



22 March 2021

Dear Parents / Guardians

2021 TERM 1 LETTER TO PARENTS (TERM 2)

We are writing to inform parents and guardians on the following Term 2 Matters:

S/N	Activity	Date	Remarks
iSTAY Programme			
1	iSTAY Programme for Year 4	Mon 22 Mar 2021 to Fri 26 Mar 2021	Refer to Para 1 for more details
		Mon 29 Mar 2021 to Thu 1 Apr 2021	
	iSTAY Programme for Year 2	Mon 12 Apr 2021 to Fri 16 Apr 2021	
		Mon 19 Apr 2021 to Fri 23 Apr 2021	
	iSTAY Programme for Year 1	Mon 17 May 2021 to Fri 21 May 2021	
		Mon 24 May, Tue 25 May, Thu 27 May, Fri 28 May 2021	
Examination Matters			
2	Mid-Year Examination - English Language	Thu 29 Apr 2021	Refer to Annex A for details
3	Mid-Year Examination - Mathematics	Fri 30 Apr 2021	
4	Workplace Numeracy (WPN) Assessment for Year 3	Mon 10 May 2021 Wed 12 May 2021 Tue 18 May 2021	Refer to Para 2 for more details.
School Events / Functions			
5	APS Graduation Ceremony	Fri 7 May 2021	
6	Founder's Day Celebration	Wed 28 Apr 2021	

School and Public Holidays			
7	Good Friday Public Holiday	Fri 2 Apr 2021	
8	Labour Day Public Holiday (Sat 1 May 2021)	Mon 3 May 2021 (School Holiday)	
9	Mid-Year Exam Processing Day (Year 1 to Year 4 Only)	Tue 4 May 2021	Refer to Para 3 for more details
10	Hari Raya Puasa Public Holiday	Thu 13 May 2021	
11	Vesak Day Public Holiday	Wed 26 May 2021	
Other Matters			
12	APS After-school Engagement Programme (APSafe)		Refer to Para 4 for more details
13	Health Promotion Board (HPB) Vaccination		Refer to Para 5 for more details
14	Parenting Tip		Refer to Annex B
15	Workplace Literacy Numeracy (WPLN) Assessment Registration Policy for Year 3 Students		Refer to Annex C

Reply or Acknowledgement Slips to be returned to APS – By Fri 26 Mar 2021		
2021 Termly Letter to Parents – Term 2	Annex D	All students to return form
Individual Students Details Report for 2021	Separate Document	Parent/Guardian are to check and update as necessary. Signatory and return of form is required.

1 iSTAY PROGRAMME

1.1 Students from the following classes will attend the iSTAY Programme at the school's premises as follows:

iSTAY Programme for Year 4

- Mon 22 Mar 2021 to Fri 26 Mar 2021
4FS1, 4CS1 and 4HD1 Classes
- Mon 29 Mar 2021 to Thu 1 Apr 2021
4FS2, 4HS1 and 4BP1 Classes

iSTAY Programme for Year 2

- Mon 12 Apr 2021 to Fri 16 Apr 2021
2C1, 2C2 and 2S1 Classes
- Mon 19 Apr 2021 to Fri 23 Apr 2021
2P1 and 2P2 Classes

iSTAY Programme for Year 1

- Mon 17 May 2021 to Fri 21 May 2021
1C1, 1C2 and 1S1 Classes
- Mon 24 May, Tues 25 May, Thurs 27 May and Fri 28 May 2021
1P1, 1P2 and 1S2 Classes

1.2 During the programme, students will learn valuable life skills and to live out the school's values taught in the context of communal living via purposefully planned routines, activities and projects.

1.3 Students will not be staying overnight for this cycle of the programme.

2 WORKPLACE NUMERACY (WPN) ASSESSMENT FOR YEAR 3

2.1 Year 3 students are required to sit for their WPN on one of the below mentioned dates.

- Mon 10 May 2021
- Wed 12 May 2021
- Tue 18 May 2021

2.2 Details will be provided at a later date.

3 MID-YEAR EXAM PROCESSING DAY

3.1 There will be no lesson for Year 1 to Year 4 on Tue 4 May 2021. School will resume on **Wed 5 May 2021**.

3.2 Students from APS Academy (APA) are to come to school as per normal.

4 APS AFTER-SCHOOL ENGAGEMENT PROGRAMME (APSAFE)

- 4.1 APS After-school Engagement Programme (APSafe) is a school-based programme to strengthen their school connectedness and enhance students' learning motivation.
- 4.2 Activities have been planned after-school hours to better engage our students by strengthening the protective factors, which include:
- Providing a safe and supportive environment
 - Building positive relationships through significant adults and positive peer groups
- 4.3 We aim to do so through sports and a series of workshops and activities. **Consent forms will only be issued for workshops.**
- 4.4 For ARC activities, Movie Screening and Sports activities, students will be issued time slips after the completion of the sessions for your reference.

Day	Activity / Venue	Time
Open daily	Assumption Recreation Centre (ARC)	Mon: 2.15pm – 5.15pm Tue: 1.45pm – 4.45pm Wed: 2.15pm – 5.15pm Thu: 1.15pm – 4.15pm Fri: 11.45am – 2.45pm
Wednesday	Movie screening (Canteen)	2.30pm – 5.00pm
Wednesday	Sports (Foyer)	2.30pm – 4.00pm
Friday	Sports (School Hall)	12.30pm – 2.30pm
Selected days	Workshops (Perfume-making workshops, leatherwork workshops)	To be advised via consent form

- 4.5 We strongly encourage your child/ward to participate in these activities.

5 HPB VACCINATION

- 5.1 The Heath Promotion Board's (HPB's) appointed vendor will be visiting APS on 14th April 2021 to administer the Human Papillomavirus Vaccine (HPV) for some female students in Year 4 and APA 1.
- 5.2 Affected students will be notified by school staff to go for the vaccination on that day.

- 6** Please be informed that with effect of 1 March 2021, our current school number will be change to 62793000. You can still contact us via the existing number until 31 March 2021.
- 7** To ensure that you have received this letter, please complete the attached Acknowledgement Form in **Annex D** and return it to your child's / ward's Form Teacher by Fri 26 March 2021.
- 8** If you have any concerns or clarifications, please feel free to contact the school at 62793000. We thank you for your cooperation and support in school's activities.

Yours sincerely

STEPHEN CHIN
Principal

(Parent's Copy)**2021 MID YEAR EXAMINATION TIMETABLE**

Date	Level	Subject	Time	Duration
Thu 29 April 2021	Year 2	English Language	8.15 am to 9.35am	1hr 20 min
	Year 4		8.30 am to 9.50 am	
Fri 30 April 2021	Year 2	Mathematics	8.15 am to 9.30am	1hr 15 min
	Year 4		8.30 am to 9.45 am	

Note

- All students are required to report to school at the usual time.
- Students will be dismissed from school after the examination.

PARENTING TIP

How to Connect with your Teenager?

Parent-adolescent relations are more likely to be conflictual, but you can develop positive connections with your teens by remaining emotionally supportive and encouraging. One effective way to connect with your team is through **active listening**. Active listening requires parents to read the needs of their teens, respond appropriately, and respect their right to respond.

Here are some ways to connect with your teenager through active listening:

1. **Asking good questions.**

Ask open-ended questions that your child is comfortable answering truthfully. The purpose of asking questions is to **understand**, not advise. Active listening questions aim to clarify meanings, learn about their thoughts, feelings and wants, and gather more facts and details. Pause to listen and show interest by asking for elaboration. Your tone of voice is critical. It is not about what you say, but rather the way you say it.

2. **Paraphrasing.**

Restate what your teen has shared with you in your own words to ensure you understand your teen and correct any misunderstanding.

3. **Empathising.**

Take time to see things from their eyes. You do not have to agree or give in, but empathising means not dismissing your teens. By accepting your teen's thoughts, there is a higher chance that they will open up to you.

For free parenting consultation, call or message Ms Grace Goh at 8869 4006.

Source: Adapted from NUH "Parenting: Evidence-based Guidelines for Communicating with Your Teen".

By FEI YUE COMMUNITY SERVICES

Workplace Literacy Numeracy (WPLN) Assessment Registration Policy for Year 3 Students

The Work Place Literacy/Numeracy (WPLN) is an assessment conducted by British Council, on behalf of Skills Future Singapore (SSG). It serves to accredit your child/ward with the appropriate level of proficiency in literacy and numeracy.

We like to inform you of the requirement for your child/ward to be **registered** for the WPLN Assessment by the school.

The attendance requirement is as follows:

- WPN: 80% attendance for term 1.
- WPL: 80% attendance from Term 1 Week1 to Term 2 Week 6.

If your child is registered and is **not** present for the assessment,

- a medical certificate must be obtained and presented to the form teacher within 2 working days.
- student will be re-scheduled to take the WPLN within a month.
- student will need to report to the assessment venue directly on his own
- failure to submit MCs and/or notify the school within 2 working days will result in forfeiture of the assessment.

IF your child/ward is a PR/non-Singaporean, an invoice will be issued to you via your child in term 2 for payment of the assessment fees.

**ASSUMPTION PATHWAY SCHOOL
2021 TERM 2 LETTER TO PARENTS
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM**
(Please return to Form Teacher by Fri 26 Mar 2021)

This is to acknowledge that I have received the APS letter dated 22 March 2021 informing parents and guardians on the 2021 Term 2 Matters, and noted the contents of the letter.

Signature of Parent / Guardian : _____

Name of Parent / Guardian : _____

Relationship to Student : _____

Name of Student (Full Name) : _____

Class of Student : _____