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Dear Parents,

1. YEAR-CLOSURE MATTERS

Promotion Day

Promotion Day was conducted on Thursday, 16 November 2017.

- All P1 Classes have been promoted en-bloc to P2, e.g. P1-Strength has been promoted to P2-Strength. Staying together, learning together and growing together as a class with the same classmates for one more year serves to provide greater stability for our young pupils.
- The 8 P2 Classes (class size of 30) are promoted to become 6 P3 Classes (class size of 40). Pupils are distributed across classes by gender, ethnic group and academic progress and performance.
- All P3 Classes have been promoted en-bloc to P4, e.g. P3-Strength has been promoted to P4-Strength.
- The 6 P4 Classes have been promoted to 6 P5 Classes. The promotion has taken into consideration the outcomes from the Subject Based Banding (SBB) Exercise. Pupils are distributed into classes according to their academic progress and performance as well as gender and ethnic group.
- All P5 Classes have been promoted en-bloc to P6, e.g. P5-Strength has been promoted to P6-Strength.
- Pupils have been shown their new classrooms and have had the opportunity to familiarise themselves to the new classroom location and environment.

Your child has been issued a Class Allocation Slip that indicates the 2018 class he/she has been promoted to. You are reminded to acknowledge the receipt of the Class Allocation slip and insert it into your child's Report Book.

Your child has received the 2018 Booklist.

The "Checklist of Items to Bring on Opening Days" has been issued. Pupils are to pack their school bags according to the checklist for the first few school days of 2018.

The Pupil Arrival/Dismissal Arrangement Form has been issued. The information will help the school to ensure the safety of pupils. The completed form is to be submitted to the Form Teacher on the first day of school on Tuesday, 2 January 2018.

We would like to inform parents that the 2018 Form Teachers and Co Form Teachers will only be announced at the beginning of 2018, as we will be welcoming new teachers to Team Riverside.

Sale of Books at School Bookshop during the School Holidays

The school bookshop will be open on the following dates during the school holidays for the sale of books:

- November 2017: 23rd, 24th, 25th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th
- December 2017: 1st, 4th, 5th, 6th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th

The opening hours are as follows:

- Weekdays: 9.00am to 3.00pm
- Saturdays: 9.00am to 12.00pm

Sale of Uniforms and PE Attire by Uniform Vendor during the School Holidays

The uniform vendor will be setting up a sales booth in the school for the sale of uniforms and PE attire during the school holidays. The dates are as follows:

- November 2017: 23rd, 24th, 25th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th
- December 2017: 1st, 4th, 5th, 6th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 23rd, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th

The opening hours are as follows:

- Weekdays: 9.00am to 3.00pm
- Saturdays: 9.00am to 12.00pm

Submission of Travel Plans for the Year-End School Holidays

We would like to thank parents who have promptly submitted their child's travel plans for the year-end holidays. If there should be changes to the travel plans during the holidays, please inform the school through the General Office at (tel) 63654490.

Report Books and Portfolio Files

We have issued the Report Books (i.e. Holistic Development Profile) and Portfolio Files to pupils on Thursday, 16 November 2017. Parents are to hold on to their child's Report Book and Portfolio File throughout the year-end holidays and return the Report Book and Portfolio File in Week 1 of Term I in the new school year 2018. The date of return for each level is given in the "Checklist of Items to Bring on Opening Days".

Please note the following:

- Report Book
 - a) Sign the 2017 SA2 result slip.
 - b) Return the whole Report Book with all contents intact to the school.
- Portfolio File
 - a) Remove all contents from the folders for English Language, Mathematics, Science and Mother Tongue Language.
 - b) Sign the Feedback Forms for Music, Physical and Health Education (PHE), Social Studies (SS) and Character and Citizenship Education (CCE). Leave all contents of the Non-Academic Subject Folder intact.
 - c) Return the Portfolio File with the emptied folders for EL/MA/SC/MT and the full folder for MUS/PHE/SS/CCE with all contents intact.
- Art Portfolio File
 - a) Return the whole Art Portfolio File with all contents intact to the school.

2. THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR 2018

Weekly Schedule for 2018

The new school year will commence on Tuesday, 2 January 2018. We enclose the weekly schedule for the year 2018 for your reference. We hope that the early information will support you in planning after-school care and activities for your child.

All pupils are expected to be in school and report to their Form Teacher for attendance-taking by 7.45am. Pupils who arrive at the school foyer after 7.45am will be considered late for school. The flag-raising ceremony will commence at 7.50am and the first lesson for the day will start at 8.00am.

In 2018, some CCAs will have their sessions on Wednesday afternoons (2.00pm to 4.00pm) and while others will have their sessions on Thursday afternoons (3.30pm to 5.30pm). Some CCAs preparing for a competition or a performance may also use both afternoons for selected weeks. The CCA schedule will be announced in January 2018.

2018 School Calendar: A Preview of Events/Activities in Term I, Weeks 1 to 3

A preview of events/activities in Term I, Weeks 1 to 3 is below. The full Term I Calendar will be issued at the beginning of the new school year.

- Fri, 5 Jan 2018: Temperature Taking Exercise
- Wed, 10 Jan 2018 and Thu, 11 Jan 2018: Commencement of P4/P5/P6 CCA
- Fri, 12 Jan 2018: HouseWarming
- Wed, 17 Jan 2018: Commencement of P3 SwimSafer Programme

2018 Academic Support and Enrichment Lessons

All P2/P3/P4/P5/P6 Academic Support Lessons will commence in Term 1 Week 3. The schedule will be announced next year.

2018 Assessment Plans

The 2018 Semester One Assessment Plans will be announced by Term I Week 3 next year. Weighted assessments, if any, will commence earliest in Term I Week 5.

2018 P1/P2/P3/P4/P5/P6 Parents' Seminars

We warmly invite you to set aside the date and time to attend the relevant 2018 Parents' Seminar. There will be Briefings on Curriculum and Assessment and Form Teacher's Meeting with Parents.

- P1/P2 Parents' Seminar on Friday, 19 January 2018 from 2.30pm to 4.30pm
- P3/P4 Parents' Seminar on Friday, 26 January 2018 from 2.30pm to 4.30pm
- P5/P6 Parents' Seminar in Friday, 2 February 2018 from 2.30pm to 4.30pm

School Rule on Shoes and Socks

Our school rule states that "Pupils should wear low-cut white canvas shoes and plain white socks. Socks should be visibly seen above the ankles. Ankle socks are not allowed."

Please note the requirements when purchasing new school shoes and socks for your child. In addition, it is preferred that the shoes are entirely white in colour and do not prominently display any brand logo.

Drop-Off by Parents

If you are driving your child to school in the new school year, please note that the drop-off procedure remains the same.

- Between 7.00am and 7.45am, parents are to drive into our school premises and drop off their child at the school lobby.
- From 7.45am, all school gates will be closed and parents/guardians are to drop off their child at the security post (Gate 1).

Monitoring Your Child's Health and Wellness

When school opens for the new school year on Tuesday, 2 January 2018, please check if your child is well before he/she leaves for school. If he/she is having fever, showing flu-like symptoms and feeling physically unwell, please take him/her to see a doctor. Allow him/her to rest at home for the full duration indicated in the Medical Certificate (MC) and recover fully before returning to school.

Temperature Taking Exercise on Friday, 5 January 2018

In the new school year, the school will be conducting a temperature taking exercise on Friday, 5 January 2018. This is to ensure our continued preparedness in managing health situations. Please ensure that your child has a working Oral Digital Thermometer (ODT) with him/her when he/she returns to school in January 2018. Do help us to cultivate in your child the habit of using the ODT to monitor his/her personal health and to check if he/she has fever. We seek your strong partnership in nurturing in your child a sense of personal and social responsibility.

3. APPRECIATION AND HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

We would like to thank you for your warm support and strong partnership in making 2017 a joyful, enriching and fruitful year for Riverside and Riverians! We look forward to your continuing support in the year 2018 to provide holistic education and a quality school experience for all our pupils.

In the festive season ahead, we wish our Christian pupils, parents, staff and families Merry Christmas! May the year-end school holidays be a wonderful time of rest, renewal and rejuvenation for all! Happy Holidays!

For Riverside and Riverians! From Good to Great!

Mrs Sharon Siew
Principal

**RIVERSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL
2018 WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

Day/Activity	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Morning Assembly	All pupils are to be in school for attendance-taking by 7.45am. Pupils who arrive at the school foyer after 7.45am will be considered late for school. The flag-raising ceremony will commence at 7.50am.				
Lessons	8.00am to 2.00pm	8.00am to 2.00pm	8.00am to 1.30pm	8.00am to 1.30pm	8.00am to 1.30pm
Recess	9.30am to 10.00am (for P1/P2) 10.00am to 10.30am (for P3/P4) 10.30am to 11.00am (for P5/P6)				
Midday Snack Break	10 minutes in the classroom during the period from 12.00pm to 12.30pm				
FTGP or Assembly Programme					8.00am to 9.00am
Programme for Active Learning	P2 PAL 12.30pm to 2.00pm	P1 PAL 12.30pm to 2.00pm			
Afternoon Activities (Academic Subject)	P5/P6 HMT Lessons 2.30pm to 4.30pm	P3/P4/P5/P6 Academic Support and Enrichment Lessons 2.30pm to 4.00pm		P1/P2/P3/P4/P5/P6 Academic Support and Enrichment Lessons 2.00pm to 3.30pm	
Afternoon Activities (CCA)			P3/P4/P5/P6 CCA 2.00pm to 4.00pm	P3/P4/P5/P6 CCA 3.30pm to 5.30pm	
School Bus Departure Times	2.15pm	2.15pm 4.10pm	1.45pm 4.10pm	1.45pm 3.40pm	1.45pm