

RAFFLES GIRLS' PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardian

2024 P1 JANUARY CIRCULARS - Part 2 (17 January)

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.

S/N	Item	Remarks		
1	Invitation to Participate in Mother Tongue Fortnight Design	Deadline by 5 February		
2	Consent for the Use of Photographs and Videos	Indicate non-consent via email by 22 January		
3	Guidelines on Use of Smart Watches			
4	Dates for P1 & P6 Photo Taking for School Smartcard			
5	Information on Access to Student Learning Space	Refer to Attachment Annex A		
6	Issue of Lockers	Refer to separate PG. Indicate interest by 22 January.		

Thank you

Your Partner in Education Mrs Elaine Quek Principal

1. Invitation to Participate in Mother Tongue Fortnight Design

If your child/ward has an interest in art, do encourage her to take part in the design activity below:

Event	Design Theme	Deadline for design	Size of Artwork	Medium
Mother Tongue Fortnight	Unity in Diversity Select one category below: 1. Traditional costumes	05 Feb 2024	A4	Artist's choice
lottingit	a. Malay - (Male, Female), Chinese - (Male, Female), Indian - (Sari, Kurta, Punjabi suit)			
	 Food – Malay (Curry puff, Ondeh- ondeh, Kuih Keria, Kuih lopes) Chinese (You Tiao, Tang Yuan, Mooncake, Dumpling) Indian (Vadai, Prata, Thosai, Idly) 			
	 3. Traditional Games a. Malay (Spinning top, Five stones, Congkak), b. Indian (Goat and tiger-board, snake & ladder, Goli) c. Chinese (Chess, Paper ball, Chinese Yo-yo) 			
	4.Traditional Instruments (kompang, table, drums, flutes, etc)			

Requirements:

The designs will be used for photo booth border design, stamp card & reward stickers.

There are no restrictions to the number of designs students can submit. Students are to submit the hardcopy of their designs to their Art Teachers in 2024 or to the General Office, attention to Ms Ho Soo Peng. Students are to remember to include your **full name and class**, together with your design.

Important notes:

- This event is not a competition. Only suitable designs will be selected. A certificate/letter of acknowledgement will be awarded to students whose designs are selected. Only shortlisted participants will be notified.
- Late submissions will not be entertained and judges' decision will be final.
- By submitting their artwork, students agree to assign the copyright of their artworks to the school, even if the artworks are not selected for use. All copies of the artworks would be retained by the school.
- Should you have any queries, please email Ms Ho Soo Peng at: ho_soo_peng@schools.gov.sg

Thank you and we look forward to your child's/ward's participation.

2. Consent for the Use of Photographs and Videos

The school usually takes photographs and videos of students engaging in activities especially during special school events and celebrations. These are then archived in the school's repository. Sometimes, the photographs and videos may be used in school publications such as newsletters, school website and publicity materials.

We would like to seek your consent for the use of these photographs and videos should the need arise. No further action is required if you consent to the use of photographs and videos of your child/ward. Otherwise, please email the school (rgps@moe.edu.sg) your child's/ward's name and class to indicate your non-consent by **22 Jan 2024**.

3. Guidelines on Use of Smart Watches

In recent years there is an increase in the number of students wearing smart watches to school. The capabilities of these smart watches range from calling, messaging to photo and video taking. We recognize the benefits of smart watches and seek parents'/guardian's support in ensuring that your child/ward adheres to the following guidelines on the use of smart watches in school.

To ensure that smart watches do not interfere with teaching and learning, and to safeguard the privacy of all students, students may only use their smart watches after school and at the canteen and pick-up point. During lessons and school programmes, students should switch off their smart watches and keep them in their bags. Smart watches are not allowed to be worn during weighted assessments and examinations. For time-telling purpose, students can refer to the clocks in school or wear a simple watch. As with the case for handphones, students are required to register their smart watches at the General Office.

The above guidelines do not apply to the POSB Smart Buddy watches.

4. Dates for P1 & P6 Photo Taking for School Smartcard

MOE will be conducting the yearly photo-taking exercise for all students in Primary One (P1) and Primary Six (P6) for the purpose of generating the School Smart Card (SSC). The photo-taking will be conducted by Transit Link's appointed vendor on behalf of MOE. The SSC serves as the student's identification card and can be used for concessionary travel on public transport and to borrow library books from the National Library Board and the school's library, amongst other usage.

The photo-taking session for our school is scheduled on 1 and 2 February 2024. Following the photo-taking, P1 students will receive their SSCs by end March 2024, while the photos for P6 students will be used for the printing of Secondary SSCs when they are promoted to Secondary One in 2025. For P1 students, while pending the receipt of the SSCs, students can continue to use the Child Concession Card for free travel on public transport until 30 April 2024.

Please be informed that all P1 and P6 students are required to be dressed in their school uniform for the photo-taking session. Please also ensure that your child's/ward's hair is neat and tidy.

If your child/ward is unable to attend the photo-taking session, the school will either arrange for her to have her photo taken on another day or request the parent/guardian to submit a softcopy photo to the school.

5. Information on Access to Student Learning Space

At Raffles Girls' Primary School, we believe in helping every student find joy in learning and use technology to empower our students to learn better.

How SLS Supports Students' Learning

As part of Ministry of Education's (MOE) commitment to nurture future-ready learners, an online learning platform known as the *Singapore Student Learning Space (SLS)* is made available to the students.

The SLS is an online platform with tools and curriculum-aligned resources for all students to learn at their own pace and collaboratively. With the SLS, students can take greater ownership of their learning and pick up skills and habits that prepare them for lifelong learning. Teachers will also use the SLS to complement classroom teaching and learning.

The SLS is collectively shaped by teachers and students. Taking into consideration their ideas and feedback on the resources and tools, the system is developed iteratively to stay dynamic and responsive.

Access to Student Learning Space

The SLS can be accessed from <u>https://vle.learning.moe.edu.sg/</u>. A hardcopy of the username and the password will be given to your child/ward separately through their form teachers. We would like to seek your assistance to guide your child/ward for the first login. The instruction on login and the frequently asked questions have been attached as annex for your reference.

During the account activation, we strongly recommend that you provide your email address to facilitate the quick resetting of your child's/ward's password should he/she forget it. (Please see para 5 in Annex A.)

For technical assistance, you may contact:

- a) School-based Helpdesk at sim_kai_lin_carinn@moe.edu.sg or 6469 9513
- b) SLS Helpdesk at helpdesk@sls.ufinity.com or 6702 6513.

We look forward to your support. Let us work together to support your child's/ward's learning.