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Dear Parents/Guardian

Greetings! As the new year begins, I would like to extend a warm welcome to our new cohort of Sec 1 students.

We are now in the third year of schooling amid COVID-19. We will continue to enhance our Safe Management Measures (SMMs) in line with the national posture to ensure the safety and well-being of students and staff. While the constant adjustments may be challenging at times, I am proud to have witnessed our Merahans and staff alike living up to 'Resilience' (one of our school values), and persevering in their efforts during this period. In fact, there were various notable school achievements made in 2021. As such, our 2022 theme remains as **BM Stronger Together** to underscore the importance of staying united as a school.

The school is fully onboard the nation-wide **National Digital Literacy Programme (NDLP)**. Having been equipped with a **Personal Learning Device (PLD)**, students are able to take ownership of their learning, participate in collaborative learning and extend their learning beyond the context of the classroom.

The school will be conducting a **webinar for Sec 1 parents/guardians via Zoom** to provide more information and respond to questions regarding the PLD that Sec 1 students will be purchasing. Below are the details of the webinar. Parents/ guardians are encouraged to log in 10 minutes earlier.

Level	Date	Time
Sec 1	15 January 2022 (Saturday)	9am

The link to each of the webinars will be shared via Parents Gateway (PG) nearer to the date.

At BMSS, **Home-Based Learning (HBL) Days** have been scheduled fortnightly on **even-week Fridays for all students** to complement in-school teaching and learning. The first HBL Day is on **Friday 14 Jan 2022**. Do **ensure that your child/ward** completes his HBL assignments and allocates time to pursue his/her interest.

In an effort to reduce the impact of Monday and Tuesday public holidays in Term 1 on curriculum time, there will be a **swapping of weekday timetables in Term 1 Week 5** (refer to Annex 1 attached).

Additionally, to help you and your child/ward to plan ahead, please refer to the attached annex for the list of Term 1 events. Some of these events would greatly benefit from your participation and attendance.

We hope to work hand in hand with you to develop your child/ward to his/her fullest potential

Yours sincerely

Timothy Cheng
Principal

SEDIA - ALWAYS BE PREPARED



Annex 1

2022 BMSS TERM 1 EVENTS

DATE	LEVEL	EVENT	REMARKS
JANUARY			
6 Jan	Sec 2	Briefing on Aesthetic Education Programme (AEP)	2.00 pm to 3.30 pm
12 Jan	Sec 2 – 5	First Day of CCA	
12, 19, 26 Jan 9 Feb	Sec 1	Sec 1 CCA Orientation and Experience	2.30 pm to 5.00 pm
13 Jan	Sec 2	Commencement of AEP	Every Thursday until 10 Mar
14 Jan	All	Blended Learning (1)	Students do not need to report to school.
15 Jan	Sec 1	Virtual Parent-Teacher Meeting	
17 Jan	Sec 2NT	Experience ITE Programme	Students will be dismissed from school at 4.00 pm.
28 Jan	All	Blended Learning (2)	Students do not need to report to school.
31 Jan	All	Chinese New Year Celebration	Students will be dismissed by 10.30 am.
FEBRUARY			
1 & 2 Feb	All	Chinese New Year Public Holidays	
3 Feb	All	School will follow the odd week Monday timetable	Sec 2 students will continue with AEP from 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm.
4 Feb	All	School will follow the odd week Tuesday timetable until 12.30pm	
11 Feb	All	Blended Learning (3)	Students do not need to report to school.
16 Feb	Sec 1	Commencement of Sec 1 CCA	
25 Feb	All	Blended Learning (4)	Students do not need to report to school.
MARCH			
1 – 3 Mar	Sec 1E/NA	Sec 1E/NA Singapore River Trail (PM)	Students will be dismissed from school at 5.45pm. 1 Mar: 1E1 & 1E2 2 Mar: 1E4 & 1E4 3 Mar: 1N1 & 1N2
1, 2 & 4 Mar	Sec 4E/5N	English Language Oral Communication Skills Workshop (PM)	Details will be shared with the classes.
4 Mar	Sec 2	Sec 2 Streaming Briefing	For parents
7 – 9 Mar	Sec 4NA/NT	Elective Modules	
8 – 10 Mar	Sec 1	Sec 1 Level Camp	
9 & 10 Mar	Sec 4/5	Sec 4/5 Parent-Teacher Meeting	
9 Mar	Sec 4E5N	Career Sharing Day	
10 Mar	Sec 4/5	BM Excel Day	
11 Mar	All	Blended Learning (5)	Students do not need to report to school.
15 & 16 Mar	Sec 4/5	Craft & Technology Coursework March Intensive	