

Clementi Primary School

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Dear Parents / Guardian,

Welcome to Term 2 of 2020!

It has been an eventful start to year 2020. With the unexpected COVID-19 pandemic still evolving, we do not know how the situation will pan out and we have to adjust the way we live and work continuously. Amidst all the uncertainties, schools have also put in place precautionary measures to manage the spread of COVID-19.

I am heartened that our vigilance has helped to assure both our parents and Clementians have coped well, as we managed to maintain our daily attendance at about 95% since the onset of COVID-19. From the education perspective, this epidemic has provided excellent teaching moments for the school. Clementians learnt the importance of personal and social responsibility, e.g. bringing a working oral digital thermometer (ODT) to measure one's temperature, donning a mask only when one has a cough and/or runny nose, frequent washing of one's hands, avoid touching one's face, staying at home when unwell.

I am also impressed with our Clementians too, as most of them were able to go to their classroom with minimal supervision, take their own temperature, record it in their student handbook, wash the ODT at the classroom's washbasin and read their book quietly while waiting for their teacher to record their attendance and temperature after 7 a.m. I even saw many of our older Clementians bringing their younger siblings to their classrooms before heading back to their own.

1. <u>School Safety and Security</u>

Against this backdrop, the school will continue with the existing precautionary measures to manage the spread of COVID-19. The school will also continue to take guidance from MOE on the adoption of any new measures, when necessary. Please refer to the following urls to access more information on COVID-19:

- <u>https://www.moh.gov.sg/news-highlights/details/additional-precautionary-measures-to-prevent-further-importation-of-covid-19-cases</u>
- https://www.moe.gov.sg/faqs-covid-19-infection
- https://www.moh.gov.sg/covid-19/faqs

1.1. Observe Good Personal Hygiene

- 1.1.1. We seek your help to remind your child to observe good personal hygiene by washing their hands thoroughly and regularly with soap as this helps to reduce the amount of germs on their hands. The classrooms, toilets and canteen in our school are well stocked with liquid soap. We have also placed bottles of hand sanitizer at locations where soap and water are not readily available.
- 1.1.2. As a good hygiene measure, people who are not well and have respiratory symptoms should wear a mask so that they do not spread any infection to other people. Anyone who has symptoms should see a doctor as soon as possible, to make sure that they remain well. For Clementians who are not having any symptoms at all and are well, there is no requirement to wear a mask.

1.2. Daily Temperature-Taking

- 1.2.1. Temperature-taking will be conducted twice daily. The first temperature-taking is conducted in the morning before 7.30 a.m. and the second temperature-taking in the afternoon during the last period. We would like to seek your assistance to remind your child to bring a working Oral Digital Thermometer (ODT) to school every day. Please assist to replace the batteries in your child's ODT or buy a new one if your child's ODT is not working.
- 1.2.2. Clementians with temperature of 37.6°C and above or are exhibiting flu-like symptoms (e.g. fever, sore throat, cough, runny nose and shortness of breath) should seek medical attention. Should such a situation occur, the school will contact you to bring your child to see a doctor. We seek your cooperation in this matter to ensure the wellbeing of your child and fellow Clementians.

1.3 <u>School Emergency Exercise</u>

1.3.1 The emergency exercise originally scheduled on 28 February 2020 (Friday), has been postponed due to COVID-19, until further notice.

2. Supporting Home-Based Learning (HBL)

- 2.1 The school is piloting the use of Google Meet to conduct HBL with Clementians. We would like you to download the slides containing instructions on the use of Google Meet.
 - Google Meet for Students <u>https://go.gov.sg/ctpgooglemeetstudent1</u>

3. Child-Teacher-Parent (CTP) Conference 2020

- 3.1 Our school will be holding the CTP Conference on **28 May 2020 (Thursday) from 8.30 am to 4.30 pm**. The session will allow our teachers to conference with you and your child/ward with regard to his/her learning progress.
- 3.2. Lessons **will be suspended** on 28 May 2020 and your child/ward need not report to school as usual. Instead, your child should come to school with you for the CTP Conference based on the time-slot allocated. Please ensure that your child comes in school uniform. More information of the CTP conference and instructions on the booking of an appointment for the conference will be given at a later date.
- 3.3. Lessons will resume on 29 May 2020 (Friday).

4. Important dates for Term 2, 2020

Date (Day)	Activity	Remarks
9 April 2020 (Thursday)	Sports and Games Carnival	Postponed till further notice
10 April 2020 (Friday)	Good Friday	Public Holiday
1 May 2020 (Friday)	Labour Day	Public Holiday
7 May 2020 (Thursday)	Vesak Day	Public Holiday
25 May 2020 (Monday)	Day after Hari Raya Puasa	Public Holiday
28 May 2020 (Thursday)	Child-Teacher-Parent (CTP)	All lessons suspended. Clementians only
Full Day	Conference	need to come to school with parents
		during allocated timeslot.

In light of the Covid-19 situation, the P4 Adventure Camp would be cancelled. However, with the removal of the P5 mid-year assessment from this year, the school has reviewed and decided to move the Adventure Camp back to the P5 Programme schedule permanently with effect from 2021. As such, the current P4 cohort will have their Adventure Camp when they move on to P5 next year.

5. Mid-Year Assessment Schedule for Primary 4 and Primary 6

5.1 Please refer to the school website for the respective mid-year assessment schedules.

Primary 4	http://bit.ly/2w6AGT9
Primary 6	http://bit.ly/3aXXOly

We look forward to a fruitful partnership with you as we take steps to help our Clementians become self-directed, lifelong learners.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Chia See Chew Albert Principal