



ST CHRISTOPHER'S INTERNATIONAL PRIMARY SCHOOL

Principal's eNews

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Dear Parents,

It has been a smooth return to school for Term 3 and the recent news regarding the updated MOH/MOE SOPs is hugely welcome. It will mean that we can plan for a return to near-normal operations. To ensure the health and wellbeing of all, the changes will be implemented gradually throughout this term. Further details will follow shortly, and some changes will be implemented on our return to school on **Thursday 5th May**.

The most exciting and positive change to the SOPs is that parents will be able to come into the school. This will enable the school community to reconnect and once again be part of the children's education. Initially, parents in the Early Years will be able to escort their children to the classrooms in the morning and chat with the teacher. This will then be extended to other year groups. In addition, we can now hold events such as workshops, assemblies and IPC Exit points, which parents will be invited to attend.

Hand Foot and Mouth

Earlier this week, we were visited by MOH Officers as Hand Foot and Mouth Disease is currently prevalent in Penang. They were satisfied with our cleaning and sanitisation procedures and schedules and asked that we monitor the younger children. It has been a long time since we dealt with this disease, so please click on the link to find out more information. [HFMD Parent Information](#)

Year 7/8 Parent Information Meeting

Last Saturday, I presented further details of what will happen when Year 7 starts in August this year. Thank you to all the Year 6 parents who attended for your time and questions.

I will be holding another Year 7/8 Parent Information Morning on **Saturday 21st May at 9.00 am**, and this time, all parents are welcome to attend. A sign-up form will be sent out after the long weekend.

SCIPS Reading Challenge 2022

Starting on Monday 9th May 2022, children at SCIPS are invited to participate in the SCIPS Reading Challenge. Children from Nursery to Year 6 will be given a Scipper Sticker every time they take a book out of the library. We hope this will encourage and excite children to use the library and read an amazing range of books!

Swimming

Great News! Swimming for Years 1 - 6 will resume from **Monday 9th May**. Letters detailing specific information for each year group have been sent out today.

School Photographs

Individual, Class and Sibling photographs will take place from Tuesday 17th - Friday 20th May. A schedule will be sent out, so you know which day your child will be photographed. There will also be opportunities for siblings to have photographs together.

Academic Calendar 2022/2023 and Term 3 Key Dates

Our 2022/2023 Academic Calendar can be viewed online and downloaded from the [School Website](#). There are several key dates that parents should be aware of during this term.

2nd May - PH|Labour Day **3rd - 4th May** - PH|Hari Raya **15th - 16th May** - PH|Wesak **6th June** - PH|Agong's Birthday

Enjoy the long weekend, and to those celebrating, Happy Hari Raya

Martin Towse

