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Dear Parents

Term 2 Welcome Letter

- 1. We are thankful for the support given by you for our 'Glow and Grow with Your Child @ CHIJ OLN' programme and we hope that you have found it beneficial. We would also like to express our gratitude to all who have partnered with us last term especially in implementing the safe management measures (SMMs) in the midst of the evolving Covid-19 situation and working with the school to improve the traffic conditions around the school premises.
- 2. As we are preparing to welcome your daughters back to CHIJ OLN for Term 2, we would like to share the upcoming events for Term 2.

3. Resumption of Face-to-Face CCAs

You would have received the CCA letter via Parents Gateway (letter reference 2022OLN_0131 - 0139). All CCAs will take place in a face-to-face mode. We assure you that resumption will be done in a safe manner:

- a. All students, teachers and instructors will continue to wear masks when they are not participating in the physical activities.
- b. All students will be reminded to practise good personal hygiene, e.g. sanitising or washing of hands before putting on their masks.
- c. Teachers will remind the students to maintain safe-distancing at all times and refrain from intermingling.

Teachers will start the first session with a briefing to remind all students about the SMM. Do continue to remind your child to comply with the SMMs.

4. National School Games (NSGs) and Singapore Youth Festival (SYF)

Last year, the Singapore Primary School Sports Council (SPSSC) resumed the NSGs for certain sports such as Table Tennis and Bowling and our players performed very well despite Covid-19 constraints. This year, SPSSC will be opening up more team sports and we look forward to participating in Netball and Floorball as well.

The SYF Arts Presentation 2022 will take place from Term 3 Week 1 to Week 9. This is something we are also looking forward to especially since after it was cancelled in 2020.

The teachers in-charge of the NSG and SYF teams will share more information with students and parents when we receive details.

Our sports and Performing Arts CCA members have been practising hard and are looking forward to taking part in these events. We wish them all the best in the upcoming NSG and SYF!

5. Class Photo-Taking in April 2022

Our annual class photo-taking event will take place on 5-6 April 2022 and we have engaged Adam Photography Specialist Pte Ltd to take photographs for P1 to P6 classes. As a result of the prevailing SMMs and to keep your daughter safe, the photo-taking format and payment mode will be similar to previous years i.e. individual shots will be taken and combined into a collage and ordering will take place online. Please note that the purchase of the class photos is <u>not</u> mandatory.

6. <u>Traffic Condition around the School Premises</u>

As mentioned in the March issue of OLN Connect, we are appreciative of the efforts by parents and caregivers to be gracious and considerate in improving the traffic conditions around the school premises. The school been collaborating with HDB, LTA and MOE to see how to further alleviate the traffic congestion and improve safety in the areas immediately outside CHIJ OLN. We would like to highlight the following measures that will be undertaken by the various agencies:

- a. HDB would be installing a 'No Waiting' sign in the car park area nearest Side Gate 2 to ensure a smooth flow of traffic.
- b. The Town Council will touch up the existing yellow box at the exit of the Multi-Storey Car Park to remind motorists to give way to vehicles exiting the Multi-Storey Car Park.
- c. LTA would be deploying active mobility enforcement officers to carry out random checks on the errant cyclists passing by the bus stop shelter.
- d. HDB and LTA would be sending enforcement officers to monitor the issue of illegal parking in the car park and along Upper Serangoon Road. Please note that they may also enforce this by meting out penalties to motorists where necessary.

7. Reiteration on SMMs

We would like to emphasise the importance of being socially responsible so as to keep our students and staff safe by adhering to the SMMs:

- a. **If your child is unwell** with e.g. a fever, cough, sore throat, do bring her to see a doctor and have her stay home for the full duration of the MC.
- b. If your child receives a Health Risk Notice (HRN) SMS from the Ministry of Health (MOH), do follow the instructions given. Your child will need to submit a negative Antigen Rapid Test (ART) result to her form teacher <u>before</u> coming to school throughout the HRN period. It can be done in the morning, or the night before.
- c. **If your child is well but tests Ag+,** she does not need to obtain an MC. She should stay home for 72 hours. She may return when her test result is negative.

Please keep your child's Form teacher informed should any of the above situations occurs.

Students who test Ag- and are without symptoms, must provide photo evidence of their Ag- results if they are returning to school before the end of their Isolation period. Students who have reached their discharge date (12 pm on Day 7 for fully vaccinated and children < 12 years, and 12 pm on Day 14 for partially vaccinated or unvaccinated individuals 12 years and above) will be allowed to return to school on Day 8/Day 15 without any additional testing.

If a student is still feeling unwell and symptomatic after the auto discharge date, she should rest further or seek medical attention, and only return to school when well. This is to mitigate the risk of spreading the germs or virus to her classmates.

Please ensure that your daughter carries with her a working TraceTogether Token. This will help her and her classmates safe.

8. We look forward to seeing your daughters and our students back in school again on Monday, 21 March 2022. Let us work together to make CHIJ OLN a conducive environment for all. If you have any feedback or suggestions, please feel free to give us a call at 6385 2455 or email us at chijoln@moe.edu.sg

Thank you & God bless

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