



2 Jan 2018

Principal's Letter for January & February 2018

Happy New Year and welcome back to a new school year! We hope that you had a good break during the December holidays and are ready for the exciting academic year ahead. Below are some important information about key events taking place in January and February for you to take note of. If there are any updates, we will update you accordingly.

Information that concerns Sec 1 & 2

1. School Holidays in Terms 1 & 2

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| a. Chinese New Year | Fri 16 Feb- Sat 17 Feb |
| b. Chinese New Year Holiday-in-lieu | Mon 19 Feb |
| c. March School Holidays | Sat 10 Mar- Sun 18 Mar |

2. Annual Sec 1 Orientation (2-5 Jan)

The Annual Sec 1 Orientation will be held from Tue 2 Jan to Fri 5 Jan 2018. A CCA Exhibition will be held concurrently (Wed 3- Thu 4 Jan) during the orientation period to showcase the wide range of CCAs offered in Hai Sing Catholic. Please encourage your child to find out as much as possible about the CCA/s that he or she is interested in from the teachers and students in charge of the CCAs. For CCAs that require audition, the auditions will also be held during this period. The Sec 1 Orientation will culminate in a Campfire on Fri 5 Jan from 6pm to 8pm. This campfire is the highlight of the orientation programme and is planned, organized and run entirely by our own student leaders. We warmly welcome you to join us in this fun and special event.

3. Temperature Taking Exercise (Fri 5 Jan)

As part of our emergency preparedness routines, a temperature taking exercise will held on Fri 5 Jan 2018. Please remind your child to bring along his or her thermometer for this important exercise.

4. Visit by Delegation from Sagano High School (Fri 19 Jan)

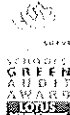
A delegation comprising teachers and students from Sagano High School, our twinning school in Japan, will visit Hai Sing on Fri 19 Jan for a half-day session of interaction and exchange. Sec 2 students from some of our classes will be paired with their Japanese counterparts and participate in dialogue sessions, lessons, and other interactive activities. The school will send a delegation in a reciprocating trip in June 2018 to Kyoto, Japan.

5. Sec 1 Parent-Teacher Dialogue Session (Fri 26 Jan)

We look forward to meeting our new Sec 1 parents during the Sec 1 Parent-Teacher Dialogue, which will be held on Fri 26 Jan 2018. During this session, you will get to meet your child's form and subject teachers, as well as receive updates and news from our Principal. More information will be given nearer the event.

6. Student Council Exco Election

As part of our annual hand-over of duties from the incumbent Student Council Exco, an election will be held to form the new team from our Sec 3 student leaders that will lead the student council for the coming





year. The campaign will be held during morning assemblies from Mon 29 Jan to Wed 7 Feb, culminating in the actual Election Day on Fri 9 Feb.

7. Mother Tongue Fortnight Programme (1-15 Feb)

The Mother Tongue department will be organising the Mother Tongue Fortnight Programme from Thu 1 Feb to Thu 15 Feb. During this fortnight, your child can look forward to various activities to stimulate their interest in learning Mother Tongue languages, as well as to get to know more about the Chinese and Malay cultures.

8. Chinese New Year Celebrations (Thu 15 Feb)

This year, Chinese New Year Eve falls on Thu 15 Feb. There will be a concert as well as other activities to celebrate Chinese New Year on that day. Students will be dismissed after the celebrations which will end at about 1030 am. Please take note that Monday 19 Feb is a holiday-in-lieu for Chinese New Year.

9. Individual Student Photo-taking (Tue 30 Jan)

All our students will have their individual photos taken on Tue 30 Jan. The photo-taking session is compulsory for all students. Please bring \$3 for the passport-size photographs, which is to be paid directly to the vendor.

10. Sec 1-3 Common Test (20-26 Feb)

The Sec 1-3 Common Test will be held from Tue 20-Mon 26 Feb. The common test will be held during curriculum hours and will take place during the first few periods immediately after morning flag-raising. Normal lessons will resume after recess. The detailed Common Test schedule will be distributed to your child nearer the test.

11. Sec 2 & 3 Parent-Teacher Dialogue Session (Fri 9 Mar)

We look forward to meeting the parents of Sec 2 & 3 students on Fri 9 Mar 2018. During this session, you will get to meet your child's form and subject teachers. Also, we will be providing some useful information pertaining to curriculum matters, such as streaming (for Sec 2 parents) and national examination matters (for Sec 3 parents). More information will be given nearer the event.

12. Should you have any query with regard to any of the information provided, please feel free to email us at hshs@moe.edu.sg. We will respond to you as soon as we can. On behalf of the school, I wish you and your child all the best for the new academic year.

Yours sincerely,

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