



## OPERA ESTATE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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### Updates: 6/2023

Dear Parents / Guardians,

Welcome back to Term 3! I hope you and your child/ward had a restful break during the June school holidays and are ready for school when Term 3 begins on 26 June, Monday.

#### 1. Staff Updates

We would like to extend a warm welcome to the following staff who have joined the school.

Name of Staff	Appointment
Miss Rebecca Yeo Jing Jing	SEN Officer

We would also like to bid farewell to the following staff and wish them all the best in their endeavours.

Name of Staff	Appointment
Ms Clarice Sim	Teacher
Ms Nikki Chan	SEN Officer

#### 2. Racial Harmony Day Celebrations

We commemorate Racial Harmony Day in week 4 this term. The theme for this year's Racial Harmony Day is Singapore: Our Multicultural Mosaic. The theme reflects how each community intertwines with others to depict the unique cultural diversity that characterises Singapore life.

Students will experience the vibrancy of Singapore's multicultural mosaic through a series of lessons, programmes and activities. The highlight for this year is a skit put together by our English Drama CCA that will be performed during morning assembly.

For CCE-FTGP, our P1s to P6s will learn more about how to be respectful of other cultures. Through What's Up news articles on casual racial, the P5s to P6s engage deeply on the topic of casual racism, to recognise what casual racism is and to stand up against such encounters.

During PE lessons, our students will build closer bonds with their peers through playing traditional games, such as chapteh and hula hoop racing. Peer bonding opportunities are extended to recess play, where they will also experience traditional games such as pick-up sticks, kuti-kuti and five stones.

### 3. School Operation Matters

#### (a) Punctuality

Please be reminded that students must be punctual for school and all school activities. They should report to hall or classroom by 7.30a.m. A late-coming notification slip will be issued to students who are late for a stipulated number of times without valid reasons. For frequent latecomers without valid reasons, it will be treated as a disciplinary offence.

To sustain the good habit of being punctual for school, parents can use this opportunity to instil good daily routines. For example, you can let your children pack their school bag by themselves before going to bed. An early bedtime can be set for them and to remind them that they should not engage in mobile devices or watch television programme at least one hour before bedtime. For tips on good sleeping habits, you can also refer to <https://www.healthhub.sg/programmes/183/parent-hub/preschool/good-sleep-captain-sleep>

#### (b) e-Open House

The school will be organising an e-Open House (webinar) on **14 July, Friday 3pm to 4pm** to showcase and share our students' learning experiences in the school. The details of the webinar will be shared through the publicity posters, facebook page and the school website nearer the date.

#### (c) Class Photo-Taking

There will be a class photo-taking session on **27 July, Thursday**. All students are to wear their school uniform for photo-taking. The details on the purchase of the class photos will be shared at a later date.

#### (d) Roving Dental Clinic

Roving Dental Clinic will move out of our school on 28 June, Wednesday until further notice. For request of extractions and fillings of decayed teeth, students can seek treatment at the buddy school dental clinics below. Please call the clinic to book an appointment before visit.

Changkat Primary School	11, Simei Street 3 (529896)	97886872
St Stephen's Primary School	20, Siglap View (455789)	91122045
Bedok Green Primary School	1, Bedok South Ave 2 (469317)	89400687

#### (e) Traffic Matters and Road Safety

We would like to seek your cooperation in ensuring the safety of our students coming to and leaving the school. Please take note of the following road safety measures:

- (i) If you pick/drop off your child by car, please note the following:
  - Reduce vehicular speed and stay alert for pedestrians in the school zone.
  - Cooperate with school's traffic marshals to ensure overall safety and smooth traffic flow.
  - Do not sound the horn indiscriminately.
  - For parents who are driving, do not make illegal U-turns along the road outside the school after alighting your child/ward. This is against the traffic rules and will pose danger for all road users.

- Encourage your child to prepare his/her bag so that alighting and pick-up can be quicker to prevent longer waiting time for the other cars waiting in line.
- (ii) Reinforce the following to your child when using the pedestrian crossings:
- Make use of the available pedestrian crossing facilities like zebra crossings or signalised traffic junctions. Do not jaywalk. As the roads are congested during arrival and dismissal times, it can be dangerous if he/she crosses the road without using the pedestrian crossing facilities.
  - Be attentive and not be distracted. Do not dash or run across the roads.
  - Practise the kerb drill before crossing – “look right, look left, look right again, ensure all vehicles have stopped, raise your hand high up and cross the road briskly”.

#### **(f) School Facebook Page**

We have launched our official Facebook page in 2022 to share school activities and events. Please search for **Opera Estate Primary School** on Facebook (under the “Pages” tab) and follow us as we share our uniquely Opera experiences. Alternatively, you can access the page through the link <https://www.facebook.com/oepsofficial/>

#### **(g) Opera’s Got Talent (“OGT”)**

The school is calling for talented students in OEPS to showcase their musical and visual art talents with the objective of providing a platform for budding artistes and musicians in our school to create art, perform and share the joy of the Arts with everyone! If your child/ward has a flair for visual art, singing, dancing, or playing an instrument, this is the chance for them to shine! This activity is **OPTIONAL** and open to P4 to P6 pupils. Please refer to the announcement on Parents Gateway for more details. The deadline for submission is by **14 Jul, Friday at 1.30p.m.**

For selected P1 to P3 students, we will be holding an Opera’s Got Talent concert during recess on 7 July, Friday. Please watch out for our post on Facebook for this event!

#### **OGT Music**

In line with our National Day celebrations this year, we strongly encourage our students to perform any National Day song of their choice (This year’s National Day theme song is preferred). Selected students will get to perform ‘Live’ in the school hall during our school’s National Day celebration! We will also accept songs of other musical genres.

#### **OGT ART**

The theme is on “Safe Route to School”. The art pieces should focus on tips and strategies on how students practise safety on their way to school from nearby transport nodes. Do log in to SLS to find out more about the competition.

#### **4. Calendar of Activities (COA) for Term 3**

The key activities for Term 3 can be found in the following page.

Thank you.

Have a wonderful Term 3 ahead!

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'TWL' with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Mrs Tan Wai Ling  
Principal

Calendar of Events Term 3 2023		
Date (Day)	Events/Programme	Level
26 Jun (Mon)	Start of Term 3	All Levels
29 Jun (Thu)	Hari Raya Haji ( <b>Public Holiday</b> )	
3 Jul (Mon)	Youth Day ( <b>School Holiday</b> )  <b>All students do not report to school.</b>	All Levels
14 Jul (Fri)	OEPS e-Open House (Webinar) 3.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m.	
17 Jul (Mon) to 18 Jul (Tue)	Racial Harmony Day Commemoration	All Levels
27 Jul (Thu)	Class Photo taking*  <b>All students are required to come in school uniform.</b>	All Levels
28 Jul (Fri)	P6 Preliminary Oral Exam (EL & MT)*	P6
	E-Learning Day for P1 to P5	P1 to P5
8 Aug (Tue)	National Day Celebration  <b>School dismissal is at 10.30 am.</b>	All Levels
9 Aug (Wed)	National Day ( <b>Public Holiday</b> )	All Levels
10 Aug (Thu)	School Holiday  <b>All students do not report to school.</b>	All Levels
15 Aug (Tue) to 16 Aug (Wed)	PSLE Oral Exam*  <b>There will be no school for P1 to P5 students.</b>	P6
17 Aug (Thu)	MOE Gifted Education Programme Screening Exercise	P3
18 Aug (Fri) to 24 Aug (Thu)	Learning Reviews, Weighted Assessments, Preliminary Examinations	P3 to P6
31 Aug (Thu)	Teachers' Day Celebration  <b>School dismissal remains as 1.30pm</b>	All Levels
1 Sep (Fri)	Teachers' Day ( <b>School Holiday</b> )	All Levels
2 Sep (Sat) to 10 Sep (Sun)	Term 3 September School Holiday	All Levels
11 Sep (Mon)	School re-opens for Term 4	All Levels

\*More details will be provided at a later date.