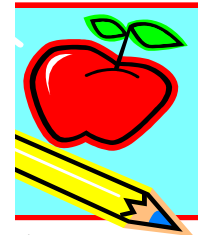




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**Newsbites**  
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> Term 1 Week 9	<b>2</b> 1315-1530 (i) Enrichment for all P5 & P6 students  (ii) Remedial for selected P2 to P4 students  (iii) Fdn Math *(P6 Fdn Math Students) * Fdn Math lessons will start at 1300  P1 SS & MT LJ  P3 SS LJ  P5 SS LJ	<b>3</b> 1410-1600 Performing Arts CCA Artitude	<b>4</b> Optional Enrichment: 1410-1530 Math Olympiad for selected P3 to P6 students  1415-1515 Rainbow Programme for selected students	<b>5</b> 0810-1310 Books To Go  1410-1530 (i) HMT (P5 & P6 HMT students)  (ii) Enrichment (All P5 & P6 MT students)  (iii) Remedial for selected P3 & P4 MT students	<b>6</b> Catholic Pupil Retreat (after curriculum)  1410-1600 CCA 6	<b>7</b> Oral Workshop for Tamil parents and students (co-organised with SINDA)
<b>8</b> Term 1 Week 10	<b>9</b> <u>During Curriculum</u>  P2 SS & MT LJ  MTL Week  <u>After Curriculum</u>  P4 SS LJ  P6 SS LJ  1315-1530 (i) Enrichment for all P5 & P6 students  (ii) Remedial for selected P2 to P4 students  (iii) Fdn Math *(P6 Fdn Math Students) * Fdn Math lessons will start at 1300	<b>10</b> MTL Week (During Curriculum)  1410-1600 Performing Arts CCA Artitude	<b>11</b> MTL Week (During Curriculum)  Optional Enrichment: 1410-1530 Math Olympiad for selected P3 to P6 students  1415-1515 Rainbow Programme for selected students	<b>12</b> MTL Week (During Curriculum)  P4 Fortnight Camp (After Curriculum)	<b>13</b> 0800-1600 Meet The Parents (MTP) for all  P2 Parent-Child-Teacher Conference (Part 1)  P1 & P3 – P6 MTP Session 1	<b>14</b> 0900-1100 P1 Parent-Child Bonding / Parent Workshop  1130 – 0130 Math Workshop for parents
<b>15</b> March School Holiday	<b>16</b> March School Holiday  0900-1200 MOE SG 50 Youth Celebrates! (Contemporary Dance participants)	<b>17</b> March School Holiday  0900-1200 MOE SG 50 Youth Celebrates! (Contemporary Dance participants)	<b>18</b> March School Holiday	<b>19</b> March School Holiday  0900-1200 Performing Arts CCA  0100-1700 Student Leader Camp	<b>20</b> March School Holiday  0800-1700 Student Leader Camp	<b>21</b> March School Holiday

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<b>22</b> Term 2 Week 1	<b>23</b> P3 Gymnastics (3 HU & 3 FA) (During PE lesson)  No Enrichment & Remedial	<b>24</b> P3 Gymnastics (3 CH & 3 JO) (During PE lesson)	<b>25</b> P5 Camp  1415-1515 Rainbow Programme for selected students	<b>26</b> P5 Camp  1410-1530 (i) HMT (P6 HMT students)  (ii) Enrichment (All P6 MT students)	<b>27</b> P5 Camp (Back in School at about 12 noon)	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b> Term 2 Week 2  Start of P1 Remedial classes	<b>30</b> 7.40 – 10.10am PIRLS for selected P5 students  P3 Gymnastics (3 HU & 3 FA) (During PE lesson)  1315-1530 (i) Enrichment for all P5 students  (ii) Remedial for selected P1 to P4 students  P6 Science LJ – Zoo (Adaptation)	<b>31</b> 10.40 – 12.40am PIRLS for selected P5 students  P3 Gymnastics (3 CH & 3 JO) (During PE lesson)  1410-1600 Performing Arts CCA				

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Term 2 Week 2			1 Optional Enrichment: 1410-1530 Math Olympiad for selected P3 to P6 students  1415-1515 Rainbow Programme for selected students  1430-1730 Combined rehearsal for Canossian Choir Festival (for participating Choir members)	2 International Friendship Day  1410-1530 (i) HMT (P5 & P6 HMT students)  (ii) Enrichment (All P5 & P6 MT students)  (iii) Remedial for selected P3 & P4 MT students	3 Good Friday	4
5 Term 2 Week 3  No enrichment /remedial/ Fdn Math for EMS P2- P6 students	6 P3 Gymnastics (3 HU & 3 FA) (During PE lesson)  P4 and P6 NAPFA 5 stations P4: 1415 P6: 1500  1315-1530 Remedial for selected P1 students  1310-1700 P5 LJ to Dragon Kiln	7 P3 Gymnastics (3 CH & 3 HU) (During PE lesson)  1410-1600 Performing Arts CCA And Artitude	8 Optional Enrichment: 1410-1530 Math Olympiad for selected P3 to P6 students  1415-1515 Rainbow Programme for selected students	9 1410-1530 (i) HMT (P5 students)  (ii) Enrichment for All P5 MT students  (iii) Remedial for selected P3 & P4 MT students  1400-1730 Combined rehearsal for Canossian Choir Festival (for participating Choir members)	10 1410-1600 CCA 7  1500-1630 Rehearsal for Festival of Music (for participating Choir members)  2000-2100 Festival of Music – One Heart, One Voice	11
12 Term 2 Week 4  No Math/ Enrichment / Remedial (EMS P1, P3, P4 & P6)  P2, P5 & P6 Fdn Math enrichment / remedial as usual	13 1310 P6 SA1 EL/MT Oral  *Fdn Math students to take oral first and will attend from lessons from 1430 to 1530  1315-1530 Remedial for selected P2 students  1315-1530 Enrichment for P5 students	14 1410 P6 SA1 EL/MT Oral  No Performing Arts CCA and Artitude	15 Optional Enrichment: 1410-1530 Math Olympiad for selected P3 to P6 students  1415-1515 Rainbow Programme for selected students	16 1410 P4 SA1 EL/MT Oral  No HMT/ Enrichment (MT P5 & 6) / Remedial MT (P3 & P4)	17 0740-1040 P4 and P6 NAPFA 1.6km test @ Aljunied Park  1410-1600 CCA 8	18

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<p>19 Term 2 Week 5</p> <p>No Math/ Enrichment / Remedial (EMS P2, P3, P4 &amp; P5)</p> <p>P1 &amp; P6 Fdn Math /P6 Enrichment / remedial as usual</p>	<p>20 P3 Gymnastics (3 HU &amp; 3 FA) (During PE lesson)</p> <p>1310 P5 SA1 EL/MT Oral</p> <p>1315-1530 Remedial for selected P1 students</p> <p>1315-1530 Enrichment for P6 students</p> <p>Fdn Math *(P6 Fdn Math Students) * Fdn Math lessons will start at 1300</p>	<p>21 P3 Gymnastics (3 CH &amp; 3 JO) (During PE lesson)</p> <p>1410 P5 SA1 EL/MT Oral</p> <p>1410-1600 Performing Arts CCA and Artitude</p> <p>P2 Arts Exposure Day</p>	<p>22 0810-1310 Books To Go</p> <p>Optional Enrichment: 1410-1530 Math Olympiad for selected P3 to P6 students</p> <p>1415-1515 Rainbow Programme for selected students</p>	<p>23 1410 P3 SA1 EL/MT Oral</p> <p>No HMT/ Enrichment (MT P5 &amp; 6) / Remedial MT (P3 &amp; P4)</p>	<p>24 1400-1600 CCA 9</p>	<p>25</p>
<p>26 Term 2 Week 6</p>	<p>27 P3 Gymnastics (3 HU &amp; 3 FA) (During PE lesson)</p> <p>1315-1530 (i) Enrichment for all P5 &amp; P6 students</p> <p>(ii) Remedial for selected P1 to P4 students</p> <p>(iii) Fdn Math *(P6 Fdn Math Students) * Fdn Math lessons will start at 1300</p>	<p>28 SA1 EL Paper 1 &amp; LC</p> <p>P3 Gymnastics (3 CH &amp; 3 JO) (During PE lesson)</p>	<p>29 SA1 MT Paper 1 &amp; LC</p> <p>1415-1515 Rainbow Programme for selected students</p>	<p>30 No HMT/ Enrichment (MT P5 &amp; 6) / Remedial MT (P3 &amp; P4)</p>		

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Meet-the-Parents Session 1 (13 March 2015)**

As our school values the good relationship between the parents and teachers, we will be organising the Meet-The-Parents Session on **Friday, 13 March 2015** from 8.00 a.m. till 4.00 p.m. We would like to invite you to meet your child's teachers to discuss her progress in school. Due to space constraints, only parents/guardians are invited to meet your child's teachers at the specific timeslot. **All** students need not turn up on that day, except for selected Primary 2 students who will be involved in the conferencing with their parents and teachers. With your support, we hope to make the session a fulfilling and rewarding one.

### **P5 Adventure Camp (25 to 27 March 2015)**

As part of our school's curriculum to develop our Primary 5 students holistically, they will be participating in a 3D2N Adventure Camp from 25 to 27 March 2015 at the Boys' Brigade and Girls' Brigade campsite (1200, Sembawang Road, Singapore 758526). Through the camp, the students will learn to work together as team members and develop self-confidence. The camp also provides students with opportunities to be exposed to the elements and challenges of the great outdoors, from which the students get to learn and display their Social Emotional Learning (SEL) competencies, leadership skills and inculcate the values of Graciousness, Resilience and Confidence.

Some of the activities conducted at this camp include:

1. Outdoor cooking
2. First Aid
3. Teambuilding activities and problem solving games
4. Challenge Rope Courses
5. Abseiling and Zip Line.
6. Rafting
7. Campfire

### **Mother Tongue Languages (MTL) Week**

Our school will be having the MTL Week from 9 to 12 March 2015. We believe that in order for our students to fully appreciate and be confident in their own mother tongue languages, they need to be immersed in an environment that promotes the learning of their languages and cultures. During the MTL week, our students will be exposed to a wide range of cultural activities, such as clay figurine-making, seal carving, rice-painting and language quizzes.

### **Birthday Celebration in CCPS**

Teachers and students in class will be singing birthday songs to each other to celebrate students' birthdays. Parents may give out goodie bags to the students in their child's class. However, any food in the goodie bags must be consumed at home.

Birthday cakes are not allowed to be brought into the school for birthday celebration as some students may have certain food allergies or dietary restriction.

### **Student Leaders' Camp in CCPS**

In CCPS, we believe that every pupil has the potential to lead. Different groups of student leaders will participate in a customised Student Leadership programme planned for them. This will be conducted progressively in three different tiers.

There will be a Student Leaders' Camp on 19 and 20 March 2015 (during the March holidays). Prefects and CCA leaders will learn about peer and self-leadership skills, conflict management, team-building, public speaking and events management.

### **Your Health Matters**

1) The NKF Kidney Health Education Bus was in school from the 25<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> of February 2015, teaching students about kidney health care through exciting hands-on exhibits. The purpose was to create awareness, educate students on how to prevent kidney disease. Through this, we hope our students learn more about kidney disease, its prevention and treatment and how to care for their kidneys by adopting a healthy lifestyle. Find out more from your child! You may also get your child to take part in the online quiz at this website [http://www.nkfs.org/kd\\_kidney-quiz.aspx](http://www.nkfs.org/kd_kidney-quiz.aspx)

2) Clear the Smoke Assembly Skit is going to be held on 12 March 2015 (Thu) to teach the students the benefits of leading a tobacco-free lifestyle and simple strategies to say "no" to cigarettes. It aims to help students understand why smoking is dangerous. Through the skit, students will also learn different ways to reject offers of cigarettes. You can ask your child what these strategies are! You may also visit the HPB website to find out more about tobacco products at <http://www.hpb.gov.sg/HOPPportal/health-article/674>

### **MOE Celebrates SG50 at Gardens by the Bay**

MOE Celebrates SG50 with our Pioneers and Seniors at **Gardens by the Bay**. This will be held on **4 April 2015 (Sat)**, from **9.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.**

This is a special event to honour and express our appreciation for our pioneers and seniors. They will be able to enjoy the day with their friends and family, take "A Walk Down Memory Lane" and participate in the variety of activities lined up for them, including

- Complimentary admission to the Flower Dome and Cloud Forest (by registration)
- Morning P.E. (i.e. exercise activities)
- School performances
- Health talk
- Bazaar (e.g. healthy snacks, flower displays, books)
- Fringe activities (e.g. cooking demonstrations, health awareness roadshow, caricature, photo booths)

### **International Friendship Day**

CCPS will be commemorating International Friendship Day on 2 April 2015. Students can come in their ethnic outfits. However, if they do not wish to wear their ethnic outfits, they can come in their school uniform too. Do note that all students must still follow the school rules by wearing their name tags and school shoes on that day. Students with long hair are still required to braid their hair or tie them into a neat bun.

### **P3-P6 Semestral Assessment 1**

Please note that the oral examinations are conducted after curriculum time.

13 April (Mon)	P6 EL/MT Oral Day 1
14 April (Tue)	P6 EL/MT Oral Day 2
16 April (Thu)	P4 EL/MT Oral
20 April (Mon)	P5 EL/MT Oral Day 1
21 April (Tue)	P5 EL/MT Oral Day 2
23 April (Thu)	P3 EL/MT Oral
28 April (Tue)	EL Paper 1 & LC
29 April (Wed)	MT Paper 1 & LC
7 May (Thu)	HMT Paper 1 & 2
13 May (Wed)	EL Paper 2
14 May (Thu)	Mathematics
15 May (Fri)	MT Paper 2
18 May (Mon)	Science

### **Absence from School Examinations**

Parents and Guardians, please be reminded that should your child/ward be absent from an examination without a valid reason, no marks would be given to her. If she is unwell on the day of the examination, a medical certificate must be presented to the school.

### **Canossian Saints and Our School Values**

Saint Magdalene reached out and served the poorest of the poor. Her desire to serve and answer the needs of the vulnerable in society was kindled upon seeing many around her suffering from poverty. Being from a prominent family, she used her inheritance and began charitable work. Soon, she was joined by other committed women and together they worked in a monastery and started the Canossian Daughters of Charity. One of the services provided by them was caring for poor children compassionately and providing them with an education. Word of their work spread and soon many convents were established.

Saint Bakhita was kidnapped from a loving family in Africa when she was about seven to nine years old. She was treated cruelly by her captors. She was sold and resold a few times and was eventually bought by an Italian family. During that time, she came to know about the Canossian Daughters of Charity and wanted to serve the poorest of the poor. She eventually managed to remain at the convent and served with the Canossian Sisters. When asked about her years as a slave, she said that she forgave them as they brought her to God. Her last few years were marked with pain and sickness but she remained cheerfulness. Today, Saint Bakhita is a patron saint against human trafficking.

CCPS would like students to become passionate learners and compassionate leaders by internalising our school values which are Commitment, Compassion and Cheerfulness and emulate our foundress through their daily lives.

Dear parents, wondering where to bring your child? Look out for this column where we will be featuring free music events performed by various performing groups. Do bring your child down if you are free and enjoy the performances!

### **Free Music Events for Mar 2015**

#### **8 Mar 2015 (Sun)**

CARNIVAL!  
kidsphilharmonic@sg  
Esplanade Concert Hall  
3 pm – 4 pm

#### **22 Mar 2015 (Sun)**

SSO @ Gardens by the Bay  
Singapore Symphony Orchestra  
The Meadow  
Gardens by the Bay  
6.30 pm

#### **22 Mar 2015 (Sun)**

Big Band Bash  
Thomson Jazz Club  
Shaw Foundation Symphony Stage  
Singapore Botanic Gardens

### **Free Music Events for Apr 2015**

#### **11 Apr 2015 (Sat)**

Music Oasis  
Singapore Chinese Orchestra  
Shaw Foundation Symphony Stage  
Singapore Botanic Gardens  
6 pm – 7 pm

#### **12 Apr 2015 (Sun)**

When East Meets West  
Toa Payoh West Community Club Chinese Orchestra  
Esplanade Concert Hall  
3 pm – 4 pm

5.30 pm – 7 pm