



**West Grove
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Active Minds, Gracious Hearts

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Letter To Parents (Term 3)

28 June 2024

Dear Parents,

Greetings!

We welcome our children back for another exciting and meaningful learning adventure in Semester 2. I believe that you had a wonderful time with them, and they are energised and happy to be back in school.

Our children's learning and wellbeing will continue to be our key priorities and we will ensure that they stay focused on their learning and motivated to do their best always; anchored in 'Wisdom and Grace' and the RI3CK values. Our P6 students are in the final lap of the PSLE preparations, and we want to wish them the very best.

With the Future of Learning landscape, we will move towards a greater integration of the Enhanced 21st Century Competencies and EdTech within our total curriculum. Teaching and learning in schools will be transformed further and rejuvenated to ensure that our students are better ready for the new future norms.

I was recently reading a book titled 'The Book of Ichigo Ichie' (The Art of making the most of every moment, the Japanese way). What it reinforced was about making the most of every present experience and enjoying it to the fullest, as no matter how similar another experience may be, it's never going to be the exact same. While the past teaches us many lessons and planning for the future is very important, sometimes, we tend to think too much about the past and the future that we forget to appreciate and enjoy the present moment. No wonder, another word for present is a 'gift'!

At WGPS, initial plans and discussions on the Future of Learning are underway as we aspire to create a uniquely ours - the West Grove Experience. The present that we want our children to experience as they learn from the past and prepare for the future. What is then the Future of learning @ WGPS? We invite ideas and suggestions from our students and parents on what they desire in this West Grove Experience. Do come forward and share your thoughts with your children's form teachers. We would love to hear from you.



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Parents, you have always been very supportive of your children and the school. We seek your continued understanding and support as we travel in this journey together.

A reminder to all our children to build their confidence and resilience with a poem by Robert Longley ...

Stand up to the fury
Let the torrents rage
Keep things moving forward
Stand firm and turn the page

It's just part of the story
A challenge to be won
A dragon for the slaying
So as to meet the morning sun

Tomorrow brings another
And more each passing day
It's about how we get through it
It's how we find a way

This strength reveals resilience
To deal with what lies in store
Facing each day's challenge
And coming back for more

Best Wishes,

Mrs Chandler Jay Siva
Principal



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Staff Movement

We extend a heartfelt welcome to these teachers as they become part of our West Grove family. Together, we shall continue to lead, care, and inspire!

1. Mr Chen Jing Long (Physical Education)
2. Mdm Noor Afizah Binte Rusli (Malay Language)
3. Mdm Ismawarni Binte Isnin (Allied Educator, T&L)
4. Ms Dewi Rosyati (Allied Educator, T&L)
5. Mr Zul Afiq Bin Zuhri (SEN officer)

We would like to express our gratitude to the following teachers who will be leaving our West Grove family.

1. Mr Chuan Teik Ping (Chinese Language)
2. Mdm Tang Oi Khum (Chinese Language)



School Hours and Dismissal Arrangements

School hours are from 7.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m. daily. All students should reach school and be ready for morning assembly by 7.30 a.m. We seek your support in ensuring that your child/ward reports punctually to school.

Venues for Dismissal

Gate	Levels using the gate for dismissal	Remarks
Big Gate 1	P3 to P6	This vehicular gate (used by vehicles) will be out of bounds to traffic from 1.15 – 1.45 p.m. daily.
Small Gate 1	P1 and P2	
Gate 3	All levels	This is the gate nearest to block 723

Wet Weather Dismissal

Gate	Wet Weather Arrangements
Gate 1	Parents/Guardians using Gate 1 may wait for your child/ward in the canteen. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P1 and P2 parents - canteen corridor next to the field/bookshop • P3 to P6 parents - canteen corridor next to the parade square
Gate 3	Parents/Guardians may wait for your child/ward at the corridor of Classroom Block C (Level 1).



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Reminder on School Safety & After-School Programme

To ensure the safety of students who stay for after-school programmes, they are **not allowed** to leave the school before the start of their activity. Students should have their lunch in school. Students who have no after-school activities are strongly encouraged to leave school latest by 2.30 pm.

We seek your understanding and support to reinforce this message to your child/ward.

All parents of students cycling or scooting to school are required to acknowledge an advisory letter which will be issued upon request. This is to encourage parents to actively monitor the child/ward's behaviour and conduct in the use of their bicycles / scooters. Students who do not commute safely may not be allowed to cycle / scoot to school.



Road Safety

The school would like to emphasize the importance of road safety. We hope to seek your cooperation in ensuring the safety of students coming to and leaving school. This is especially important as young children may not have the skills required to use roads properly and do not always fully appreciate the dangers presented. Their small physique also makes them less visible to motorists. Let's do our part to model safe road use.



Curriculum & Assessment Matters

Weighted Assessment for P3 to P6 students will be carried out in Term 3.

Scan the QRcode for the Assessment Plan and WGPS Calendar for the assessment dates.



Assessment Plan

(<https://go.gov.sg/wgps2024assessmentplan>)



WGPS Calendar

(<https://www.westgrovepri.moe.edu.sg/parents-hub/school-calendar/>)



School Attendance & Absence for Weighted Assessment

Your child/ward's regular attendance in school is closely monitored by our form teachers. For any absences, please inform the form teacher and submit relevant documentation (e.g. Medical Certificates) if applicable.

If the absence falls on the date of a weighted assessment (e.g. topical test, exam), there is **no make-up** for the assessment. Pro-rating will be considered if the absence is substantiated with valid reasons (e.g. Medical Certificates).

Schedule of Key Events for Term 3

Date	Activity	Remarks
24 Jun 2024 (Mon)	2025 P3 & P4 HTML Briefing to Parents	
25 Jun – 5 Jul 2024 (Tue - Fri)	P4 Museum-Based Learning Journey	Refer to letter sent on PG
26 – 28 Jun 2024 (Wed - Fri)	P5 Cohort Camp	Refer to letter sent on PG
29 Jun 2024 (Sat)	P5 NE Show	Refer to letter sent on PG
1 Jul 2024 (Mon)	Youth Day	School Holiday
8, 15 & 22 Jul 2024 (Mon)	P1 PAL Learning Journey to River Wonder	Refer to letter sent on PG
22, 23, 25 & 26 Jul 2024 (Mon - Fri)	P6 Social Studies Learning Journey	More details will be shared on PG
8 Aug 2024 (Thu)	School National Day Celebration	The school will be celebrating National Day on 8 Aug 2024 (Thu). Students will be dismissed at 10.00am. Parents are to make the necessary arrangements to pick up your children.
9 Aug 2024 (Fri)	National Day	Public Holiday School will resume on 12 Aug 2024 (Mon)
13 – 14 Aug (2024) (Tue – Wed)	PSLE Oral	No school for P1 to P5
15 Aug 2024 (Thu)	GEP Screening Stage 1	P3 students. Option form will be posted on PG



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29 Aug 2024 (Thu)	School's Teacher's Day Celebration	The school will be celebrating Teacher's Day on 29 Aug 2024 (Thu). Students will be dismissed at 11.00am. Parents are to make the necessary arrangements to pick up your children.
30 Aug 2024 (Fri)	Teacher's Day	School Holiday
31 Aug – 8 Sep 2024 (Sat – Sun)	Term 3 School Holidays	
5 Sep – 6 Sep 2024 (Thu – Fri)	P6 Study Camp	More details will be shared on PG
13 Sep 2024 (Fri)	PSLE Listening Comprehension	No school for P1 to P5 More details will be shared on PG
23 Sep – 25 Sep 2024 (Mon – Wed)	P6 Study Break	School as per normal for P1 to P5
26 – 27 Sep 2024 (Thu – Fri)	P1 & P2 Home-based Learning	Primarily Offline Work More details will be shared on PG
30 Sep 2024 (Mon)	P3 to P5 Home-based Learning	More details will be shared on PG
26 Sep – 2 Oct 2024 (Thu – Wed)	PSLE Written Paper	
3 Oct 2024 (Thu)	School Children's Day Celebration	More details will be shared on PG
4 Oct 2024 (Fri)	Children's Day	School Holiday
14 – 16 Oct 2024 (Mon – Wed)	PSLE Marking Days	More details will be shared on PG P3 and P5 students will report to school
15 -16 Oct 2024 (Thu)	GEP Selection Stage 2	Only shortlisted students will be invited to the selection stage
31 Oct 2024 (Thu)	Deepavali	Public Holiday
11 Nov 2024 (Mon)	P1 & P2 E-PCTC	More details will be shared on PG P4 will report to school
14 Nov 2024 (Thu)	Celebration of Success	All levels will report to school as usual
15 Nov 2024	Admin Day	No school for P1 to P6



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Parent Engagement & Mode of Communication

Modes of Communication

The main mode of communication between the teachers and parents are as follows:

- General office hotline: **6267 9234** (Mon to Fri, from 7.00 a.m. - 5.30 p.m.)
- Student Handbook
- Teachers' Email (PG Contacts or School webpage)

Follow us on **Instagram** ([@wgps_official](https://www.instagram.com/wgps_official)) and **Facebook** (<https://go.gov.sg/wgpsfb>) to stay updated on school activities happening at WGPS. You can also refer to our **calendar of events** (<https://go.gov.sg/2024wgpscalendar>) to help you stay organised and involved in your child's academic journey. We thank you for your ongoing support in making West Grove Primary School a thriving educational community for your child/ward.



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