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Dear Parents/ Guardians,

As we embark on this final term for the year, we are committed to bringing out the best in all our Yuhualites. We look forward to the learning and growth that this term will bring.

As we journey through this last quarter of the academic year together, we understand that this period can bring a mix of excitement and anxiety for both you and our Yuhualites with the upcoming Primary School Leaving Examinations and school-based weighted assessments. The well-being of our students remains our utmost priority. We encourage you to help your child maintain a healthy balance between study and rest, ensuring that they have put in their best efforts without feeling overwhelmed in their preparations.

At school, our teachers are committed to creating a supportive environment that fosters resilience and positivity. We are focusing not just on exam preparation but also on the emotional and mental well-being of our students. Regular breaks, healthy sleep habits, and open conversations about any concerns are essential components of a balanced approach to learning.

In addition to their academic learning, we are dedicated to nurturing a growth mindset in our Yuhualites. We want them to understand that their abilities and talents can be developed through hard work, perseverance, and dedication. Mistakes and challenges are part of the learning process, and we encourage students to view them as opportunities for growth and development. We also emphasise the development of positive habits of mind, such as persistence, flexibility, and curiosity. These habits are not only essential for academic success but also for personal growth and lifelong learning. By cultivating these traits, we aim to help our students become resilient, adaptive individuals who are prepared to face the challenges of the future.

As we move through this term, we look forward to partnering you to support our Yuhualites learning journey. Your involvement and encouragement are invaluable to your child's success, and we appreciate the partnership between home and school in fostering a positive educational and learning experience for all Yuhualites.

Thank you for your continued support and let us make this term a fruitful and fulfilling one for all our Yuhualites!

## Key Highlights for Term 4

## Home-Based Learning Day(s) for P1 (26 & 27 Sep) and P2 (30 Sep) Students

The school is organising Home-Based Learning (HBL) Days for our **P1 students on 26 and 27 September (Thu & Fri), and for our P2 students on 30 September (Mon)** during the PSLE written examination days. Through meaningfully designed lessons by our teachers, we would want to provide opportunities for our students to learn from and beyond the curriculum, apply the knowledge and skills that they have acquired to complete the tasks assigned and progressively build their 21st Century Competencies and dispositions to develop them to become independent, self-directed and lifelong learners. This will also be a good opportunity to acclimatise our students to leverage technology for their self-directed learning.

The assignments will be shared with your child/ward through the Student Learning Space (SLS) portal on the morning of the actual HBL day to help students pace their work and simulate readiness for full HBL in more challenging times. **P1 and P2 students need not report to school on their respective HBL days.** The SLS guide for parents' reference is also available on our school website should your child face any technical issues on that day.

### KidsREAD Programme for Selected P2 Students

The KidsREAD Programme is a programme initiated by the National Library Board (NLB) to inculcate the love for reading in our students through fun and meaningful activities such as role play and story-telling sessions. This programme which consists of 24 sessions is well-received by our selected P2 students. We would like to take this opportunity to thank our Parent Support Group members who have helped to conduct this programme. Through their dedication, our students have also learned about the values of care, resilience, teamwork and harmony.

As a culmination of their learning, the KidsREAD students will be showcasing their talents during Children's Day celebrations. They will also get to share their KidsREAD experiences with their classmates.

#### P1 Tech Play & P5 & P6 InnoMake Programmes

Specially designed by the ICT Department and delivered in-house by our teachers, Tech Play provides our students an exposure to coding. Learning to code will help our students understand why and how the technology around them operates and foster critical and computational thinking in them. Students will be using age-appropriate coding kits to learn basic coding skills through play. P1 students can look forward to the lessons towards the end of the term.

Our P6 and P5 students will undergo the InnoMake programme to learn more sophisticated and advanced coding skills during their post-exam activities. The P6 students will tinkle with an app development software. Using the 5 stages of Design Thinking - Empathise, Define, Ideate, Prototype, and Test, students will have the opportunity to create a mobile app that value-adds to the experiences of their target audience. For the P5 students, they will advance their learning of coding using "BBC micro:bit" (an award-winning programmable device) and sensors to create digital prototypes.

We hope to inspire Yuhualites to recognise the power of harnessing technology productively in the real-world through these enrichment programmes.

# Supplementary Lessons for P3 to P5 Students during PSLE Marking Exercise (Mon to Wed, 14 to 16 October)

As our school is no longer designated as a PSLE Marking Centre this year from 14 to 16 October (Mon to Wed), we are able to redeploy some of our teachers, without PSLE marking duties, to prioritise and provide the additional learning support for **all our P3 to P5 students through supplementary lessons conducted on 14 and 15 October (Mon & Tue)**. These lessons are planned to help our students reinforce their acquisition of conceptual skills and mastery of content as they further prepare for the year-end weighted assessments. As a number of our teachers will also be deployed for PSLE marking during that period, we are not able to provide similar lessons for P1, P2 and P6 students during those days.

More details will be shared with you as we work out the logistical and administrative details. Kindly note that all P3 to P5 students are required to attend school **only on these two days**, **14 and 15 October (Mon & Tue)**, with curtailed curriculum time, **tentatively planned from 7.30 am to 11.30 am.** All P1 to P6 students do not have to report to school on 16 October (Wed).

Please note that all P1, P2 and P6 students need not report to school from 14 to 16 October.

## P5 Camp at MOE Labrador Adventure Learning Centre

This year's P5 Residential Camp will be conducted from **30 September to 2 October (Mon to Wed)** at MOE Labrador Adventure Learning Centre. The school has co-designed the programme with our vendor to leverage the outdoors as the 'classroom' for learning and for the development of ruggedness, resilience and cohesion amongst the students. Through this camp, students will also learn more about themselves, build new friendships with their team members and understand the importance of caring for the environment. More details will be provided at a later date.

#### P6 SwimSafer Programme

Due to the onset of the Covid-19 a few years back, our current cohort of P6 students did not get to complete their SwimSafer lessons when they were at P4. Swimming is an important Physical Education component as students will acquire basic swimming skills, water safety awareness and gain water confidence. All P6 students are strongly encouraged to participate in the swimming lessons as part of their post-exam activities. More details will be provided at a later date.

## Term 4 – Calendar of Activities

The list of activities and dates/ week(s) of weighted assessments or year-end examinations are included for your reference. Details of post-exam activities would be informed on a later date.

We wish you and your child/ ward a fruitful and satisfying Term 4 ahead.

Thank you.

Your Partners-in-Education,

Mrs Ruth Tai Principal Mrs Zoey So Vice-Principal (Acad) Mr Noah Ong Vice-Principal (Admin)

#### Yuhua Primary School Calendar of Activities Term 4, 2024

Wk	Date	Time	Activity / Event	Venue	Target Group		
1	13 Sept (Fri)	PSLE Listening Comprehension Examination (P1 to P5 students <u>do not</u> have to report to school. Only P6 Candidates are involved.)					
2	18 (Wed) and 20 Sept (Fri)	After School	P5 Social Studies Museum-based Learning Journey <i>(Selected P5 classes)</i>	Indian Heritage Centre	Selected P5 Classes		
3	23 Sept (Mon) – 25 Sept (Wed)	<b>PSLE Study Break for P6 Students Only</b> (More details to be provided at a later date for P6 students. All P1 to P5 students to still report for school.)					
	23 Sept (Mon) – 24 Sept (Tues)	After School	P5 End-of-Year (EL/MT) Oral Examinations (More details to be provided at a later date)	School	All P5 Students		
	26 Sept (Thurs)	Refer to PG sent on 6 Sept for more details	PSLE – Papers 1 & 2 (English Language – Standard/ Foundation)	School	All P6 Students		
		-	Home-Based Learning for P1 Students Only		All P1 Students		
	27 Sept (Fri)	Refer to PG sent on 6 Sept for more details	PSLE – Mathematics (Standard/ Foundation)	School	All P6 Students		
		-	Home-Based Learning for P1 Students Only	-	All P1 Students		
4	30 Sept (Mon) – 2 Sept (Wed)	P5 Residential Camp @ MOE Labrador Adventure Learning Centre (More details to be provided at a later date for P5 students only.)					
	30 Sept (Mon)	Refer to PG sent on 6 Sept for more details	PSLE – Papers 1 & 2 (Mother Tongue Language - Standard/ Foundation)	School	All P6 Students		
		-	Home-Based Learning for P2 Students Only	-	All P2 Students		
	1 Oct (Tues)	Refer to PG sent on 6 Sept	PSLE – Science (Standard/ Foundation)	School	All P6 Students		
	2 Oct (Wed)	for more details	PSLE – Papers 1 & 2 Higher Mother Tongue Language	School	Only P6 Students taking HMTL		
	3 Oct (Thurs)	7.30 am to 1.30 pm	Children's Day Celebrations (Note the change in dismissal time for all P4 to P6 students)	School	All Students		
	4 Oct (Fri)	Children's Day (School Holiday)					

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5	7 Oct (Mon)	Curriculum Time	P6 SwimSafer Programme (More details to be provided at a later date)	To be confirmed	P6 Students
	8 Oct (Tues)	Curriculum Time	End-of-Year Examination - English Language Paper 1	School	All P3 – P5 Students
	9 Oct (Wed)	Curriculum Time	P4 Social Studies-based Learning Journey (Selected P4 classes)	Kreta Ayer Heritage Gallery	Selected P4 Classes
5	9 Oct (Wed) – 11 Oct (Fri)	Curriculum Time	P6 InnoMake Programme (Selected P6 classes on different days)	School	Selected P6 Classes
	10 Oct (Thurs)	Curriculum Time	End-of-Year Examination - Mother Tongue Language Paper 1	School	All P3 to P5 Students
	11 Oct (Fri)	Curriculum Time	P4 End-of-Year Oral Examination	School	All P4 Students
6	14 Oct (Mon) – 15 Oct (Tues)	ТВА	PSLE Marking Exercise (Only P3 to P5 students have to report to school)	School	All P3 to P5 Students
	14 Oct (Mon)	ТВА	P6 SwimSafer Programme (More details to be provided at a later date)	To be confirmed	P6 Students
	16 Oct (Wed)	PSLE Marking Exercise (All students <u>do not</u> have to report to school)			
0	15 Oct (Tues) – 16 Oct (Wed)	ТВА	P3 GEP Selection Exercise (More details to be provided at a later date for selected students)	To be confirmed	Only Selected P3 Students
	17 Oct (Thurs) – 18 Oct (Fri)	Curriculum Time	P6 InnoMake Programme (Selected P6 classes on different days)	School	Selected P6 Classes
	18 Oct (Fri)	Curriculum Time	P3 End-of-Year Oral Examination	School	All P3 Students
7	21 Oct (Mon)	Curriculum Time	End-of-Year Examination - English Language Paper 2 and Listening Comprehension	School	All P3 to P5 Students
	22 Oct (Tues)	Curriculum Time	End-of-Year Examination - Mathematics	School	All P3 to P5 Students
	23 Oct (Wed)	Curriculum Time	End-of-Year Examination - Mother Tongue Language Paper 2 and Listening Comprehension	School	All P3 to P5 Students

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7	24 Oct (Thurs)	Curriculum Time	End-of-Year Examination - Science	School	All P3 to P5 Students		
		Curriculum Time	End-of-Year Examination - Higher Mother Tongue	School	Only P5 Students taking HMTL		
	25 Oct (Fri)	After School	P4 Social Studies-based Learning Journey (Selected P4 classes)	Geylang Serai Heritage Gallery	Selected P4 Classes		
		Curriculum Time	P6 SwimSafer Programme (More details to be provided at a later date)	To be confirmed	P6 Students		
	28 Oct (Mon) & 1 Nov (Fri)	Curriculum Time	P6 SwimSafer Programme (More details to be provided at a later date)	To be confirmed	P6 Students		
	29 Oct (Tues) - 8 Nov (Fri)	Curriculum Time	P1 TechPlay (Selected P1 classes on different days, less 31 Oct & 6 Nov)	School	Selected P1 Classes		
8	31 Oct (Thurs)	Deepavali (Public Holiday)					
	1 Nov (Fri)	Curriculum Time	P6 SwimSafer Programme (More details to be provided at a later date)	To be confirmed	P6 Students		
	1 Nov (Fri) – 8 Nov (Fri)	Curriculum Time	P5 InnoMake (Selected P5 classes on different days less 6 Nov)	School	Selected P5 Classes		
9	4 Nov (Mon) & 8 Nov (Fri)	Curriculum Time	P6 SwimSafer Programme (More details to be provided at a later date)	To be confirmed	P6 Students		
9	6 Nov (Wed)	Admin Day (All students <u>do not</u> have to report to school)					
	11 Nov (Mon)	Curriculum Time	P6 SwimSafer Programme (More details to be provided at a later date)	To be confirmed	P6 Students		
10	14 Nov (Thurs)	ТВА	P6 Graduation Party (More details to be provided at a later date)	School	P6 Students		
		7.30 am – 1.30 pm	Last Day of School (Note the change in dismissal time for all P4 & P5 students)	School	All P1 to P5 Students		
	15 Nov (Fri)	P1 Orientation for 2025 P1 Cohort (All students <u>do not</u> have to report to school)					
	16 Nov (Sat) to 31 Dec (Tues)	Nov/ Dec School Holidays					
1 J	lan 2025 (Wed)	New Year's Day (Public Holiday)					

#### Note:

- a. For all School-Based Assessments, please provide the school with a medical certificate or a parent's letter with <u>valid reason(s)</u> if your child/ward misses his/her Review Test(s) or Examinations. For all submission of parent's letter, please explain clearly your child/ward's absence. Please also note that the school's Assessment Committee will review each letter/appeal on a case-by-case basis.
- b. For Year 2025, <u>Primary 1 students will start school on Thursday, 2 January 2025</u> while <u>Primary 2 to 6 students will only start school on Friday, 3 January 2025</u>.