

### JYPS BULLETIN FOR PARENTS

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# **FEBRUARY 2022**

#### **Our School Vision**

Future-Ready Learners, Leaders of Character

#### **Our School Mission**

Nurturing Every Child in a Vibrant and Caring Environment where Talents Blossom



**Total Defence Day** (TDD) marks the fall of Singapore to the Japanese in 1942. Schools commemorate TDD for our students to reflect on how Total Defence remains our best all-round response to threats and challenges that confront Singapore (e.g. terrorism, pandemics, cyberattacks, influence campaigns, economic crises).

They also reflect on the continuing relevance of the six Total Defence pillars (military, civil, economic, social, digital and psychological) and the core message of every Singaporean standing together, with each playing our part to protect Singapore and our shared way of life.

The theme "Together We Keep Singapore Strong" is maintained to encourage students to play a greater role in Total Defence and to highlight the different ways they can contribute.

Activities which your child will get to participate in include discussions in class during Current Affairs with Values Embedded (CAVE) lessons on how they can play a part in Social, Civil and Psychological Defences, fringe activities through SLS to strengthen their understanding of the other defences and SG Secure lessons on how to keep Singapore safe and strong.

Through the commemoration of Total Defence Day, we hope to rally and mobilise Singaporeans to prepare for future threats and challenges, and show resilience when crises strike. The COVID-19 experience has heightened the importance and relevance of Total Defence. When Singaporeans play their part, we will emerge stronger even as we battle the virus.



### **FEBRUARY CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Date	Level(s) Affected	Events	
31 Jan	P1 to P6	Chinese New Year (CNY) Festive Celebrations Students will participate in CNY festive celebrations and activities on 31 Jan 2022. There will be early dismissal as it is the eve of Chinese New Year. Please note the staggered dismissal timing:	
		<b>Side Gate 2</b> P1 – 10.25am	<b>Side Gate 1</b> P3 – 10.25am
		P2 – 10.30am P4 – 10.35am	P5 – 10.30am P6 – 10.35am
		*Siblings will be dismissed at SG2  Students celebrating CNY are encouraged to come to school dressed in Chinese ethnic attire. Do note that with the ethnic attire, hair accessories must still be in accordance to school rules and school shoes must be worn. There will be school bus services as per usual. Please make your own transport arrangement if your child is not taking the school bus.	
1, 2	P1 to P6	Public Holiday - Chinese New Year All students to report to school on 3 Feb 2022	
3	P1 to P6	Safer Internet Day (assembly programme during school hours)	
8, 9	P1 to P6	Class Photo-Taking (during school hours)	
11	P4 only	Personal Device Learning Programme (PDLP) Engagement with Parents (Timing: 4.00pm to 5.00pm) Session will be conducted via Zoom. More details will be	
		shared separately.	
17	P1 to P6	Total Defence Day Commemoration (during school hours)	
21 - 25	P6 only	P6 Weighted Assessment (WA)  The schedule and topics to be tested are enclosed (for P6 level only).  P3 to P5 students will not be sitting for WA in Term 1. They will be assessed holistically through bite-sized assessments.	
25	P4 to P6	Parents' Workshop on Science (Timing: 3.00pm to 4.30pm) Session will be conducted via Zoom. More details will be shared separately.	

#### STAYING VIGILANT DURING THE FESTIVE SEASON

(Extracted from MOH News Highlights dated 21 Jan 2022)

Singapore's high vaccination and booster rates give us confidence that we will be able to mitigate the impact of the Omicron wave on our society and economy. We seek everyone's cooperation to uphold the prevailing SMMs especially during the CNY period:

- a. **House visits**. The permissible group size for social gatherings remains at 5 persons. Correspondingly, the maximum number of unique visitors per household will remain at 5 persons per day. Individuals may wish to take an ART in advance of such gatherings, particularly if there will be elderly or unvaccinated family members present.
- b. **Dine in at Food & Beverage (F&B) establishments**. Prevailing rules at F&B establishments will continue to apply, including to reunion dinners or other CNY meals at these establishments. Social gatherings remain capped at 5 persons and multiple table bookings exceeding this are not permitted, except for those from the same household.
- c. Other religious or customary activities. Large-scale events, including religious processions or dinner banquets (including company-organised meals or tuan bai) will continue to be disallowed to avoid superspreading events.

Vaccinations, especially boosters, will ensure we retain substantial protection against Omicron. Boosters have helped dampen the rise in Omicron cases thus far and increases our protection against infection and severe illness. We urge all who are eligible for vaccinations and booster doses to receive them as soon as possible. We seek the continued cooperation and support of all in complying with the adjusted protocols and measures as we pave the way to living with COVID-19.

### **Group Personal Accident Insurance for Students**

The 2022 product factsheet for the NTUC Income Group Personal Accident Insurance Plan for Students is attached for your reference. With effect from 2022, all student accident insurance claims submission are to be submitted electronically. Parents are to submit their claims online and check the claims status through the online portal. Schools are required to verify the claims information and access the claims records through the online portal. The link is here: <a href="https://www.income.com.sg/studentgpa">https://www.income.com.sg/studentgpa</a>

# **Land Transport Authority (LTA) Advisory**

Recently, LTA has received feedback regarding parking along Tampines Ave 4 (near Side Gate 2) and dropping off along Tampines Street 91 (near signalised pedestrian crossing at Side Gate 1). To help improve the traffic situation, we seek your support:

- Not to park indiscriminately along public roads especially near bus stops and junctions during school dismissal times; and
- If parents intend to wait for their children, please park at the surrounding carparks located at the HDB blocks.

We hope that our roads will continue to be safe for all users.

### MAINTAINING PERSONAL HYGIENE FOR A SAFE & HEALTHY SCHOOL

Please encourage your child/ward to stay healthy by maintaining the following hygiene practices in addition to bringing their **TraceTogether Token** to school daily:

- Wear face masks as a default at all times:
- Practise frequent hand washing with soap (e.g. before handling food or eating, after going to the toilet, or when hands are dirtied by respiratory secretions after coughing or sneezing);
- Refrain from touching face and cover mouth with a tissue paper when coughing or sneezing, and dispose the used tissue paper in the rubbish bin immediately;
- Wipe down their class desks and the canteen tables after use;
- Seek medical attention promptly if your child is unwell;
- Rest at home until your child/ward is certified medically fit to return to school.

Let's continue to keep our guard up to avoid a resurgence of cases.

## **FAMILY SUPPORT PROGRAMME (FSP)**

The Methodist Welfare Services (MWS) Family Support Programme is an upstream programme designed to guide parents with pre-teens and teens. Their team of MSF-certified Family Life Education Trainers offer Evidence-Based Programmes (EBP) such as Triple P and Signposts for Building Better Behaviour to parents in our school.

We have provided a link to MWS FSP via <u>JYPS Parents Portal</u>. You can also visit the <u>MWS FSP webpage</u> (<u>www.mws.sg</u>) to find out more about the programmes that will be rolled out in 2022. For more details, you can contact the Programme Coordinator, Ms Wu Shaoshi via email: <u>MWSfsp@mws.sg</u> or Tel: 6786 5635.

### P2 - P6 CURRICULUM BRIEFING

Thank you for taking the time to attend the 2022 P2 – P6 Curriculum Briefing on 17 to 21 Jan. The briefing slides and Zoom session recordings are now available on the school website (<a href="https://www.junyuanpri.moe.edu.sg/">https://www.junyuanpri.moe.edu.sg/</a>) until 11 Feb. Let us work together to bring about the joy of learning in our children.

### HAVE YOU ONBOARDED PARENTS GATEWAY?

We are glad that most of our parents have onboarded Parents Gateway (PG). If you have not, the instructions are available on the <u>school website</u>. Moving forward, JYPS Bulletins, Announcements, and Consent Forms will be sent through PG. Please alert the Form Teachers if you have issues accessing PG.

The school wishes all parents, students & staff of JYPS celebrating Chinese New Year



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