



# Greendale Secondary School

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

## **TERM 2 INFORMATION SHEET (02/2023)**

Welcome back! We hope that you were able to spend some quality time with your child/ward during the March holiday break. As we enter Term 2 of the school year, we hope it will be as enriching and fulfilling as the one in Term 1. In this information sheet, we will share some key updates and highlights of Term 2.

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### **Academic Updates**

#### **1. Teaching & Learning Updates**

Parents/Guardians and students will receive their first Progress Report Card for 2023 in the first week of Term 2. This reflects the Weighted Assessment conducted in Term 1 and constitutes 10-15% of the overall score for Secondary 1 to 3 students (see Student Handbook for details). Students are encouraged to identify and work on their strengths as well as areas of growth with their respective subject teachers for continuous improvement.

Selected students who have not performed up to expectations in Term 1 will be supported with remediation. They will be required to attend a remedial programme, starting **Monday, 20 March 2023**. Similarly, students who show that they need extra support in Term 2 may be required to attend the remediation programme between **Tuesday, 30 May 2023** and **Monday, 5 June 2023**. The selected students will be informed of the remediation/structured consultations schedule by their respective subject teachers.

Secondary 1 students who do well in Semester 1 for English, Mother Tongue, Mathematics and/or Science will be offered to take up the subject(s) at a More Demanding Level from Semester 2. These students may be required to attend the bridging programme between Tuesday, 30 May 2023 and Monday, 5 June 2023. This programme serves to prepare the students better for lessons in Semester 2.

We will work closely with parents/guardians to help our students learn and grow. We aim to focus on our student's holistic development, especially building resilience (including self-discipline as well as managing and overcoming setbacks) and nurturing a growth mind-set. We thank you for your partnership.

## **2. Academic Support Structure and Schedule**

The Cohort Academic Programme (CAP) for Sec 4 and Sec 5 students will be starting **from Term 2 Week 3 to Week 9**. The CAP sessions will be held every Tuesday and Wednesday from 3pm to 5pm. The purpose of the CAP is to provide our students with additional academic support and to help them prepare for their upcoming national examinations. During the CAP sessions, students will be engaged in a range of activities, such as group discussions, revision exercises, and practice tests. Please take note that the CAP slots in Week 9 will be used to conduct the Mother Tongue Language (MTL) Preliminary Examination.

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<b>Month</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Event / Activity</b>
March	21, 23 Mar	Secondary 4E/5NA EL Oral Examination (Internal)
	24 Mar	Student Leaders Investiture Secondary 2/3 Meet-The-Parents Session (Zoom)
	25 Mar	PSG Parenting Workshop on Cyberwellness & Communication (Zoom)
	27 Mar-29 Mar	Secondary 3NT ApLM @ ITE
	28 Mar-30 Mar	Secondary 4/5 MTL Oral Examination (Internal) Secondary 4NA EL Oral Examination (Internal)
April	6, 13 Apr	HBL Day
	7 Apr	Good Friday
	17 Apr	Secondary 3NA Experience ITE Programme
	20 Apr	Secondary 3 Inspiring Leaders Training
	24 Apr	Hari Raya Puasa
	24 Apr-17 May	Class Test 2
May	1 May	Labour Day
	4 May, 11 May	HBL Day
	9 May-10 May	NAPFA for Secondary 4/5
	19 May	Jogathon
	20 May	Secondary 4/5 VIA @ Oasis Terraces
	22-25 May	Intensive MTL Lessons for Secondary 4Exp/5N
	26 May	Mid-Year Meet-the-Parents Session
	29 May	GCE O-Level Mother Tongue Language Written Examination
	30 May	GCE O-Level Mother Tongue Language B Written Examination
	29 May-1 Jun	Secondary 3N Category B Elective Modules
	30 May –5 Jun	Remedial Programme for Secondary 1-5 Students

#### **4. Student Leaders Investiture 2023**

Each year, the school holds this ceremony to formally recognise incoming Student Councillors, Sports Leaders and CCA Leaders as well as to thank the outgoing student leaders for their service to the school. This event will be held on **Friday, 24 March 2023** as part of our CCE programme during curriculum time.

We hope that parents/guardians of our student leaders will acknowledge the efforts and growth of the outgoing Student Leaders, and encourage the incoming Student Leaders as they take on greater responsibilities in their leadership journey.

#### **5. Secondary 2/3 Meet-The-Parents (MTP) Session**

The Secondary 2 and 3 MTP Session will be held on **Friday, 24 March 2023** via Zoom Webinar at 7:30pm and 6:00pm respectively. Log-in details of the webinar have been shared with parents/guardians of all Secondary 2 and 3 students separately. For the Secondary 2 MTP Session, parents/guardians can expect to find out more about post-secondary pathways, subjects offered at Secondary 3 2024 through the session. For the Secondary 3 MTP session, parents/guardians can expect to find out more about the general progress of the cohort in Term 1 and how you can better support your child as they transit to Upper Secondary.

#### **6. Jogathon**

After a two year hiatus, we will be resuming our Jogathon event. The purpose of this event is to encourage students to maintain a healthy lifestyle, pursue excellence in sports and foster class and school spirit. We encourage parents to join us in this meaningful event. More details will be released closer to the event on 19 May.

#### **7. Singapore Youth Festival (SYF)**

Our Performing Arts CCAs (Theatrics!, Angklung Ensemble, Greendale Orchestra, Dance Ensemble and Chorale) will be taking part in the 2023 edition of the SYF presentation. The current dates of their presentation are not confirmed at the moment. In view of their preparation, there may be more practice sessions in the run up to the actual date. We seek your understanding to support your child in this period of time. We would like to wish all Performing Art CCA members the very best in their SYF performance.

#### **8. Secondary 4/5 Values-in-Action (VIA) @ Oasis Terraces**

As part of Values-in-Action (VIA) this year, the students will be setting up booths at Oasis Terrace on **20<sup>th</sup> May, 2023, from 8am-1pm** to advocate and promote the idea of sustainability to residents living in the Punggol vicinity. This initiative, also known as 'Go Green Punggol' is a collaboration with HDB. Do drop by Oasis Terraces to support the students' effort if you are available on the day!

#### **9. Mid-Year Meet-The-Parents (MTP) Session**

The Mid-Year MTP Session is scheduled on **Thursday, 26 May 2023** and will be carried out for students and their parents via face-to-face sessions in school.