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Dear Parent/Guardian,

2023 Term 1 Updates

Blessings to you as we usher in the Lunar New Year!

The first two weeks of Term 1 started well and even as we welcome our Sec 1s to Fairfield, we also want to welcome our Sec 1 Parents to the Fairfield family. We have met many of you at the Installation Night as well as the Principal's Dialogue with Sec 2 Parents and we hope to have a meaningful partnership over the next few years. For those who were not present at the dialogues, please refer to our school website (https://fairfieldmethodistsec.moe.edu.sg/parents/principal-s-dialogue-with-parents) for the slides that were presented.

Please take note of the upcoming events for this term.

Weighted Assessment 1

The Term 1 Weighted Assessment (WA) schedule has been uploaded onto the school website. It can be accessed via the school website at https://fairfieldmethodistsec.moe.edu.sg/parents/assessment-matters. The topics to be assessed will be communicated to your child/ward by his/her subject teachers at least 2 weeks prior to the assessment. If your child/ward is unwell or self-isolating due to a positive COVID-19 test result, a positive ART test can be taken as proof of absence from the WA. However, if your child/ward is unwell due to other conditions, a medical certificate must be presented. Otherwise, no marks will be awarded. Assessment details for the rest of the year will be provided at a later date (accessible from the above link).

Remedial Classes

To support and address students' learning gaps, remediation will be starting for Sec 2–5 students from Term 1 Week 4, and Term 1 Week 8 onwards for Sec 1 students. The schedule for the remedial classes in Term 1 and 2 is as follows:

Term 1	Thursdays	Fridays
	3.00 to 4.00 pm	12.30 to 1.30 pm
	Mathematics and Humanities Mother Tongue and Sciences	
Term 2	Thursdays	Fridays
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Your child/ward will be informed by his/her subject teachers if he/she is required to attend the remedial sessions. To encourage self-directed learning, students who are invited to attend more than one remedial class at the same time will have to choose which class to go for. For the remedial class that they miss, students can follow up with the teacher to find out what they can do to improve.

Learning Festival, Enrichment and Fairfield Learning Experience (FLEX)

Fairfield believes in providing a holistic education that goes beyond textbooks and classrooms. Students are exposed to learning journeys, enrichment classes and go through experiential learning that is appropriate for the various levels. Please see table below for a flavour of what goes on every Tuesday (from 3pm to 6pm) and at the end of Term 1 and 2. The individual programme owners will inform you of the enrichment activity your child/ward is involved in.

LEARNING FESTIVAL, ENRICHMENT AND FLEX

	Term 1 (Week 10)	Term 2 (Week 9)	Selected Tuesdays
Domains	Learning Festival (M-T) and Sports Day (F)	FLEX Week (Tues – Fri)	Enrichments
Sec 1	1 GI, HI CCE LJ Art Gallery Visit, Coding Tier 1	Outdoor Adventure Camp	Effective Communication Skills in the 21 st Century Digital Literacy Leadership
Sec 2	CCE Museum, GI, ACES Modular Learning (Arts Parade, Coding Tier 2), MT LJ	Different Needs Fam Champs Dragon Boat	Science and Sustainability garden Digital Literacy Leadership
Sec 3	ECG Day + Financial Literacy + Science LJs + Study Skills	Flex Challenge	Leadership FLEX Challenge Preparation
Sec 4/5	ECG Week	Master Classes and Sprint to the Finals	Leadership

Oh! It's Fainfield

FLEX Challenge

Our Sec 3 students are also given the time and space to set themselves a challenge and prepare for it during the course of the semester. Some are planning a cycling trip, while some are learning and producing Art for an exhibition that they will set up themselves. Student interests are celebrated and students discover that learning can be fun.

Sports Day

Term 1 will culminate in a Sports Day on 10 March 2023. Students are expected to participate fully in the various games and races as the school celebrates the end of an exciting term. More details will be given out at a later date.

Carnival Preparations

The school is also preparing for the once-in-5-years "Oh! It's Fairfield Carnival." Students and staff have been issued tickets to sell and it will be good if you can support them in the sale of tickets as well as the preparation of the games and food stalls. Do let us know also if you would like to contribute to the Carnival and make this as memorable for our students as possible.

May God continue to help us to grow stronger together as a flourishing community of self-directed learners, influential leaders and caring citizens.

Yours Faithfully,

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Mr Wee Tat Chuen

Principal