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30 June 2025

Dear Parents and Guardians,

A brand-new term is here, and we could not be more excited! It is a fresh start filled with endless opportunities for learning, growth, and discovery. We are confident that the holiday break has left our Damaians recharged and ready to take on the new challenges ahead. Our staff is all geared up to support them every step of the way. With the dedicated support of our families, we cannot wait to see all the amazing things our students will achieve this term!

1. Safety and Administrative Matters

Travel Declaration for 2025 Mid-Year School Holidays

We would like to thank all parents who have submitted their child's/children's/ward's 2025 Mid-Year School Holidays Travel Declaration.

If you have made any last-minute travel arrangements or changes to your initial plans, we kindly request that you update and submit the travel declaration via Parents' Gateway (PG) by **Friday**, **11 July 2025**. To do so, please go to **[SERVICE > DECLARE TRAVELS]**. Be sure to include the **country and city of travel**, as well as any **transit cities**. Only one parent is required to make the declaration.

Alternatively, you may also submit via the following QR Code or link:



No action is required if your child/ward did not travel during the school holidays.

Student Wellness

To ensure that our school remains a safe and conducive environment for learning, we seek your kind cooperation in keeping your child at home if he/she is feeling unwell. Students should rest at home for the full duration of their medical or hospitalisation leave to allow for complete recovery. This will help reduce the risk of transmission and protect the well-being of others.

If your child is absent, we would appreciate it if you could inform your child's Form Teacher or call the General Office at 6445 6483 on the morning of the absence. Please submit the medical certificate to your child's Form Teacher when he/she returns to school.





Your understanding and partnership are vital in helping us maintain a healthy and supportive school environment for all at Damai Primary School.

We seek your support in ensuring that your child/ward brings a working Oral Digital Thermometer (ODT) to school for the temperature-taking exercise on 9 July 2025. The ODT will also be useful for monitoring your child's temperature should they exhibit symptoms of being unwell. Please remind your child to keep their ODT in their bag daily for quick and easy access.

School Emergency Drills

As part of our ongoing efforts to raise awareness on school safety and security, the school will be conducting various emergency drills this semester. These exercises aim to help students and staff better understand the appropriate measures and actions to take in the event of an emergency.

Hot and Humid Weather Conditions

In view of the hot and humid weather conditions experienced over the past few months, we continue to remind students to stay well-hydrated while in school. To ensure their comfort, students will also be allowed to wear their PE attire to school daily until further notice.

We kindly remind all parents to check your child's attire, including footwear, to ensure that they are in good condition and fit well. Wearing comfortable attire supports your child's physical well-being and allows them to them to focus better and engage more fully in their learning.

2. Student Well-Being

In Term 2, students delved into the importance of relationship management and conflict resolution. They reflected on how to respond mindfully to challenges, with opportunities to practise these skills through peer affirmation activities and the celebration of International Friendship Day. A key highlight was a pre-assembly segment featuring students who had supported peers in distress by applying the breathing techniques taught earlier in the year.

In Term 3, our focus shifts to self-management—guiding students to care for their well-being while balancing academic and personal responsibilities. Through the Start-It-Right programme and case studies discussions, students learn strategies to manage stress, prioritise tasks, and recognise the importance of taking breaks to recharge. These lessons will be reinforced through meaningful activities such as refreshing their Friendship Blooms and writing Teachers' Day cards—small acts of appreciation that serve as gentle reminders that caring for others begins with caring for oneself.

We encourage parents to reinforce these lessons at home by helping children establish simple routines that support a healthy balance between schoolwork, rest, and relationships.



3. Timetable – Semester 2

Please note that there is a change in the class timetable for Semester 2. Students received their updated timetable at the end of the last term and are expected to follow the new schedule starting **Tuesday**, **2 July 2025** of the new school term. We encourage parents to help their child review the timetable and prepare accordingly.

4. Start-it-Right Programme

To support our students in starting the new school term on the right note, all students will participate in the Start-it-Right programme over 1 to 1.5 days. This initiative is designed to ease their transition back to school after the mid-year holidays and reestablish a positive learning mindset.

During the programme, teachers will check in on the well-being of each student and facilitate class discussions on the importance of establishing healthy routines, managing time effectively, identifying their locus of control, and coping with expectations and increasing demands. In addition, tailored activities will help students strengthen peer relationships and foster a caring classroom environment.

We look forward to seeing our students return refreshed, ready to learn something new each day, and build on the knowledge they have gained.

5. Holistic Assessment Plan - Semester 2

The Holistic Assessment (HA) Plan for Semester 2 will be issued in Term 3/Week 3. Parents can refer to the HA plan for detailed information on assessment matters.

6. Primary School Leaving Examination (PSLE)

PSLE Oral Examination will be held on <u>Wednesday and Thursday,13 & 14 August 2025</u>. Primary 1 to 5 students need not attend school on these two days. Primary 6 students will receive further instructions on their reporting time for the examination.

PSLE Listening Comprehension Examination will be held on <u>Tuesday, 16 September 2025</u>. Primary 1 to 5 students need not attend school on this day. Primary 6 students will receive further instructions on their reporting time for the examination.

The PSLE Written Examination will be conducted <u>from Thursday to Wednesday</u>, <u>25 September to 1 October 2025</u>. More information will be provided to Primary 6 students and parents nearer the dates. Here's wishing our class of 2025 all the best in the examination!



7. <u>Primary 6 Preliminary Oral Examination, Listening Comprehension Examination and Written Examination</u>

Students in Primary 6 will take their Preliminary Oral Examination on <u>Monday and Tuesday, 28 and 29 July 2025.</u> The oral examination will be conducted after curriculum hours. As such, parents and guardians will need to make the necessary transport arrangements for your children/wards after the oral examination. Please note that school bus service does not extend beyond the usual dismissal hours.

The Preliminary Listening Comprehension Examination will be held on **Friday**, **15 August 2025**.

The Preliminary Written Examination will take place from <u>Thursday to Wednesday</u>, **21 August to 27 August 2025.**

8. Primary 6 Supplementary Class and Primary 3 to 5 Remedial Class

Please take note of the date of commencement for the following classes in Term 3:

Primary 6 Supplementary Class will commence from the **first week of Term 3**. Primary 3 to 5 Remedial Class will commence from the **second week of Term 3**.

All Primary 6 students and selected Primary 3 to 5 students have received the consent form and schedule from their Form Teachers. Please refer to the schedule for the specific date and time.

9. Primary 5 National Education Show

Primary 5 students will be attending the National Education (NE) Show at The Padang this year. The NE Shows are organised for Primary 5 students to provide them with a cohort experience of the National Day Parade (NDP).

Date:	Saturday, 19 Jul 2025
Reporting Time:	2.00 p.m.
Venue:	School Canteen
Dismissal Time:	9.30 p.m.

10. Primary 4 Subject-Based Banding (SBB) Briefing

The Primary 4 Subject Based Banding (SBB) briefing aims to equip parents with a better understanding of the PSLE scoring and posting system as well as the Primary 4 Subject-based banding criteria and options offered by the school. The briefing will be held on **Friday**, 1 August 2025. A letter regarding the briefing will be sent to parents of Primary 4 students at a later date.

11. Primary 3 Gifted Education Programme (GEP) Screening Exercise 2025

The GEP Screening Exercise will be carried out on **Thursday**, **21 August 2025**. It will be based on the Primary 1 to Primary 3 English Language and Mathematics syllabuses. More details for the GEP Screening Exercise will be given to parents of students in Primary 3 nearer the date.



12. <u>KidsREAD Programme, School-based Dyslexia Remediation Programme, Read Remediation Programme</u>

Please note the date of commencement for the following programmes in Term 3:

Levels	Programme	Date
Primary 1 and 2	KidsREAD Programme	From Term 3 Week 1,
selected students		Tuesday, 1 July 2025
		onwards
Primary 3	School-based Dyslexia	From Term 3 Week 1,
selected students	Remediation Programme	Monday, 30 June 2025
	(SDR)	onwards
Primary 4	School-based Dyslexia	From Term 3 Week 3,
selected students	Remediation Programme	Monday, 14 July 2025
	(SDR)	onwards
Primary 3 and 4	Read Remediation	From Term 3 Week 1,
selected students	Programme (RRP)	Tuesday, 1 July 2025
		onwards

13. Racial Harmony Day

The school will be commemorating Racial Harmony Day on **Monday, 21 July 2025**. The theme this year is "*Our People, Our Tapestry*". On that day, students will reflect on and celebrate Singapore as a harmonious society built on a rich diversity of cultures and the collaborative effort of all to ensure that our multicultural tapestry remains strong and unified, exemplifying the strength and beauty of our shared heritage and commitment to harmony.

Students can look forward to an assembly sharing in the school hall and hands-on activities in class. Members of the Parents Support Group will conduct interactive activities during recess for our students to learn more about the various cultures in Singapore.

We hope that the series of activities will deepen our students understanding of the importance of respecting and appreciating every race and religion.

14. Damai Art Exhibition @ Bedok Public Library

Our budding young artists will be engaging the community through their creative expressions in an exhibition at Bedok Public Library from 2 to 31 July 2025. The showcase features a thoughtfully curated selection of artworks from their art lessons, as well as pieces from the Art & Ceramics Club and Photography Club — highlighting the breadth of their skills and the richness of their artistic journeys. We warmly encourage all parents and students to visit the exhibition and celebrate the creativity of our students.



15. Term 3 Cohort Learning Journey

Please refer to the table below for the learning journeys planned for Term 3. More details and information of the learning journeys will be shared via letters and acknowledgement forms sent through Parents Gateway (PG) nearer the dates of the learning journeys.

CLASS	Venue	Date
All Primary 6 Classes	Birds Paradise	Thursday, 3 July 2025
Primary 4 Sincerity & 4 Passion	National Gallery	Wednesday, 16 July 2025
Primary 3 Aspiration & 3 Leadership	Geylang Serai Heritage Gallery	Monday, 28 July 2025
Primary 3 Passion & 3 Sincerity	Geylang Serai Heritage Gallery	Tuesday, 29 July 2025
Primary 3 Kindness	Geylang Serai Heritage Gallery	Friday, 15 August 2025

16. Home-based Learning

Home-based Learning (HBL) aims to facilitate continuous learning, while fostering student independence as self-directed learners.

Please refer the HBL schedule for this semester.

Date	Levels involved in HBL	Remarks
Tuesday,	Primary 1 to 5	Students are not required to attend school
16 September 2025	-	due to PSLE Listening Comprehension.
(Term 4, Week 1)		13

Assignments will be made available online, through Student Learning Space (SLS) or hardcopies issued out to students. More details will be provided in due course.

We value your partnership and look forward to providing the best for our students.

17. Youth Day School Holiday

Please note that **Monday**, **7 July 2025**, is a Youth Day School Holiday. Students are not required to attend school on that day.



18. Damai Primary Dental Services

We are pleased to inform you that the Roving Dental Clinic has commenced its operations in our school with immediate effect. The operating hours are as follows:

Day	Time
Monday, Wednesday & Friday	8 a.m. to 1 p.m.
	2 p.m. to 5 p.m.
Tuesday & Thursday	8 a.m. to 1 p.m.
	2 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.

Please be reminded to make an appointment before visiting the Dental Clinic. For inquiries about the dental services available, kindly contact the Dental Therapist in Charge, Ms Nurul Adilah or Ms Nurul Amira, at **9105 4971 (WhatsApp or SMS).**

19. Revised Criteria for Academic Subject Awards 2025

Each year, the school celebrates our students' achievements during Prize Giving Day. Starting this year, the criteria for the year-end Academic Subject Awards have been revamped to reflect a broader definition of success. In addition to academic progress and conduct, the revised criteria will now also recognise students who demonstrate emerging 21st CC competencies such as *Inventive Thinking*, *Adaptive Thinking*, *Civic Literacy*, and *Communication*. This change underscores our commitment to nurturing future-ready learners to thrive in a rapidly changing world.

Conclusion

As we return to school, we look forward to continuing our journey of joyful learning, growth, and the discovery of our students' interests and passions. We remain committed to partnering with you to make the rest of the semester a productive and fulfilling one for every student. Together, we can support our students in achieving academic success while nurturing the skills and confidence they need to thrive in all areas of life.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation. Here's to a fantastic semester ahead!

Appended to this letter for your reference is the school calendar for Semester 2.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Jenny Leong Principal



Annex A

2025 Semester 2 Calendar

DATE	DAY	PROGRAMME/ACTIVITY	LEVEL	TIME
JUNE			•	•
30 Jun	Mon	Welcome back to School	ALL	AM
		Start of P6 Supplementary Classes	P6	2-4 pm
JULY				
7 Jul	Mon	Youth Day School Holiday	ALL	-
10 Jul	Thu	Start of Remedial Classes	P3-P5	2-3pm
28 – 29 Jul	Mon- Tue	P6 Prelim Oral Examination	P6	PM
AUGUST				
1 Aug	Fri	Primary 4 Subject Based Banding (SBB) Briefing	P4	PM
8 Aug	Fri	National Day Celebration	ALL	AM
11 Aug	Mon	National Day School Holiday (Day Off-In-Lieu)	ALL	-
13 - 14 Aug	Wed-	PSLE Oral Examinations Day 1 and 2	P6	AM
13 - 14 Aug	Thu	School Closure for PSLE Oral	P1-P5	AM
15 Aug	Fri	P6 Prelim Listening Comprehension Examination	P6	AM
21 Aug	Thu	P6 Prelim English / Foundation English Paper 1 & 2 Examination	P6	AM
22 Aug	Fri	P6 Prelim Mathematics / Foundation Mathematics Examination	P6	AM
25 Aug	Mon	P6 Prelim Mother Tongue Paper 1 & 2 / Foundation Mother Tongue Paper 1 Examination	P6	AM
26 Aug	Tue	P6 Prelim Science / Foundation Science Examination	P6	AM
27 Aug	Wed	P6 Prelim Higher Mother Tongue Paper 1 & 2 Examination	P6	AM
SEPTEMBER				
5 Sep	Fri	Teachers' Day School Holiday	ALL	-
6 Sep – 14 Sep	Sat- Sun	September School Holidays	ALL	M
10-12 Sep	Wed- Fri	P6 Holiday Classes	P6	8am – 12.30pm
16 Sep	Tue	PSLE Listening Comprehension Examination	P6	AM
17-18 Sep	Wed	P3 End-Year Examination EL/MT Oral	P3	PM
19 Sep	Fri	P4 End-Year Examination EL/MT Oral	P4	PM
22-23 Sep	Mon- Tue	P5 End-Year Examination EL/MT Oral	P5	PM
		PSLE English/Foundation English Examination	P6	AM
25 Sep The	Thu	School Closure for PSLE Written Exam (Details to be shared at a later date)	P3-P4	AM





DATE	DAY	PROGRAMME/ACTIVITY	LEVEL	TIME
26 Sep Fri	PSLE Mathematics/Foundation Mathematics Examination	P6	AM	
	School Closure for PSLE Written Exam (Details to be shared at a later date)	P3-P5	AM	
29 Sep Mon	PSLE Mother Tongue/Foundation Mother Tongue Examination	P6	AM	
	School Closure for PSLE Written Exam (Details to be shared at a later date)	P5	AM	
30 Sep	Tue	PSLE Science/Foundation Science Examination	P6	AM
OCTOBER				
1 Oct	Wed	PSLE Higher Mother Tongue Examination	P6	AM
3 Oct	Fri	Children's Day School Holiday	ALL	-
7 Oct	Tue	P3-P5 End-Year Examination EL Paper 1 & Listening Comprehension	P3-P5	AM
8 Oct	Wed	P3-P5 End-Year Examination MT/FMT Paper 1 & Listening Comprehension	P3-P5	AM
12 15 Oct	Mon-	PSLE Marking Days	ALL	-
13-15 Oct Wed	Wed	School Closure for PSLE Marking	P1-P6	AM
20 Oct	Mon	Deepavali Public Holiday	ALL	-
22 Oct	Wed	End-Year Examination Higher Mother Tongue	P5	AM
23 Oct	Thu	End-Year Examination English Language Paper 2 End-Year Examination Foundation English Paper 2	P3-P4 P5	AM
24 Oct	Fri	End-Year Examination Mathematics End-Year Examination Foundation Mathematics	P3-P4 P5	AM
27 Oct	Mon	End-Year Examination Mother Tongue Paper 2	P3-P5	AM
28 Oct	Tue	End-Year Examination Science End-Year Examination Foundation Science	P3-P4 P5	AM
NOVEMBER			1/2	
14 Nov	Fri	School Admin Day (No School)	ALL	-
20 Nov	Thu	Parent Teacher Meeting	ALL	-
21 Nov	Fri	Prize Giving Day (Details to be shared at a later date)	ALL	AM
22 Nov - 31 Dec	Sat- Wed	December School Holidays	ALL	