



# **RAFFLES GIRLS' PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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Dear Parents/Guardian

## **2023 P5 JANUARY CIRCULARS**

We would like to welcome your child/ward back to school. To those who are celebrating, we wish you a happy Lunar New Year in advance. May the new year bring you happiness, prosperity and good health.

I would like to introduce our new Vice-Principal, Mrs Ong Lay Khim, an experienced Vice-Principal from Xingnan Primary School. We warmly welcome her on board the RGPS family.

In this set of circulars, you will find the information on the following programmes. Please refer to the table below for a list of circulars which you will be receiving. We seek your cooperation to follow up accordingly and adhere to the submission dates.

If you require any clarifications, you may contact the General Office at 6468 4377 or email the teacher-in-charge as indicated accordingly.

<b>S/N</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Remarks</b>
1	Updated COE as of 3 Jan 2023	Refer to attachment Annex A
2	Chinese New Year Celebration on 20 January 2023	
3	Intent to Participate in Non-CCA National School Games 2023	Deadline by 25 January 2023
4	Bring Your Own (BYO) Container	
5	Give@RGPS- Shoe Recycling Project	
6	Invitation to Participate in RGPS Talentime 2023	Deadline by 27 January 2023
7	P5 Weighted Assessment	

Thank you

Your Partner in Education  
Mrs Elaine Quek  
Principal

### 1. Updated COE as of 3 Jan 2023

Please refer to the updated Calendar of Events in Annex A.

For any enquiries, do contact the General Office at 6468 4377.

### 2. Chinese New Year Celebration on 20 January 2023

The school will be celebrating Chinese New Year on Monday, 20 Jan 2022. Students will report to and be dismissed from school as per the normal school day (i.e. 7.30am-1.30pm). As indicated in the Calendar of Events, kindly note that 23 & 24 Jan are public holidays. Students will return to school on Wednesday, 25 Jan.

#### Attire

To create a festive mood for the occasion, students are encouraged to wear their ethnic costumes on that day with school shoes. If your child/ward prefers not to wear her ethnic costume, she is required to come in her school uniform.

#### Things to bring

There will be lessons as per normal from 7.30am -10.00am and students are required to bring their learning materials for those periods. They will also need to bring the following items for their classroom activities during the CNY celebration:

Level	Things to bring for classroom activities
P1 to P6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Black-coloured marker, colour pencils/markers, scissors and glue</li></ul>

There will be snack time as per the normal school day. Please also ensure that your child/ward brings food for her snack break in class.

For any enquiries on this event, do contact the General Office at 6468 4377.

### 3. Intent to Participate in Non-CCA National School Games 2023

Students who have been training externally for sports that are recognised by the Singapore Primary Schools Sports Council but not being offered as a CCA in RGPS, are invited to indicate their intent to participate. Some examples of such sports are Wushu, Swimming, Track & Field, Sailing, Golf.

Do ensure that your child's/ward's coach deems her fit and prepared for participation in the competition.

For students who are interested to participate in **NSG Tennis Senior Division**, do complete the online form and drop an email to Ms Sharifah by **9 January**.

For **all other Non-CCA sports**, do complete the online form by **25 January 2023**. Late submissions will not be accepted.

The link to the online form is <https://form.gov.sg/63aa9135c6e26100123262c1>. We will contact you once we have received news of the NSG registration.

For any enquiries, do contact Ms Sharifah Maznah ([sharifah\\_maznah\\_salim\\_bamasri@schools.gov.sg](mailto:sharifah_maznah_salim_bamasri@schools.gov.sg)).

#### 4. Bring Your Own (BYO) Container

With the school moving towards more sustainable living, we would like to encourage your child/ward to bring her own container/tumbler if she would like to buy take-aways from the school canteen. Please ensure that the container/tumbler is clean.

Thank you for working together with the school in our environmental effort to go green.

For any enquiries, do contact Mrs Claresta Chee ([claresta\\_wong@schools.gov.sg](mailto:claresta_wong@schools.gov.sg)).

#### 5. Give@RGPS- Shoe Recycling Project

Give@RGPS is a student-initiated school-based project which builds character and active citizenry by involving students to improve the school through their contributions and efforts.

As part of sustainable living, Sierra Ziegler of 6D is initiating to run a shoe recycling project in our school. She hopes that the project would give sports shoes a second life. Gleaning inspiration from the ActiveSG's Old Shoe New Future shoe recycling initiative, she has initiated to extend this green movement to our school.

In support of Singapore's Green Plan, the Shoe Recycling Project aims to reduce waste by recycling the rubberised soles and midsoles of used sports shoes. They will then be ground up into rubber granules to be used as materials to build sports infrastructure, such as jogging tracks, playgrounds and fitness corners. These recycled shoes will also help to reduce the amount of rubber disposed of and incinerated, further reducing the amount of generated waste and extending the lifespan of Singapore's only landfill, Pulau Semakau.

The shoe recycling bin, a bin with orange lid, will be permanently located at the canteen drop-off point. The types of shoes accepted for recycling include rubberised shoes (i.e. sport shoes, school shoes, football shoes without metal studs), rubberised slippers and sandals without metal parts. Shoes should be dry and generally clean when dropped off. We do not encourage the donation of soiled shoes to avoid contamination.

The shoe recycling bin, a bin with orange lid, will be permanently located at the canteen drop-off point. With the upcoming spring cleaning before Chinese New Year, we hope to garner your support for this project to encourage your child/ward to deposit her used sports shoes into our school's shoe recycling bin. We encourage students to drop off their used sports shoes at the designated area before morning assembly, during recess or after school.

Thank you for your support in our environmental effort. For any enquiries on this project, do contact Ms Farhani Hanafi-Shuy ([noor\\_farhani\\_hanafi@schools.gov.sg](mailto:noor_farhani_hanafi@schools.gov.sg)).

#### 6. Invitation to Participate in RGPS Talentime 2023

Talentime is an annual school competition that brings together singing and dancing talents in RGPS. This competition is open only to P3, 4, 5 and 6 students. This year, we are glad to resume all categories that were previously available before the pandemic. All shortlisted dancing finalists will be required to attend a full dress rehearsal in the hall. Kindly make arrangements for your child's/ward/s transportation home if necessary. Do refer to the table below for more details:

Category	Rehearsal details (only for shortlisted finalists)	Talentine Finals
Solo Singing	16 February 2023 (Thursday) 2.00pm –5.00pm School Hall	20 February 2023 (Monday Assembly) 11.30am -12.30pm School Hall
Group Singing (maximum 3 members)		
Solo Dancing	14 February 2023 (Tuesday) 2.00pm –5.00pm School Hall	
Group Dancing (maximum 3 members)		

Should your child/ward have a keen interest in showcasing her singing or dancing talent, do encourage her to take part in this competition. Do take note of the following:

- Submit your child's/ward's audition video (**max. 3mins**) to [RGPSTT@gmail.com](mailto:RGPSTT@gmail.com) by **27 January 2023, 11.59pm**. **Name the subject title of your email as Your Child's/Ward's Name\_Class\_Cateogry (e.g. Sarah Teo\_4G\_Solo Singing). If it is a group performance, include the names and classes of all the students participating. They can be from different classes and/or levels.**
- No previously recorded videos will be allowed. Your video must be recently recorded **FOR THE PURPOSE OF THIS COMPETITION.**
- Results of the audition will be put up on the Aesthetics Board in the canteen on 2 February 2023, Thursday.

Students will be briefed on the details during music lessons this week. I look forward to your child's/ward's participation.

For any enquiries, do contact Mrs Amy Ng at ([amy\\_kwek\\_gek\\_li@schools.gov.sg](mailto:amy_kwek_gek_li@schools.gov.sg)).

## 7. P5 Weighted Assessment

In line with MOE's direction to reduce school-based assessment and nurture lifelong learners, the school will not have any mid-year examination for P5. This will also provide our students with more time to adjust to the transition and adapt to the new demands of the level.

Although there is no mid-year examination, students' learning will continue to be monitored and appropriate support will be provided. Current practices to gather information about students' learning through class discussions, homework, topical tests remain to support students' development and achievement in learning.

Bite-sized forms of weighted assessments will be conducted in Term 2 and Term 3. The table below shows an overview of the assessment weightings.

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
–	Weighted Assessment 1 (15%)	Weighted Assessment 2 (15%)	End-of-Year Examination (70%)

Please refer to the tables below for the schedule and coverage of Weighted Assessments 1 and 2.

#### Weighted Assessment 1

Term 2	Subject	Topic
Week 4	Mother Tongue	Language Use
Week 5	English	Comprehension
Week 5	Math	Fraction Area of Triangles
Week 8	Science	Heredity & Reproduction Reproduction in Plants Heat & Temperature Water Matters

#### Weighted Assessment 2

Term 3	Subject	Topic
Week 4	Mother Tongue	Writing
Week 4	Science	Matters Reproduction in Plants -Methods of seed dispersal Water Matters
Week 5	English	Writing
Week 5	Math	Decimals Percentage

There will only be one weighted assessment per day and a maximum of 2 weighted assessments per week.

Please note that there will not be any make-up for weighted assessments and end-of-year examination. Students who are absent on the day of school assessment are to produce valid supporting documents (e.g. medical certificate) to their form teachers upon returning to school the next day. Student's performance for that subject would be captured as 'VR' (Valid Reason). The overall marks for that subject would then be pro-rated accordingly.

For cases of absence without a valid reason, results will be reflected as 'AB' (Absent). This would mean that the child would not get any marks for the assessment and/or paper missed.

Do continue to support your child/ward in her learning and encourage her to find joy in her educational journey.

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