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Dear Parents/Guardians,

1. CNY Celebrations

After a hiatus of three years due to the pandemic, all staff and students finally came together in the school hall to usher in the 2023 Lunar New Year with gleeful anticipation! There were delightful concert performances by our very own Chinese Orchestra, Angklung



ensemble and Modern Dance troupe. Exciting games, a jolly sing-along session, hearty well wishes by school staff and a playfully spirited Lion Dance and *Cai Shen* (God of Wealth) also entertained the crowd. Everyone had a rollicking good time!

2. Parents' Briefing

This year, the annual Parents' Briefing and Form Teachers Engagement Session will take on a hybrid format. The Parents' Briefing will be conducted asynchronously. A series of video recordings by our Principal and Year Heads will be made available on the school website from 27 January 2023 for parents to view at your convenience. The Form Teachers Engagement sessions for P1 to P6 will be conducted via Zoom. Please refer to Parents Gateway for the details of each level.

3. Total Defence Day

Total Defence Day falls on **15 February** each year to mark the fall of Singapore to the Japanese in 1942. The theme of this year's Total Defence Day is *'Together, We Keep Singapore Strong'*. It focusses on the many ways we can put Total Defence into action in our everyday lives. Kheng Cheng School will be commemorating Total Defence Day during the morning school assembly on **Friday, 10 February**. Our Cub Scouts, Girls Brigade and Red Cross Links will be leading in the flag-raising ceremony, together with KCS staff from the Uniformed Groups. The focus this year is Civil Defence. Through the concert segment, students will learn to be alert, know who to call and where to go during an emergency, such as a fire. This will allow them to be effective first responders in the event of an emergency. In this way, they too, can play their part in saving lives. Students will also engage in various recess activities run by the uniformed groups and teachers from the NESS Committee on **15 and 17 February**.

4. *School Traffic Safety*

The school would like to thank all parents for the strong support given to us in ensuring the safety of our students commuting to and from school. In our recent review of the school traffic safety, we observed that there is increased traffic along Toa Payoh Lorong 3 in the mornings as our students arrive in school. As you drive through the drop-off zone, kindly observe the following traffic safety rules:

- All motorists must **NOT** exceed the speed limit of 15km/h when travelling within the school compound.
- Parents and motorists driving into the school for the purpose of dropping off your children are to do so at the designated drop-off points along the driveway at the Foyer. Students should alight from the left side of the vehicle.
- All parents/guardians are reminded to remain in your vehicles and prepare your children/wards by ensuring they have their bags with them, so they can alight from the vehicles independently. This will reduce the time taken for them to alight and hence reduce the traffic congestion experienced in the mornings.
- We appeal to drivers to follow closely the directions given by the staff on duty. Due to the extra lane opened for alighting, we urge all to observe Rule Number 76 of Singapore Highway Code – Give way to traffic on your right upon merger to exit Gate T.

5. *Class & Smart Card Photo-taking*

The class photo-taking session is scheduled on **6, 16 and 17 February 2023**. P1 and P6 students' school smart card photo-taking will be conducted from **13 to 14 February 2023**. Students are required to be in their school uniforms for photo-taking. The detailed schedule will be sent to parents via Parents Gateway.

6. *Primary 5 Camp*

As part of the school's focus to provide every child with a holistic education, the school will be organising a 3-day 2-night Outdoor Adventure Camp for all Primary 5 students from **27 February to 1 March 2023**. It will be a residential (that is, overnight) camp at Changi Coast Outdoor Learning Adventure Centre. All Primary 5 students are strongly encouraged to attend the camp. The closing date for registration is **6 February** via Parents Gateway. A Parents Briefing Webinar will be held on **2 February 2023**. All parents of Primary 5 students are invited to the webinar. Details of the webinar can be found in the Primary 5 Camp letter posted in Parents Gateway.

7. Significant Events in February

Date	Event
3 February	Primary 1 Parents' Briefing
10 February	School Assembly to commemorate Total Defence Day
13 February	Commencement of Primary 3 to 5 Weighted Assessments (WA) <i>(Date of each assessment is provided in the January memo)</i>
17 to 24 February	Primary 6 Continual Assessment (CA) <i>(Date of each assessment is provided in the January memo)</i>
22 February	Scout Founder's Day
27 February to 1 March	Primary 5 Camp

Yours sincerely,



Mdm Cheryl Tan
Principal