

# **BEDOK GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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Dear Parent/Guardian

# 1. Term 2 Message from Principal

The first 10 weeks of the year have gone by in a flash and I am heartened to observe that our BGPians have adapted well to school routines and the rigour of learning in a structured and conducive environment. I do hope that all BGPians have had a good rest during the March holiday break, and that they are ready for another exciting term of learning experiences ahead.

In Term 1, we restructured our schoolwide reading programme to place greater emphasis on inculcating the positive habit of reading. Known as Drop Everything And Read (DEAR), I have observed more students taking proactive steps to read more widely and actively, and in being more curious about what is happening in their local and global surroundings. This is an important aspect of their holistic development as this will strengthen their ability to think critically, generate different ideas and perspectives, and increase awareness of the world around them. I encourage all parents to also support our effort in instilling this love for reading among BGPians by inspiring them to read voraciously. Parents may want to bring their children to the National Libraries to borrow books and supplement what we already provide at Our Wonderful Library, or recommend titles for their children to read. For the upcoming Parent-Child-Teacher Conference on 28 March, we will also be inviting book vendors to set up some booths for parents to browse and purchase recommended reading titles.

Term 2 is going to be another action-packed term, with plenty of learning experiences to cater to different cohorts of students. Following on from a very successfully conducted P4 Camp in Term 1, the P5s will be undertaking their Outdoor Adventure Camp at MOE's Jalan Bahtera Adventure Campsite in April. Some P5s will also be embarking on our first Overseas Learning Experience trip of the year to Hong Kong and focusing on STEM education, with Hong Kong students visiting in return as part of the exchange programme in April. Many cohort learning journeys will continue this term, including trips to the Singapore Zoological Gardens for the P1s, the SEA Aquarium for the P2s, Geylang Serai Heritage Gallery for the P3es, and a virtual LJ to Sungei Buloh for the P6s. Our school will also be hosting the inaugural East Zone Design Thinking Conference for East Zone schools, and the entire semester will culminate in our signature BGPS Talent Fiesta on the last day. Our Sports CCAs will also resume their National School Games competitions after doing well in Term 1, with our Senior basketballers progressing into the top tier of the second round. Our Senior footballers will be vying for 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> placing in League 3 after having come up top in the preliminary round while our Senior badminton players have been winning in the preliminaries too. My wish for all our athletes, more importantly than winning, is to continue to display resilience, tenacity and sportsmanship in line with our school values, to ensure that they represent BGPS well and earn the respect of their opponents in the sport that they play.

In conclusion, as we continue with the pulsating pace of term 2 ahead, I hope that BGPians will continue to enjoy learning and coming to school daily, and parents will continue to support and partner my staff and me to bring about the best learning outcomes for each and every BGPian, to ultimately become Empowered Learners, Persons of Strength and Character. Thank you for your partnership in our BGPians' educational journey, and do continue to keep in touch with our teachers through our schoolwide communication platforms via ClassDojo or email. Best wishes to all for Term 2!

## 2. Term 1 2025 Achievements

Our heartiest congratulations to our staff for receiving the following awards:

Bedok Green Primary School, Brownies CCA, on receiving the Puan Noor Aishah Bronze Award.

Bedok Green Primary School, on receiving Sustained Excellence Honorary Award at the Green Schools @ South East Awards 2024.

We also congratulate the following BGPians and thank our teachers, administrative staff and parents for guiding and supporting them to attain the following recent achievements:

<u>16th Good Talk International Bilingual Speech Competition – Gold Award</u> Lin Haoze Lucas (P5 Respect)

<u>2025 Raffles Scholarship (Primary 5-6) - Awardee</u> Muhammad Zufar Bin Mohd Shariff (P5 Responsibility)

<u>2025 Temasek Foundation Award for Arts Development - Awardees</u> Muhammad Zufar Bin Mohd Shariff (P5 Responsibility) Woon Jing Ting (P5 Resilience)

Friends of Singa Kindness Project - Awardees

Xu Jiahong (P6 Responsibility), Tan Yong Hui (P6 Bravery), Gan Xuan Ee, Sun Mankai, Charmaine Lee Ruiqi (2024 P6 Integrity), Muhammad Syakir Bin Saad, leffeleen Huang (2024 P6 Resilience), Kaelyn Yap, Sng Wee Kiat, Andrew (2024 P6 Respect), Jamie Ho Xiu Yun (2024 P6 Responsibility), Siew Cai En (2024 P6 Compassion)

# 3. Staff Movement

We are delighted to welcome the following staff to our BGPS family: Mr Darren Cheah Jun Han (Music, Untrained Teacher), Ms Saidah Shufiyah Binte Imam Supaat (Malay Language, Untrained Teacher), Ms Juslyn Chan Shih Yun (Special Educational Needs Officer, Untrained), Mdm Siti Zulriah Binte Mohd Rahmat (ICT Associate), Mdm Dhalina Bte Nari (Operations Support Officer), Mr Ng Jun Song (Operations Support Officer) and Mdm Sayani Ahamad (Receptionist).

We would also like to bid farewell to Ms Lai Yun Ting Ashleigh (Desktop Engineer) and Miss June Tan (Receptionist). We wish them all the best in their future endeavours.

## 4. Attendance and Punctuality

A gentle reminder that for BGPians to do well in BGPS, there are two important aspects that require your close supervision i.e. your child's attendance and punctuality. We seek the cooperation of parents/guardians to refrain from taking your child/ward out of school during term time. If your child/ward is sick, please ensure that your child/ward gets the required treatment from a doctor as soon as possible. A medical certificate or a parent/guardian's letter is needed to cover the child's absence from school. Disciplinary action may be taken against students for willful absenteeism. In addition, as part of our school's continuing efforts to stay connected and strengthen school-family relationships, Form-Teachers may make home visits to engage parents/guardians for discussions on how to better support your child/ward.

## 5. Student Attire and Appearance

Students are expected to dress neatly and smartly in clean uniforms and white shoes when they report to school. In addition, fanciful haircuts are not allowed. Please refer to our student handbook page 18, under Code of Conduct.

On days with PE lessons or CCA, students are permitted to wear the school PE attire. This is also applicable to students who come to school outside of curriculum hours including weekends and school holidays. Do note that student name tags must be neatly sewn onto the school shirt and the PE T-

shirt. Parents and students should approach the school bookshop to place an order and pay for the name tags. Please note that skirts must be of knee length and any modification to the school uniform is strictly not allowed. Students in need can approach the General Office for more information on financial assistance for school uniforms.

# 6. Taking Care of Personal Belongings

We advise students not to bring valuable items or excessive pocket money to school. A daily allowance of \$2.70 to \$3.00 is sufficient for a meal during recess.

We kindly request parents' support in encouraging students to take care of their personal belongings. Please ensure that all personal items are labelled, such as school bags, school uniforms, water bottles, pencil cases, and other belongings to reduce incidents of lost items and foster a sense of personal responsibility. We appreciate your reinforcement of the school value of responsibility, which will help them develop good habits and a responsible mindset.

# 7. Safety Updates

In the coming weeks up to June 2025, our school's perimeter fence will be replaced in phases. Please exercise caution when walking near the work site. We appreciate your understanding as we enhance our school's safety and appearance.

## 8. Talent Fiesta

Talent Fiesta is a special one-day school event on the last day of term 2, organized every alternate year where all BGPians are encouraged to experiment, explore and discover their unique talents through various learning experiences. The event aims to celebrate students' accomplishments, boost their self-confidence, and empower them to shine. We are excited to announce that the theme for Talent Fiesta 2025 is "Discover, Shine, Celebrate". On the day of the event, activities will include inclass game challenges, mass challenges, sports stacking as well as BGPS talent showcase. Throughout the term, there will also be lead-up events such as curated displays and showcases of students' work from various curriculum projects, sports stacking competitions, as well as student art performances during recess. Do encourage your child to sign up and participate actively in these activities!

## 9. Class Photo-Taking

Please be informed that the class photo-taking for all levels will be held on Monday, 20 May, and Tuesday, 21 May. The class photograph will be taken in a group format. BGPians must be in school uniform for their class photo-taking session. The school will provide further details on the class schedule for the photo-taking at a later date.

## 10. Photography and Videography at School Events and Publication of Students' Work

Photographs or video images of BGPians or their parents/legal guardians may be taken during school activities and events such as classroom lessons, CCA, school camps, or school concerts. The school may use and publish such photographs or video recordings in school publications, the school website, social media channels, or other communication channels. If parents do not grant consent and have not notified the school in writing, please do so immediately by Term 2 Week 1.

# 11. Upcoming Events/ Activities

Date	Event	Level	Details
23 – 27 March	Hong Kong Overseas Learning Experience	Selected P5 Students	5 Days 4 Nights Overseas Trip
24 – 28 March	P1 to P6 Parent Child Teacher Conference (PCTC) 24-28 March (Blended) 28 March (F2F PCTC Day)	All	Parents who are unable to meet F2F on 28 March PCTC Day, may arrange to meet Form Teachers during the week, either online or F2F
24 March	World Water Day	Interested Students	Recess Activity
25 March, 1 April	P3 Swimsafer	P3BRV, P3COM, P3RPS	Curriculum Time
25 March	Student Leadership Training (Health Team, NE Team, Green Team)	Student Councillors	2.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.
25 March	Peer Support Training for Peer Support Champions and CCA Leaders	P3 to P6 Peer Support Champions and CCA Leaders (Exclude Councillors)	2.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.
26 March, 2, 9, 16 April 7 May	Maths Olympiad Training (Online)	Selected P5 students	3.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.
26 March, 2 April	Maths Olympiad Training (Online)	Selected P6 students	3.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.
27 March, 3 April	P3 Swimsafer	P3INT, P3RES, P3RSL	Curriculum Time
27 March, 3, 10 Apr, 8, 22 May	Code For Fun	5RES	2.00 p.m. – 3.30 p.m.
28 March	Home Based Learning (HBL) Day	All	Students are to complete their HBL work at home. Students do not need to come to school.
28 March	SCC Closure	SCC Students	SCC Staff Development Day
31 March	Hari Raya Puasa (Public Holiday)	All	
31 March	SCC Closure	SCC Students	Hari Raya Puasa (Public Holiday)
1 April	Student Exchange Programme with Visiting Students from Hong Kong Jordan Valley S. Joseph's Primary School	Selected P5 Students	Curriculum Time
1 – 11 April	Mother Tongue Language (MTL) Fortnight	All	Curriculum Time As part of MT Fortnight, P4 students will also have a MTL Cultural Camp on 4 April, 2.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.

MTL Fortnight Recess		3, 8, 11 Apr TL Activities
Activity	Interested Students	4, 7, 9 Apr CL Activities 1, 2, 10 Apr ML & Hari Raya Activities
East Zone Design Thinking Conference for Primary Schools	Participating Students	2.15 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.
Code for Fun	5BRV	2.00 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.
National Digital Explorer Practice Session	Interested Students	2.00 p.m. – 3.30 p.m.
Code for Fun	5RPS	2.00 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.
Hari Raya Celebrations	All	Curriculum Time
STRIVE – Goalball Activity	3INT, 3RES	Curriculum Time
Raffles Mathematical Olympiad	Selected P5, P6	2.00 p.m. – 3.00 p.m.
Urban Farmers	Interested P3, P4, P5, P6 students.	2.00 p.m. – 3.30 p.m.
VIA Implementation	P6 Students	2.00 p.m. – 3.30 p.m.
International Friendship Day Commemoration	All	Curriculum Time
International Friendship Day	Interested Students	Recess Activity
SMOPS Competition 2025	Selected P5 and P6 students	2.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.
Good Friday (Public Holiday)	All	
SCC Closure	SCC Students	Good Friday (Public Holiday)
P5 Cohort Camp	P5	MOE Jalan Bahtera Adventure Camp
Project LightSPAN Visit 3	Selected P2 & P3 Students	Curriculum Time
P1 EL LJ to Zoo	22 Apr: 1RES, 1INT 24 Apr: 1COM, 1RPS 25 Apr: 1RSL, 1BRV	Curriculum Time 2 classes per day
Earth Day	All	Recess Activity
STRIVE – Goalball Activity	3RPS, 3BRV	Curriculum Time
P5 Home Based Learning (HBL) Day	P5	P5 Students are to complete their HBL work at home. P5 Students do not need to come to school.
Artist In School Scheme - Beyond The Frame	Selected HAL Art Students from P4, P5	2.00 p.m. – 3.30 p.m.
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25, 28, 29, 30 April	P2 EL LJ to Sea Aquarium	25 Apr: 2GRA, 2INT 28 Apr: 2RSL 29 Apr: 2RES, 2RPS 30 Apr: 2COM, 2BRV	Curriculum Time
28 – 30 April	STRIVE@Recess	All	Curriculum Time
29 April	STRIVE – Goalball Activity	зсом	Curriculum Time
29 April	NAPFA Test	All P4, P6	2.00 p.m. – 5.30 p.m.
29 April – 9 May	HPB School Health Screening 2025	All	Curriculum Time
1 May	Labour Day (Public Holiday)	All	
1 May	SCC Closure	SCC Students	Labour Day (Public Holiday)
5 – 7 May	Bullying Prevention Week	All	Curriculum Time
5 – 9 May	WA – P3, P4, P5, P6 EL/FEL, FMA/MA	P3, P4, P5 & P6 students	Curriculum Time
8 – 23 May	P1 to P6 PTM (Call/Zoom)	Selected Students	
8 May	Intergenerational VIA	5RSL	2.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.
9 May	Intergenerational VIA	5GRA	2.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.
12 May	Vesak Day (Public Holiday)	All	
12 May	SCC Closure	SCC Students	Vesak Day (Public Holiday)
13 May	SCC Closure	SCC Students	SCC Staff Development Day 2
13 – 16 May	WA – P3, P4, P5, P6 SC/FSC, MT/FMT/HMT	P3, P4, P5 & P6 students	Curriculum Time
13 May	Internationalisation Programme	P4 International Students	2.00 p.m. – 5.30 p.m.
15 May	STRIVE – Goalball Activity	3RSL	Curriculum Time
15 May	Intergenerational VIA	5INT	2.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.
16 May	Student Council Meeting	Student Councillors	2.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.
16 May	DSA Talk for Basketball Students	P6 Basketball members and P5 School team Players	7.00 p.m. – 8.30 p.m.
17 May	BGPS Fathers' Camp	Interested parents	2.30 p.m. to 9.00 p.m. More details will be provided nearer the date.
19, 22 May	National Digital Explorer Certification Session	Interested Students	2.00 p.m. – 3.30 p.m.
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19 May	LTA Path Safety	All	Recess Activity

20, 21 May	Class Photo-Taking	All	Students must be in school uniform for their class photo-taking session. More details will be given at a later date
22 May	Inter-Class Games	P5	Curriculum Time
22 May	Intergenerational VIA	5COM	2.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.
22, 23 May	P6 Supplementary Programme	P6	2.00 p.m. – 3.30 p.m.
22, 23, 26, 27 May	Conversational Chinese Malay Programme (CCM)	P3	Curriculum Time
23 May	Student Council Exhibition	All	Recess Activity
23 May	Talent Fiesta (Sports Stacking Semi-Final)	Participating students	2.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.
26 – 29 May	Science Funtastic	All	Recess Activity
26 – 29 May	Science Virtual LJ to Sungei Buloh	P6	Curriculum Time (Anytime during Science lesson)
27 May	Inter-Class Games	P3	Curriculum Time
27 May	Internationalisation Programe	P5 International Students	2.00 p.m. – 6.00 p.m.
28 May	P3 Cohort LJ to Geylang Serai Heritage Gallery	3BRV, 3COM	11.30 a.m. – 2.30 p.m. Other P3 classes will participate in this Learning Journey in T3 or T4
29 May	Talent Fiesta Rehearsal & Preparation	Selected students	2.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.
30, 31 May	Home Experience Exchange Programme with Japan School Singapore	Selected P4 to P6	More details will be provided nearer the date.
30 May	Talent Fiesta	All	Curriculum Time
31 May – 29 June	June School Holidays	All	
7 June	Hari Raya Haji (Public Holiday)	All	
9 June	Hari Raya Haji (School Holiday) SCC and School Closed	All	This is in lieu of Hari Raya Haji being on a Saturday
10 June	SCC Closure	SCC Students	SCC Curriculum Planning 1
25 June	Student Council June Day Camp	Student Councillors	8:30 a.m. – 3.00 p.m.

Please check the school website at <u>https://bedokgreenpri.moe.edu.sg</u> for regular updates on the school programmes and other administrative matters. Do also follow us on our Facebook page at <u>https://go.gov.sg/bgpsfb</u> and on our Instagram at <u>https://www.instagram.com/bgpsig</u> for the events in and

around the school. Should you have any feedback to help us improve in our processes or affirm our practices, you may also write to us at bgps@moe.edu.sg or call us at 64425416. Our staff emails can also be found on our school website.

Thank you!

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Mr Benjamin Yong Principal