



8 Mar 2021

Principal's Letter to Parents

Thanksgiving for Term 1, 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Term 1 has almost come to an end. We are thankful for your support and partnership in making the schooling experience in PL(Sec) an enriching one for your daughters.

1. 2021 GCE O- and N-Levels – Exam Time-Table

The 2021 GCE O- and N-Levels National exam time-tables can be downloaded from the following websites:

2021 GCE N-Level (NA/NT) Exam Time-Table	https://www.seab.gov.sg/home/examinations/gce-n(a)-level
2021 GCE O-Level Exam Time-Table	https://www.seab.gov.sg/home/examinations/gce-o-level

We are gearing our graduating cohort towards settling down into a season of studying hard for their national examinations.

2. 2021 GCE O- and N-Levels - Coursework subjects

Coursework is a major component for these subjects - Art, Food and Nutrition and Elements of Business Skills:

Subjects	Weighting of Coursework	National Submission Deadlines
GCE N(T) Elements of Business Skills	40%	14 May 2021 (Friday), 5 p.m.
GCE N(A)-Level Food and Nutrition	60%	12 Jul 2021 (Monday), 5 p.m.
GCE O-Level Art	60%	21 Sep 2021 (Tuesday), 5 p.m.
GCE O-Level Food and Nutrition	60%	2 Aug 2021 (Monday), 5 p.m.

Quality results for these subjects require commitment and consistent effort on the part of the girls. It is thus essential for the girls to adhere to the project timeline in order to complete and submit quality coursework as part of the national examination requirements.

3. 2021, Term 1 Subject Results

Please be informed that the girls will be receiving their Term 1 Result slips on Friday, 12 Mar 2021. Please use the March holidays to help your daughters review her growth in learning and take proactive measures to close her learning gaps.



4. 2021 Methodist Walk Update

We want to thank you for your support in our 2021 Methodist Walk Donation drive. We are still doing the collections for the 2021 Methodist Walk Donation drive and will let the girls know the final amount that we have raised collectively as a school. We will use the funds raised to meet our girls' needs in school and to improve the schooling experience. The first project is related to refurbishing the School Basketball Court and building more study areas around the school to make the school conducive for revision and self-study.

I am pleased to update you that as at 3 Mar 2021, the staff and students had already completed a total distance of 1,575km (72% of the 2,200km target). For our fundraising, we received S\$13,690 from online platform and cheques of S\$16,200 (49.8% of the S\$60,000 target) from parents and our well-wishers.

We invite you to continue to partner and support us as we seek to build a stronger sense of pride and belonging to the school.

Do click on this link to bit.ly/mwalk21-plmgss to show your support.

For donors who wish to donate via cheque:

Payee name: Methodist Schools' Foundation

Please indicate clearly on the back of the cheque the following for Tax deduction purposes:

- a) Full Name
- b) NRIC
- c) Contact Number
- d) Indicate that donation is towards PLMGS(Sec)

Please Mail cheque to: **RE: MethodistWalk 2021 Donation**
Methodist Schools' Foundation
70 Barker Road
#06-03 Methodist centre
Singapore 309936

Please Note: TDR (Tax deduction) is available for donations \$10 and above.

5. Student Services during 2021 March holidays

The drinks and snacks stalls in our *PL Manna* (Canteen) will continue to operate on 15 & 16 Mar 2021. Students who are returning to school for CCA practices and extra lessons may get their refreshments from the stalls during their breaks.

The School Bookshop will be closed during the March school holidays.

The *PL Book-tique* will remain open as usual to allow girls to revise for the upcoming mid-year assessments (*Commencing 30 April 2021*):

Opening hours for the *PL Book-tique* (School Library)

Monday - Thursday: 8.30 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.
Friday: 8.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.

6. Personal trip during 2021 March holidays

We would like to advise students to defer overseas travel unless it is permissible under the prevailing MOH travel advisory. Students who choose to travel against school advice will be subjected to entry approval (for international students), payment of Covid-testing, SHN dedicated facilities charges and unsubsidised healthcare if they come down with COVID-19 upon their return.

7. Traffic Advisory for the Safety of Our Girls

For parents who drive their daughters to school, please take note of the traffic advisory in Annex A. We strongly encourage all parents to adhere to the advice to prevent any injury to our girls and the public.

8. Highlights of Key School Events in 2021, Term 2

The following are highlights of our school's key programmes in Term 2, 2021:

Monthly Themes	Dates	Key Events
Empowered to Make a Difference	13 March 2021 (Sat)	Post-Secondary Educational Institutes Fair 2021: <i>Next Step Forward</i> (9 am to 2 pm)
	22 Mar 2021 (Mon)	2021 Term 2 commences World Water Day
	22 – 25 Mar 2021 (Mon-Thur)	4NA AEM @ Poly / 4NT EM @ ITE
	27 Mar 2021 (Sat)	Earth Hour commemoration 2021
	29 Mar 2021 (Mon)	Methodist Walk 2021 (Announcement of results & Celebration)
	31 Mar – 1 Apr 2021 (Wed, Thurs)	Sec 4 and 5 MT Prelim Oral exams
Unity in Diversity	2, 4 Apr 2021 (Fri, Sun)	Good Friday and Easter
	3-8 Apr 2021 (Mon-Thur)	4NT EM @ ITE
	7-8 Apr 2021 (Wed-Thur)	Sec 3 EL Oral exams
	10 Apr 2021 (Sat)	Parents' Online Workshop - Cyberwellness " <i>I Can't Live Without IT!</i> " <i>Understanding & Engaging Our Digital Natives</i> by TOUCH Cyberwellness (9.30 – 11 am)
	12 Apr 2021 (Mon)	International Friendship Day celebrations
	14,15 Apr 2021 (Wed, Thur)	Sec 4 and 5 EL Prelim Oral exams
	14 Apr 2021 (Wed)	2021 Prefects' Installation
	16 Apr 2021 (Fri)	NAPFA tests for Sec 4 and 5
	17 Apr 2021 (Sat)	Parents' Online Workshop - Mental Well Being by NHG (9.30 – 11 am)
	21 Apr 2021 (Wed)	Home-based Learning Day for Sec 1-3 only
	23 Apr 2021 (Fri)	2022 Sec 3 Subject Combination Briefing for Parents and PL-Lites
	26 - 30 Apr 2021	HPV vaccination for Sec 4/5 girls
	26 - 30 Apr 2021	Annual Health Visit
	† † † †	28 Apr – 11 May 2021

Monthly Themes	Dates	Key Events
	30 Apr – 7 May 2021	Sec 1 – 3 Common Tests
	3 May 2021 (Mon)	Labour Day School Holiday
	8 May 2021 (Sat)	Parents' Online Workshop - <i>Understanding & Communication with your daughter</i> by Ms Kelda Chan (School Counsellor) (9 - 10 am)
	10 May 2021 (Mon)	Pastor's Fellowship & Breakfast with Praying Parents (PLMC)
	13 May 2021 (Wed)	Hari Raya Puasa
	12 May 2021 (Wed)	Mother Tongue Intensive lessons for Sec 4/5 commences
	21 May 2021 (Sat)	Sec 4 and 5 ECG Virtual Conference (1 - 4.30 pm)
	25 May 2021 (Tues)	Leadership Training for students
	26 May 2021 (Wed)	Vesak Day
	27 May 2021 (Thur)	Teacher-Meets-Parents – Online (8 am – 5 pm) Class Esther's Retreat
	28 May 2021 (Fri)	Official Last day of Term 2 Farewell Assembly
	29 May 2021 (Sat)	PLMGS(Sec) Open House (TBC) Eat With Your Family Day - Early Day
	31 May 2021 (Mon)	GCE O-Level MT exams P1 and P2
	31 May – 25 Jun 2021	June School Holidays (Protected Leave: 8-19 Jun 2021)
	22 - 25 Jun 2021	Sec 4 and 5 Online Consultations
	29 Jun 2021 (Mon)	School Reopens for Term 3

Every Mon morning, 8 a.m. – 9 a.m.	<i>PrayingParents@PL</i> meets every Monday morning via ZOOM , 8 a.m. – 9 a.m. for a time of prayer and fellowship. If you are interested to join in, do drop an email to Mrs Irene Angullia at irene_angullia@moe.edu.sg
Every 3 rd Wed of the month 8 a.m. – 8.45 a.m.	<i>Fathers@School</i> holds its monthly sharing sessions via ZOOM every third Wednesday of the month, 8 a.m. – 8.45 a.m. Monthly email blasts will be sent out via Parents Gateway. Please do sign up for the sessions.

Please check the school website (<http://plmgss.moe.edu.sg/>) for regular updates on the school programmes and other administrative matters. Do also follow us on our Facebook page for the happenings in and around the school (<https://www.facebook.com/PLMGSAumni/>).

Thank you for your support and for partnering us to care for your daughters.

Warmest Regards,



Mrs Quек Li Gek

Traffic Advisory for the Safety of Our Girls

1. Alighting students along Lor Ah Soo in the morning:

We received feedback from residents that many parents stop their vehicles along Lor Ah Soo to let their daughters alight during the morning peak hour. This not only causes further delay to the already congested traffic, but also endangers the girls as they have to walk on the road towards the traffic light crossing.



2. Alighting students at the turning lane towards the HDB carpark next to Maplewood Park:

Other parents have allowed their daughters to alight at the turning lane while waiting to turn into the HDB carpark next to Maplewood Park. As a result, the girls were walking in the way of ongoing traffic. This endangers both the students as well as other road users.



We urge parents to let your daughters alight only at safe and proper locations such as the HDB carpark next to Maplewood Park or at the school drop-off area. We urge parents to observe traffic rules and work with the school to inculcate a practice of road safety in all students. Thank you.