

# BEDOK GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Empowered Learners, Persons of Strength & Character

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Dear Parents/Guardians

## 1. Term 2 Message from Principal

Greetings and welcome to Term 2. We hope you and your loved ones are keeping safe and healthy during this time. We are glad to share that many of our students have settled down well and are giving their best to learn and interact with their teachers and friends. We hope to continue working with you closely and ensure that our students are well supported both in school and at home. We are confident that with good character, positive attitude towards learning, sustained effort, and a resilient mindset, they will continue to scale greater heights with us. Our work here will continue to be a meaningful one because of the support from students, teachers, staff, parents, and partners. The learning experiences are only possible with the unstinting efforts of our caring staff and parents, community, and partners. Let us continue to work together to enable our aspirations for BGPians to be empowered learners, persons of strength and character to take deeper roots in the hearts of BGPians and help us transit smoothly towards COVID resilience.

Our journey in implementing 'The Leader in Me' curriculum and '7 Habits' have started. Through explicit teaching of the 7 Habits and engaging activities, students have been guided to learn how to become self-reliant, take initiative, plan, set and track goals, prioritize their time, manage their emotions, be considerate of others, express their viewpoint persuasively and value differences. The process of learning is critical in helping students develop the skills and self-confidence they need to lead their lives and succeed in school and beyond. We hope students are taking the language of the 7 Habits to their parents and their community. In the words of Aristotle, "We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence therefore is not an act but a habit." We believe that our little successes are a result of the efforts and routines we repeatedly put into what we do. Let us continue to strive for a progressive 2022, in the big and little things we do every single day, for the students and community. We wish one and all a splendid and enriching Term 2!

## 2. Term 1 Achievements

We wish to congratulate the following students and thank our teachers, admin staff and parents for guiding and supporting them to attain the following recent achievements:

Phoebe Tan Zile (P6 Respect), Dawn Lee (6 Respect) and Wee Xun Yi Amos (P3 Respect) participated in the 13<sup>th</sup> Goodtalk (Global Village) International Children & Youth Bilingual Speech Conference, and our heartiest congratulations especially to Wee Xun Yi Amos for attaining the First Award! Special thanks to CL teachers Mdm Luo Qian and Ms Ellen Lim for guiding the students in the competition.

Lucas Teo Kai Woon (6 Resilience) and Lucas Chung (6 Responsibility) represented BGPS in the inter-school Foundation Chinese Language Memory Game Challenge Competition under the guidance of Year Head/ Upper Primary Mr Loh Wei Leong and attained Top-10 placing!

Lucas Teo Kai Woon (P6 Resilience), Koh Jia Ling Chloe (P6 Resilience), Samy Pravin (P6 Resilience, Lim En Yu (P6 Integrity), Senthil Kumar Sahithyan (P6 Integrity), Phoebe Tan Zile (P6 Respect), Li Chenghan (P6 Respect), and Jessica Isabella Clark (P6 Integrity) participated in the

2022 Primary 6 School Of The Arts (SOTA) Art Competition 2022, with both Li Chenghan's and Jessica Isabella Clark's art submissions emerging as Top 50 finalists for the digital exhibition! We thank Art teacher Mr Salim Basalamah for his guidance in preparing all 8 students for excelling in the competition.

#### 3. Staff Movement

We are delighted to welcome teachers Mr Horis Bin Hosri (EL/Math), Ms Nur Ashikin Binti Jufri (EL/Math) and Allied Educator (Learning and Behavioural Support) Ms Sheryl Wong Shi Hui to the BGPS family.

#### 4. Safe Management Measures

#### Vaccination Appointment Booking for Primary Schools

We encourage parents/ guardians who have yet to sign up for your child's/ ward's vaccination to do so, if he is medically eligible, to protect yourselves and your family. A high vaccination rate will enable us to resume more activities that are important for our students' all-round development and an enriched school life. We thank you for your support in keeping our school safe.

You can register your child/ ward through the National Appointment System (NAS) via the unique booking link that was sent to you earlier. If you did not receive the booking link or encounter issues with the link, you can register your interest on the MOH National Appointment System (NAS) at child.vaccine.gov.sg. With effect from 25 January, your child/ ward will also be able to walk in with you to any pediatric vaccination centre to receive his first COVID-19 vaccination without the need for a prior appointment.

#### Reporting of Positive COVID Cases

We seek your support to inform the Form Teachers if your child/ ward tests COVID positive.

## <u>TraceTogether (TT) Tokens</u>

To facilitate contact tracing, students should bring their TT tokens to school daily. Students should carry their TT tokens to form the good habit of always having their tokens with them. Please ensure that your child's TT token is in working order and get a replacement if his token is faulty/out of battery.

Parents can collect TT tokens for their children from any Community Centre/ Club. Singaporeans and Permanent Residents who are collecting their tokens for the first time can also request for the TT token to be delivered via post. Details can be found at token.gowhere.gov.sg.

#### 5. Cyber Wellness - Being Respectful, Safe & Responsible Users of Technology

It is imperative that our students are equipped with the knowledge and skills to be safe and responsible users of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) as we develop them to be future-ready. As part of our Character and Citizenship Education (CCE) curriculum, awareness of Cyber Wellness (CW) issues is key to the well-being of our students as they harness ICT while maintaining a positive presence in cyberspace. In BGPS, CW education is conducted through assembly programmes, recess, and class-based activities.

On 8 February, our CW team rode on Safer Internet Day as a platform to create awareness on several topics such as cyber bullying, cyber gaming, and netiquette. Students learn to be respectful, safe, and responsible users of technology through Kahoot! and informative board displayed in the canteen. Our CW student councilors led the activities by putting up the information on the board and taking charge of conducting Kahoot! games with their peers, creating a positive peer influence advocating for the good of the community online.

We have also started posting monthly tips for parents on cyberwellness on Parents Gateway. Do tune in to find out more! We believe that through our joint efforts, we can guide our students to adopt the right values and attitudes when using technology and better support their well-being as

they navigate the cyber world. To find out more about the CW Curriculum and resources, please visit the following website  $-\frac{\text{https://www.moe.gov.sg/programmes/cyber-wellness}}{\text{https://www.moe.gov.sg/programmes/cyber-wellness}}$ .

## 6. Upcoming Events/ Activities

Event	Date	Level	Details
Tennis Exposure Sports Programme	24 March, 21 & 28 April	Selected P4	
P6 Supplementary Programme	28 & 31 March, 4, 7, 11, 25, 28 April, 5 May	All P6	
P3 to P5 Bridging and Enrichment Programme	28, 31 March 4, 7, 11, 25, 28 April, 5 May	Selected P3, P4, P5	
MTL Fortnight	28 March – 8 April	All	
P5 Indian Heritage Centre Social Studies Learning Journey (SS LJ)	4 – 7 April	All P5	A letter will be given nearer the date
P6 Asian Civilisations Museum SS LJ	5, 8, 12, 13 April	All P6	
International Friendship Day	13 April	All	
P2 to P6 Parent Teacher Conference	14 April	P2 to P6	
HBL	14 April	P2 to P6	
Good Friday Public Holiday	15 April	All	
P6 SA1 EL/ FEL & MT/ FMT Oral	18, 19, 25 April	All P6	
Anti-Bullying Week	18 – 22 April	All	
P4 & P6 SA1 EL/ FEL Paper 1 & LC	20 – 21 April	P4 to P6	Suspension of P4 & P6 timetables
P4 SA1 EL & MT Oral Day	25 – 27 April	P4	Curriculum Time
Strive @ Recess	25 – 29 April	All	
Labour Day Public Holiday	2 May	All	
Hari Raya Puasa Public Holiday	3 May	All	
Hari Raya Celebration	4 May	All	
P5 HMT WA & P6 HMT SA1 Paper 1	5 May	Selected P5, P6	
P3 & P5 WA	9 – 13 May, 17 – 20 May	P3, P5	To be conducted during respective subject periods

P4 & P6 SA1	9 – 12 May	P4, P6	Suspension of P4 & P6 timetables
Vesak Day Public Holiday	16 May	All	
P4 Civic District & SG River SS LJ	17 – 19 May	P4	

Please refer to our school website (www.bedokgreenpri.moe.edu.sg) regularly for the school calendar and updates. Should you have any feedback to help us improve in our processes or affirm our practices, you may also write to us at bgps@moe.edu.sg or call us at 64425416. Our staff emails can also be found on our school website.

Thank you!

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Mr Benjamin Yong

Principal