



12 March 2024

Dear Parents / Guardians,

Welcome to Term 2 of 2024!

We would like to express our heartfelt gratitude for your unwavering support and partnership throughout Term 1. Thank you for your strong support during the Primary 1 Back to School Day held on 26 January, the Networking Session with Form Teachers for Primary 2 to 5 Clementians conducted over two sessions on 26 January and 2 February and the P6 Parents' Briefing held on 2 February. We would also like to thank parents who had volunteered to support our school activities. Your involvement plays a crucial role in your child's holistic development. Thank you for your continued trust and support. We look forward to continuing this journey together in the upcoming terms.

1. Responsible Use of Social Media

- 1.1. The use of social media by primary school students has a profound impact on their development and well-being. While social media platforms offer opportunities for communication and connection, they also present risks such as exposure to inappropriate content, cyberbullying, and decreased face-to-face interaction.
- 1.2. In a world where "children are raised in a digital world", it is important for strong home-school partnership in educating our Clementians on the responsible use of social media. All Clementians are expected to adhere to netiquettes and respect other users.
- 1.3. I would like to seek your cooperation to supervise your child's/ward's interactions and participation on social media platforms, such as Facebook, Instagram, TikTok and WhatsApp. The registration policy of these platforms specifies that these platforms are meant for those aged 13 and above. **Students under the age of 13 are not allowed to set up their own social media account.** If you have set up a Facebook, Instagram, TikTok or WhatsApp account for your family, I seek your assistance to supervise your children's use of these social media platforms.
- 1.4. Many students are watching TV and using computers, gaming consoles, tablets and smartphones. I seek your cooperation in supporting your child's/ward's mental well-being as well as managing their recreational screen time. Screen time should not exceed one hour per day as a good guideline.

2. Traffic Condition along Clementi Avenue 3

Traffic Condition in the Morning

- 2.1. The traffic situation outside the school main gate along Clementi Avenue 3 is very congested in the morning, causing significant inconvenience to the residents, parents and students. This

situation worsens during weekday mornings between 7.00 am and 7.30 am, when students from both Clementi Primary School and Clementi Town Secondary School commute to school. This bottleneck situation not only results in frustration and stress but also poses safety concerns due to the chaotic traffic flow. The school has also received feedback from parents and members of the public on the need to alleviate the situation.

- 2.2. To address this issue, both schools will continue to deploy a security guard to manage traffic flow into our respective schools. **We would also urge parents driving Clementians to school in the morning to stay on the left lane to wait patiently for your turn to drive into the school. Overtaking the vehicles turning into Clementi Town Secondary School will likely cause traffic on both lanes to be blocked.**
- 2.3. Parents are reminded of the need to manage your travelling time in the morning to avoid the peak hour traffic, so that Clementians will not be late for school. The school has also adjusted the main gate closure time from 7.25 am to 7.30 am. The only exception is during raining days whereby we will allow parents to drive in beyond 7.30 am. We therefore seek parents' cooperation to arrive earlier to avoid the peak hour traffic congestion and ensure the safety of your children.
- 2.4. To facilitate the flow of traffic at the school drop-off point at the foyer, consequently easing the congestion along Clement Avenue 3, we would also like to remind all drivers to:
 - (a) Stop your vehicle at the alighting point that is furthest along the driveway. The covered driveway can accommodate four vehicles at a time.
 - (b) Remind your child/ward to sit on the left side of the car and alight as soon as your vehicle comes to a stop.
 - (c) Place your child's/ ward's school bag in the car beside him/her, and allow your child/ward to alight by himself/herself independently to avoid holding up the traffic.

Our school staff will be stationed at the foyer to facilitate the flow of vehicles and assist your child where necessary.

- 2.5. We would also like to encourage drivers to consider dropping off your child/ward at Gate 9 as it is less congested.

Traffic Condition During School Dismissal

- 2.6. To ensure the safety of Clementians, especially with the shift of CCAs to after curriculum hours from 2024 onwards, our **school main gate will be closed at 2 pm**, after all the school buses have left the school compound. However, **parents fetching your children by car will still be able to enter the school after 2 pm**. We have reminded our security officers to keep an active lookout for vehicles approaching the school after 2 pm to facilitate entry to the school. Please avoid waiting for your children in your vehicle outside the school along Clementi Avenue 3 as this will affect traffic flow. **You may also wish to park at the nearby HDB car parks and pick up your child from school.**

3. Important dates for Term 2, 2024

Date (Day)	Activity	Remarks
22 Mar 2024 (Fri)	World Water Day	School hours as usual
29 Mar 2024 (Fri)	Good Friday	Public Holiday

5 April 2024 (Fri)	International Friendship Day	School hours as usual, Clementians to come in international, ethnic, or going-out clothes.
9 April 2024 (Tue)	Hari Raya Puasa Eve	Clementians need not report to school on this day as it will be a Home-Based Learning day. More information will be shared at a later date.
10 April 2024 (Wed)	Hari Raya Puasa	Public Holiday
15 Apr 2024 (Mon)	Hari Raya Puasa Celebration	All Clementians are encouraged to come in their traditional costume/ethnic costume/going-out attire and white school shoes.
25 Apr 2024 (Thur)	NAPFA (5 Stations)	After school
29 Apr 2024 (Mon)	NAPFA (5 Stations)	After school
1 May 2024 (Wed)	Labour Day	Public Holiday
2 May 2024 (Thur)	NAPFA (5 Stations)	After school
13 – 15 May 2024 (Mon – Wed)	P5 Cohort Camp	MOE Dairy Farm Outdoor Adventure Learning Centre
13 – 17 May 2024 (Mon – Fri)	Rocket Week (Experiential Learning Week for all Clementians)	A week of non-classroom based learning which culminates in Home-Based Learning on 17 May. More information will be shared at a later date.
21 May 2024 (Tues)	Lower Primary Sports Day (for P1-P3 Clementians)	P4-P6 Clementians need not report to school. More information will be shared at a later date.
22 May 2024 (Wed)	Vesak Day	Public Holiday
23 & 24 May 2024 (Thur & Fri)	Child-Teacher-Parent (CTP) Conference	Clementians are to attend CTP Conference with their parents/guardians.

4. Encouraging Students to be Independent

- 4.1 In the Start-of-Year parent notification, we had sought parents' / guardians' cooperation to help Clementians develop good self-management skills and be more independent. Clementians should learn to take personal responsibility to ensure that they are ready for school. This involves completion of homework, packing of school bag and personal belongings for the next school day. Parents / caregivers should refrain from delivering these items to school, with the exception of essential medication.
- 4.2 Starting from Term 2, our protocol at the security guardhouse will be updated. Please note that parents / guardians will not be allowed to deliver items to Clementians, with the exception of essential medication. We seek your understanding and cooperation to partner the school to help foster greater independence and sense of responsibility in Clementians.

5. Child-Teacher-Parent (CTP) Conference 2024

- 5.1 Our school will be holding the CTP Conference on **23 May 2024 (Thursday) and 24 May 2024 (Friday) from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.** Our teachers will discuss your child's/ward's learning progress with you and your child/ward.
- 5.2 **Lessons will be suspended on 23 May 2024 and 24 May 2024.** Do note that your child/ward must be present for the CTP Conference. More information on the CTP Conference and instructions on making appointments will be shared at a later date.

6. P5 Cohort Camp

- 6.1. Camp provides students an excellent opportunity to move out of their comfort zones and to be closer to the natural environment. Using the outdoors for learning and development, the student's educational experience is enriched beyond the classroom. Camps cultivate character, build self-confidence, and help students acquire essential social skills.
- 6.2. Unlike last year's joint camp with Nan Hua Primary School, the camp this year is for Clementians solely. The intentional shift is to foster teamwork, build camaraderie and lifelong friendships among our P5 students. The camp will be held at MOE Dairy Farm Adventure Learning Centre. More information will be sent out to P5 Clementians' parents by Term 2 Week 2.

7. National Physical Fitness Award (NAPFA)


- 7.1 NAPFA is conducted for P4 and P6 students each year. Students will learn about the various test items in the NAPFA test and how these can be used to measure and evaluate the different components of health and skills related fitness during PE lessons.
- 7.2 Our Primary 6 students will take their NAPFA 5 stations on Monday or Thursday afternoons in Term 2 Week 6 and 7. For the 1.6km run/walk, it will be conducted during PE lessons between Term 2 Week 7 and 10.
- 7.3 For our students from Primary 4, they will take their NAPFA test in Term 3.
- 7.4 More details on the NAPFA test for both levels will be sent out via Parents Gateway nearer the respective test period.

8. Rocket Week

- 8.1 The inaugural Rocket Week is an experiential week filled with student development experiences, allowing the students to learn beyond the classroom. We hope that this new initiative will excite and enable our Clementians to experience differentiated learning styles. More information will be sent out at a later date.

We look forward to a fulfilling Term 2 of learning for your child/ward and your continued cooperation as partners in education.

Yours sincerely,



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