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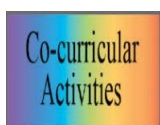
Dear Parents / Guardians,

We hope you had an enjoyable time bonding with your child/ward during the March holiday. We had a great start to 2025 in Term 1 with the respective Level Camps, where our students learned to work with their peers and teachers and displayed a strong school spirit. Apart from the 2024 O level results, some of our sports CCAs have also done well in the B Division National School Games. We are pleased to share with you the highlights of Term 1 and the key events planned for Term 2.



2024 GCE O Level Examination Results

Congratulations to our 4E5N students on their outstanding performance at the 2024 GCE O Level examinations! 94.2% of our 4E cohort were eligible for JC / Polytechnic and 84.2% of our 5N cohort were eligible for Polytechnic. 85.5% of the entire cohort attained 5 or more O Level passes. We would like to thank all parents and teachers for playing an instrumental role in supporting our students to realise their potential.



National School Games (NSG) 2025

The NSG is an important milestone in the holistic development of student-athletes. Our B-Division Sports Teams participated in the respective NSG East Zone and National Championships in Term 1. Our Football team has qualified for the B-Division Football League One and the matches will be played in Term 2. Our Basketball (Boys) and Badminton (Boys) reached the Quarter-Finals stage of the East Zone Basketball and Badminton Championships. Our student-athletes demonstrated grit, resilience, teamwork and leadership at the competitions. The C-Division NSG competitions will be held in Term 2 and 3. We wish our B-Division Football team and our C-Division sports teams excellence in their NSG participation.



PRSS 40th Anniversary Celebrations

The school will be celebrating its 40th Anniversary on 23 April with the theme 'Kindness: Small Acts, Big Impact' as we will be featuring 40 inspiring stories on acts of kindness gathered from students across home classes and CCAs as well as from staff and alumni. This celebration embodies our commitment to nurturing student agency through the 3Cs: Create, Connect and Contribute. The anniversary programme features 3 key segments which include a plenary session featuring some of the collated stories and the school's effort in the kindness movement, the Student Learning Festival as well as the Awards ceremony.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all students, parents, alumni, staff, SAC and our partners in education who have been integral to growing our Pasirians to become Confident, Caring and Resilient students. As we commemorate this milestone, we remain dedicated to fostering a culture of kindness within our school and the broader community.



PLD Matters and Blended Learning (BL)

We are pleased to update that all Sec 1 students have collected their PLDs on 14 March 2025. All students are reminded to bring a fully-charged PLD to school every day, unless otherwise informed by their teachers. The PLDs must be brought home at the end of each school day to facilitate learning after school and for students to charge their device.

Blended Learning (BL) days will continue in Term 2 on 4 Apr, 2 May and 16 May. Please refer to the school website for the BL schedule which was shared earlier.



English Language & Literature Festival

2025

This year, the English Language department organised the annual EL & Lit Festival in Term 1 Week 9 where students participated in level-specific activities to cultivate the joy of learning and deepen their love for English Language and Literature. Some of these activities included an immersive experience to enhance students' understanding of narrative texts, book talks by our Reading Ambassadors, master classes by industry professionals, blind book dates and exciting library activities. Students also engaged in inter-class debates, poetry appreciation and a learning journey to the Parliament House at the upper secondary level.

For the first time, the EL department collaborated with the Mother Tongue department to provide a more holistic linguistic programme for students. Under the overarching theme, 'The Language Odyssey', students partook in immersive experiences at the Think Tank where they gained first-hand exposure to cold, harsh winter conditions and were tasked to complete activities to help them analyse setting and learn vocabulary in comprehension texts.



Mother Tongue Languages (MTL)

Fortnight 2025

As part of the continuous efforts to deepen Pasirians' appreciation of their MT cultures and apply their MTLs beyond the classrooms, the MTL Department organised its annual MTL Fortnight programme in T1W9. The key objective for the wave 1 programme is to design authentic and immersive learning experiences for Pasirians. In view of this, we designed our inaugural immersive kampong experience, where Pasirians had the opportunity to visit a kampong right in our school by using their five senses.

We also endeavoured to tier our programme to cater to Pasirians' varied interests and learning styles. To this end, we organised hands-on workshops on diabolo, seal carving, tie dye, Malay traditional craft, Chinese opera and Chinese tea appreciation for different student segments. For the first time, the Malay Unit also had the invaluable opportunity to collaborate with Bird Paradise to host Pasirians as ambassadors, where students can apply their ML skills in the real world.



S.T.E.A.M. Carnival 2025

The S.T.E.A.M. Carnival for all Sec 1 to 5 students will take place in Term 2 Week 9. The event aims to deepen students' understanding of the interdisciplinary approach to learning through Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics.

Students will participate in hands-on experiments and tasks, applying critical thinking and problem-solving skills beyond the curriculum. An intra-school bridge-building competition will also take place, encouraging teamwork and creativity. Students can also sign up for learning journeys to explore topics like sustainability, railway engineering and green energy, which offer a deeper insight into the diverse opportunities in S.T.E.A.M. fields.



Taking care of Student Wellbeing - Pop-Up Café for students

On 12 February 2025, in conjunction with Valentine's Day, the school library was transformed into a café, with the theme 'I love PRSS', serving artisan tea, coffee, and finger food such as sandwiches and waffles. This is the first out of a series of pop-up café to be launched termly, as part of the school's effort to promote student wellness and advance student agency in uplifting the school community. This pop-up cafe was specially curated for our Sec 1 cohort to welcome them into the Pasirian Family and foster a strong sense of belonging to the school. Stay tuned to the next pop-up café in April, where we commemorate International Friendship Day 2025!



Eco Stewardship Programme 2025

The Eco Stewardship programme@PRSS fosters environmental awareness and sustainability through engaging activities. The programme begins in January and February with the "Recycle Today for a Sustainable Tomorrow!" project, where students develop responsible recycling habits by sorting materials like paper, bottle caps, and used pens.

In March, the focus shifts to water conservation with the theme "Our Water Makes Every Moment Count" on World Water Day (22nd March). Activities include Sec 1 Geography Project showcase on water conservation

and a learning journey to Marina Barrage to explore Singapore's water sustainability efforts.

The school will be celebrating Earth Day on 22nd April with the theme 'Our Power, Our Planet'. There will be a showcase of selected IPW projects, an Earth Day Quiz, and a Free Market@PRSS, where staff and students will donate reusable items, promoting a culture of sustainability.



Parents Engagement

As part of our ongoing efforts to partner parents in your child's educational journey, the second Parent-Teacher Meeting will be held from 26 to 30 May 2025 (Term 2, Week 10). You may book your meeting slots with the Home Teachers from Term 2, Week 9 onwards.

Staff Matters

We welcome the following staff to the PRSS family in Term 2:

Name	Designation
Wong Wai Xin	NIE Trainee (Chem)
Lim You Hui	NIE Trainee (CL)

Important Dates in Term 2

Date	Event
24 - 26 Mar	ApLM@ITE, ApLM@Poly for S3 students
3 Apr	World Skills ECG Fair
4 Apr	BL Day
11 Apr	International Friendship Day
14 Apr	Hari Raya Concert
16 - 22 Apr	Green Week
23 Apr	40th Anniversary Celebration - Student Award Ceremony & Student Learning Festival
28 Apr - 16 May	Weighted Assessment (WA) 2
2 May	BL Day
5 May	Class Leaders Committee and Peer Support Leaders Appointment Ceremony
28 Apr - 2 Jun	DSA e-Open House
11 - 15 May	Suzhou Twinning
13- 15 May	MTL Fortnight Part 2
16 May	BL Day

19 - 23 May	STEAM Carnival
26 - 30 May	End-of-Sem Activities
26 - 30 May	Parent-Teacher Meetings
27 May	Student Council Investiture
29 May	Champion's Tea (B Div)
29 - 30 May	Career Awareness Day
31 May - 29 Jun	June school holidays
2 Jun	MTL/MTLB O-Level Written Exams
5 Jun	Student Leadership Nexus

Key Preliminary & National Examination dates in 2025

GCE O Level

Date	Examination
2 Jun	GCE O Level Mid-Year MTL / MTLB Written Examinations
14 - 18 Jul	GCE O & N Level EL & MTL Oral Examinations
8 Jul	GCE O Level MTL Listening Comprehension Examinations
22 Aug - 3 Sep	4E5N Preliminary Examinations
1, 6, 9 & 14 Oct	GCE O Level Science Practical Examinations
8 Oct	GCE O Level EL Listening Comprehension Examinations
16 Oct - 10 Nov	GCE O Level Written Examinations

GCE N Level

Date	Examination
14 - 18 Jul	GCE O & N Level EL & MTL Oral Examinations
1 - 6 & 12 - 15 Aug	4N Preliminary Examinations (Wave 1 & 2)
16 & 17 Sep	GCE N Level EL & MTL Listening Comprehension Examinations
19 & 25 Sep	GCE N Level Computer Applications Practical Examinations
15 - 23 Sep & 6 - 14 Oct	GCE N Level Written Examinations (Wave 1 & 2)