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Dear Parents/Guardians,

**Re: Welcome Back to School (Term 4)**

I hope this message finds you and your family well and rested after the September term break. As we begin Term 4, we are excited to welcome our students back to school for the final stretch of the academic year. We have some exciting updates and highlights to share!

**(A) Celebrating the Lee Hsien Loong Award for Innovation in Uplifting Students (LHL AIUS)**

We are thrilled to announce that Marsiling Primary School has been honoured with the **Lee Hsien Loong Award for Innovation in Uplifting Students (LHL AIUS) 2024**. This prestigious national award celebrates schools that go above and beyond in supporting students' growth and development in defined student segments. Only a select few schools are chosen each year after a rigorous selection and validation process. This recognition is a testament to our school's strong culture of care, excellence, and inclusivity, particularly in our efforts to support students with diverse needs. We are incredibly proud of this achievement and will continue to strive to uplift every Marsilian. This milestone would not have been possible without the dedication of our committed staff and the ongoing support of our community.

**(B) Term 3 Highlights: A Look Back at Our Incredible Journey**

As we reflect on the enriching experiences of Term 3, we are heartened by the wonderful moments our students enjoyed. These experiences not only contributed to their academic growth but also nurtured their holistic development. Here are some of the highlights:

- **MPS Open House 2025 – A Peek Into Our School's Heart**

On 4 July 2025, MPS held its Open House for preschoolers and their parents to get a closer look at our programmes and school culture. Our Open House was more than just an event — it was a glimpse into the heart of who we are: a caring, vibrant community where every Marsilian is nurtured, inspired, and empowered to grow. It was also a snapshot of the vibrant, caring community that defines MPS. It was heartening to see our staff and students united in coming together to showcase what the Marsilian Experience in MPS is truly about. Many visiting parents gave glowing feedback on our school programmes and learning experiences. It was a resounding success as MPS went into balloting for the 2026 P1 Registration Phase 2C supplementary phase.

- **Mother Tongue Languages (MTL) Fortnight – Celebrating our Roots with Joy**

The theme for our MTL Fortnight was 'Celebrating Our Roots: Joy in Language, Pride in Culture'. Marsilians came together to embrace the beauty of our diverse cultures and traditions through a series of exciting and meaningful activities. Through cultural showcases, interactive activities, and hands-on learning, students gained a deeper appreciation for the richness of our heritage and the living, breathing nature of our Mother Tongue languages.

- **STEAM Week – Sparking Curiosity and Innovation**

STEAM Week was a highlight of Term 3, as our students delved into activities that encouraged curiosity and hands-on learning in Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts, and Mathematics. A standout event was the **STEM Playground Challenge 2: 'Slow Descent Helicopter'**, where students designed and tested their own rotocopters. The challenge was all about creativity, trial and error, and most importantly, having fun while exploring the science of flight.

- **Racial Harmony Day – Strengthening Unity**

On 21 July 2025, we commemorated **Racial Harmony Day** with the theme ‘**Our People, Our Tapestry**’. Marsilians reflected on the importance of mutual understanding and respect among Singapore’s diverse communities. In MPS, we celebrated with cultural displays, colourful costumes, delicious traditional foods, and timeless games — reminding us all of our shared heritage.

- **National Day Celebrations – A Proud Moment for All**

This year, our National Day celebrations were filled with excitement and pride as we marked Singapore’s 60th birthday. The festivities kicked off on 6 August 2025 with a surprise visit from AUGUST, our National Day mascot! On 8 August 2025, we came together as a school for our National Day Observance Ceremony. Our Scouts and Brownies marched proudly with the Singapore flag, while the whole school sang the National Anthem and recited the national pledge with heartfelt respect. The grand finale was our National Day concert in the school hall! With hearts full of gratitude, our Marsilians celebrated Singapore’s resilient past and hopeful future by coming together with strength and unity... Majulah Singapura!

At the level-specific front, our Primary 5 Marsilians had an unforgettable experience at the National Education (NE) Show. The NE Show deepened their understanding of what it truly means to be Singaporean, embracing our shared values, appreciating our rich history, and striving toward our collective dreams for the future. Our Primary 5 Marsilians also had an unforgettable 3D2N camp at the MOE Dairy Farm Outdoor Adventure Learning Centre. Over three exciting days, they braved obstacle courses, embraced outdoor challenges, and worked together in team-building games. Each experience stretched their limits and helped them grow braver, stronger and more adaptable.

During the last week of Term 3, our Primary 1 and 2 students showcased their talents in the annual **Lower Primary Showcase**. They performed Choral Reading, Readers’ Theatre, ethnic dance, and hip-hop routines, demonstrating confidence and creativity. The highlight of the event was the family-friendly **obstacle races**, where parents and students had a blast together. We thank our Primary 1 and 2 parents for their unwavering support in making this event a success.

We have an exciting term ahead, and we look forward to sharing more details soon. As always, keep an eye out for updates from the Year Heads, who will send specific information regarding Term 4 events and activities. For a glimpse into these wonderful moments and more, visit our official Instagram and Facebook pages for photos and updates!

### **(C) Student Achievement for Term 3**

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.

#### Lee Kuan Yew Award for All-Round Excellence (Primary) 2025

This prestigious award is a pinnacle national award that recognises well-rounded primary school students who have excelled in both academic and non-academic spheres, demonstrated exceptional qualities and achieved outstanding achievements. We are pleased to announce that Mak Zhe Wei Ethan is a recipient of the Lee Kuan Yew for All-Round Excellence Award (Primary) 2025.

We would also 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	Competition/Programme	Achievement
Chinese Language	8 <sup>th</sup> National Text Recital Competition	3 Silver Awards 4 Bronze Awards
	16 <sup>th</sup> National Inter-Primary School Chinese Poetry Writing Competition	Excellence Award
Tchoukball	3 <sup>rd</sup> ActiveSG-TBAS Inter-School Tchoukball Championships 2025 Junior Division Girls	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place (Plate Category)
Scouts	North Area Cub Scout Cooking Competition	3 Gold Awards 1 Silver Award
Track and Field	National School Games Track & Field Senior Division 2025	2 Gold Awards 3 Silver Awards 13 Bronze Awards

#### (D) Term 4 Timetable & Dates of Public Holidays/ School Holidays in Term 4

For Term 4, your child would have received a new timetable from his/ her Form Teacher on 4 Sep (Thu). The new timetable will take effect from 15 Sep (Mon).

In Term 4, there are public holidays, scheduled school holidays and school events where **students do not need to report to school or there is provision of early dismissal**. Please refer to the table below for the details and to plan for your child's care needs during these dates.

Date (Day)	Occasion/ Event	Levels Affected	Remarks
16 Sep (Tue)	2025 PSLE Listening Comprehension (LC) Exam	P1 to P5 Levels	Home Based Learning (HBL) for P1 to P5 students
25 to 26 Sep (Thu and Fri)	2025 PSLE Written Exam	P3 and P5 Levels	Home Based Learning (HBL) for P3 and P5 students  Students from all other levels are to report to school
29 to 30 Sep (Mon and Tue)	2025 PSLE Written Exam	P4 Level	Home Based Learning (HBL) for P4 students  Students from all other levels are to report to school
1 Oct (Wed)	2025 PSLE Written Exam	P6 Level	PSLE Written Exam for P6 students taking Higher Mother Tongue Language  Students from all other levels are to report to school
2 Oct (Thu)	Children's Day Celebrations and Arts Fiesta	All Levels	Early dismissal at 1030am for all students
3 Oct (Fri)	Children's Day School Holiday	All Levels	School Holiday
13 to 15 Oct (Mon to Wed)	2025 PSLE Marking Exercise	All Levels	Non-school days for all students  Home Based Learning (HBL) for P1 to P5 students
20 Oct (Mon)	Deepavali Public Holiday	All Levels	Public Holiday
7 Nov (Fri)	School Administration Day	All Levels	Non-school day – No lessons for all students

20 Nov (Thu)	Awards and Appreciation Day (AAD) – morning	P1 to P5 Levels	Non-school day – No lessons for P1 to P5 students  P6 students, prize winners, student performers and ushers to report to school for AAD
21 Nov (Fri)	2026 P1 Cohort Orientation Day	All Levels	Non-school day – No lessons for all students

On the eve of Children’s Day (2 October 2025, Thursday), MPS will be having its Children’s Day celebration and Arts Fiesta. Students will be dismissed at 1030am. Kindly make the necessary transport and care arrangement for your child due to early dismissal. Year Heads will be sending to parents the full Term 4’s Calendar of Events by the end of this week.

**(E) Mitigation of Noise and Dust from Marsiling Ridge Construction Site**

The construction of Marsiling Ridge, the new HDB BTO project next to Marsiling Primary School, officially kicked off in Term 2 of 2025. To ensure the school remains a safe and conducive place for learning, the main contractor and HDB have partnered with the school to minimize disruptions and ensure safety for students and staff with the following:

**1. Managing Traffic and Vehicle Movements**

To keep the roads outside the school safe and free of congestion, heavy vehicles will only enter the construction area at staggered times, avoiding school dismissal timings.

**2. Noise and Dust Barriers**

A 10-meter-high barrier will be built along the school’s perimeter fence to help block out both noise and dust from the construction site.

**3. Noise Monitoring & Noisy Work Restrictions**

A Noise Dosimeter has been installed facing the construction site. This device will monitor noise levels to stay within acceptable limits. To ensure the school is not disturbed during examination periods, no noisy construction work will take place during school-based and national examinations.

**4. Keeping Classrooms Cool**

To make the classrooms more comfortable, two standing fans have been provided for each classroom facing the construction site. Air-conditioning systems have also been installed in Block 1 and the ISH Block, which face the construction site. The system was completed at the end of Term 3 and will be operational in Term 4. In order to keep a balance between providing a conducive environment and managing electricity usage, the air-conditioning system in Block 1 will be activated from **10:00 am to 1:00 pm** each day — this is when construction work is at its peak. This ensures the classrooms stay comfortable for students, especially during the active phases of construction period.

The school will continue to work closely with the main contractor until all construction at Marsiling Ridge is completed, ensuring the least possible disruption for students and staff. We thank you for your continued trust and partnership, and we look forward to a fulfilling and meaningful Term 4 together. Thank you.

Yours faithfully,



Mrs Heather Thio  
Principal