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Dear Parents / Guardians,

NOTIFICATION TO PARENTS (TERM 2/2018)

1. We are happy to announce that our senior division team has emerged as Zonal Champions in the North Zone Primary School Badminton Championships while our junior boys emerged as 1st runner-up. They will be proceeding to the National Championships and we wish them all the best in the upcoming competition.

School Programmes

- 2. This is a busy term, filled with many programmes and events to nurture our boys holistically and give each child an opportunity to learn beyond the classroom. These include the Bi-Mother Tongue Fortnight, International Friendship Day, Founder's Day and Open House. The calendar of events for Term 2 can be found in Annex A.
- 3. **Founder's Day and Open House**. In celebration of our 102nd Founder's Day, there will be a day of festivities on 21 Apr (Sat). Our Open House will commence right after the Founder's Day celebration, from 10.30am to 12.30pm. You are welcomed to join us in our Open House. We also seek your assistance to invite parents of boys who are due for Primary 1 registration this or next year, to attend our Open House to know more about our school, school curriculum and programmes.
- 4. **Parent-Child-Teacher Conference**. This will be held on 25 May (Fri) from 7.30am to 3.00pm for all P1 to P6 students and parents. Your child is required to attend the conference with you. He will take the lead in articulating his learning, progress and areas for improvement.
- 5. **P6 Supplementary Lessons & Science Learning Journey**. There will supplementary lessons and a Science LJ to Sungei Buloh in the last week of the June holidays ie 19 to 22 Jun. Parents of P6 pupils are to take note of the dates when planning for the June holidays or vacation overseas.
- 6. **myON Reader.** The English Dept will be introducing myON Reader, a digital book library, in Term 2. It is an online platform which provides anytime, anywhere access to a library of thousands of digital books with multimedia support and real time assessments. It generates a customised, recommended booklist for every pupil based on their Lexile scores and their

reading interest. Individual dashboards are created for pupils based on their specific interests and reading abilities and includes writing opportunities to enhance their experience. More details on how to use the digital library (www.myon.sg) will be given by the teachers.

Values Education

- 7. Respect & Responsibility. To instill a sense of responsibility in our pupils, kindly ensure that your child/ward packs his bag daily according to the timetable given. This will enable him to have all that he needs for learning while preventing an excessively heavy bag. In the event that he has forgotten something, we strongly discourage parents from bringing these items to school. Please note that the general office will not send up any items that he has forgotten to bring to school. Your child will also not be asked to come down to the office to collect the items unless it is an emergency or a medical requirement. This is to prevent disruptions in classroom teaching for your child and the rest of the class. We seek your cooperation in helping us develop a more conducive learning environment for all.
- 8. **School Attendance & Punctuality.** Please note that regular attendance in school is very important for pupils' learning and socialization. In order for this to be carried out, we need your cooperation in ensuring that your child comes to school punctually. Pupils must be seated with their class by **7.15am** every morning. Please also refrain from taking your children out of school during curriculum time for holidays or other events, including overseas travel. This is disruptive to their learning and teaches children that school is not important.

Safety & Health Matters

- 9. *Traffic Safety*. We continue to seek your cooperation to prevent an accident from happening at the front gate by not dropping off your sons there in the morning. Stopping at the front gate is a safety concern as there is fairly heavy traffic moving along Hougang Ave 8. Vehicles turning in from the opposite side of the road add to the congestion. We need your cooperation to ensure the safety of your sons and urge you to drop them off at the HDB car park next to the side gate. Please also be reminded that there is no U-turn in front of the school gate from 6.30 7.45am from Mondays to Fridays.
- 10. 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 of the importance of wearing their seat belts and remaining seated at all times while in the school bus. 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.

Partnerships

11. Hair for Hope. Our annual charity drive for the Children's Cancer Foundation will be held on 24 May (Thu). This encourages our boys to develop our school values of Compassion, Humility, Respect, and Service as they show empathy for children suffering from cancer. You may wish to show your support by shaving your head, together with your son/ward. If you do not wish to shave your head, you may wish to give a monetary donation instead. All proceeds go to the Foundation and we seek your generous support for this worthy cause. More details will be given closer to the time.

- 12. **Montfort Junior Parents Connection (MJPC).** We encourage you to join MJPC, our school's parent support group. You can get to know other parents and get involved in the school's activities. More information can be found on the MJPC Facebook (https://www.facebook.com/groups/MJPConnection) page.
- 13. Thank you for your continued partnership with us. We look forward to a fruitful and meaningful term ahead.

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Yours sincerely

Wilbur Wong Principal

ANNEX A

CALENDAR FOR TERM 2 2018

DAY / DATE	EVENT
30 Mar (Fri)	Public Holiday (Good Friday)
2-13 Apr	Bi-Mother Tongue Fortnight
6 Apr (Fri)	Commemoration of International Friendship Day
21 Apr (Sat)	Founder's Day Celebrations &
	Open House
16-27 Apr	SA1 P3 & P4 Oral Exam for EL & MTL (during curriculum hours)
23-24 Apr (Mon-Tue)	SA1 P5 Oral Exam for EL & MTL (after school hours)
26-27 Apr (Thu-Fri)	SA1 P6 e-Oral Exam for EL & MTL (after school hours)
1 May (Tue)	Public Holiday (Labour Day)
3 May (Thu)	SA1 – EL & MTL Paper 1 (P3 to P6)
7 May (Mon)	SA1 – EL Paper 2 & EL/FEL Listening Comprehension (P3 to P6)
8 May (Tue)	SA1 Mathematics (P3 to P6)
9 May (Wed)	SA1 MT/FMT Paper 2 & MT/FMT Listening Comprehension (P3 to P6)
10 May (Wed)	SA 1 – Science (P3 to P6)
11 May (Fri)	SA 1 Higher MTL (P5 & P6)
24 May (Thu)	Hair for Hope
25 May (Fri)	Parent-Child-Teacher Conference (P1 to P6)
	(7.30am – 3.00pm)
	(no school for pupils)
26 May-24 Jun	School Holidays
29 May (Tue)	Public Holiday (Vesak Day)
15 Jun (Fri)	Public Holiday (Hari Raya Puasa)
19-22 Jun (Tue-Fri)	P6 Remediation Programme
	(8am to 12.30pm)
25 Jun (Mon)	Start of Term 3