24 March 2025



FERNVALE PRIMARY SCHOOL Global Learners of Tomorrow

Dear Parents/Guardians

Welcome back to Term 2! We trust that you and your child managed to enjoy precious moments together during the March holidays, despite the wet weather. We are particularly excited to announce that in celebration of Fernvale's 20th anniversary, each issue of our termly publication, The Fernvale Times this year will include a special segment showcasing our school's remarkable journey through the past two decades and our vision for the future. Do look out for these commemorative editions.

As we embark on this new term, we remain committed to creating engaging learning experiences for our students. Please find below some important information for Term 2.

1 ANNOUNCEMENTS

1.1 Staff Movement

We are delighted to welcome the following staff to the school:

Name	Designation
Ms Fang Qiongxia	Teacher / Chinese Language
Ms Tan Li Shin	Teacher / Art
Ms Nurul Ain Binte Norazman	Teacher / English Language and Social Studies

We are confident that their collective experience and insights will enrich our school programmes and benefit our students' learning journey.

On a different note, we bid farewell to Ms Ervinna Leong, who has left the service due to personal reasons. We express our heartfelt gratitude for her contributions and wish her every success in her future endeavours.

2 SCHOOL CALENDAR, EVENTS AND PROGRAMMES

2.1 School Events and Public/School Holidays

Term 2 commences on **Monday**, **24 March 2025** and ends on **Friday**, **30 May 2025**. Please take note of the school events and public/school holidays during Term 2 as shown below. Students are **not required to report to school** on these days.

Date	Day	School Event
30 May	Friday	Parent – Teacher Meeting

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Date	Day	Public/School Holiday
31 March	Monday	Hari Raya Puasa
18 April	Friday	Good Friday
1 May	Thursday	Labour Day
12 May	Monday	Vesak Day
31 May – 29 June	Saturday – Sunday	Term 2 School Holidays

2.2 School Programmes

Please take note of the programmes and activities that have been planned for the students in Term 2.

Levels involved	Date	Day	Programme	Remarks
Primary 1 - 6	7 Apr	Monday	Hari Raya Celebrations	
	10 Apr	Thursday	International Friendship Day	
Primary 2	27 May	Tuesday	PAL Learning Journey (LJ) to Jacob Ballas Children's Garden	The LJ will take place during school hours for 2 Respect, 2 Resilience and 2 Responsibility.
Primary 4	3, 17, 24 Apr, 15, 29 May	Thursday	Values-In-Action	Classes are scheduled to go to various Active Ageing Centre after school on different days. Details have been sent via Parents Gateway on 26 Feb 2025.
	19 May	Monday	Learning Journey (LJ) to Koh Fah Farm / Metro Farm / Vidacity	The LJ will take place during school hours.
	20, 21, 22 May	Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday	Applied Learning Programme	
Primary 5	19, 21, 23 May	Monday, Wednesday, Friday	Learning Journey (LJ) to Gardens by the Bay	Classes are scheduled to go on the LJ on different days. The LJ will take place during school hours.

			Learn to Play: Tchoukball	
	21, 23 May	Wednesday, Friday	Cohort Learning Journey (LJ) to Indian Heritage Centre	Classes are scheduled to go for their LJ on different days. The LJ will take place after school .
	26, 27, 28 May	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday	Applied Learning Programme	
Primary 6	27, 28, 29 May	Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday	Learning Journey (LJ) to Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve / Bishan-Ang Mo Kio Park / Botanic Gardens	Classes are scheduled to go on the LJ on different days. The LJ will take place during school hours.
			Learning Journey (LJ) to Asian Civilisation Museum	
	28, 29 May	Wednesday, Thursday	Learn to Play: Bowling	

2.3 Learning for Life Programme (LLP)

Our LLP nurtures students' leadership competencies and civic responsibility through meaningful community engagement. This term, our Primary 4 students will participate in Values-in-Action learning experiences by connecting with seniors at Active Ageing Centres in our neighbourhood. Through scheduled visits, students will interact with and learn from elderly residents, fostering intergenerational bonds whilst developing empathy and communication skills. These experiences allow our students to put school values into practice and understand the importance of contributing to our community.

2.4 Applied Learning Programme (ALP)

Our ALP empowers Primary 4 and 5 students to tackle real-world sustainability challenges by applying knowledge across different subjects. Primary 4 students will explore food sustainability issues, whilst the Primary 5 students will focus on energy conservation. Working collaboratively, students will develop innovative solutions to these environmental challenges. The programme includes learning journeys that provide practical insights and inspire creative problem-solving approaches. Through this hands-on experience, we aim to nurture environmentally conscious citizens who can think critically and contribute meaningfully to a sustainable future.

2.5 Internationalisation Programme

Our Internationalisation Programme cultivates cross-cultural literacy, enabling students to understand and appreciate diverse perspectives. This term, selected Primary 5 students will host a group of Hong Kong students in April, whilst another group will

embark on an overseas learning journey to Hong Kong in May. These valuable experiences will allow our students to forge meaningful friendships, develop cultural sensitivity, and gain a broader global perspective through interactions with their peers from other countries.

3 PARTNERSHIP WITH PARENTS

3.1 Breakfast with School Management

Our termly Breakfast with School Management, organised by our Parent Support Group (PSG) is a platform for parents to network and engage in meaningful discussions with the school management about educational or school matters. Our upcoming session on **Friday**, **4** April **2025**, will focus on student well-being. To participate in this session, parents are invited to register to be a PSG member via this link (<u>https://go.gov.sg/fvps-psg-signup</u>). Members will receive detailed information about the session closer to the date.

4 ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

4.1 Class Photo-Taking Session

The class photo-taking session for all classes will be held during school hours on **Wednesday**, **14 May 2025 and Thursday**, **15 May 2025**. The schedule for the sessions can be found below:

Date	Level
Wednesday, 14 May 2025	Primary 4 to 6
Thursday, 15 May 2025	Primary 1 to 3

All students are required to wear their school uniform on that day. If your child has PE on that day, he/she can bring along his/her PE attire and change into that before the lesson.

There will be 2 photographs taken for each class - one formal and one informal shot. The **estimated** (actual price may vary) cost of the photographs are as follows:

- 5R formal class photo with lamination \$2.80 each
- 8R formal or informal with lamination \$5.80 each

The online order link will be provided through Parents Gateway when the photographs are ready for order. Students under MOE Financial Assistance Scheme will receive a complimentary formal class photograph.

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Please do not hesitate to contact the General Office at 63153051 or email us at <u>fernvale_ps@moe.edu.sg</u> should you have any further queries.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

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Mr Enoch Lau Principal