



WEST GROVE PRIMARY SCHOOL
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Through the Principal,
Mrs Chandler Jay Siva

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Dear P5 Parents/Guardians,

Welcome back to West Grove Primary School!

We hope you had a meaningful break with your child over the December holidays. As the holidays end, we are all excited to get back to school. For the year 2022, the three Year Heads heading the Student Development Department (SDD) will continue to look into ways to improve the **Positive Environment** for your child to thrive in and experience Joy of Learning. We will be adopting the **PROSPER** Framework (T. Noble and H. McGrath), where we Encourage **Positivity**, Build **Relationships**, Facilitate **Outcomes**, Focus on **Strengths**, Foster a sense of **Purpose**, Enhance **Engagement** and Teach **Resilience**.

To encourage **Positivity** and build **Relationships** where students will experience positive emotions and have a sense of belonging to the school, we are embarking on Peer Support Relationships as a school. Through support and care among the peers, our students will feel connected to school and be more engaged in their learning, hereby, increase our students' motivation and achievement.

Our teachers will continue to work closely with your child and you. Listed below are your child's Form Teachers.

Introduction of 2022 Form Teachers

If you have any questions, do get in touch with them directly.

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YH	Mr Chong (chong_woon_hoy@moe.edu.sg)	

You may also choose to contact any of our staff via

- General Office hotline: **62679234** (Mon to Fri, from 7.00 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.)
- Teachers' Email (available on <http://westgrovepri.moe.edu.sg>)
- Student Handbook

Absence from School

The school places a strong emphasis on students' regular attendance in school and it is closely monitored by the Form Teachers and our Student Development Team (SDT). For any absences, please inform the respective Form Teacher and submit relevant documentation (e.g. Medical Certificates) if applicable.

Please note that if the absence falls on the date of a weighted assessment (e.g. topical test, exam), there is NO make-up for the assessment. Pro-rating will be considered if the absence is substantiated with valid reasons (e.g. Medical).

Vaccination against Covid-19

Students who have taken the vaccination against Covid-19 may experience some side effects from the vaccination and should not engage in strenuous physical activities for 2 weeks after the vaccination. Please substantiate your child's absence from school due to vaccination related side effects by providing the Form Teacher with any evidence of the vaccination appointment. Students should also be reminded to alert their Physical Education (PE) teachers when asked that they had gone for their vaccination and should be excused from PE.

School Homework

Homework is a valuable part of schooling. We believe that homework cultivates responsibility, self-discipline and lifelong learning habits. Teachers assign relevant, meaningful and even challenging homework to reinforce classroom learning and allow students to apply what was learnt.

School leaders and teachers will make a conscious effort to monitor the homework load of our students. Subject teachers will also coordinate the homework assigned to ensure that it is manageable. Students who are unable to complete their work in class will need to complete it at home, in addition to the homework that has been assigned. We seek your understanding that the actual time spent on homework will vary between students due to differences in their study habits and subject proficiency. We encourage you to speak with our teachers if you have any concerns about the assigned homework.

We also urge parents to play a supportive role by spending some time daily with your child/children to supervise them doing homework and to ensure there is a conducive home environment for it.

Assessment Matters

The school has removed Mid-Year Examinations (MYE) for the Primary Five students since 2020 to provide students with adequate time and space to adjust to the increased curriculum demands. The school will conduct other bite-sized assessments in its place to allow teachers to identify learning gaps and close them by improving teaching practices or providing feedback and additional support to the child.



<https://go.gov.sg/assessment-plan2022>

This is an overview of the assessments that you can expect your child to sit for in the year. Please refer to <https://go.gov.sg/assessment-plan2022> for more details on the assessments.

Subject	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
English	-	Oral Assessment (15%)	Writing Assessment (15%)	SA2 (70%)
Maths	-	Topical Assessment (15%)	Topical Assessment (15%)	SA2 (70%)
Science	-	Topical Assessment (10%)	Topical Assessment (10%)	Practical (10%) SA2 (70%)
Mother Tongue	-	Oral Assessment (15%)	Writing Assessment (15%)	SA2 (70%)
Higher Mother Tongue	-	Topical Assessment (15%)	Writing Assessment (15%)	SA2 (70%)

Scoring Bands - Achievement Levels

The results of school-based examination for P5 students will be presented using Achievement Levels (AL). Each subject will be scored using 8 AL (as shown in the table below), with AL 1 being the best score and AL 8 being the lowest score.

AL	Raw Mark Range
1	≥ 90
2	85 – 90
3	80 – 84
4	75 – 79
5	65 – 74
6	45 – 64
7	20 – 44
8	< 20

After-School Programmes

To ensure the safety of students who are staying back for after-school programmes, they are **not allowed** to leave the school before the start of the activity. Students are expected to have their lunch in school. We will monitor student movements after school. We seek your understanding and support in reinforcing the message with your child.

Finally, I would like to reassure you that the school will continue to do our part to maintain a good cleanliness level and provide handwashing soap and hand sanitizers in all the classrooms. We are also ensuring that mass activities are scaled down to minimize intermingling. Recess timings will continue to be staggered for all levels and only one level will be in the canteen at any time.

You can help do your part too. Do tell your child to observe personal hygiene, take their temperature twice daily, and wash their hands often with soap. If your child is unwell, do not

come to school, avoid crowded places and see a doctor immediately. We can see through this stressful time together.

Do leave your name and number at 6267 9234 if you have any queries. I will get back to you as soon as I can.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Mr Chong', written over a circular stamp or mark.

Mr Chong
Year Head (P5 & 6)

Schedule of Key Events for Term 1

Date	Activity	Remarks
29 Jan	MRL Parent Webinar (Raising Readers)	
31 Jan	Chinese New Year Celebrations in school	Please note that school hours are from 7.30 a.m. to 10.00 a.m.
1 Feb – 2 Feb	Chinese New Year Holiday	No school for all students
26 Feb	Cyber-wellness Parent Workshop	
<i>March School Holidays (12 March to 20 March)</i>		