



1 September 2016

Dear Parent / Guardian,

1. Passing of Mr S R Nathan

It is with much sadness that we saw the passing of Singapore's sixth President, Mr S R Nathan, on 22 August 2016. A very well-loved former president who 'always put country before self' (<http://www.todayonline.com/singapore/sr-nathan-1924-2016>), I am sure many of you would have educated your children the deeds Mr Nathan had performed which showed his commitment and loyalty to our country.

Mr Nathan is the perfect role model to exemplify our school motto, "Others before Self", and I hope that as significant adults in our children's lives, we can also role model the school motto through our daily actions so that our children can continue to live his legacy.

2. Partnering Parents in harnessing technology in Home-based Learning (HBL)

I would like to thank you for your partnership for the HBL on 18 and 19 August. With your support, our Clementians had the opportunity to experience an alternative learning experience facilitated through technology. With the uncertainty of the haze looming, the HBL will enhance our readiness in the event of school closure. For Clementians who did not have the opportunity to access the learning experience at home, our teachers had brought them to the computer labs to complete the assigned tasks.

Table A below shows the response rate of each level by subject. While I understand that many of you will only allow your lower primary child to access the computer devices when you are back from work, I encourage you to partner the school in your child's virtual learning journey during HBL. For the upper primary Clementians who are more independent in their learning, I seek your strong partnership with the school to ensure they complete their HBL as my teachers will be able to analyze their weaknesses accurately and reinforce their learning when they come back to school.

	English (%)	Mathematics (%)	Science (%)
Primary 1	47	52	NA
Primary 2	25	35	NA
Primary 3	38	59	31
Primary 4	29	43	21
Primary 5	29	29	28

The school would be engaging our Primary 1 to 5 Clementians on HBL again on **16 September 2016, Friday** (PSLE Listening Comprehension). Clementians will be briefed on what to do by their teachers and they must complete the learning tasks assigned. Please note that the questions in the quizzes will be marked instantaneously and Clementians are encouraged to attempt the quizzes more than once to strive for mastery. All learning resources and online assignments will be made available via MCO Connect, MC online platform, school website and school Facebook.

There would be another HBL session for our Primary 3 and 5 Clementians on **25 October 2016** and Primary 2 and 4 Clementians on **27 October 2016**. Please refer to the table that states the *Early Dismissal and Scheduled Holidays for Term 4, 2016* in the next paragraph.

3. Important dates for Term 4, 2016

Please note that all CCAs will stand down with effect from 15 September 2016 (Term 4 Week 1) and Clementians will be dismissed at **1.30 p.m.** subsequently on every Thursday. The school will inform the bus vendor to facilitate the ferrying of the Clementians who are taking the school bus.

Early Dismissal and Scheduled Holidays for Term 4, 2016

Date (Day)	Activity	Remarks
12 Sep (Mon)	Hari Raya Haji	Public Holiday
16 Sep (Fri)	PSLE Listening Comprehension Examinations	Only P6 Clementians are required to be in school.
6 Oct (Thu)	Lower Primary Sports Day for P1 & P2 Children's Day Celebration	No CCA. All Clementians will be dismissed at 1.30 p.m.
7 Oct (Fri)	Children's Day	School Holiday
17 to 20 Oct (Mon to Thu)	PSLE Marking Exercise	School Holiday
25 Oct (Tue)	P3 and P5 Home-based Learning (HBL)	<u>P3 & P5 Clementians are not required</u> to be in school.
27 Oct (Thu)	P2 and P4 Home-based Learning (HBL)	<u>P2 & P4 Clementians are not required</u> to be in school.
28 Oct (Fri)	Eve of Deepavali	Hindu Clementians will be dismissed at 10 a.m.
31 Oct (Mon)	Deepavali (off-in-lieu)	School Holiday
17 Nov (Thu)	Prize-Giving Day	More details would be given at a later date
18 Nov (Fri)	P1 Orientation for 2017 intake	All Clementians are not required to be in school.

Examination Dates for Semester 2

Date (Day)	Activity
16 Sep (Fri)	PSLE Listening Comprehension
29 & 30 Sep (Thu & Fri) 3 to 5 Oct (Mon – Wed)	PSLE Written Examinations
4 Oct (Tue)	P3 to P5 Mother Tongue Languages Paper 1
5 Oct (Wed)	P2 to P5 English Language Paper 1 and Listening Comprehension
10 to 14 Oct (Mon to Fri)	P2 to P5 Year-End Assessment
24 Oct (Mon)	P2 to P5 Mother Tongue Languages Listening Comprehension
25 Oct (Tue)	P2 & P4 Oral Examinations
27 Oct (Thu)	P3 & P5 Oral Examinations

We would appreciate if you can make the necessary childcare / transport arrangements in view of the mentioned dates. Do contact the General Office at 6779 7449 if you have further queries.

As the school aims to optimise curriculum time and inculcate a culture of continuous learning rather than learning just for examinations, lessons will resume as usual for Clementians between 28 October and 16 November after their Year-End Assessment (YEA), where the remaining topics for the year will be taught and on-going formative assessment will be administered before school closes for the year-end holidays.

The topics will be included in next year's assessment to ensure that Clementians continue to revise their work learnt in the past year.

4. In-Conversation with Principal Session on 2 and 4 November 2016, Wednesday and Friday, 5 to 6.15 p.m.

We would like to invite you for a conversation with the Principal. The schedule is as follows:

Levels involved	Date / Day	Time	Venue
Primary 1 and 2	2 Nov 2016 (Wed)	5.00 to 6.15 p.m.	AVA Room / School Hall
Primary 3, 4 and 5	4 Nov 2016 (Fri)		

Please sign up for your respective session using the reply link below.

	URLs for the respective levels
Primary 1 and 2	https://goo.gl/forms/yKBA3hie80ZBsn2
Primary 3	https://goo.gl/forms/DaYxLoHOJTF7oYm03
Primary 4	https://goo.gl/forms/MfOqUACyr67gFi0z1
Primary 5	

	https://goo.gl/forms/SSwXFE1RDq8Xol3G3
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The topics for conversation include:

- i) Harnessing technology in teaching and learning in the classroom
- ii) Overview of Character and Citizenship Education (CCE) and Values-In-Action (VIA)
- iii) Enrichment and Remedial Programme 2017
- iv) Findings on Parents' Survey on Driving Habits to Clementi Primary
- v) Programme for Active Learning (PAL) [For Primary 1 and 2 only]

5. **Driving Within School Compound**

We would like to thank the parents who drive their child to school in the morning for adhering to our request to drive to the first drop-off point (as indicated by the directional signage) along the driveway and driving off promptly when your child has alighted safely. This has helped to reduce the delay and ensure smooth flow at the drop-off point. We urge all parents to show care and concern for the safety of our Clementians when you are driving within the school ground to drop off your child. To ensure that everyone will have a pleasant start for the day, we would greatly appreciate it if you can follow the tips below when dropping off your child:

- Seat your child at the front passenger seat or the left-hand side of the rear passenger seat so that he / she is ready to alight before you arrive at the drop-off point;
- Place the school bag beside your child so that you do not have to come out of your vehicle to help him / her;
- Please drive to the first drop-off point (as indicated by the directional signage) along the driveway; and
- Drive off promptly when your child has alighted safely.

6. **Road Safety**

Please remind your child that if he / she walks to and from school, he / she has to follow road safety procedures within and outside school at all times. This means adhering to all traffic regulations like using overhead bridges or zebra crossings where possible, and looking right, looking left and right again to ensure there is no oncoming vehicle before crossing any roads and crossing only when the green man signal is on.

To ensure the safety of all during dismissal time, please do not wait in your vehicle outside the school as this will affect traffic flow. Please park at the nearby HDB car park and collect your child from school.

7. **Communication via MC Online, School Website and Facebook**

As mentioned in the first notification (dated 4 Jan 2016), the school is going paperless and all information such as school notifications and examination schedules will be communicated via our e-learning portal, MC Online. If you require a hard copy of the information, do ask your child to request one from his/her Form Teacher.

There is no change to the password and the steps for installing the MCO Connect app are as follows:

1. Download the MCO Connect app from Play Store (Android) or App Store (iOS).
2. Launch the MCO Connect app on your mobile phone.
3. Click on the 'Father', or 'Mother' or 'Guardian' option.



4. Key in your child's Birth Cert Number as the Login ID, "ctps" as the School ID and "mconline" as the password.

Alternatively, you may also download the notifications and examination schedules directly from the school website <http://www.clementipri.moe.edu.sg> or Facebook page. To view our official Facebook page which functions as our school's e-newsletter, please search for '**Clementi Primary School Official**' on Facebook. You may also copy the following URL to your browser or scan the QR code using your mobile devices:

<https://goo.gl/bgA7cl>



Kindly acknowledge receipt of this letter via the link below.

<https://goo.gl/forms/qf8nGUW5nic4CLw32>

Parents who have downloaded the MCO Connect app may also view this letter and acknowledge receipt via the app.

We look forward to partnering you in making this semester a fulfilling school experience for our Clementians!

Yours sincerely,
Mr Chia See Chew Albert
Principal