact us should you have any further queries.

*Contact Details for Appointments and Enquiries

For **medical** enquiries, please contact:

Student Health Centre

DID: 6435 3895, Mondays - Fridays, 8am - 5pm

Email: HPB_SHC@hpb.gov.sg

For **dental** enquiries, please contact:

School Dental Centre

DID: 6435 3782, Mondays - Fridays, 8am - 5pm

Email: HPB_Dental_Counter@hpb.gov.sg

Thank you.

Yours Sincerely,

Dr Chow Khuan Yew Senior Deputy Director School Health Service Dr Eu Oy Chu

Senior Deputy Director School Dental Services

HEALTH CONDITIONS



WHAT PARENTS MAY OBSERVE

SCAN FOR MORE INFO

VISION PROBLEMS (MYOPIA)



- Blurred vision when looking at distant objects
- · Headaches from eye strain
- Squinting/tilting the head to view distant objects
- Sitting close to the television/computer
- Holding a book close to the eyes when reading
- Rubbing eyes frequently



HEARING IMPAIRMENT



- Continually asks to repeat what was said
- Misunderstands or gives inappropriate responses to questions
- Likes the television volume to be turned up
- Watches a person's face for visual cues
- Has a speech delay or deteriorating speech



CURVED SPINE (SCOLIOSIS)

Examine back from behind with child upright and whole back bared. Child should not wear footwear.



- Asymmetry of body
- Curved spine with the body leaning to one side
- Uneven shoulder levels
- One shoulder blade is more visible than the other
- There is more space between the arms and trunk on one side of the body



WHAT TO DO

IF YOU SUSPECT YOUR CHILD HAS VISION PROBLEMS:

For children P1 and younger, please contact the Student Health Centre at 6435 3895 for an appointment with our Optometrists. Children P2 and above can be brought to see a qualified community optometrist or optician for further assessment.

IF YOU SUSPECT YOUR CHILD HAS HEARING PROBLEMS OR A CURVED SPINE: Please contact the Student Health Centre at 6435 3895 for an appointment with our doctors. Alternatively, you may bring your child to see your family doctor.