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Dear Parents / Guardians

NOTIFICATION TO PARENTS (TERM 3/2019)

1. Welcome back to a new term of school! I hope that you have had a restful holiday period.
2. We had our inaugural combined SGF concert on 8 June 2019. It was heartening to see students from all of our 7 schools under the Montfort Brothers of St Gabriel community coming together to perform. Our very own MJS dancers put up an exhilarating performance. I would like to thank you for your show of support in purchasing the tickets. The funds raised will go a long way in helping our schools enrich our school programmes.
3. Over the past three years, we have been working hard to put together our Future Learning Programme (FLP). This includes both the Computational Thinking modules as well as our Maker Education programmes. We are glad to announce that we have been designated by MOE as the **Lead School for Maker Education** for North Zone Schools. This means that we will have access to resources that will allow us to strengthen our programme offerings to benefit your child. We are also tasked with sharing our programmes with other schools and serve as a resource for them. We look forward to your continued support for our FLP.

Health Matters

4. **Temperature-taking Exercise.** The next temperature-taking exercise will be held on 4 Jul, Thursday. This is to ensure that we are prepared for any health emergencies that occur. As part of being a socially responsible member of our community, every pupil is required to bring a working thermometer to school on 4 **July** for the temperature taking exercise.
5. **Travel Declaration.** To ensure the well-being of our students, we would like to seek your help to inform us if your child had travelled overseas and have returned from a

country with a history of flu outbreak (especially those who have been unwell with flu-like symptoms). Please make the travel declaration at our school's website by 5 July, Friday. This is to facilitate contact tracing in the event of an outbreak of any transmittable illnesses.

Road Safety Matters

6. We continue to seek your cooperation to prevent an accident from happening at the front gate when dropping off or picking up your son/ward. As cars are turning in from the opposite side of the road, and there is fairly heavy traffic moving along Hougang Ave 8, the stoppage at the front gate is a safety concern. We need your cooperation to ensure the safety of your sons and urge you to drop off your sons/wards at the HDB car park next to the side gate.
7. Please note that there is no U-turn in front of the school gate from 6.30–7.45am from Mondays to Fridays. This is sanctioned by the traffic police and violation of this may result in an action taken by Traffic Police.
8. For parents whose children are taking the school bus, please be informed that it is a requirement that all children wear seat belts when in the school bus. We seek your help in reminding your children on the importance of wearing their seat belts and remaining seated at all times while in the school bus. This is to ensure their safety at all times. Repeated failure to wear the seat belts may result in the bus company taking action against your child and preventing him from using the school bus services.

School Programmes

9. ***Hari Raya Celebrations.*** The Hari Raya Celebration will be held on 12 Jul (Fri) during school assembly.
10. ***Racial Harmony Day.*** We will be commemorating Racial Harmony Day on 18-19 July (Thu-Fri). Pupils are strongly encouraged to wear traditional costumes to school on these 2 days. There will be interactive activities during recess to promote racial harmony.
11. ***NE Show for P5 Pupils.*** As part of the National Education (NE) programme for pupils, all P5 pupils will attend the NE Show 2019 on **13 July** (Sat). Through participation in the NE Show, the pupils will experience and develop a sense of commitment towards the nation. All P5 pupils are required to attend the NE Show unless they have valid reasons. They are encouraged to be dressed in red t-shirts with white shorts.
12. ***National Day Celebrations.*** National Day is on 9 Aug (Fri). The school celebration for National Day will be held on 8 Aug (Thu). School will function from 7.30–10.00am. Pupils are encouraged to be dressed in red t-shirt and white shorts. Through the many fringe activities we have planned for them, we hope that our boys understand the importance of working together as one, to achieve a better Singapore. We will

also be holding our MJ Talent Search (Finals) on that day, to recognise the many talents and achievements of our pupils.

13. **PAM (PE, Aesthetics & Makers) Night.** We are celebrating our P.A.M Night on 30 Aug (Fri). It is going to be a fun filled night with pupils showcasing what they have learnt in PE, Aesthetics and Makers (PAM). Mark the date in your calendar and join us with your family and friends. More details on the event will be given later.
14. **Suspension of CCAs.** CCAs for P6 will be suspended in Term 3 due to the preliminary and PSLE examinations.
15. **Teachers' Day Celebrations.** We will celebrate Teachers' Day on 5 Sep (Thu). School will function from 7.30am to 12.00 noon that day. Please note that this is also the last day of the school term. We are aware that many of you may wish to show your appreciation to your son's teachers. We would like to discourage the purchase of gift as our teachers are unable to accept any gift from parents. A note of appreciation from the boys would be greatly appreciated by our teachers. I will also appreciate it if you can send me your notes of appreciation for the teachers and they will be passed on to the teachers at an appropriate platform. It would be a great encouragement to the teachers to receive such messages of affirmation from you.

Partnerships

16. **Montfort Junior Parents' Connection.** We encourage you to join the school's Montfort Junior Parents Connection (MJPC) so that you can get involved in school activities and get to know other parents. Parent volunteers are needed for various activities such as Racial Harmony Day, National Day Celebrations, etc. If you like to volunteer, please get in touch with MJPC at their Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/MJPCConnection>) page.
17. We like to thank you for your continued support as our valued partners-in-education. We look forward to working with you this term to provide safe and positive educational experiences for our pupils. May God bless you and your family abundantly.

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Yours sincerely



Wilbur Wong
Principal

Calendar for Term 3

DAY / DATE	EVENT
4 Jul (Thu)	Temperature-taking Exercise
8 Jul (Mon)	School Holiday (Youth Day)
12 Jul (Fri)	Hari Raya Celebrations
13 Jul (Sat)	NE Show for all P5 pupils <i>*P5 pupils are to be dressed in red T-shirt and white short.</i>
18-19 Jul (Thu-Fri)	Racial Harmony Day Celebrations
29-30 Jul (Mon-Tue)	P6 Prelim – Oral Examination for EL & MTL (After-school hours)
8 Aug (Thu)	National Day Celebrations <i>*Please note that school will function from 7.30 – 10.00am.</i>
9 Aug (Fri)	Public Holiday (National Day)
12 Aug (Mon)	Public Holiday in-lieu (Hari Raya Haji)
15-16 Aug (Thu-Fri)	PSLE Oral Examination <i>*Please note that there is no school for P1-P5 pupils on both days.</i>
20 Aug (Tue)	P6 Prelim EL & MTL - Listening Comprehension
26 Aug (Mon)	P6 Prelim EL Paper 1 & 2
27 Aug (Tue)	P6 Prelim Mathematics
28 Aug (Wed)	P6 Prelim MTL Paper 1 and 2
29 Aug (Thu)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P6 Prelim Science • P3 GEP Screening
30 Aug (Fri)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P6 Prelim HMT • PAM Night
5 Sep (Thu)	Teachers' Day Celebrations <i>*Please note that school will function from 7.30 – 12.00 noon</i>
6 Sep (Fri)	School Holiday (Teachers' Day)
7-15 Sep	School Holidays
11-13 Sep (Wed-Fri)	P6 Supplementary lessons
16 Sep (Mon)	Start of Term 4