



Ref: MPS/2025/T3/212

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Re: Welcome Back to School (Semester 2)

I hope this letter finds you and your family well and refreshed after the June holidays. As we begin the second semester of the academic year, we are excited to welcome our students back to school, ready for another term of meaningful learning and growth.

(A) Highlights for Term 2 and Upcoming Events for Term 3

Looking back at Term 2, we are heartened by the many enriching experiences our students have enjoyed, which have contributed to both their academic and holistic development. One of the festive highlights was our Hari Raya Puasa celebration, held with the nostalgic theme "*Nostalgia Hari Raya*." It was a heartwarming occasion where our school community came together to appreciate the rich cultural heritage and festive traditions through music, games and shared stories.

Our Primary 3 students began their journey in Co-Curricular Activities (CCAs) in Term 2, exploring new interests and building confidence through diverse experiences after school. It was wonderful to see their enthusiasm and curiosity as they discovered new passions and formed friendships with peers within their CCAs.

Across Primary 3 to Primary 6, students also had the opportunity to participate in a variety of learning journeys that extended their learning beyond the classroom. These thoughtfully curated experiences allowed them to apply what they have learnt in authentic contexts, develop social-emotional competencies, and deepen their appreciation for the world around them.

We also take pride in our students who represented the school in the National School Games (NSG) 2025, competing in rugby, track and field, swimming and taekwondo. These sporting events offered valuable lessons in teamwork, resilience, and sportsmanship, and we celebrate the dedication and spirit shown by all our athletes. Our other CCAs have also provided opportunities for Marsilians to participate in relevant external competitions. Kindly refer to the next section for the achievements of our Marsilians.

Another highlight was the overseas cultural and immersion trip to Kuching, Sarawak, where a group of our Primary 5 student leaders gained insights into cultural diversity, heritage, and global citizenship. The experience broadened their perspectives and strengthened their leadership competencies through real-world learning beyond the classroom.

As we begin Term 3, we look forward to another exciting slate of school-wide activities and level-specific programmes that support our students' development and engagement. Some key upcoming events include:

- **Open House 2025** – an opportunity for preschoolers and their parents to get a closer look at our programmes and school culture;
- **Mother Tongue Languages (MTL) Fortnight** – celebrating our students' language and cultural heritage through engaging activities;
- **Racial Harmony Day** – commemorating a meaningful occasion to foster respect and appreciation for Singapore's multicultural identity;

- **STEAM Week** – promoting curiosity, innovation, and exploration in Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts, and Mathematics;
- **National Day celebrations** – where we come together as a school to honour our nation's journey and values especially with this year's SG60 celebrations.

At the level-specific front:

- Our Primary 4 students will begin their SwimSafer programme, equipping them with essential water safety and swimming skills as part of the PE curriculum;
- Primary 5 students can look forward to attending the National Education (NE) Show, as well as participating in the P5 Cohort Camp – both of which are valuable opportunities to build camaraderie, resilience, and national pride and are the highlights of their P5 year.

More information about the key events in Term 3 will be shared with parents through the letters from the respective Year Heads.

(B) Student Achievement for Term 2

In MPS, we strongly encourage our students to '**Aspire**', '**Believe**' in themselves and have the '**Courage**' to do their best in all the domains that they undertake. We would like to extend our heartiest congratulations to our Marsilians for their excellent performance and affirm the efforts of our students who participated in the following:

Subject/CCA /Others	Competition/Programme	Achievement
Raffles Scholarship	2025 Raffles Scholarship (Primary 5-6)	1 Scholarship Award
English Language	Vactors Reading Stars Competition 2025	1 Group Merit Award (3 students)
	The Newsmaker Awards	3 Certificates of Participation
Chinese Language	Publication of Model Essays on Chinese Magazine Xintiandi	2 Article Contributions
	2025 North Zone Schools (Primary/Secondary) Chinese Speech competition	1 Promising Award 2 Certificates of Participation
	National Chinese Challenge	1 Top 30 Scorer Award
Mathematics & Science	RV STEM Fest	1 STEM Whizz (11th-15th) Award
Mathematics	Raffles Mathematical Olympiad	Open Category – 3 Distinction, and 4 Merit Awards Junior Category – 2 High Distinction, 2 Distinction, and 5 Merit Awards
	Asia-Pacific Mathematical Olympiad for Primary Schools (APMOPS)	1 Silver Award 3 Bronze Awards
Science	Singapore Amazing Flying Machine competition 2025	1 Group Learning Journey Award – 2 nd Place – Category A (Paper Plane) (3 students)
Rugby	National School Games Senior Rugby Competition 2025	League 2 Champions Trophy
Taekwondo	The National School Games Taekwondo Championships Senior Division Boys Poomsae Individual White 9	Bronze Medal

	The National School Games Taekwondo Championships Senior Division Girls Poomsae Individual Yellow 8	Bronze Medal
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	The National School Games Taekwondo Championships Senior Division Boys Poomsae Individual Poom 2	Silver Medal
	The National School Games Taekwondo Championships Junior Division Girls Poomsae Team White 9	Bronze Medal
	The National School Games Taekwondo Championships Kyoyugi Senior Division Boys Poom Belt Under 50 kg	Silver Medal
Speech & Drama	The International Science Drama Competition	Certificate of Participation
Scouts	Chief Scout's Award	13 Award Recipients
Choir	Evolution Dance Competition	1 st Place Award

(C) Semester 2 Timetable & Dates of Public Holidays/ School Holidays in Term 3

For Semester 2, your child will be receiving a new timetable from his/ her Form Teacher by 30 June (Mon). The new timetable will take effect from 1 July (Tue).

In Term 3, there are public holidays, scheduled school holidays and school events where **students do not need to report to school**. Please refer to the table below for the details and to plan for your child's care needs during these dates. Year Heads will be sending to parents the full Term 3's Calendar of Events by the end of this week.

Date (Day)	Occasion/ Event	Levels Affected	Remarks
4 Jul (Fri)	MPS Open House (for P1 2026 cohort)	P3 to P6 Levels	Home-Based Learning for P3 to P6 students
7 Jul (Mon)	Day after Youth Day	All Levels	Scheduled School Holiday
8 Aug (Fri)	National Day Celebration	All Levels	Early Dismissal at 1030am for all students
11 Aug (Mon)	National Day School Holiday	All Levels	Scheduled School Holiday
13 Aug (Wed)	2025 PSLE Oral Exam	P1 to P5 Levels	Oral Exam for P6 students
14 Aug (Thu)	2025 PSLE Oral Exam	P1 to P5 Levels	Oral Exam for P6 students
4 Sep (Thu)	Teachers' Day Celebration	All Levels	Early Dismissal at 1030am for all students
5 Sep (Fri)	Teachers' Day School Holiday	All Levels	Scheduled School Holiday

On the eve of National Day (8 Aug, Fri), MPS will be having its National Day celebration and students will be dismissed at 10.30am. Students may report to school in red-coloured T-shirts (without offensive prints or logos) with their school PE shorts or their school uniform for our National Day celebration.

On the eve of Teachers' Day (4 Sep, Thu), MPS will be celebrating Teachers' Day, hence all students will be dismissed at 10.30am as well. Kindly make the necessary transport and care arrangement for your child for both 8 Aug (Fri) and 4 Sep (Thu) due to early dismissal.

(D) Annual Health Check for Students

Health Promotion Board (HPB) will be conducting the annual school health visit at the school from **11 July to 21 July 2025**. During this visit, age-appropriate health screening and/or immunisation services will be provided for your child as required.

P1 and P5 students will need to submit their Health Booklet to their Form Teachers on the first day of school if he/ she has not done so. Parents will need to access the Student Details Form under "Services" in Parents Gateway to update your child's medical information and provide consent for immunisation. For more details, please refer to Parents Gateway (PG) notification dated 15 May (Thu).

(E) Semesterly Attendance and Temperature-Taking Exercise (ATTEEx)

There will be a ATTEEx held on 9 July (Wed) and all students will be participating in this exercise. The objectives of ATTEEx are:

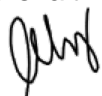
- a. To maintain schools' preparedness to re-activate the attendance and temperature-taking regime should there be a need to, and
- b. To educate students to take personal responsibility for their own health and practise social responsibility.

To ensure that students continue to be familiar with the temperature-taking process, please check that your child's thermometer is in good working condition. Thank you, parents, for your support in keeping our Marsilians and the school safe by continuing to be socially responsible and practising good personal hygiene. Please keep your child at home if he/ she is unwell and proceed to seek medical attention.

Form Teachers will be spending some time at the start of the term, to reintegrate our Marsilians back to school life and routines and re-establish learning routines and personal hygiene practices. As always, we remain committed to working closely with you to support your child's holistic development. We thank you for your continued trust and partnership, and we look forward to a fulfilling and meaningful Term 3 together.

Thank you.

Yours faithfully,



Mrs Heather Thio
Principal