



TANJONG KATONG PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents / Guardians

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1. Welcome back and welcome to the TKP family

We would like to extend a warm welcome to our P1 students and new students who have just joined the school. For the P2 to P6 students, welcome back to school as we look forward to another exciting year of learning together.

To ensure schools remain a safe place for teaching and learning, we will continue to observe safe distancing, visual screening and temperature-taking of individuals. We will reiterate to students the importance of good hygiene practices. Please also ensure that your child seeks medical attention if he/she is unwell and rests at home.

2. 2021 P6 Graduating Cohort

Our heartiest congratulations to our P6/2021 cohort who have completed their primary school education. We would like to express our appreciation to our teachers for their commitment and to the parents for their continuous partnership in the last 6 years.

We wish our 2021 P6 cohort all the best in the next phase of their learning journey. You are always a member of the TKP family.

3. Lunar New Year (LNY) Hamper-Making Activity/ St Luke's Hongbao Project

As we are preparing to usher in LNY in February, and in line with our school value of Empathy, we will like to take this opportunity to cultivate the spirit of love and care in our students for the needy during this festive season. Hence, the students will be encouraged to participate in the LNY Hamper Making as a class and the St Luke's Hongbao Project 2022.

LNY Hamper Making

The LNY Hamper Making aims to help the needy through donations of food to different charity beneficiaries. Students are encouraged to donate non-perishable food items that are suitable for the elderly. They should have at least a minimum of 6 months shelf life and must be HALAL certified. Students are to bring the items to school between 21 to 26 Jan and hand them to their Form Teachers.

The table below shows the list of items you can bring.

Category	Suggested Items	Remarks
Beverages	Milo (Tin / 1.2kg) Fruit juices (tetra pack 250ml)	Preferably with less / without sugar
Dairy	Evaporated milk Fortified milk powder UHT milk (1 litre)	
Biscuits	Assorted biscuits	
Spreads	Fruit Jam Kaya Peanut butter	Preferably with less / no sugar

4. Lunar New Year Celebration

Our school will be celebrating Lunar New Year on 31 January, Monday. All students are to report to school as usual by 7.30 a.m. Your child is strongly encouraged to wear a red T-shirt on that day. He / She only needs to pack a small bag with a water bottle, stationery and a story book. In view of early dismissal, there will not be a recess break on that day.

In order to reduce congestion, we will continue to stagger dismissal timings:

Levels	Fetches by caregivers (Gate)	Fetches by caregivers (Car Porch)	School Bus
Primary 1	9.50a.m. Gate 3 (Seraya Road)	After 10.40 a.m. (after the school buses leave)	10.10a.m.
Primary 2	10.05a.m. Gate 3 (Seraya Road)		
Primary 3	10.00a.m. Gate 7 (Fowlie Road)	After 10.40 a.m. (after the school buses leave) For P3 to P6 students, for those taking the public bus, it will be through the Gate @ Fowlie Road	
Primary 4	10.15a.m. Gate 7 (Fowlie Road)		
Primary 5	10.20a.m. Gate 5 (Haig Road)		
Primary 6	10.30a.m Gate 5 (Haig Road)		

To manage the heavy traffic around the school during dismissal and ensure our students' safety, we request parents who are fetching their children from school, especially for those who are driving, to come only after 10.40a.m after the school buses have left the school premises.

Students do not report to school on **1 February, Tuesday and 2 February, Wednesday**, it being Chinese New Year.

5. Staff Awards

We would like to congratulate the following staff members who have been awarded the school-based staff awards:

Award	Staff
Innovator Award	Mr Subramaniam Senthil
Best Team Player	Mr Andrew Koh
Extra Mile Award	Mdm Rukamani

6. President's Award for Teachers (PAT) and Outstanding Youth in Education Award (OYE)

- a. The **President's Award for Teachers (PAT)** gives national recognition to the critical role that teachers play in moulding the future of our nation. It pays tribute to excellent teachers who, through words and deeds, inspire both the students and peers.

PAT 2022 nominations is from 1 Oct 2021, Friday to 25 Jan 2022, Tuesday. You may download and print a copy of the nomination form from the Academy of Singapore Teachers website (<https://academyofsingaporeteachers.moe.edu.sg>). Submission of the forms can be through the following link (go.gov.sg/pat2022) or mailed to the PAT Secretariat, Academy of Singapore Teachers, 2 Malan Road, Singapore 109433 by 25 Jan 2022.

- b. The **Outstanding Youth in Education Award (OYE)** gives recognition to young teachers who are role models for the teaching profession. These educators motivate, challenge and inspire their students to realise their full potential. They personify deep passion for teaching, youthful idealism, energy and enthusiasm, and play a critical role in moulding the future of our nation.

Nominations for OYE 2022 is from 1 Oct 2021, Friday to 12 Jan 2022, Wednesday.

You may download and print a copy of the nomination form from the Academy of Singapore Teachers website (<https://academyofsingaporeteachers.moe.edu.sg>). Submission of the forms can be through the following link (go.gov.sg/oyea2022) or mailed to the OYE Secretariat, Academy of Singapore Teachers, 2 Malan Road, Singapore 109433 by 12 Jan 2022.

7. Caring Teacher Awards 2022

The Caring Teacher Awards (CTA) aims to acknowledge teachers in schools who go beyond the call of duty, nurturing the holistic development of their students and ensuring their charges grow up to be confident, independent and resilient learners for our nation.

Please proceed to the following website to nominate deserving teachers for the award:
[CTA 2022 | HOME \(nie.edu.sg\)](https://nie.edu.sg/cta2022).

The closing date for nomination is 31 Jan 2022, Monday.

8. Staff Updates

We would like to warmly welcome the following staff members to the school:

- Ms Nuraishah Bte Mahmood – SH/ICT
- Ms Serene Soh Shini – Teacher
- Mdm Halimah Lin Bte Ami – Teacher
- Ms Sherry Chia – Teacher
- Ms Ashley Chong – Teacher
- Mr Lim Shi Kai – School Counsellor

We would like to thank the following staff for their service to the school. We wish them all the best in their new posting and future endeavours:

- Ms Charisma Ahino
- Mr Subramaniyan Senthil
- Mdm Siti Fatimah Bte Mohd Ali
- Mr Shahul Hamid
- Mr Muslim Bin Mohd Amin
- Mr Kevin Yap
- Mr Leonard Moong
- Mdm Sharifah Fathiah Alsagoff

9. TKP Privacy Policy

Photographs/videos of students/parents taken at school events/ competitions by the school may be published on the school's official communication channels (e.g. newsletters, school website or similar platforms) and may be used for briefings, workshops and other educational purposes.

The school may occasionally publish photographs, videos and students' work/achievements together with the names of the students. Photographs, videos, and/or sound recordings of students will not be used in publicity campaigns placed with external media outlets unless parental consent is given.

When an application or email enquiry is made, the school may share necessary data (e.g. personally identifiable data) with other Government agencies, so as to serve you in a most efficient and effective way, unless such sharing is prohibited by legislation. We will NOT share your personal data with non-Government entities, except where such entities have been authorised to carry out specific Government services.

8. Security Matters

In order to ensure that our students' safety is not compromised, all visitors to the school must register at the security post near the main gate with their identity card that has a photograph. Visitors will then report to the general office and should always be accompanied by our staff when moving around in the school. The visitors should prominently display the visitor sticker that would be issued to them upon

registration. Parents/care-givers coming to school to drop off or pick up their children will be exempted from registering at the security post. However, they should not proceed to any other part of the school except the pick-up and drop-off location. We seek your cooperation in this matter as these measures are in place for the protection of your child and the rest of the school community.

If there is a need to meet up with the teacher or school staff, please make an appointment in advance through the teacher or school staff to ensure that they are available to meet up with you when you arrive in school.

9. Calendar of Events – Term 1


Please note the calendar of events below:

Event	Date(s)	Participants
UPBEAT Orientation programme	4 – 7 Jan (Tues to Fri) 5 – 7 Jan (Wed to Fri)	P1 students P2 to P6 students
P1 to P6 Parents' Engagement	22 Jan (Sat)	P1 to P6 parents <i>*The briefing will be conducted virtually in view of the Safe Management Measures to be undertaken. More details will be given out in a separate letter.</i>
Lunar New Year Celebrations <i>*All students are to report by 7.30a.m. Please refer to the table at para 4 for the staggered dismissal timings.</i>	31 Jan (Mon)	P1 to P6 students
Lunar New Year Holidays	1 and 2 Feb (Tues & Wed)	P1 to P6 students
Term 1 holidays	12 – 20 Mar	P1 to P6 students

The last 2 years have been challenging years for all of us in school. But with your support, patience and understanding, we were able to do our jobs better and to keep the children safe in TKP, without compromising on the rigour of learning.

In 2022, we continue to seek your support and patience and understanding to work hand-in-hand so that together, we can do our best for the TKP family.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs Seah Lay Tin
Principal