



# St. Margaret's School (Secondary)

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

In the last two months, my staff and I have had the opportunity to meet up with many of you in the respective Parent-Teacher Meetings. These sessions allowed us to update one another on various areas and we look forward to partnering you to help the girls grow. We are keenly aware that the girls' well-being is key and we are grateful for your support.

As the term progresses, besides learning in the classroom which offers a space for them to be engaged and to explore their interests, many are experiencing the adrenaline rush preparing for and participating in the National School Games and Singapore Youth Festival. This is a good test of their time management skills, resilience and discipline. Do work alongside us to help the girls manage the different activities that they are involved in and we trust that they will rise to the challenge.

Also, as Term One draws to a close on Friday, 10 March, we look forward to organizing the 2023 SMS(S) Sports Meet. This will be held at the Bishan Stadium from 7.30am to 11.00am. In addition to the exciting track events, fun and integrative races have been included to bring the whole school community together to celebrate a rejuvenated spirit of giving our best in whatever we do!

We continue to strive to be well, to be connected, to be a light!

## Updates on COVID-19 Management

Singapore has moved towards Disease Outbreak Response System Condition (DORSCON) Green and COVID-19 measures have been relaxed from Monday, 13 February. In DORSCON Green, do continue to encourage your child/ward to practise good personal hygiene and exercise social responsibility. Students who are unwell should stay at home and seek medical attention.

## Travel Declaration for March Holidays

To ensure that schools continue to be a healthy and safe environment for all, parents/guardians are required to make a travel declaration for your child/ward if she intends to travel for the holidays. The deadline for submission is **Friday, 10 March via Parents Gateway (PG)**.

Only one parent is required to declare. If your child/ward is not travelling during the holidays, **no action is required** on your side.

Parent/guardians who are unable to onboard PG may access the hardcopy of the declaration form at <https://go.gov.sg/smss-traveldeclaration2023>.

## Sports Meet

To encourage a positive attitude towards physical fitness, sportsmanship and holistic wellness, the school will be holding the 2023 SMS(S) Sports Meet at Bishan Stadium on Friday, 10 March. Students are to report to the venue by 7.30am. The event is expected to end at 11.00am and students will be dismissed from the venue. More information for parents/guardians has been sent via Parents Gateway on Friday, 24 February.

## English Language Oral Examination

As part of the overall assessment in English Language, students will be required to sit an Oral Examination. The scores of this examination will be incorporated into the End-of-Year Examination for the Secondary 1 to 3 students and the Preliminary Examination for the Secondary 4/5 students. The schedule for the Oral Examination is shown in the table below. Further details will be provided to the students by the EL teachers prior to the examination.

Classes	Dates
S1-1 to S1-6	Monday, 27 March – Friday, 14 April
S1-7	Monday, 27 March, Friday, 31 March & Monday, 3 April
S2-1 to S2-6	Monday, 14 August – Friday, 25 August
S2-7	Thursday, 24 August – Friday, 25 August
S3-1 to S3-5	Monday, 31 July, Tuesday, 1 August & Thursday, 3 August
S3-6 to S3-8	Monday, 17 July – Tuesday, 18 July & Thursday, 20 July
S3-9	Tuesday, 2 May – Wednesday, 3 May
S4-1 to S4-5	Monday, 8 May – Tuesday, 9 May & Thursday, 11 May
S4-6 to S4-9	Monday, 15 May – Wednesday, 17 May

## March Holiday Activities

### 1. Mother Tongue Intensive Lessons

In preparation for the GCE O-level Mother Tongue examinations, intensive study sessions will be conducted on Monday, 13 March for students from Sec 4-1 to 4-8 and Sec 5 who are sitting the GCE O-Level Mother Tongue Examinations in June this year.

The lessons will take place in school from 8.00am to 12.30pm.

### 2. CCA Sessions during the March Holidays

Students from selected CCAs are required to attend CCA sessions during the March holidays. The details will be made known to parents/guardians by the respective CCA teachers.

Yours faithfully,

Ms Linda Lim  
Principal