



# St. Margaret's School (Secondary)

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## 2 September 2024

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We have much to celebrate from this term! The vibrancy of Spirit Week, Racial Harmony Day, National Day, along with our Annual Cross Country Run at the Singapore Sports Hub, have provided refreshing breaks from the regular curriculum.

As we transition into the final term of the year, where students are consolidating their learning in preparation for their final assessments, I want to express my heartfelt gratitude for the unwavering support you have shown your daughter/ward throughout the year. Your encouragement and guidance have been crucial to her growth.

During this critical period, our school leaders, teachers, and staff remain fully committed to supporting our students. We encourage them to seek assistance or schedule consultations with their teachers to further enhance their learning experience.

As we move forward into Term 4, let us continue to celebrate the progress and achievements of all our students, both big and small. To God be the glory!

### Health Matters

#### (a) Managing Rising Temperatures

As we face rising temperatures, schools have put in place measures to ensure the safety and well-being of students and staff when faced with these conditions. MOE's guidelines are aligned with NEA's Heat Stress Advisory (<http://www.weather.gov.sg/heat-stress/>).

Students can continue to exercise the option to switch between the school full uniform and the House polo T-shirt and CCA skirt to manage the effect of the temperatures. Please encourage your daughter/ward to stay well hydrated during hot spells.

#### (b) Wearing of Face Masks

As part of our social responsibility, we encourage anyone with (residual) flu symptoms to wear a face mask.

Note also that the school is undergoing general repairs and repainting, which will continue until mid-September. If your daughter/ward is sensitive to dust, she may also wear a face mask during this period.

## For All Students

### 1. GCE N-Level Listening Comprehension Examinations

The GCE N-Level Listening Comprehension Examinations will be conducted on Tuesday, 10 September and Thursday, 12 September.

Adjustments have been made to the *timings for dismissal* of the various levels to facilitate the preparation of the examination venues for the examinations to take place:

Levels	Dismissal Time	Date(s)
Secondary 1 to Secondary 5	1.15pm	Tuesday, 10 September and Thursday, 12 September
Secondary 4 and 5	12.40pm	

## For Secondary 1, 2 and 3 Students

### 2. Secondary 3 Mother Tongue Languages Oral Examination

The Secondary 3 Mother Tongue Languages Oral Examination will be conducted on Wednesday, 11 September and Friday, 13 September from 2.30pm to 5.30pm.

Details of this examination will be given to the students nearer the date.

### 3. End-of-Year Examinations

#### (i) Examination Timetables

The Secondary 1 to 3 End-of-Year Examinations will be conducted during the periods as shown below. The examination timetables have been distributed to the students on Monday, 26 August and can be downloaded from the school website under the 'Resources for Students' section.

Level(s)	Examination Period
Secondary 1 and 2	Wednesday, 25 September – Friday, 4 October
Secondary 3	Tuesday, 24 September – Friday, 4 October

#### (ii) Reporting time on Wednesdays during the Examination and Post-Examination Period

The reporting times for Secondary 1, 2 and 3 students during the End-of-Year Examinations period will be adjusted for the following Wednesdays:

Dates	Reporting Time
25 September & 2, 9, 16, 23 October (Wednesdays) T4W3 to T4W7	Secondary 1, 2 and 3 students will report to school <b>by 7.30am</b> for the morning assembly.  <b><u>There will be no late reporting on these Wednesdays.</u></b>

#### 4. Headstart Programme and Study Camp

The Headstart Programme will be conducted for all Secondary 3 students to provide them with a headstart on their Secondary 4 syllabus.

While we put in much effort to do well, we acknowledge that not all students may be able to perform well during the examinations. Some Secondary 1, 2 and 3 students who have not performed satisfactorily in the End-of-Year Examinations will be required to attend a Study Camp to help them review their learning. Students identified for this Study Camp will be notified after the release of the End-of-Year Examination results.

The schedule for the Headstart Programme and Study Camp is as follows:

Level(s) / Classes	Headstart Programme	Study Camp
Secondary 1 & Secondary 2	-	Monday, 28 October – Friday, 8 November
3 Temperance 3 Gentleness 3 Faithfulness 3 Goodness 3 Kindness 3 Patience 3 Peace 3 Joy	Thursday, 17 October – Friday, 1 November	Monday, 4 November – Friday, 8 November
3 Love	Thursday, 17 October – Friday, 25 October	Monday, 28 October – Friday, 1 November

#### For Graduating Students

#### 5. Timetables for National Examinations, Night Study, Farewell Assembly, Last Day of School and Study Break

##### (a) Timetables for the National Examinations

For the *latest* information on the National Examinations, please refer to the Singapore Examinations and Assessment Board (<https://www.seab.gov.sg/>) for updates.

##### (b) Night Study

The optional night study for graduating classes will run from Monday, 9 September to Monday, 23 September until 7.00pm to support students in their final lap of preparation for the national examinations. Teachers will help to supervise students between 5.00pm to 7.00pm.

Side gate E (at Farrer Road, next to St John's Chapel), Side Gate G (at the Farrer Gardens carpark) and the school's main gates will be closed at 7.00pm.

**(c) Farewell Assembly and Last Day of School**

The Farewell Assembly for the Secondary 4 and 5 graduating classes will be held on Monday, 23 September.

The last day of school for the graduating classes are as follows:

<b>Classes</b>	<b>Last Day of School</b>
4 Temperance 4 Gentleness 4 Faithfulness 4 Goodness 4 Kindness 4 Patience 4 Peace 4 Joy 5 Devotion	Monday, 23 September
4 Love	Friday, 27 September

**(d) Study Break**

The study break allows time for students to consolidate their learning and prepare for their National Examinations. The study break period for the various classes is shown in the table below. Students are encouraged to arrange for consultations with teachers during this period.

<b>Classes</b>	<b>Study Break</b>
4 Patience 4 Peace 4 Joy	Tuesday, 24 September – Sunday, 29 September
4 Temperance 4 Gentleness 4 Faithfulness 4 Goodness 4 Kindness 5 Devotion	Tuesday, 24 September – Tuesday, 15 October (Science Practical Examinations on 2, 7, 10, 15 October)

Parents/guardians, do continue to press on with your daughters/wards and provide them with the necessary support to prepare them mentally and physically for the examinations.

**For Secondary 1 Students Only**

**6. Secondary 1 Parent-Teacher Meeting (e-Portfolio Presentation)**

A Parent-Teacher Meeting will be conducted on Friday, 18 October from 8.30am – 4.30pm online via Zoom. This session serves as a platform for students to consolidate, reflect and share their learning experiences for the year with their parents/guardians and Form Teachers.

Details on the session will be sent out via Parents Gateway nearer the date.

## Others

### 7. St. Margaret's 182<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary Lunch

On Saturday, 16 November, the school will be celebrating her 182<sup>nd</sup> anniversary at St. Margaret's School (Secondary). The theme of the event is 'Beautifully Connected' and the celebration will start at 11.00am.

All parents/guardians, former and current students are invited to join St. Margaret's School in celebrating 182 years of God's love and faithfulness.

It will also be a session to reconnect with our teachers, staff and classmates. Tickets for the buffet lunch will be sold on a first come first served basis and are available at \$50 per person.

Ticket Sale Period	Online Purchase Form
Thursday, 15 August to Wednesday, 16 October	 <a href="https://for.edu.sg/sm182">https://for.edu.sg/sm182</a>

More information about the event can be found in Annex A.

Yours in partnership,

Ms Linda Lim  
Principal

**St. Margaret's School 182<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary Lunch**



*Anniversary*

# Beautifully Connected

**Saturday, 16 November 2024**  
**11.00am to 2.00pm**

*Registration and pre-lunch activities from 11.00am*  
*Guests are requested to be seated by 11.45am*

*St. Margaret's School (Secondary)*  
*111 Farrer Road Singapore 259240*  
*Dress Code: Casual*  
*Price: \$50 per person*  
**Closing Date: 16 October 2024**

**Enquiries & Ticket Sales**  
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