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Dear Parents / Guardian

PRIMARY 4 SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 1

1. Semestral Assessment 1 (SA1) will commence on Tuesday 18 April 2017. Please take note of the following schedule for SA1.

Date & Day	Subject	Duration	Time
18 -19 April Tuesday- Wednesday	English Language Oral Mother Tongue Languages Oral	-	<i>After curriculum hours</i> 2.30pm – 5.00pm
3 May Wednesday	English Language (Paper 1) Mother Tongue Languages (Paper 1)	50 min 40 min	8.30am – 9.20am 11.15am – 11.55am
5 May Friday	English Language (Paper 2) English Language (Paper 3)	1h 15 min 1h	8.30am – 9.45am 11.15pm – 12.15pm
8 May Monday	Mathematics (Paper 1) Mathematics (Paper 2)	1h 1h 10 min	8.30am – 9.30am 11.15am-12.25pm
12 May Friday	Mother Tongue Languages (Paper 3) Mother Tongue Languages (Paper 2)	1h 1h	8.30am – 9.30am 11.15pm – 12.15pm
15 May Monday	Science	1h 30 min	8.30am – 10.00am

2. For Semester Assessment 1, the weighting for English Language, Mother Tongue Languages, Mathematics and Science is 30% of the overall assessment for the year.
3. The P4 SA1 Oral Exam for English and Mother Tongue Languages will be held over two days (see above) after curriculum hours. Please take note that there will no remedial lessons/CCA on these two days. Your child will be informed of both the subject she will be examined and the sequence of examination on each of the respective dates by her subject teacher. Enrichment classes such as that for Trinity Guildhall Speech and Drama and Ballet will still be conducted on 19 April. Provisions will be made for your child/ward to sit for her oral examination before she reports for her enrichment class.
4. There is a bus service to provide students with transport home after the oral examination at 5pm. Please contact Miss Wong / Mr Jack Ong from Min Yang Transport Company at 6288 8298 at least 1 day in advance to register your child/ward for the bus service. Alternatively, you may make your own transport arrangements for your child/ward.
5. Our students are strongly encouraged to draw up a timetable to help them better prepare for the assessments. Do ensure she takes into consideration her physical and emotional well-being as she draws up her timetable.
6. There will be no make-up tests for pupils who are absent from any component(s)/ paper(s) during the examination. Any absence must be supported with a Medical Certificate from a doctor. Letters from parents will not be accepted, unless there is a valid reason and this is subject to the Principal's approval. Medical certificates from Traditional Chinese Medicine practitioners will not be recognised.

7. For pupils' well-being, they will not be allowed to take any component(s)/ paper(s) if they are unwell on the day of assessment. Please make the necessary arrangements to bring your child/ward to see a doctor and to submit a medical certificate, if she is unwell.
8. Should you have any query, please contact your child's Form Teacher or any of the Heads of Department.
9. Thank you.

Yours faithfully

Ms Christina Teo
Principal

Primary 4: SA1 2017
Format of SA1 Paper and Topics to be tested

English Language: Total 134 marks	
Paper & Item Type	Components
Paper 1: Writing (40m)	Composition with picture prompts and helping words
Paper 2: Language Use and Comprehension (50m)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grammar: MCQ • Vocabulary: MCQ • Visual Text Comprehension MCQ
<u>Booklet A (18 marks)</u>	
<u>Booklet B (32 marks)</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grammar Cloze • Vocabulary Cloze • Synthesis & Transformation • Comprehension OE (2 passages)
Paper 3: Listening (14 marks)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Picture Matching/Sequencing • Listening Comprehension • Note-Taking
Paper 4: Oral (30 marks)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reading Aloud • Stimulus-Based Conversation
Language Areas Assessed: All language skills covered in P1-3 and P4 Semester 1.	

Mathematics: Total 100 marks	
Paper & Item Type	Topics/Skills
Paper 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Numbers To 100 000 • Factors & Multiples • 4 Operations Of Whole Numbers • Word Problems – 4 Operations Of Whole Numbers • Angles • Squares & Rectangles • Symmetry • Heuristics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Patterns ➤ Guess & Check ➤ Points and Spaces <p>Note: Pupils are to bring their protractor and set square for the Mathematics examination</p>
<u>Booklet A (30m)</u> 15 Multiple Choice Questions	
<u>Booklet B (30m)</u> 15 Short Answered Questions	
Paper 2	
<u>Section C (40m)</u> 11 Long Answer Questions	

Science: Total 100 marks	
Paper & Item Type	Topics
<u>Booklet A (60 marks)</u> 30 Multiple Choice Questions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Systems – Plant System • Systems – Animal System • Cycles – Matter • Energy – Light • All P3 topics
<u>Booklet B (40 marks)</u> 14 Open-ended Questions	

Chinese Language: Total 105 marks	
Paper & Item Type	Components
Paper 1: Writing (20 marks)	Picture Essay with helping words
Paper 2: Language Use and Comprehension (45 marks)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Choose the Correct Character • Choose the Correct Word • Word Matching • Cloze Passage • Sentence Construction • Comprehension – variety of questions
Paper 3: Listening (10 marks)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Choose the correct Hanyu Pinyin • Choose the correct picture • Comprehension
Paper 4: Oral (30 marks)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reading Aloud • Picture Description • Conversation that is related to the theme of the picture
Language Areas Assessed: All language skills taught from P1 – P3 and P4 Term 1 & 2	

Malay Language: Total 105 marks	
Paper & Item Type	Components
Paper 1: Writing (20 marks)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Picture series with helping words
Paper 2: Language Use and Comprehension (45 marks)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prefix/Suffix • Proverb (list of proverbs for P3 –P4) • Comprehension 1 (MCQ & Interactive writing) • Comprehension 2 (Open-ended)
Paper 3: Listening (10 marks)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Picture Matching • Listening Comprehension
Paper 4: Oral (30 marks)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reading Aloud • Picture Descriptions • Conversation related to Picture
Language Areas Assessed: All language skills taught from P1 – P3 and P4 Term 1 & 2	

Tamil Language: Total 105 marks	
Paper & Item Type	Components
Paper 1: Writing (20 marks)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Picture series with helping words
Paper 2: Language Use and Comprehension (45 marks)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grammar • Proverbs • Cloze Comprehension • Comprehension 1 (MCQ & Interactive writing) • Comprehension 2
Paper 3: Listening (10 marks)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Choose the correct picture • Comprehension texts
Paper 4: Oral (30 marks)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reading Aloud • Picture Discussion • Conversation
Language Areas Assessed: All language skills taught from P1 – P3 and P4 Term 1 & 2	

Acknowledgement: P4 Semestral Assessment 1 (2017)

To: The Form Teacher

I have taken note of the schedule for P4 SA1.

Name of Child: _____()

Class: Primary 4_____

Name of Parent/Guardian*: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian*: _____

Please submit this acknowledgement slip to your daughter's/ward's Form Teacher by 10 April 2017.