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Dear Parents,

## Re: Primary 5 Assessment 2024

The key aim of our school system is to develop students not only to be ready for examination, but also to be ready for the future. Thus, *Learn for Life*, as a value, an attitude and a skill is what our students need to possess. It is in this spirit that changes to the school-based assessment structures have been made to deepen the joy of learning in our schools and instill a stronger intrinsic motivation in students to learn, instead of just preparing for examinations.

In 2018, changes to our education system, such as the removal of mid-year examinations in some levels to enhance the joy of learning in primary and secondary schools was announced. MOE also announced in 2022 that from 2023 onwards, **mid-year examinations are removed for all levels** in all mainstream schools.

In 2024, Primary 5 students will have weighted assessments (WA) in Term 1, 2 and 3 and sit for End-of-Year Examination (EYE) in Semester 2. There will also be formative assessments (FAs) carried out over the year by subject teachers in the class. FAs help to inform subject teachers of students' learning. Examples include simple class activities and/or worksheets that are non-weighted.

## **Assessment Weighting for 2024**

Information on the assessment weighting in 2024 for Primary 5 is provided in the table below.

	Semester 1		Semester 2	
	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
Weighted Assessment	WA 1	WA 2	WA 3	End-of-Year Exam (EYE)
Weighting	15%	15%	15%	55%

Only Medical Certificates and other valid official documents are accepted for absences from Weighted Assessment (WA) and End-of-Year Examination (EYE). Kindly note that letters from parents will not be accepted and there will be no make-up assessment for absentees. Marks will not be awarded for absentees without valid documents.

If your child is absent for an assessment, his/her subject teacher will pass the assessment paper to him/her for practice. It will **not** be counted as a weighted assessment. Marks will be pro-rated for students who submit their medical certificate (MC). A mark of zero will be given for students who are absent without a reason deemed valid by the school.

Please refer to Annex 1 for Primary 5 Weighted Assessments for Standard Subjects (Term 1).

Please refer to Annex 2 for Primary 5 Weighted Assessments for Higher Mother Tongue (Term 1).

## Annex 1 Primary 5 Weighted Assessments for Standard Subjects (Term 1)

The details of the weighted assessments for the respective subjects are as follows:

Subject	Week	Weighted Assessment (15%)	
English Language	Week 8 Week 9	Reading Aloud (15min) Students are able to read aloud a passage and record their reading. (15m)  Listening Comprehension (40min)  Listening Comprehension Multiple-Choice Questions (20m)  Total: 35 marks	
Mathematics	Week 9	Progress Check (1h) Booklet A: 15 Multiple-Choice Questions (20m) Booklet B: 15 Short Answer Questions (25m)  Topics covered:  Whole Numbers  Four Operations of Whole Numbers  Fractions  The use of calculators is not allowed.  Total: 45 marks	
Science	Week 9	<ul> <li>Performance Task (50min)</li> <li>Students are able to:         <ul> <li>Complete a written Problem-Based Learning task based on the given context;</li> <li>Apply the concepts in the topics of Water, Water Cycle and Plant Transport System.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Total: 30 marks</li> </ul>	
Chinese Language	Week 8 – 9	Reading Aloud (10min) Students are able to read aloud a passage. (20m)  Listening Comprehension (30min)  Listening Comprehension Multiple-Choice Questions (20m) Students are to answer ten questions based on five to six short passages that have been read to them.  Total: 40 marks	

Malay Language	Week 8 – 9	Reading Aloud (10min) Students are able to read aloud a passage. (20m)  Listening Comprehension (30min)  Listening Comprehension MCQ (20m) Students are to answer ten questions based on five to six short passages that have been read to them.  Total: 40 marks
Tamil Language	Week 8 – 9	Reading Aloud (10min) Students are able to read aloud a passage. (20m)  Listening Comprehension (30min)  Listening Comprehension MCQ (20m) Students are to answer ten questions based on five to six short passages that have been read to them.  Total: 40 marks

## Annex 2 Primary 5 Weighted Assessments for Higher Mother Tongue (Term 1)

The details of the weighted assessments for the respective subjects are as follows:

Subject	Week	Weighted Assessment (15%)	
Higher Chinese	Week 9 1 Mar, Fri	Language use and Comprehension (40min)  Comprehension and Language Use, which tests students' understanding of a passage and written use of the language (such as grammar, punctuation, vocabulary)  GE文应用 (20m)  A: 综合填空  B: 字词改正  G阅读理解一(16m)  Total: 36 marks	
Higher Malay	Week 9 1 Mar, Fri	<ul> <li>Language Use and Comprehension (40min)</li> <li>Comprehension and Language Use, which tests students' understanding of a passage and written use of the language (such as grammar and vocabulary)</li> <li>Proverbs (10m)</li> <li>Text editing (10m)</li> <li>Comprehension Open-Ended 1 (16m)</li> </ul> Total: 36 marks	
Higher Tamil	Week 9 1 Mar, Fri	Language Use and Comprehension (40min)  Comprehension and Language Use, which tests students' understanding of a passage and written use of the language (such as grammar and vocabulary)  Editing (10m)  Completion of sentences (10m)  Comprehension Open-Ended 1 (16m)  Total: 36 marks	

If you have further queries, please feel free to contact the school or your child's form teacher at 6269 6193 or send us an email at marsiling\_ps@moe.edu.sg.

Thank you,

Yours faithfully,

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