



PASIR RIS CREST SECONDARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians

School Updates 2023/06 (Secondary 3)

1. Staff Appreciation Week

Staff Appreciation Week (SAW) will be held from **Monday, 28 August** to **Thursday, 31 August**. The week's programme is planned, implemented and led by the Crestian Senior Leaders with the aim of developing in our Crestians the value of gratitude and allowing the Crestian family to bond through various activities.

The programme is as follows:

No	Date	Time	Activity	Purpose	Target Audience	Remarks
1.	Monday 28 August	2.30 – 4.00 p.m.	Souvenir Making	<ul style="list-style-type: none">To provide Crestians an opportunity to show appreciation to the school staff through the learning and application of life skill.	Sec 1 – 3 students	We encourage your child/ ward to fully participate in the week's activities. Some of the activities will take place after school hours.
2.	Tuesday 29 August	3.45 – 5.30 p.m. (During CCA time slot)	Inter-CCA Games			
3.	Wednesday 30 August	9.40 – 11.20 a.m.	Snack booth			
4.	Thursday 31 August	7.30 – 10.30 a.m.	Class-based celebrations and concert in the hall.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">To provide Crestians an opportunity to bond with their peers and staff.	Sec 1 – 5 students	Dismissal time - 10.30am

2. Period Change for 30 August 2023

As our school is an identified Polling Station for the upcoming Presidential Election, the school canteen will be cordoned off for set up from 30 August afternoon. The Upper Secondary students will see a swap of Period 7 and Period 9 for **Wednesday, 30 August**, with lessons ending at 4.10 p.m.. This will ensure that students' lunch break is not affected.

3. GCE 'N' Level Listening Comprehension Examination

GCE 'N' Level Listening Comprehension will be conducted on **12 and 20 September 2023**. Please take note of the following changes to the curriculum time.

Please make the necessary arrangements if you are picking up your child/ward from school.

Date	Day	Dismissal Time	Remarks
12 September	Tuesday	1.00 p.m.	Earlier dismissal No CCA
20 September	Wednesday	1.00 p.m.	Earlier dismissal

4. CCA Dates

CCA will stand down on **Tuesday, 19 September 2023** before End-of-Year examinations. It resumes on **Tuesday, 17 October 2023** and it will also be the last CCA session for semester 2. You will be notified separately by the respective CCA Teachers-in-charge if there are CCA trainings scheduled during the school holidays.

5. End-of-Year Examinations

The End-of-Year examination will begin with the English Language Paper 1 and Mother Tongue Languages Paper 1 on **Monday, 25 September 2023**. The main examination will be conducted from **Monday, 2 October 2023** to **Wednesday, 11 October 2023**.

Please advise your child/ward to follow the examination timetable strictly and to be in school punctually for each paper. We will brief your child/ward on the Examination Rules and Expectations before the commencement of the examination. The timetable and topics for each subject to be tested for the End-of-Year Examination can be found on the school website.

<https://www.prcss.moe.edu.sg/latest-news/timetable/7/>

We would like to draw your attention to the following:

(a) Students who are unwell will need to seek medical consultation and provide a **Medical Certificate** for their absence. Otherwise, the student will be considered absent without valid reason and awarded a zero mark for that paper.

(b) Any student found cheating, or attempting to cheat, will be given a zero mark for the subject and may be barred from the rest of the examination. Mobile phones and smartwatches **must be left in their bags and must be switched off at all times during the examination. In line with National Examination regulations**, students found with mobile phones and/or smartwatches in their possession will be deemed as attempting to cheat, regardless of whether the electronic device is switched on or not.

(c) Students who do not observe the rules for presentable appearance (e.g. shoes, hairstyle, and fingernails) may be barred from sitting for the examination and awarded a zero mark.

We seek your support in supervising your child/ward in his/her revision, and in ensuring that he/she prepares himself/herself adequately for the examination.

Please also note that **Thursday, 12 October 2023**, is the school's Marking Day and **Monday, 23 October 2023**, is the school's Result Processing Day. Your child/ward will **not** need to come to school on that day.

However, for students from Sec 3/1, 3/3 and 3/4, **Monday, 23 October 2023**, is their Script check day. They will be required to report to school as per normal school hours.

6. Crestian Learning Day (Student-Initiated Learning)

Friday, 13 October 2023 is a Crestian Learning Day dedicated for students to pursue and complete the Student-initiated Learning (SIL) challenge, focusing on our Applied Learning Programme on Effective Communications. The objective of this SIL is to provide opportunity for students to be self-directed in their learning and exploration of the various forms of communications and to strengthen their clarity in the articulation and expression of their thoughts and perspectives in English Language and Mother Tongue Language. Some challenge activities include, creative composition (e.g. poem, short story, artwork, poster design to increase awareness for a social cause), exploration with documentation of a topic or hypothesis (e.g. conducting a science experiment, exploration of a philosophical or ethical issue in a critical essay).

Students have been briefed on SIL in semester 1. They will be presenting and sharing their SIL work towards the end of school term.

7. Inter-Class Games

The school will organise the Inter-class games for all Secondary 3 students on **Friday, 15 September 2023**, from **2.30 p.m. to 5 p.m.**. The objectives of the games are to allow the students to play the sports that they have learnt during Physical Education (PE) lessons, build teamwork among the students, inculcate values such as respect, sportsmanship and encourage students to lead a healthy lifestyle.

Students will report in their PE t-shirt and short for the games and they will be dismissed from school at 5 p.m.. Students are reminded to hydrate themselves well and have at least 7 hours of uninterrupted sleep the night before.

8. Secondary 3 Preparatory Programme

The one-week Preparatory Programme aims to help students consolidate topics learnt in Secondary 3. It will be held from **Monday, 30 October** to **Friday, 3 November 2023**. All students should report by **7.30 a.m.** for morning assembly.

The programme is compulsory. Should there be any absence, your child/ward must submit medical certificates to the Home Tutor by the following day. Please make necessary arrangements so that your child's commitment outside school will not clash with the school's preparatory programme.

The timetable for the Preparatory Programme can be viewed in the school website by **20 October 2023**.

Please contact the following personnel should you have any clarifications on the related matters:

Area	Personnel	Contact
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We look forward to your continued support in helping your child/ward achieve success in his/her holistic development. Thank you.

Yours faithfully



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