

St. Margaret's School (Secondary)

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

As we conclude Term 1, I want to convey my gratitude to all parents and guardians for your unwavering support which has been essential as our students move through the many different learning experiences in January and February of 2025. Your dedication and partnership have been instrumental in enabling our girls to balance their various responsibilities and as they seek to excel in their pursuits.

I am deeply grateful for your support for our students as they prepare for assessments, selfdirected learning, various competitions and school activities. From Weighted Assessments (WAs), Home-based Learning (HBL), National Schools Games (NSGs) to the Singapore Youth Festival (SYF) Arts Presentation and the Cross-Country race, it warms my heart to see our students thriving in the various aspects of school life. Their ability to manage time effectively and build resilience is truly impressive. I was particularly pleased to see so many of you supporting your daughters/wards at the Cross-Country. These occasions not only strengthen family bonds but also offer wonderful opportunities for you to connect with our school community. Your involvement is crucial in fostering our students' holistic growth, and I sincerely appreciate your continued support.

On 10 February, our school was delighted to host 3 teachers and 29 students from Yangzheng School, Hangzhou. This visit provided our students with valuable opportunity for cultural exchange, fostering new friendships and broadening their global perspectives. Even as we host exchanges, we will also be providing opportunities for students to participate in our internationalisation programmes. Students have received this information and sign-up details via email. Do discuss with your daughter/ward on the possibility of participating in these programmes.

During the forthcoming March holidays, I encourage parents to guide our students in striking a balance between rest, consolidation of learning, and participation in enjoyable activities. It is important for students to rejuvenate themselves so that they are ready to take on the opportunities and challenges in Term 2.

I would also like to take this opportunity to wish all our Muslim staff and students a blessed Ramadan and a joyous Hari Raya Aidilfitri!

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

For All Students

1. Term 1 Progress Report

The Term 1 Progress Report for each student will be distributed in Term 2 Week 1. The report serves as a tool for parents/guardians to offer insights into their child's/ward's academic journey thus far. We hope parents/guardians will take this opportunity to encourage your child/ward and identify any learning gaps to provide the necessary support.

2. English Language Oral Examination

As part of the overall assessment in English Language, students will be sitting for their Oral Examination in Term 2. The scores of this examination will be incorporated into the Endof-Year Examination for the Secondary 1 to 3 students and the Preliminary Examination for the Secondary 4 and 5 students. The schedule for the Oral Examination is shown in **Annex A**. Further details will be provided to the students by the English Language teachers prior to the examination.

For Graduating Students Only

GCE O-Level Mother Tongue Exam Preparatory Session

In preparation for the GCE O-Level Mother Tongue examinations, a preparatory session will be conducted on Monday, 17 March for all Secondary 4 and 5 students who are sitting for the GCE O-Level Chinese, Malay, Tamil, Higher Chinese and Higher Tamil examinations this year.

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

For Secondary 2 Students Only

Secondary 2 Parent Engagement Session (PES)

The Secondary 2 Parent Engagement Session that was scheduled on Friday, 7 March 2025 will be postponed to Friday, 25 April 2025.

Details of the PES will be sent via PG nearer to date.

Yours faithfully,

Ms Linda Lim Principal

Annex A

English Language Oral Examination

Subject Level/Classes	*Examination Period
Secondary 1 (G1, G2 & G3)	Weeks 2 & 3: Tuesday, 1 April – Friday, 4 April, Monday, 7 April, Wednesday, 9 April – Friday, 11 April
Secondary 2 (G1, G2 & G3)	Weeks 4 & 5: Monday, 14 April – Thursday, 17 April, Monday, 21 April, Tuesday, 22 April & Thursday, 24 April
3 Temperance, 3 Gentleness, 3 Faithfulness, 3 Goodness, 3 Kindness, 3 Patience (SBB), 3 Peace (SBB) & 3 Joy (SBB)	Week 7: Monday, 5 May – Friday, 9 May
3 Patience (non-SBB), 3 Peace (non-SBB), 3 Joy (non-SBB) & 3 Love	Week 6: Monday, 28 April, Tuesday, 29 April & Friday, 2 May
4 Temperance, 4 Gentleness, 4 Faithfulness, 4 Goodness, 4 Kindness, 4 Patience (SBB), 4 Peace (SBB), 4 Joy (SBB) & 5 Devotion	Weeks 4 & 5: Monday, 14 April, Tuesday, 15 April, Thursday, 17 April & Monday, 21 April
4 Patience (non-SBB), 4 Peace (non-SBB), 4 Joy (non-SBB) & 4 Love (SBB)	Weeks 9 & 10: Thursday, 22 May, Monday, 26 May & Tuesday, 27 May
4 Love (non-SBB)	Week 7: Monday, 5 May & Tuesday, 6 May

*The examination will be conducted after school in Term 2.