



RAFFLES GIRLS' PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardian

2026 P1 APRIL CIRCULARS

Extending our warmest blessed wishes to all who will be celebrating Good Friday on 3 April.

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.

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Thank you.

Your Partner in Education
Mrs Elaine Quek
Principal

1. International Friendship Day 2026

The theme for this year's International Friendship Day is "Singapore: Forging Friendships in a Complex World." Our school will commemorate International Friendship Day in Term 2, Week 4.

During this week, students will learn about Singapore's relations with neighbouring countries and the wider world. The commemoration aims to help students better understand Singapore's geopolitical realities and reflect on the importance of:

- maintaining an active foreign policy to safeguard Singapore's international space
- remaining open to the international flow of trade, ideas and talent
- developing cross-cultural skills and a global outlook
- fostering the spirit of friendship and collaboration among people of different cultures

Students will also learn about the culture of the Philippines, the ASEAN Chair for 2026, through fun and engaging activities organised by our Parent Volunteer Group (PVG) during recess. In addition, lessons and activities conducted during FTGP will reinforce students' understanding of ASEAN values such as cooperation and harmony, while helping them develop empathy, social skills, civic literacy and global awareness.

To encourage students' appreciation of different cultures, students are invited to come to school dressed in ethnic costumes from around the world on **13 April 2026**. For safety reasons, students should wear white school shoes and avoid headgear or accessories that may obstruct vision or impede movement.

We seek the support of parents/guardians in discussing with your child/ward the importance of connectedness between Singapore and other countries, especially within ASEAN. You may also participate in the Family Time activity related to International Friendship Day featured in Kinsville Times (Primary 1–4) and A-OK! (Primary 5–6).

If you have any enquiries, please contact Ms Cassandra Quek, HOD CCE, at quek_sock_cheng@schools.gov.sg.

2. Administration of Emergency Medication

Thank you for updating your child's/ward's details. This information is important and helps us keep our records up to date. Students with known allergic reactions to certain foods (anaphylaxis) or those who suffer from sudden epileptic attacks may require immediate attention and the administration of emergency medication when such conditions occur. For example, if your child requires the administration of an EpiPen, please inform your child's Form Teachers via email. The school will contact you regarding the necessary authorisation and documents required.

Thank you for your support and understanding.

3. P5 Prefect Outreach - RMHC Donation Drive 2026@ RGPS from 8 April 2026, Wednesday to 17 April 2026, Friday

The RGPS Prefectorial Board, in collaboration with Ronald McDonald House Charities, has initiated a donation drive to provide "Happy Snack Packs." These packs will support paediatric patients who are receiving outpatient care, undergoing day chemotherapy, or experiencing other medical procedures.

Paediatric patients undergoing outpatient procedures are frequently required to fast prior to treatment. Consequently, the snack packs function as both a nutritional replenishment and a motivational incentive following their procedures. To make these packs even more special, P5 Prefects will organize a dedicated station in the school canteen to collect student-written messages of encouragement, which will be included in the final packs.

Upon the conclusion of the donation drive, the P5 Prefects will assemble snack packs from the collected contributions. Each completed pack will consist of a juice or milk packet, individually wrapped biscuits, and naturally flavoured gummies. These snack packs will then be delivered to RMHC by end of April 2026.

Ultimately, we hope this initiative inspires our pupils to appreciate their own good health while fostering deep empathy and compassion for children facing medical challenges.

Pupils can participate in this collaboration by donating any of the food items listed below:

**Ronald Macdonald House Charities (RMHC) Singapore
Oncology Happy Snack Pack**

- Individual packet 200ml Marigold Apple Juice (no sugar added).
- Individual packet 200ml Milo Chocolate Malt Milk
- Individual packet 200ml Ribena Blackcurrant Fruit Drink.
- Individual packet 200ml Strawberry Milk
- Individually Wrapped Snack Bar that **does not contain nuts**
e.g. Carman's / Nature Valley/ Uncle Toby's or Yogood
- Individually wrapped biscuits that **does not contain nuts**
e.g. Oreo/ Munchy's / Julie's/ Khong Guan / Quaker
- Individually wrapped gummies with natural flavours
e.g. The Natural Confectionery Co. (25% less sugar) or YumEarth (packs of 0.7g each)

Please note that expiry date of food items must be **at least 6 months away from April 2026**. Pupils can deposit their food items at the table in front of the prefectorial board along the corridor leading to the canteen or at the canteen pick-up point. Items can be dropped off **before morning assembly from 8 April 2026, Wednesday to 17 April 2026, Friday**.

Please do not hesitate to contact Ms Teo Siew Huai (teo_siew_huai@schools.gov.sg) or Ms E-Lynn Goh (goh_e-lynn@schools.gov.sg) should you require any further information.

4. Invitation for Video Submission of RGPS Got Talent for P1 and P2 (Term 3 2026)

RGPS Got Talent is a platform for all students who wish to showcase their talents. Over the years, we have had many performances ranging from music to literal art forms. We are very encouraged by the enthusiastic response of our students in the participation of RGPS Got Talent. All interested students are welcome to submit recorded videos of their performances.

Please take note of the following:

- 1) RGPS Got Talent is open to all P1 and P2 students.
- 2) As this event is a showcase and not a competition, the student's participation will not be reflected in the report book.
- 3) Certificates of appreciation will be given to all selected applicants.
- 4) The RGPS Got Talent performances will be showcased **LIVE**.
- 5) **Only shortlisted applicants will be notified.**
- 6) The performance can be solo, in pairs or maximum of 5 in a group.
- 7) To give performing opportunities to a wider student base, we will not be selecting video submissions from the same applicant who has been selected to perform within the year. If students are interested to perform again, they can submit their applications in the following year.
- 8) As the performance showcase is held during school assembly, we regret to inform that we are unable to invite parents to watch the performance. There will also be **no live streaming or video recording of the performances**. Thank you for your kind understanding.

Guidelines for RGPS Got Talent video submission

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| 1) | The performance video should not exceed 5 minutes. |
| 2) | Please ensure that the video resolution is good and <u>the student's face can be seen clearly</u> . There should be good lighting so that the student's face is well-lit in the video. |
| 3) | Please ensure that the audio/music is clear and audible. The environment should be quiet to minimise background noise. |
| 4) | For students who are singing a song, please use a minus-1 music track (without vocals). |
| 5) | For choice of song, please ensure that the song lyrics and theme are positive and age-appropriate for school performance. |
| 6) | For attire, students will wear the RGPS school uniform (with pinafore). Students who are performing dance items may wear their dance costumes. Students who have special costumes related to the performance item (e.g. Frozen princess costume when singing 'Let it Go') can wear it for their performance. |
| 7) | If the file size is too big to send as an email attachment, please upload it to google drive and send us the link via email. |
| 8) | Students should email their entries with the attached videos to <u>rgpsqtp1p2@gmail.com</u> |
| 9) | Please send the attachment under the subject heading: child's/ward's name, class and performance type. E.g. Samantha Lee_3E_Dance |

Schedule for RGPS Got Talent Performance

Please refer to the schedule below for our Term 3 performance showcase.

Video submissions will be open from **1 April to 15 April 2026**.

| Term | Performance Date | Open for submission | Deadline for submission |
|---------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| Term 3 Week 1 | 29 June 2026 (Monday) | 1 April 2026 | 15 April 2026 |

Shortlisted applicants will be informed via PG at least 2 weeks before their RGPS Got Talent performance showcase. The name list of selected performers will also be put up on the music board in the canteen 2 weeks before the showcase.

For any queries regarding RGPS Got Talent, please email Mrs Angelin Chee at yeo_xin_yi_angelin@schools.gov.sg

5. Staying Cool and Comfortable: School Uniform and Well-being at RGPS

As we move into warmer months, we want to ensure that our pupils remain comfortable, focused, and ready to learn. We understand that rising temperatures can be a concern for families, and we would like to share the proactive steps we are taking at school to manage the heat.

Classroom Comfort and Hydration - To support a cool learning environment, we have installed **additional fans** in all classrooms to ensure consistent air circulation.

Furthermore, our teaching staff will provide **regular hydration reminders** throughout the day. We ask that you ensure your child brings a labelled, reusable water bottle to school every day.

Uniform Policy and Flexibility - We take great pride in our school uniform, which fosters a sense of belonging and equality. Our policy regarding the **school pinafore** remains in place for the following reasons:

- **Morning Commute:** Early morning temperatures remain relatively mild.

- **Public Transport:** We recognize that many of our pupils travel via air-conditioned buses or trains, where the full uniform provides a comfortable layer against the chill of the AC.

However, we are committed to being practical and empathetic to the children's needs during the peak heat of the day. To that end, we are introducing the following flexibility:

- **During Class:** If a pupil feels uncomfortably warm during lessons, they are permitted to remove their pinafore and remain in their school blouse while inside the classroom.
- **Days with no Physical Education (PE) lessons:** We also understand that some of the girls prefer to wear their PE t-shirts and shorts under their pinafore. On days when they have no PE lessons, pupils will be permitted to wear their PE t-shirts instead of their school blouse to school and thereafter remove their pinafores if they are feeling hot in class.
- **After Physical Education (PE):** We recognize that pupils often feel the heat most intensely following physical activity. After PE lessons, girls may choose to keep their pinafores off for the remainder of the school day while in class.
- **Dismissal:** To maintain our high standards of presentation when representing the school in the community, we ask that all pupils **re-don their pinafores before departing** for the journey home.

Here are some important points to note regarding the wearing of their PE uniform in school:

Guidelines for wearing of PE attire:

- PE attire should adhere to the school's dress code policy as stated in the Student Handbook.
- PE T-shirt must be tucked in when worn at all times.
- Please ensure that PE attire is appropriate, modest, and in good condition.
- Students should still wear appropriate footwear for school activities.

Our goal is to maintain the disciplined environment that helps our pupils thrive while ensuring their physical comfort is never compromised. We appreciate your continued support in helping our students strike this balance.

This temporary permission for wearing PE attire will remain in effect until the weather conditions improve and a return to the full school uniform is deemed appropriate. We will monitor weather forecasts and keep you informed of any changes to this arrangement.

Students should understand that this temporary permission is a privilege and should not be abused.

Should you have any specific concerns regarding your child's comfort, please do not hesitate to reach out to her form teacher.