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Dear Parents of P1 Pupils,

2017 P1 SEMESTER TWO ASSESSMENT PLAN AND OTHER CURRICULAR INFORMATION

(1) Semester Two Assessment Plan

The P1 Holistic Assessment Structure in 2017 is as follows:

Semester	Semester One (Term II)	Semester Two (Terms III and IV)
Weighting	30%	70%

The 2017 Term III and IV Holistic Assessment Plan for P1 is enclosed in this letter.

(2) Attendance on Assessment Days

All pupils are expected to attend school on a daily basis. Pupils are to be punctual for school, all lessons and all activities. Pupils who are absent from school owing to illness are to present a Medical Certificate issued by a doctor.

On Assessment Days, we seek your understanding and cooperation in the implementation of the following guidelines:

- Our pupils' health and wellness are our top priority. A pupil who is ill should not be in school for assessments. He/She should see a doctor and rest at home for the full duration stated in the Medical Certificate (MC).
- If a pupil has fever or is visibly unwell in school, he/she will not be allowed to sit the assessment and his/her parents will be contacted to take him/her home.
- If a pupil is absent for an assessment because of illness (e.g. fever, flu, headache, stomachache and diarrhoea), he/she needs to submit a Medical Certificate (MC). With the MC, the pupil will not get a '0' for the assessment and his/her overall marks will be pro-rated accordingly.
- If a pupil is absent for an assessment for reasons other than illness, he/she is expected to produce the relevant documents.
- There will be no make-up or resit for Listening Comprehension and Written papers.
- For Oral assessment, resit can be arranged but must be done within the next 3 school days.

(3) Attendance during School Terms

The school expects pupils to be fully present during the school terms, including the year-end post-assessment period. There will be year-closure learning activities such as checking of assessment scripts and classroom discussion on common errors made. There will also be year-end school events such as the Learning Carnival, Promotion Day, Year-Closure Assembly and Riverside Celebrates. Pupils are expected to participate in these shared experiences together. We strongly urge parents not to take their child out of school before the school term ends.

(4) 2017 Homework Policy

The 2017 Homework Policy is enclosed with this letter. It can also be viewed from the school website. The highlights of the Homework Policy are as follows:

- (a) The estimated amount of time your P1 child would spend to complete his/her homework assignments on a typical school day is as follows:

Level/Day	P1
Monday	20 minutes for English per day 20 minutes for Mathematics per day 20 minutes for Mother Tongue Language per day
Tuesday	
Thursday	
Friday	
Wednesday	No Homework Day

- (b) For “No Homework Day” on Wednesdays, no homework assignments will be issued but pupils are expected to prepare for spelling and tests that have been scheduled on Thursday and complete the classwork and corrections that were not completed in school.
- (c) On a daily basis (including Wednesdays), pupils who are not able to finish classwork and corrections in school will need to complete them at home.
- (d) Homework assignments will not be given over festive periods during term time, e.g. Chinese New Year, Hari Raya Puasa and Deepavali. A spelling activity or a test will also not be conducted on the school day after the festive period.
- (e) English Spelling is conducted on Tuesdays for P1 to P5.
- (f) Mother Tongue Spelling is conducted on Thursdays for P1 to P5.
- (g) If there is a public/school holiday on Tuesday or Thursday, spelling will be postponed to the next school day.

(5) Academic Support Lessons for Selected P1 Pupils

We seek to provide academic support for selected P1 pupils who will benefit from additional time and attention to better progress in their learning. From Term III Week 2, we will be conducting Academic Support Lessons on Thursday afternoons from 2.00pm to 3.30pm. These lessons will focus on the re-teaching of topics and concepts and provision of additional practice for the selected P1 pupils to gain personal mastery and build a stronger foundation for learning.

The schedule is as follows and a separate letter on the schedule, details and acknowledgement slip has been issued on 29 June 2017.

Term/Week	Date	Time
Term III Week 1	Nil	
Term III Week 2	Thursday, 6 July 2017	2.00pm to 3.30pm (45 min each for EL and MA)
Term III Week 3	Thursday, 13 July 2017	2.00pm to 3.30pm (MTL)
Term III Week 4	Thursday, 20 July 2017	2.00pm to 3.30pm (45 min each for EL and MA)
Term III Week 5	Thursday, 27 July 2017	2.00pm to 3.30pm (MTL)
Term III Week 6	Thursday, 3 August 2017	2.00pm to 3.30pm (45 min each for EL and MA)
Term III Week 7	Nil	
Term III Week 8	Thursday, 17 August 2017	2.00pm to 3.30pm (MTL)
Term III Week 9	Nil	
Term III Week 10	Nil	
Term IV Week 1	Thursday, 14 September 2017	2.00pm to 3.30pm (45 min each for EL and MA)
Term IV Week 2	Thursday, 21 September 2017	2.00pm to 3.30pm (MTL)
Term IV Week 3	Thursday, 28 September 2017	2.00pm to 3.30pm (45 min each for EL and MA)

(6) Supporting Your P1 Child

We seek your collaboration and partnership in supporting your child as he/she progresses in P1. We warmly invite you to use the SPARKLE Values (Strength of character, Perseverance, Adaptability, Responsibility, Kindness, Leadership, Enthusiasm and Sincerity), 3Ls (Listen, Learn, Love) and 3Ps for a Sustainable Future (Perspiration, Patience, Perseverance) to motivate and encourage your child in his/her learning and growth.

We greatly appreciate your support and involvement in our home-school partnership to grow our Riverians as Joyful and Productive Learners and Connected Citizens of Good Character; and in realizing our school vision "The Best from Each, A Better Future for All".

For Riverside and Riverians! From Good to Great!

Mrs Sharon Siew
Principal

Mdm Regina Khoo
Vice-Principal

RIVERSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL
P1 HOLISTIC ASSESSMENT: 2017 SEMESTER TWO PLAN

The P1 Holistic Assessment Structure in 2017 is as follows:

	Easing In	Pacing and Building Up		
Term	I	II	III	IV
Weighting	N.A.	30%	30%	40%

The P1 Holistic Assessment Plan for Semester Two is as follows:

Term III	English Language	Mathematics	Mother Tongue Languages
Week 5	<u>Sentence Matching & Word Order</u> <u>Wed, 26 Jul 2017</u>		
Week 6			<u>Show and Tell</u> <u>Mon to Fri, 31 Jul to 4 Aug 2017</u> <i>Topic will be communicated at a later juncture.</i>
Week 9	<u>Language Use</u> <u>Mon, 21 Aug 2017</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grammar • Vocabulary 	<u>Mini Test 3</u> <u>Tue, 22 Aug 2017</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Numbers to 40 • Addition and Subtraction within 40 • Picture Graphs • Multiplication • Division 	<u>Language Use</u> <u>Thu, 24 Aug 2017</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (CL) Grammar, Vocabulary and Hanyu Pinyin • (ML) Grammar, Vocabulary and Comprehension • (TL) Grammar and Vocabulary
Term IV	English Language	Mathematics	Mother Tongue Languages
Week 3		<u>Mini Test 4</u> <u>Mon, 25 Sep 2017</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Time • Numbers to 100 • Addition and Subtraction within 100 	
Week 4	<u>Writing Assessment</u> <u>Tue, 3 Oct 2017</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Picture Composition (picture series with helping words) 		<u>Listening Comprehension</u> <u>Tue, 3 Oct 2017</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (CL) Picture Identification and Passage with Comprehension Questions • (ML) Picture Identification and Passage with Comprehension Questions • (TL) Picture Identification
Week 5	<u>Oral Assessment</u> <u>Mon to Fri, 9 Oct to 13 Oct 2017</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reading Aloud • Stimulus-based Conversation 		<u>Oral Assessment</u> <u>Mon to Fri, 9 Oct to 13 Oct 2017</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (CL) Reading Aloud and Picture Description • (ML) Reading Aloud and Picture Description • (TL) Reading Aloud and Picture Description
Week 8	<u>Language Use</u> <u>Mon, 30 Oct 2017</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grammar • Vocabulary • Comprehension 	<u>Mini Test 5</u> <u>Tue, 31 Oct 2017</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Numbers to 100 • Addition and Subtraction within 100 • Money 	<u>Language Use</u> <u>Wed, 1 Nov 2017</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (CL) Grammar, Vocabulary, Hanyu Pinyin, Sentence Writing • (ML) Grammar, Vocabulary, Comprehension, Sentence Writing • (TL) Grammar and Vocabulary