



JYPS BULLETIN FOR PARENTS

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Our School Vision

Future-Ready Learners, Leaders of Character

Our School Mission

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

Principal's Message 2023

Hello and welcome to Junyuan Primary School!

We invite you to imagine with us students been assigned with the task to design a solution that will help extend the lifespan of the Pulau Semakau Landfill. From suggestions that seem to aim for the moon to prototypes that appear amateurish, the children pitch their solutions with a mix of innocence and confidence in their small "work" groups. Or visualise with us pre-schoolers encountering a pea flower for the first time. Captivated, they bombard their teacher with strings of questions that adults would not ask and leave the teacher speechless but smiling.

These children have a sense of wonder about the things happening around them. They seem to carry with them a curiosity about the world and an enthusiasm to try things new. They are not fictional. They can be found in our school. More encouragingly, restrictions imposed on them during the pandemic have not extinguished their spirit to learn and the willingness to care for the world around them.

We see them discover pleasure in learning when the things they do and try coinciding with the interests that they harbour, when time and space is given for them to tinker with ideas that they generate – alone or as a group, when their efforts and creations are recognised, and when they are given the chance to explore beyond the limits of the classrooms to the world beyond.

As we commemorate 35 years of our school's founding, we want to celebrate the joy that accompanies our children's learning as they grow and glow in their journey with us. We invite you to join us on this ride!

Wishing you a joyful and fruitful year of learning in 2023!

Chan Weng Cheong
Principal



JANUARY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date	Events	Remarks
3 – 6	First Days of School Dismissal Time: 12.30pm (SG2)	P1 students (Parent / guardian will be allowed to accompany your child/ward on 3 Jan)
4 – 6	First Days of School Dismissal Time: P1: 12.30pm (SG2) P3: 12.30pm (SG1) P2: 12.30pm (SG2) P5: 12.30pm (SG1) P4: 12.30pm (SG2) P6: 12.30pm (SG1)	P2 – P6 students (P2 – P6 students will attend school from 4 Jan)
9	P1 Student Smart Card Phototaking Exercise	P1 students only (During curriculum hours)
10	P6 Student Smart Card Phototaking Exercise	P6 students only (During curriculum hours)
12-18	Parents' Curriculum Briefing	All P2 – P6 parents (information will be sent via Parents Gateway)
16	Start of all CCAs Some groups may begin earlier due to SYF / NSG. General CCA Timing: Mondays (2.00pm – 3.30pm); Fridays (2.00pm – 3.30pm)	CCA details will be issued by the respective CCA Teachers IC. School bus services are available on Mon and Fri at 3:30 pm for students taking the school bus and residing in Tampines & Simei
19	Chinese New Year Celebration (Dismissal time will be as usual at 1.30pm.)	Refer to next page for the details
31	Start of P6 Remedial Lessons	All P6 students (information will be sent via Parents Gateway)

REMEDIAL LESSONS

Remedial lessons **for selected students** will be conducted on Tuesdays and Wednesdays (details will be shared via Parents' Gateway). Lessons will commence from **7 Feb 2023 for P2 and P4 students**. Students taking the school bus can do so at 3:30 pm (Tampines and Simei).

ARRIVAL & DISMISSAL TIMING (WED 9 JAN 2023)

Lvl	Arrival	Mon-Fri	D/Point	Lvl	Arrival	Mon-Fri	D/Point
P1	7.30am	1.30pm	SG2	P3	7.30am	1.30pm	SG1
P2	7.30am	1.30pm	SG2	P5	7.30am	1.30pm	SG1
P4	7.30am	1.30pm	SG2	P6	7.30am	1.30pm	SG1

A FEW GENTLE REMINDERS

- There will be **Snack Breaks** during curriculum time. We encourage students to bring healthy snacks such as fruits & nuts and wholemeal sandwich.
- Please onboard the Parents Gateway App if you have not done so. The instructions are on the school's website. Bulletins will be circulated via the Parents Gateway App.

PERSONAL DATA PROTECTION ACT (PDPA)

The school would like to update that photographs and/or video images of students captured during school events, programmes and activities may be used in school publications, website, and other official school communication channels. If you wish to exclude your child from being featured in such publicity, please email at junyuan_ps@moe.edu.sg by **Fri 13 Jan 2023**.

SCHOOL SAFETY AND SECURITY REMINDERS

The school places great emphasis on school safety & security especially as the school undergoes upgrading this year. We seek parents' cooperation in the following ways:

- Take note of the opening times of the gates and adhere to security screening if you are visiting the school or dropping your child off at the gates.
- Display the "Drop-Off" Car Label prominently and drive slowly if you are entering the school compound to drop off your child. You can apply for the "Drop-Off" label [online](#).
- If you are planning to meet your child's teacher, please make an appointment by calling beforehand or through email. As teachers have lessons, CCAs and programmes to see to, they may be unavailable if you drop by without an appointment. Once the appointment is fixed, please enter only via Side Gate 1 and sign in at the security post. Ensure that you put on the Visitor's Pass while on the school grounds. Please report to the General Office (GO) to meet the teacher/staff. Do return the pass at the security post before you leave.
- Parents who wish to fetch their child early must report to the GO to sign their child out.
- Students are encouraged to bring only necessary stationary items to school. **NO** scissors, penknives or any sharp objects are to be brought to school.

UNWELL STUDENTS & MAINTAINING GOOD HYGIENE PRACTICES

In our continued efforts to safeguard the well-being of all our students and staff, please keep your child at home should he/she be unwell and adhere to the rest period given by the doctor, especially if he/she has Acute Respiratory Infection (ARI) symptoms or a communicable disease such as Hand-Foot-Mouth (HFMD), Chicken Pox or Gastroenteritis. **He/she should only return to school once he / she is fully well / COVID-19 ART test outcome is negative.**

We would also like to remind your child to maintain good hygiene practices:

- No sharing of food / cutlery / straws, etc.
- Washing his/her hands with soap and water before and after meals, after play / using the washroom.
- Covering his/her mouth and nose when he/she coughs and sneezes.
- Do inform the school soonest possible should your child come down with cough / runny nose / sore throat / flu-like symptom or a contagious / infectious disease.
- Should you want your child to return to school earlier than the given MC date, please do take him/her to the doctor again to certify that he/she is well to attend school.

CHINESE NEW YEAR CELEBRATIONS & FRINGE ACTIVITIES

Students will participate in CNY festive celebrations and fringe activities during assembly and recess time on 19 January 2023. Students will be dismissed at the usual time at 1.30pm.



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 with school rules and school shoes must be worn.



CONSTRUCTION WORKS (PATHLIGHT SCHOOL)



There is an ongoing construction, from Dec 2022 to Dec 2024, on a site previously occupied by East View Primary School. Should you have any concerns related to the construction, you can contact Mr Ong Shih Liang (Snr Project Mgr) at 91465687 or ong_shihliang@newconbuilders.com.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE POLICY

The school would like to update parents on our school attendance policy.



Absence	Reasons	Examples
Absent with MC (From a registered medical practitioner)	Not applicable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hospitalisation Leave • Medical Leave • Confirmed Case
Absent with VR (Official) (Supported by officially sanctioned activities or reasons)	1. Representing school or country in officially sanctioned activities held overseas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Representation in officially sanctioned competitions, camps, conferences, etc. held overseas • Participation in an overseas school trip
	2. Officially excused from attending school	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PSLE oral exam days (for P1 to P5) • Marking days / Home-based learning days • Suspension by school
Absent with VR (Private) (Supported by valid and extenuating circumstances)	1. Medical	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student is unwell and submits a ^parent's letter of excuse • Medical or dental appointment with supporting documents
	2. Bereavement or serious illness of a family member	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attending funeral rites • Family member is critically ill • ^Student who has an unwell household member below 18 years of age
	3. Personal or family commitment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participation in an external, non-school activity as deemed valid by the school • Daily commuters still in Malaysia
*Absent without Reason	Not applicable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No valid reason (none of the above) <p>*This is considered as truancy and may affect the conduct grade of the student.</p>

^subject to the school's approval

Important: MC / letter / supporting document must be submitted to the school promptly.

P3 GIFTED EDUCATION PROGRAMME IDENTIFICATION EXERCISE 2023

The GEP Screening & Selection Exercises will be based on the P1 to P3 EL & Math syllabuses. The tentative schedule for the two stages of GEP Identification Exercise is given below:

Dates (Tentative)	Exercise	Notes on topics tested for Mathematics
16 Aug 2023	Screening Exercise – EL and Math	All topics in the P3 Math syllabus are included <u>except</u> for topics on "Area and Perimeter", "Geometry" and "Time"
17 & 18 Oct 2023 (Shortlisted pupils only)	Selection Exercise – EL, Math and General Ability	All topics in the P3 Math syllabus are included <u>except</u> for "Angles", "Perpendicular and Parallel Lines" in the topic of "Geometry".

PHOTO-TAKING FOR STUDENTS' SCHOOL SMART CARDS 2023

MOE will be conducting the yearly photo-taking exercise for all **P1 and P6** students for the issue of the School Smart Cards (SSC) on **Mon 9 Jan (P1)** and **Tue 10 Jan (P6)** (during curriculum hours). Please ensure that your child is present on that day and wears his/her school uniform. Students who miss the session will have to submit a recent, coloured, full-face passport size photograph (35mm by 45mm) taken in school uniform against a white backdrop to the school.