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School Vision: Joyful Learners, Responsible Citizens, Creative Leaders in a Connected Community

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

End-of-Year COMMUNIQUÉ

As the school year draws to a close in 2024, we are grateful for your support in your child's/ward's holistic education journey with us. We thank you for the trust you have placed in us throughout the various student development experiences organised this year. It has been an enriching and engaging year for us at Cedar Primary School, and we hope that your child's/ward's time with us has been equally meaningful.

Even as the school term ends, learning and growth for your child/ward need not. For the upcoming school holiday, we encourage you to consider the following R.I.V.E.R. activities to keep your child/ward actively engaged:

- Read widely and for enjoyment, as reading is a key skill for lifelong learning. Reading can also reduce stress and anxiety.
- Interact with knowledgeable others, such as yourself and other adults in the family. Every positive role model that your child/ward engages with helps him/her to grow in knowledge and character.
- <u>Volunteer in community and environmental values-in-action activities</u>. If we can serve, we should. Serving others also builds our resilience, as we become mentally stronger when we know that we can make a positive difference to those around us.
- Exercise for good health and enjoyment. Engaging in sports builds physical and mental strength. Participating in sports as a family also strengthens family relationships and deepens family bonds.
- Reflect on experiences and feelings through art, music making, or writing. These creative outlets allow us to express our experiences and emotions in therapeutic ways. Art and music appreciation also relaxes the mind.

Just as a river overcomes little obstacles, carves new paths, and nourishes its surroundings, we hope that you and your child/ward will continue to overcome little challenges, explore new avenues of knowledge, and enrich your lives through these activities. Public libraries, parks, museums, community centres, and charitable organisations are some places where you and your family can find and engage in these R.I.V.E.R. activities.

On behalf of the school, I wish all of you a joyful, peaceful, purposeful and restful school vacation.

Yours faithfully,

Mr Chua Choon Hock

Principal

(I) PSLE Results Release Day

The 2024 PSLE results will be released on 20 November 2024 (Wednesday). Parents/Guardians of students who have sat for the exam will receive a Parents Gateway (PG) announcement informing you of the details. On the day, students are to report to school in their full school uniform or PE attire.

After receiving the PSLE results, you and your child/ward can shortlist the secondary schools and submit the school choices to MOE within 7 calendar days after the release of PSLE results. The secondary school posting results will tentatively be between 18 and 20 December 2024 via online, SMS and through Cedar Primary School.

Students may refer to the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) page at the following link: https://www.moe.gov.sg/faq

All the Best to our P6 students!

(II) Purchase of School Textbooks and Uniforms for 2025

Parents/Guardians are encouraged to purchase your child's/ward's textbooks and uniform online and opt for delivery to your homes.

Order textbooks online: Pacific Bookstores Pte Ltd <u>www.pacificbookstores.com</u> Order uniform & PE attire online: Shirley Season Wear <u>www.shirleyuni.com</u>

Alternatively, you may place your order online and collect them from the school bookshop on the following dates*:

Date	Day	Activity	Time
15 Nov 24	Friday	For 2025 P1 students only	3 pm – 5 pm
25 Nov 24	Monday		
26 Nov 24	Tuesday	Self-Collection & Walk-in purchase (All Levels)	9am – 3 pm (closed for lunch 12pm-1pm)
27 Nov 24	Wednesday		
02 Dec 24	Monday		
03 Dec 24	Tuesday		
09 Dec 24	Monday		
10 Dec 24	Tuesday		
16 Dec 24	Monday	Self-Collection & Walk-in purchase	9am – 3 pm
17 Dec 24	Tuesday	(FAS Only)	(closed for lunch 12pm-1pm)
20 Dec 24	Friday	Self-Collection & Walk-in purchase	9am – 3 pm
(Last day of		(All Levels)	(closed for lunch 12pm-1pm)
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school)			

^{*} All self-collection must be made by 20 Dec 2024. Please check the books purchased as refund and exchange after 20 Dec 2024 may not be attended to speedily by Pacific Bookstores due to the impending change of the school bookshop vendor.

With effect from 1 January 2025, the School bookshop vendor will be:

Overseas Associates (Pte) Ltd

Tel: 6382 6789 (HQ) Email: cdps@oapl.sg

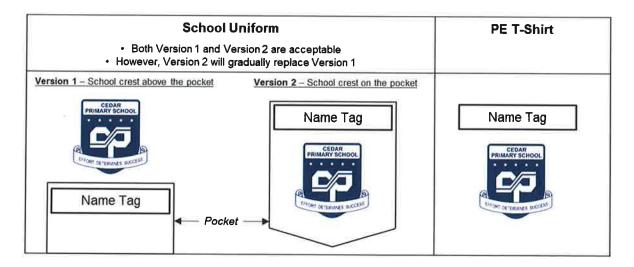
(III) School Bus Ferry Service

We would like to thank all parents affected by the recent service disruption, for your understanding and support. The school is currently sourcing for a new bus operator to provide school bus services to ferry the students to and from the school on the school days, including After School Services for students who take part in After School Activities that end before 3.45pm. When the appointment of the school bus operator is finalised, we will you provide you with the contact details of the school bus operator through Parents Gateway (PG).

(IV) Preparation for 2025

a) In preparation for the new school year, please take note of the following:

- Students must be well groomed at all times and take pride in wearing their school uniform. All students should have at least 2 sets of school uniform and 2 sets of PE attire.
- Girls are to put on their school skirts at all times, except during CCA/PE/PAL lessons.
- All boys are to maintain a short hairstyle. Girls are to tie up their hair if it touches the collar, and only <u>black</u> hair accessories are permitted. Fringe should not fall below the eyebrows.
- Students are to wear white canvas shoes with socks which are both part of the school uniform.
 Mary Jane shoes are not permitted.
- Name tags should be sewn on the pocket on the uniform, and above the school crest on the PE T-shirt, as illustrated below:



b) First Day of School (2025)

- P1 students are to report to school on 2 January 2025 (Thursday).
- P2 to P6 students are to report to school on 3 January 2025 (Friday).
- On their first day of school, students should:
 - put on their school uniform;
 - bring writing materials (pen/pencils and a notebook), Maths Workbook A and an English storybook; and
 - report to the Parade Square by 7.30 am. If it rains, students will report to their classrooms. Copies of the classroom allocation layout will be put up in the canteen for reference.
- Trolley bags are strongly discouraged as they add to the weight of the bag and will be difficult for students to manage when they move around the school.

c) Road Safety

We would like to seek the cooperation of parents/guardians who are walking their children/wards to school, to follow the traffic rules when crossing traffic junctions and roads to reach school. We encourage parents/guardians to act as positive role models by obeying the traffic rules themselves.

For parents/guardians who are driving their children/wards to school, please be aware that the roads and the school compound are shared by others who are also coming to school in the morning. Drivers are strongly encouraged to:

- Reduce speed when approaching the school entrance and the school foyer.
- Lookout for other fellow road users, pay attention especially to your blind spots.
- Be patient and allow every car sufficient time for the parents/guardians to drop off their children/wards.
- Refrain from sounding your horn in the school zone unless it is due to safety reasons.

When crossing the road, parents/guardians should remind your child/ward to:

- always cross the road at pedestrian crossings or traffic lights;
- be alert in looking out for potential safety hazards; and
- refrain from dashing out onto the road suddenly.

With your cooperation and support, everyone will have a safe and pleasant experience when sending their children/wards to school.

(V) School Events and Celebrations 2025

Date	Events	Remarks	
1 Jan (Wed)	New Year Public Holiday	Reporting to school: P1 students: 2 Jan (Thu) P2 - P6 students: 3 Jan (Fri)	
29 Jan (Wed) & 30 Jan (Thu)	Chinese New Year Holiday	Reporting back to School Students will report back to school on 31 Jan (Fri)	

(VI) Joint advisory on crime and drugs by SPF, CNB, NCPC and NCADA and additional advisory on vaping by HSA and HPB

SPF, CNB, NCPC and NCADA have jointly provided an advisory to remind students to stay away from crime and drug/inhalant abuse. The advisory alerts students to dangers of common crimes such as online scams, and encourages them to protect themselves from becoming victims of crime. HSA and HPB have also prepared an additional advisory on the laws and harms of vaping. The advisories are attached in the Communiqué sent out via PG for your reference.

Policy on Photography and Videography at School Events

We would like to inform you that photograph(s) and video image(s) of you and/or your child/ward may be captured at our school activities and events. We may use and publish such photographs and/or video recordings in school publications, website, social media channels, and other official school communication channels.