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A School of Distinction – Enriched Beyond Limits, Loved Beyond Measure

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Dear Parents/Guardian

TPS CELEBRATES

1. The school would like to celebrate our achievement in the National Tamil Debate “**Sorpor**” organized by S3 Cluster Schools supported by Tamil Language Learning and Promotion Committee (TLLPC) and the Tamil Language Council (TLC). Our team comprising of Rohini Sekar (6 Faith), Ravanth Baskaran (6 Care), S Logeashwaran (6 Faith) and M. Harrish (6 Love), qualified for semi-finals and emerged the top 4 out of 32 schools. S Logeashwaran was also selected the Best Speaker in the competition. This competition aimed to enthuse pupils to learn and appreciate the Tamil Language beyond classrooms and created a platform for the pupils to showcase their Tamil oracy skills.

SEMESTERAL ASSESSMENT 1 SCHEDULE AND TOPICS

2. The Semestral Assessment 1 is approaching for P2 to P6 pupils. These assessments are important to find out how well your child is learning. To better help you in your guidance of your child to prepare for this assessment, the schedule and topics to be tested can be found in the annexes (only for P2 to P6 students). It is important that every child works hard and aim to achieve academic excellence.

SEMESTER ONE ORAL EXAMINATION (P2 – P6)

3. Semester One Oral Preliminary Examinations will be conducted on **21st April to 30th April 2009** for both Mother Tongue Languages and English Language. All CCA will be conducted as scheduled.

DAY / DATE	2 to 4 pm
Tuesday 21st April 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P3 – P4 EL Oral Examination • P6 MT Supplementary
Wednesday 22nd April 2009	Conversational Chinese & Malay
Thursday 23rd April 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P5 – P6 EL Oral Examination • P3 – P4 MT Supplementary
Friday 24th April 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P5 MT Oral Examination • P6 English/Maths/Science Supplementary & Remedial Lessons
Tuesday 28th April 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P6 MT Oral Examination • P3 – 5 English/Maths/Science Supplementary & Remedial Lessons
Wednesday 29th April 2009	Conversational Chinese & Malay
Thursday 30th April 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P3 & P4 MT Oral Examination • P3 – P6 English/Maths/Science Supplementary & Remedial Lessons

4. If your child is required to sit for the Oral Examination after school, the school bus service at 4 pm (Tuesday, Thursday and Friday) and 6 pm (Tuesday and Thursday only) will be provided. However, if he/she does not go home by school bus, you will have to make your own transport arrangement.

UPDATES ON HAND FOOT MOUTH DISEASE (HFMD)

5. There have been media reports of rising number of HFMD cases. The school has stepped up measures to check for HFMD to prevent it from spreading among our students. Our teachers have been asked to look out for students with symptoms of HFMD. Our toilets, classrooms, canteen, and all public areas used by the students are cleaned every day. Students have also been reminded to take their temperature and avoid coming to school if they develop a fever. We have also carried out regular reminders at assembly sessions on proper hygiene practices like washing of hands and covering our mouth when sneezing.

6. MOH has also issued advisory on ways for parents to help contain the spread of HFMD as follows:

- a. Parents should consult a doctor early if their child has fever, mouth ulcers and rashes on the palms, soles or buttocks.
- b. Maintain high standards of personal and environmental hygiene to minimise the spread of HFMD. Parents should ensure that their children adopt the following good practices:
 - i. Wash hands with soap before eating and after going to the toilet;
 - ii. Cover mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing;
 - iii. Do not share eating utensils.
- c. Children with HFMD should remain at home until all the blisters have dried up. During this period, contact with other children should be avoided until the child recovers. The child should not be brought to any public or crowded places. The child should stay away from school and child care for this entire period and not return until he/she has fully recovered.
- d. Parents should be alert to any changes in their child's normal behaviour, e.g. irritation or sleepiness. If in doubt, parents should consult a doctor immediately.
- e. For more information on HFMD, please see the FAQs on MOH website at http://www.pgms.moh.gov.sg/apps/fcd_faqmain.aspx.

READ WITH ME (P1 – P3 CHINESE LANGUAGE)

7. As part of school's effort to promote reading among our pupils, the Chinese Language Department launched the **READ with Me** programme for P1 – P3 pupils this year. Pupils are encouraged to read a story book to their parents every alternate week. The school hopes that parents can actively support this programme by reading with your child and completing the reading log.

TEMASEK JUNIOR COLLEGE OPEN HOUSE (FOR P6 PUPILS ONLY)

8. In order to generate greater awareness of the diverse pathways in the secondary education landscape, Temasek Junior College (TJC) would like to invite interested parents of Primary 6 pupils to attend its Open House.

Details of the Open House are as follows:

Date/Day: 18 April 2009 (Sat)
Time: 10 am to 2 pm
Venue: Temasek Junior College

9. In addition, TJC will also be organizing a Parents Talk "**Integrated Programme – An alternative education pathway for University–Bound education path**". Interested parents can find out more from the following website: <http://www.tjc.edu.sg/taparentstalk2009>.

Details of the talk are as follows:

Date/Day: 22 May 2009 (Friday)
Time: 7 pm to 8.30 pm
Venue: Temasek Junior College (Auditorium)

Yours faithfully

Mrs Wong Bin Eng
Principal

