



# NEWSFLASH

PASIR RIS SECONDARY SCHOOL

13 MARCH 2026

Dear Parents / Guardians,

*At various junctures in Term 1, I spoke to your child about the importance of friendship. I focused on what it means to be a good friend, and how friends help others become a better version of themselves. As the March holidays draw near, I encourage you to have a conversation with your child too about the new friends they made; and the ways in which they may have been a good friend to others.*

*I had also emphasised the importance of responsibility through punctuality. I seek your partnership too to remind your child that they should be at the assembly venue (classroom, parade square or hall) by 7:30am on most days, and 8.30am on late reporting Mondays.*

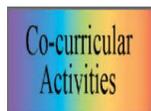
*As we wind down for the March School Holidays, allow us to share with you the highlights of Term 1 and the key events planned for Term 2. Wishing all quality time as a family over the March Holidays.*

Ivan Wu  
Principal



## 2025 GCE O-Level Examination Results

We would like to thank all parents and teachers for playing an instrumental role in supporting our students to realise their potential. 89.9% of our 4E5N students attained five or more O Level passes.



## National School Games (NSG) 2026

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 continue in Term 2. Our Badminton (Boys), Basketball (Boys) and Volleyball (Boys) reached the Semi-Finals stage of their respective East Zone NSG Championships and will be competing at the NSG National Rounds in Term 2. Our student-athletes demonstrated grit, resilience,

teamwork and leadership at the competitions. The C-Division NSG competitions will be held in Terms 2 and 3. We wish our B-Division Badminton, Basketball, Football and Volleyball teams and our C-Division sports teams excellence.



## PLD Matters and Blended Learning (BL)

All students are reminded to bring a fully-charged PLD every school 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 27 Mar, 10 Apr, 24 Apr, 8 May and 22 May. Please refer to the school website for the BL schedule which was shared earlier.



## English Language & Literature Festival 2026

This year, the English Language department will be organising our annual EL & Lit Festival in Term 2 Week 4 where students will participate in level-specific activities to cultivate the joy of learning and deepen their love for English Language and Literature. Some of these activities include Book Character Day, book talks by our Reading Ambassadors, workshops by industry professionals, and exciting library activities. Students will also engage in inter-class debates and poetry appreciation at the upper secondary level.

Under the overarching theme, 'Inspiring Readers, Nurturing Thinkers', students will have the opportunity to explore the power of stories, language and ideas through a range of meaningful and interactive experiences. Through these activities, they will not only discover the joy of reading, but also learn to think critically, express themselves confidently, and appreciate diverse perspectives.



## Mother Tongue Languages (MTL) Fortnight 2026

As part of the MTL Department's ongoing efforts to deepen Pasirians' appreciation of their Mother Tongue cultures and encourage the use of their MTLs beyond the classroom, the MTL Department organised the annual MTL Fortnight programme in Term 1 Week 9.

We aim to design programmes that cater to Pasirians' varied interests and learning styles. Through this initiative, students were given exposure to different aspects of culture, ranging from fine arts and performing arts to literary arts and traditional cuisine.

To support this, a series of hands-on workshops were organised for different student segments. These included activities such as diabolo, seal carving, Malay traditional crafts and cuisine, Jawi Writing, opera and tea appreciation.



## STEAM Learning Series 2026

We are excited to announce that the STEAM Carnival is expanding into a year-long initiative, the STEAM Learning Series, for all Sec 1 to 5 students. By moving beyond a single week, we aim to provide a more sustained and meaningful engagement with Science, Tech, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics.

The STEAM Learning Series integrates hands-on experiments into the curriculum, offers after-school learning journeys in Urban Farming and future technology, and concludes each term with level-wide events to showcase student innovation across all levels.

This format allows students to consistently discover the diverse opportunities and career paths available in S.T.E.A.M.



## Taking care of Student Wellbeing - Pop-Up Café for S1 Students

On 13 February, the school library was transformed into a café, with the theme 'Friends for Life', serving sandwiches, mac and cheese, tomato pasta, cheesecake and other finger food. Hosted by our Secondary 2 Peer Support Leaders, our Secondary 1s enjoyed group activities like Find a Friend Bingo, Speed Friending, making friendship bracelets and writing

Gratitude Notes for their peers. This is the first of a series of pop-up cafés, part of the school's effort to promote student wellness and advance student agency in uplifting the school community. The pop-up cafés aim to foster school spirit and a sense of belonging to PRSS. Stay tuned to the next pop-up café on 8 April for our Secondary 4 students, where we commemorate International Friendship Day 2026!



## Eco Stewardship Programme

The Eco Stewardship Programme@PRSS fosters environmental awareness and sustainability through engaging activities. The programme began in January and February with recycling drives for red packets and used batteries. Selected students also carried out the PRSS Flea Market where students can give away pre-loved items to give them a second life.

In March, the focus shifts to World Water Day and Earth Hour. Our Environmental Champions will host activities in class to support the sustainability initiatives in school.

The school will also be celebrating Earth Day on 20 April 2026 with the theme 'Our Power, Our Planet'. Our Green Ambassadors will host events promoting environmental protection and public health for the rest of the school to participate in. We look forward to your family's involvement in the school's sustainability initiatives this year.



## Jubilation: The Dream - A Combined Performing Arts Showcase at Victoria Theatre

The Performing Arts CCA groups - Concert Band, Choir, Chinese Orchestra, Modern Dance and English Drama will be presenting *Jubilation: The Dream* at the Victoria Theatre on 8 May 2026.

Join us for an enchanting evening as our talented students showcase the best of the school's performing arts. Details on ticket sales will be released in April 2026.



## Parent Engagement

As part of our ongoing efforts to partner parents in your child's educational journey, you are invited to join us for the face-to-face and virtual parent engagement sessions with School Leaders, Key Personnel and your child's Home Teachers on the following dates in Term 2:

- 1) Sec 4 & 5 Virtual Parent Engagement Session - 15 May 2026 Friday (1730h – 1830h)
- 2) End-of-Term Parent-Teacher Meetings - 25 - 29 May (Term 2, Week 10)



## Implementation of Post-Secondary Admissions Exercise (PSE) in 2028

MOE has announced the implementation of the Post-Secondary Admissions Exercise (PSE), starting from Jan 2028, for the cohort of students doing the Singapore Education Certificate (SEC) to apply for courses via a common portal using their Singpass. The PSE will replace separate posting exercises which take place at different times of the year – Joint Admissions Exercise, Polytechnic Foundation Programme Admissions Exercise, and the Institute of Technical Education (ITE) Joint Intake Exercise (2-Year and 3-Year Higher Nitec). This new initiative represents an important development in our post-secondary education landscape and seeks to improve the users' experience and decision-making when students have their eligible pathways and courses shown to them during the streamlined application process. Details about the PSE are now available on the MOE website at [www.moe.gov.sg/pse](http://www.moe.gov.sg/pse).



## Words of Encouragement for staff and teachers

In school, we are constantly encouraging our students to be kind, supportive and thoughtful friends and schoolmates to their peers. One way they practise this is by learning to share sincere words of encouragement and appreciation with those around them, which can brighten someone's day and strengthen a positive school community.

Just as we guide our students to recognise the good in others, we would also like to invite parents to join us in nurturing this culture of appreciation by sharing your

compliments for our staff and teachers at this [MOE link](#). Your kind words can be a powerful affirmation and a wonderful reminder that our efforts in nurturing your child matter.

Together, let us continue to build a community where kindness, gratitude and encouragement are shared to encourage everyone in the school to make a positive difference.



## Staff Matters

We welcome the following staff to the PRSS family:

Name	Designation
Ms Jane Quah	Trainee SEN Officer



## Important Dates in Term 2

Date	Event
23 Mar	Hari Raya Puasa Off in-lieu (school is closed)
26 Mar	Hari Raya Concert
27 Mar	BL Day
30 Mar - 1 Apr	ApLM@ITE
30 Mar - 2 Apr	Sec 1 OAL Camp
1 Apr	Temperature-taking Exercise
10 Apr	BL Day
10 Apr	International Friendship Day
13 - 16 Apr	EL/Lit Festival
24 Apr	Awards Day
24 Apr	BL Day
27 Apr - 1 Jun	DSA e-Open House
27 Apr - 15 May	Weighted Assessment #2
8 May	Jubilation: The Dream @Victoria Theatre
8 May	BL Day
11 - 15 May	Mother Tongue Fortnight
15 May	Sec 4 & 5 Parent Engagement Session (Virtual)
20 - 24 May	Suzhou TIE Trip
21 May	Champion's Tea (B Div)
22 May	BL Day
25 May	Student Leaders Investiture
25 - 29 May	End-of-SEM Activities
25 - 29 May	Parent-Teacher Meetings
27 May	Hari Raya Haji Public Holiday
28 May	Career Awareness Day
29 May	Annual Cross Country
30 May - 28 Jun	June school holidays

3 Jun	Student Leadership/Development Workshop
4 & 5 Jun	Student Council Camp
22 - 26 June	ApLM@Poly



## Key Preliminary & National Examination dates in 2026

### GCE O-Level

Date	Examination
2 Jun	GCE O-Level Mid-Year MTL / MTLB Written Examinations
7 Jul	GCE O-Level Listening Comprehension Examinations
13 - 17 Jul	GCE O & N-Level EL & MTL Oral Examinations
20 Aug - 2 Sep	4E5N Preliminary Examinations
30 Sep and 5, 8 & 13 Oct	GCE O-Level Science Practical Examinations
15 Oct	GCE O-Level EL Listening Comprehension Examinations
16 Oct - 10 Nov	GCE O Level Written Examinations

### GCE N-Level

Date	Examination
13 - 17 Jul	GCE O & N-Level EL & MTL Oral Examinations
27 Jul - 6 Aug	4N Preliminary Examinations
15 & 16 Sep	GCE N-Level EL & MTL Listening Comprehension Examinations
18 & 24 Sep	GCE N-Level Computer Applications Practical Examinations
14 - 22 Sep and 5 - 13 Oct	GCE N-Level Written Examinations (Wave 1 & 2)