

Clementi Primary School

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Dear Parents/Guardian,

As Singapore's fight against Covid-19 continues, the National Day Parade 2020 celebrations has been moved to the heartland, although no less significant. Likewise, we will be adjusting our school's National Day Celebration to adhere to the safe management measures put in place.

1. National Day Celebrations 2020

Theme

1.1. This year, Singapore celebrates its 55th National Day with the theme, **'Together A Stronger Singapore'**. This is a rallying call to Singaporeans to play our part to determine Singapore's future, in spite of the difficulties and crises. "**Together**" refers to Singaporeans uniting as one people, brought closer in bonds of compassion and kindness, while "**A Stronger Singapore**" signifies our determination to emerge from the crisis stronger as a nation, with our best days ahead of us.

School Hours and Snacks

- 1.2. On Friday, 7 August, our school will be celebrating National Day from 7.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. The activities planned for the celebration include the observance ceremony via Zoom and classroom activities to build camaraderie and promote togetherness as a community of Singaporeans.
- 1.3. Please ensure that your child/ward has a good breakfast before coming to school as there will be no recess. We encourage your child/ward to bring some healthy snacks for consumption during snack time.
- 1.4. In line with the enhanced safety measures, we have staggered the dismissal times for the different levels. Please refer to the details at <u>Annex A</u>. School bus service will continue on 7 August. If your child/ward is not taking the school bus, please make the necessary transport arrangements for him/her to go home.
- 1.5. Please note that the National Day celebration is part of the school curriculum and attendance will be taken. Pupils who do not turn up for the celebration would need to submit valid documents (i.e. medical certificate) to their Form Teachers.

Materials to bring

1.6. Your child/ward is only required to bring along a small bag containing a storybook, colouring materials and scissors, a water bottle and some snacks. He/She is strongly encouraged to bring along a small National Flag to express their love for the nation as we watch some national day music videos.

Attire

1.7. All Clementians are also encouraged to come in red tops and white bottoms (shorts or pants preferred) with school shoes. They are to wear their PE attire if they do not have any red and white attire.

2. Traffic Updates

- 2.1. We observed that more parents are driving their child to school in the morning during Phase Two of post-Circuit Breaker. This has inevitably caused congestion outside the school main gate along Clementi Avenue 3 and the drop-off area at the school foyer. Arising from this, the school had received community feedback via the Land Transport Authority (LTA) that vehicles approaching from Clementi Avenue 4 have had trouble in making U-turns along Clementi Avenue 3. This situation is worst during weekday mornings between 7.00 a.m. and 7.25 a.m.
- 2.2. To help ease the traffic situation along Clementi Avenue 3, we would like to seek your cooperation in ensuring smooth vehicular movement in the morning by avoiding the peak hour traffic. We would also like to remind all drivers to:
 - Stay on the left lane patiently to wait for your turn to drive into the school. Overtaking the vehicles turning into Clementi Town Secondary School (CTSS) will likely result in you blocking the vehicles on the right lane, causing traffic on both lanes to be blocked.
 - Stop your vehicle at the alighting point that is furthest along the driveway. The covered driveway can accommodate <u>four vehicles</u> at a time.
 - Remind your child to sit on the left side of the car and alight as soon as your vehicle comes to a stop.
 - Place your child's school bag in the car beside him / her, and allow your child to alight by himself / herself independently to avoid holding up the traffic behind you.
 - Drive carefully when it rains. Any delay in getting to school on such days is understandable.
 - Please DO NOT park along the road outside the school during dismissal times.
- 2.3. Let us all show consideration and emphasise road safety, so that we can be role models to Clementians.

Keep Safe and Wishing all a Happy National Day! #SGUnited

Yours sincerely,

Mr Chia See Chew Albert Principal

