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Dear Parents of P4 Pupils,

## **2017 P4 SEMESTER TWO ASSESSMENT PLAN AND OTHER CURRICULAR INFORMATION**

### **(1) Semester Two Assessment Plan**

The P4 Assessment Structure in 2017 is as follows:

| <b>Semester</b>  | <b>Semester One</b><br>(Terms I and II) | <b>Semester Two</b><br>(Terms III and IV) |
|------------------|---|---|
| <b>Weighting</b> | 40%                                     | 60%                                       |

The P4 Assessment Plan for Term III and IV is attached 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:

- (a) 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).
- (b) 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.
- (c) 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.
- (d) If a pupil is absent for an assessment for reasons other than illness, he/she is expected to produce the relevant documents.
- (e) There will be no make-up or resit for Listening Comprehension and Written papers.
- (f) 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) 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 P4 child would spend to complete his/her homework assignments on a typical school day is as follows:

| <b>Level/Day</b> | <b>P4</b>                                     |
|------------------|---|
| Monday           | 30 minutes for English per day                |
| Tuesday          | 30 minutes for Mathematics per day            |
| Thursday         | 30 minutes for Mother Tongue Language per day |
| Friday           | 30 minutes for Science twice a week           |
| 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) Science Spelling is conducted about three times per term for P3 to P5.
- (h) 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 P4 Pupils**

We seek to provide Academic support for selected pupils who will benefit from additional time and attention to better progress in their learning. The Academic support lessons in English Language, Mathematics, Science and Mother Tongue Languages for selected P4 pupils will commence in Term 3 Week 2. A separate letter has been issued on 29 June 2017.

#### **(6) Academic Enrichment Modules for Selected P4 Pupils**

The school will be conducting Academic enrichment modules for selected P4 pupils to broaden and deepen their learning in the academic subject. For each module, a separate letter will be issued to parents of selected P4 pupils.

#### **(7) P4 Semester Two Calendar**

The P4 Semester Two Calendar is as follows, showing the Academic Support Lessons, Science Supplementary Lessons, CCA sessions and other curricular events:

| <b>Term Week</b>   | <b>Monday</b>                                       | <b>Tuesday</b> | <b>Wednesday</b>   | <b>Thursday</b> | <b>Friday</b>  |
|--------------------|---|----------------|--|-----------------|--|
| Term III<br>Week 1 | 26 Jun<br><b>Hari Raya Puasa<br/>Public Holiday</b> | 27 Jun         | 28 Jun<br>Commencement of<br>CCA Session for<br>Semester 2 | 29 Jun          | 30 Jun<br>Temperature Taking<br>Exercise<br><br>Science Enrichment<br>(2.00pm to 3.30pm) |

| Term Week           | Monday  | Tuesday  | Wednesday                                      | Thursday   | Friday   |
|---------------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| Term III<br>Week 2  | 3 Jul<br><b>Youth Day<br/>School Holiday</b>                  | 4 Jul<br>SC Academic<br>Support Lesson<br>(2.30pm to 4.00pm)         | 5 Jul<br>CCA Session<br>(2.00pm to 4.00pm)     | 6 Jul<br>MA Academic<br>Support Lesson<br>(2.00pm to 4.00pm)<br><br>MA Enrichment<br>(2.00pm to 3.30pm)  | 7 Jul<br>SC Enrichment<br>(2.00pm to 3.30pm)   |
| Term III<br>Week 3  | 10 Jul<br>Mother Tongue<br>Language Fortnight<br>10 to 21 Jul | 11 Jul<br>ICAS EL (2.30pm to<br>4.00pm for pupils<br>who signed up)  | 12 Jul<br>CCA Session<br>(2.00pm to<br>4.00pm) | 13 Jul<br>EL Academic<br>Support Lesson<br>(2.00pm to 4.00pm)<br><br>MA Enrichment<br>(2.00pm to 3.30pm)   | 14 Jul<br>Hari Raya<br>Celebration<br><br>SC Enrichment<br>(2.00pm to 3.30pm)<br><br>Student Leader<br>Investiture<br>(3.30pm to 4.30pm) |
| Term III<br>Week 4  | 17 Jul  | 18 Jul<br>MTL Academic<br>Support Lesson<br>(2.30pm to 4.00pm)       | 19 Jul<br>CCA Session<br>(2.00pm to<br>4.00pm) | 20 Jul<br>MA Academic<br>Support Lesson<br>(2.00pm to 4.00pm)<br><br>MA Enrichment<br>(2.00pm to 3.30pm)   | 21 Jul<br>SC Enrichment<br>(2.00pm to 3.30pm)  |
| Term III<br>Week 5  | 24 Jul  | 25 Jul<br>ICAS MA (2.30pm to<br>4.00pm for pupils<br>who signed up)  | 26 Jul<br>CCA Session<br>(2.00pm to 4.00pm)    | 27 Jul<br>EL Academic<br>Support Lesson<br>(2.00pm to 4.00pm)<br><br>MA Enrichment<br>(2.00pm to 3.30pm)   | 28 Jul<br>SC Enrichment<br>(2.00pm to 3.30pm)  |
| Term III<br>Week 6  | 31 Jul  | 1 Aug<br>Learning Journey:<br>Road Safety Park<br>(2.30pm to 5.30pm) | 2 Aug<br>CCA Session<br>(2.00pm to 4.00pm)     | 3 Aug<br>MA Academic<br>Support Lesson<br>(2.00pm to 4.00pm)<br><br>MA Enrichment<br>(2.00pm to 3.30pm)  | 4 Aug<br>SC Enrichment<br>(2.00pm to 3.30pm)   |
| Term III<br>Week 7  | 7 Aug<br>Rehearsal for<br>National Day<br>(8.00am)            | 8 Aug<br>National Day<br>Celebration<br>(8.00am to<br>10.15am)       | 9 Aug<br><b>National Day</b>                   | 10 Aug<br><b>National Day<br/>School Holiday</b>   | 11 Aug<br>SC Enrichment<br>(2.00pm to 3.30pm)  |
| Term III<br>Week 8  | 14 Aug  | 15 Aug<br>MTL Academic<br>Support Lesson<br>(2.30pm to 4.00pm)       | 16 Aug<br>CCA Session<br>(2.00pm to 4.00pm)    | 17 Aug<br>PSLE Oral<br><br>EL Academic<br>Support Lesson<br>(2.00pm to 4.00pm)<br><br>In Conversation<br>with School Leaders<br>(8.00am to 9.00am) | 18 Aug<br>PSLE Oral<br><br>SC Enrichment<br>(2.00pm to 3.30pm)   |
| Term III<br>Week 9  | 21 Aug  | 22 Aug<br>SC Academic<br>Support Lesson<br>(2.30pm to 4.00pm)        | 23 Aug<br>CCA Session<br>(2.00pm to 4.00pm)    | 24 Aug   | 25 Aug   |
| Term III<br>Week 10 | 28 Aug  | 29 Aug<br>MTL Academic<br>Support Lesson<br>(2.30pm to 4.00pm)       | 30 Aug   | 31 Aug<br><b>Teachers' Day<br/>School Holiday</b>  | 1 Sep<br><b>Hari Raya Haji</b>   |

| Term Week       | Monday   | Tuesday   | Wednesday  | Thursday  | Friday  |
|-----------------|--|---|--|---|---|
| School Holidays | 4 Sep  | 5 Sep   | 6 Sep  | 7 Sep   | 8 Sep   |
| Term IV Week 1  | 11 Sep<br>P4 Mathematics Trail   | 12 Sep<br>P4 Mathematics Trail<br><br>SC Academic Support Lesson (2.30pm to 4.00pm)                     | 13 Sep<br>CCA Session (2.00pm to 4.00pm)   | 14 Sep<br>MA Academic Support Lesson (2.00pm to 4.00pm)<br><br>Parenting Seminar (2.00pm to 4.00pm)     | 15 Sep  |
| Term IV Week 2  | 18 Sep   | 19 Sep<br>MTL Academic Support Lesson (2.30pm to 4.00pm)  | 20 Sep<br>CCA Session (2.00pm to 4.00pm)   | 21 Sep<br>EL Academic Support Lesson (2.00pm to 4.00pm)   | 22 Sep<br>School Health Services (22 Sep to 3 Oct)                                  |
| Term IV Week 3  | 25 Sep<br>Social Studies Performance Task & Quiz (Week 3 to 5)<br><br>School Health Services (22 Sep to 3 Oct) | 26 Sep<br>SC Academic Support Lesson (2.30pm to 4.00pm)<br><br>School Health Services (22 Sep to 3 Oct) | 27 Sep<br>CCA Session (2.00pm to 4.00pm)<br><br>School Health Services (22 Sep to 3 Oct) | 28 Sep<br>MA Academic Support Lesson (2.00pm to 4.00pm)<br><br>School Health Services (22 Sep to 3 Oct) | 29 Sep<br>School Health Services (22 Sep to 3 Oct)                                  |
| Term IV Week 4  | 2 Oct<br>School Health Services (22 Sep to 3 Oct)  | 3 Oct<br>School Health Services (22 Sep to 3 Oct)   | 4 Oct<br>CCA Session (2.00pm to 4.00pm)  | 5 Oct<br>Assem: Children's Day Celebration  | 6 Oct<br><b>Children's Day School Holiday</b>                                       |
| Term IV Week 5  | 9 Oct  | 10 Oct  | 11 Oct<br>CCA Session (2.00pm to 4.00pm)   | 12 Oct  | 13 Oct  |
| Term IV Week 6  | 16 Oct   | 17 Oct  | 18 Oct<br><b>Deepavali Public Holiday</b>  | 19 Oct<br>PSLE Marking Exercise (Note: All pupils need not report to school.)                           | 20 Oct<br>PSLE Marking Exercise (Note: All pupils need not report to school.)       |
| Term IV Week 7  | 23 Oct<br>PSLE Marking Exercise (Note: All pupils need not report to school.)                                  | 24 Oct<br>PSLE Marking Exercise (Note: All pupils need not report to school.)                           | 25 Oct   | 26 Oct<br>SA2: P5 HMT Dismissal @ 12.30pm   | 27 Oct<br>SA2: Science Dismissal @ 12.30pm  |
| Term IV Week 8  | 30 Oct<br>SA2: English Language (Dismissal @ 12.30pm)  | 31 Oct<br>SA2: Mathematics (Dismissal @ 12.30pm)  | 1 Nov<br>SA2: Mother Tongue Language (Dismissal @ 12.30pm)                               | 2 Nov   | 3 Nov   |
| Term IV Week 9  | 6 Nov  | 7 Nov   | 8 Nov<br>CCA Session (2.00pm to 4.00pm)  | 9 Nov   | 10 Nov<br>Year-End Administration Day (Note: All pupils need not report to school.) |
| Term IV Week 10 | 13 Nov   | 14 Nov  | 15 Nov<br>Riverside Learning Carnival  | 16 Nov<br>Promotion Day<br>Spring Cleaning<br>Term Closure<br>Assembly                                  | 17 Nov<br>Riverside Celebrates  |

## **(8) Supporting Your P4 Child**

We seek your collaboration and partnership in supporting your child as he/she progresses in P4. 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.

Please encourage your child to be consistently attentive and focused in learning in school and to diligently complete his/her homework assignments and revise his/her work at home. With these positive learning habits and good work ethics, we firmly believe that your child will be ready and confident for assessments.

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!*

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Principal

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Vice-Principal

**RIVERSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
**P4 ASSESSMENT: 2017 SEMESTER TWO PLAN**

The P4 Assessment Structure in 2017 is as follows:

| Semester         | Semester One<br>(Terms I and II) | Semester Two<br>(Terms III and IV) |
|------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <b>Weighting</b> | 40%                              | 60%                                |

| Subject                        | Weighting |         |          |         |
|--------------------------------|-----------|---------|----------|---------|
|                                | Term I    | Term II | Term III | Term IV |
| <b>English Language</b>        | 0%        | 40%     | 20%      | 40%     |
| <b>Mathematics</b>             | 10%       | 30%     | 20%      | 40%     |
| <b>Science</b>                 | 0%        | 40%     | 10%      | 50%     |
| <b>Mother Tongue Languages</b> | 10%       | 30%     | 20%      | 40%     |

The P4 Assessment Plan for Term III and IV is as follows:

| TERM WEEK          | ENGLISH LANGUAGE  | MATHEMATICS   | SCIENCE  | MOTHER TONGUE LANGUAGES   |
|--------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Term III<br>Week 8 |   |   | <b>Practical Test</b><br><b>Mon to Fri, 14 Aug to 18 Aug 2017</b><br>Topic: Heat |   |
| Term III<br>Week 9 | <b>Language Use</b><br><b>Mon, 21 Aug 2017</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grammar</li> <li>• Vocabulary</li> <li>• Comprehension</li> </ul>   | <b>Test 2</b><br><b>Tue, 22 Aug 2017</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Time</li> <li>• Decimals</li> </ul> |  | <b>Language Use and Comprehension</b><br><b>Thu, 24 Aug 2017</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (CL) Grammar, Vocabulary and Comprehension</li> <li>• (ML) Grammar, Vocabulary and Comprehension</li> <li>• (TL) Grammar, Vocabulary, Poem and Comprehension</li> </ul>   |
| Term IV<br>Week 4  | <b>Semestral Assessment</b><br><br><b>Writing</b><br><b>Tue, 3 Oct 2017</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Picture Composition (picture series with helping words)</li> </ul> <b>Listening Comprehension</b><br><b>Wed, 4 Oct 2017</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Picture Matching</li> <li>• Picture Sequencing</li> <li>• Note-taking</li> <li>• Comprehension</li> </ul> |   |  | <b>Semestral Assessment</b><br><b>Listening Comprehension</b><br><b>Tue, 3 Oct 2017</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (CL/ML/TL) Picture Identification and Passage with Comprehension Questions</li> </ul> <b>Writing</b><br><b>Wed, 4 Oct 2017</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (CL/ML/TL) Picture Composition with helping words</li> </ul> |

| TERM WEEK         | ENGLISH LANGUAGE  | MATHEMATICS   | SCIENCE  | MOTHER TONGUE LANGUAGES  |
|-------------------|---|---|--|--|
| Term IV<br>Week 5 | <p><b><u>Semestral Assessment Oral</u></b><br/> <b><u>Tue, 10 Oct 2017</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reading Aloud</li> <li>• Stimulus-based Conversation</li> </ul> <p><u>Note:</u> The Oral Assessment will be conducted in the afternoon from 2.00pm to 4.00pm.</p> |   |  | <p><b><u>Semestral Assessment Oral</u></b><br/> <b><u>Mon, 9 Oct 2017</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (CL) Reading Aloud, Picture Description and Conversation</li> <li>• (ML) Reading Aloud, Picture Description and Conversation</li> <li>• (TL) Reading Aloud, Picture Description and Conversation</li> </ul> <p><u>Note:</u> The Oral Assessment will be conducted in the afternoon from 2.00pm to 4.00pm.</p> |
| Term IV<br>Week 7 |   |   | <p><b><u>Semestral Assessment</u></b><br/> <b><u>Fri, 27 Oct 2017</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All P3 Topics</li> <li>• All P4 Topics</li> </ul> |  |
| Term IV<br>Week 8 | <p><b><u>Semestral Assessment Language Use</u></b><br/> <b><u>Mon, 30 Oct 2017</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grammar</li> <li>• Vocabulary</li> <li>• Comprehension</li> </ul>   | <p><b><u>Semestral Assessment</u></b><br/> <b><u>Tue, 31 Oct 2017</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All P4 Topics</li> </ul> |  | <p><b><u>Semestral Assessment Language Use and Comprehension</u></b><br/> <b><u>Wed, 1 Nov 2017</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (CL) Grammar, Vocabulary and Comprehension</li> <li>• (ML) Grammar, Vocabulary, Peribahasa and Comprehension</li> <li>• (TL) Grammar, Vocabulary, Poem and Comprehension</li> </ul>   |

Conduct of P4 MTL Oral Assessment on Mon, 9 Oct 2017 and EL Oral Assessment on Tue, 10 Oct 2017

We would like to highlight that the P4 MTL Oral Assessment will be conducted on Mon, 9 Oct 2017 and EL Oral Assessment on Tue 10 Oct 2017 from 2.00pm to 4.00pm. Please take note of the following:

- There will be a lunch break for your child from 1.30pm to 2.00pm before the commencement of the EL and MTL Oral Assessment. The canteen stalls will be open. Do provide your child with some money to purchase food during the lunch break.
- For pupils who usually take the school bus home, there will be a specially arranged bus service departing at 4.10pm. There will be an additional charge and parents of pupils taking the school bus can contact the school bus company directly for more details.
- For pupils who are usually dismissed at Gate 1 or 4, parents can pick up their child at 4.05pm after the EL and MTL Oral Assessment.
- Pupils who are enrolled at the school-based Student Care Centre (Mercur Learning Point) will proceed to the Centre at 4.00pm after the EL and MTL Oral Assessment.