

PEIYING PRIMARY SCHOOL

School Vision: Lifelong Learners, Leaders of Character School Mission: Building Character, Enriching Lives, Stretching Potential

> Keeping in Touch Letter to Parents 28/2025

30 June 2025

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We hope you and your children had a restful break and created wonderful memories together. As we embark on Semester 2, we are excited about the learning opportunities that lie ahead.

Getting Back into the School Routine

The start of a new semester presents an excellent opportunity for a fresh beginning. We recommend helping your child establish effective study habits by creating a structured daily routine. This includes setting aside dedicated time for homework, maintaining regular mealtimes, and ensuring 8 hours of sleep daily. A well-organised study space at home will also help your child stay focused and motivated. To promote better sleep habits, you can refer to the tips found in **Annex A** to help your child fall asleep more easily and enjoy restful sleep.

Health and Wellness

As we enter the second half of the year, maintaining good health remains crucial. Please ensure your child starts each day with a nutritious breakfast and brings healthy snacks for his/her snack break. They should also limit their screen time usage for play at home. For screen usage for homework purposes, the school recommends the following duration for the different age groups:

- P1 & P2: Not more than 30 min per day
- P3 & P4: Not more than 1 h per day
- P5 & P6: Not more than 1.5 h per day

Supporting Your Child's Learning

The second semester presents unique learning opportunities and challenges for your child. We encourage you to maintain open communication with your child about his/her schooling experiences. Regular conversations about their school experiences can help identify areas where they might need additional help.

School Attendance

Consistent attendance is vital for learning success and motivation. Any absence from school should be covered by a medical certificate or proof of Ag+. A signed letter from parent/guardian will be taken into consideration on a case-by-case basis. Please note that the number of signed letters from parent/guardian should not exceed ten per year.

Welcoming New Staff

Lastly, we would also like to take the opportunity to welcome Mrs Jane Ang and Mdm Jasmine Yeo to the Peiying family.

1. Term 3 School Calendar

Please refer to **Annex B** for the calendar for Term 3. Alternatively, you can also view the calendar on our school website <u>https://www.peiyingpri.moe.edu.sg/about-us/school-calendar/</u>.

2. Updating of Personal Particulars and Child's Health Records

To ensure support for your child, please update your child's Form Teacher if there are changes:

- Contact information (including addresses, contact numbers and all relevant contact details of parents/legal guardian/caregiver)
- Commuter status (including both local and foreign contact addresses and contact numbers)
- Health declaration

3. Class Photo-Taking 2025

The 2025 class photo-taking session will take place from Wed, 2 July to Fri, 4 July. Your child's form teacher will share the exact date with your child. Your child should be in full school uniform on the day of the photo-taking session. Instructions on the orders of the class photographs will be shared with your child after the photo-taking sessions.

4. Eat with Your Family Day (EWYFD)

EWYFD is a nation-wide initiative to encourage Singaporeans to consciously set aside time on that day to be with their families. The General Office will close at 4.30 pm on 5 September, so that our staff can leave work earlier to enjoy a meal with their family. We hope you can also take time from your work to have dinner with your family on this date.

5. 2025 P1 Registration

Phase 1 of the 2025 Primary 1 Registration will commence on 1 July 2025. This phase is for Singapore Citizen (SC) or Permanent Resident (PR) child born between 2 January 2019 and 1 January 2020 (both dates inclusive) and has an older sibling currently studying in our primary school. For parents who wish to register their younger child in our school, please refer to the announcement posted on Parent Gateway on 19 May 2025.

STUDENT WELL-BEING AND DEVELOPMENT

6. Students Achievements

We are delighted to share our students' achievements in the 2025 National School Games (NSG):

(A) Sports Achievements

Rope Skipping

- Junior Girls: 2nd (Artistic Pair), 4th (Double Dutch), 8th (Speed Relay)
- Junior Boys: 1st (Double Dutch), Achievement Pin (Individual Speed)
- Senior Division: 2nd (Mixed Double Dutch), 4th (Girls Double Dutch)

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• Senior Boys: 4th place

Other Sports (Non-CCA)

- Wushu: Tan Zhi Tong (4E) 2nd in International Spear, 8th in 4-Duan Sword & Achievement Pin for 3-Duan Changquan (Junior Girls)
- Taekwondo: Lee Zong En (6I) 1st in Red Belt (Under 54kg) (Senior Boys)
- Bowling: Tan Kai Jie Zorian (5RW) Achievement Pin (Junior Boys)
- Golf: Neo Fu Kai Ricky (4D) Achievement Pin (Junior Boys)
- Track & Field: Fiore Emma Sophie (6P) 2nd in 120 meters (Senior 1 Girls)

Our school also participated in Volleyball (Senior) and Netball (Senior) competitions.

(B) Academic Achievements

- Raffles Mathematical Olympiad 2025: Distinction Awardees: Too Youchen (5E), Yap Rui Qi Jerzelle (5D), Lenny Bian Mingyi (5D) & Min Myat Soe Khant (5D)
 Merit Awardees: Noah Hong (5D), Ivan Ng Zi Chen (5D), Tejas Deepu (5D) & Dev Padoor Arun (4E)
- Senthamizh Mozhi Vizha Tamil Literary Festival 2025: 1st Placing: Arivazhagan Dharshini 2R - Fancy Dress Competition Consolation Award: Srikeshav Sriman 6E - Oratorical Competition

We would like to affirm our students for their efforts and thank parents for their support.

7. Student Health Matters

Our school will be having a temperature taking exercise on Wed, 9 July and students must bring their thermometers for the exercise.

We seek parents' support in inculcating personal and social responsibility in your child. If your child/ward is unwell, please ensure that he/she stays at home and seeks medical attention if necessary. Students should only come back to school when they are well. After returning to school from their absence, students must submit the medical certificate or proof of Ag+ to their Form Teachers promptly.

The Health Promotion Board (HPB) will be conducting the annual health screening and immunization in our school from 31 July to 7 August for all students. A separate notification will be sent to parents in Term 3 via Parents Gateway (PG).

8. Leading Self

To support our students in leading self, we would like to seek your partnership in the following matters:

a) Attendance and Punctuality

Please also note that absence from school due to private vacation is considered "absent without valid reason". We would like to remind parents not to book any holidays during the school term.

All students must report to the school to attend the flag-raising and pledge-taking ceremony at 7.30 am. Students who arrive after 7.35 am (at the end of pledge-taking) would be considered late. Late coming is a school offence.

b) Maintaining Neat Appearance

Students are required to maintain a neat appearance. They are not allowed to wear accessories like bracelets or necklaces to school. We seek parents' support to ensure that your child's uniform has an iron-on nametag. Do refer to the details on pages 19 and 20 in the Student Handbook. An attire check will be conducted in Term 3 Week 1.

c) Say NO to Vaping

We would like to reiterate that MOE takes a firm stand against vaping. Please see attached joint advisory (Annex C) from the Health Promotion Board (HPB) and Health Sciences Authority (HSA) regarding the dangers of vaping. Vaping is categorised as a serious offence. When students are caught using or in possession of e- vaporisers, the prohibited product will be confiscated, and their parents will be informed. The schools will report the offender to HSA and manage vaping-related offences through existing school-based disciplinary actions. Students caught vaping will be placed on cessation support programmes where counsellors will guide them through their cessation journey to effect long-term behavioural change.

CURRICULUM MATTERS

9. Co-curriculum Activities (CCA)

Term 3 CCA schedule has been issued through Parents Gateway (PG) in Term 2 Week 10.

Red Cross CCA will be supporting the Singapore Red Cross Annual Fundraising Event -Grateful Hearts 2025. This is a meaningful opportunity to come together as a community to do fund-raising for life-saving efforts. The students will be collecting donations in Term 3 Week 3. We look forward to partnering you in encouraging your child to bring some money to donate for a good cause.

Our P6 students will stand down from their CCAs in Semester 2. They will be having an additional Maths class from 1pm to 1.30pm in this semester instead to replace the lunch break allocated before their CCA sessions in Semester 1.

10. Academic Support

Academic support lessons and programmes will carry on from Term 3 Week 1 or Week 2. There are academic support lessons for selected P6 students on some Friday afternoons.

11. Assessment

a) P3 and P4 Weighted Assessment 2 (WA2) and P5 Weighted Assessment 3 (WA3)
 P3 to P5 students will have their WA nearing the end of term 3. The percentage weightage is 15%. There will be a separate notification on the details of WA.

b) P6 Preliminary Examinations

P6 students will be sitting for the preliminary oral exam on 21 and 24 July afternoons and the preliminary listening comprehension exam on 5 August. Their preliminary written exam is from 18 to 22 August. The percentage weightage is 70%. Please refer to **Annex D** for the timetable.

c) P6 PSLE Oral Examinations on 13 and 14 August

PSLE oral examinations are on Wed 13 August and Thu 14 August. There is no school for P1 to P5 students these days. For more information on PSLE dates, parents can refer to the SEAB website for details at <u>https://www.seab.gov.sg/important-dates-for-candidates/</u>

d) Absence for WA and Prelim Exams

Students must be covered with a medical certificate (MC) from a licensed medical officer. Do note that:

- A parent's letter is not acceptable. The only exception will be on compassionate grounds, i.e., family bereavement.
- For students who are unwell, they should **not** turn up in school at all but should see a doctor. When they are well, students will be given the WA task to do as practice. The paper will be marked to enable your child to learn and gauge his/her performance. However, the marks will not be recorded.
- A zero mark will be awarded for students who are absent for invalid reasons such as oversleeping, away on private overseas trip etc.

12. P3 Gifted Education Programme (GEP) Identification Exercise

The dates for the GEP Identification exercise are as follows:

- Thu 21 August: GEP Screening Exercise (English Language and Mathematics)
- Tue 14 & Wed 15 October: GEP Selection Exercise (English Language, Mathematics and General Ability) for shortlisted students

SCHOOL EVENTS

13. Term 3 School Events

We would like to bring your attention to the following school-wide events. For level programmes, do refer to **Annex E**.

a) Peiying Learn and Play (P.L.A.Y) Day on 8 July

P1 and P2 students will be going for their learning journeys as part of the experiences for P.L.A.Y Day. They will visit Qian Hu Fish Farm and Mandai River Wonders respectively.

P3 to P5 students will participate in their Values-in-Action projects. P6 students will participate in learning activities in the classroom as part of their revision. All students will be dismissed at 1.30 pm and there are no after-school activities.

b) Racial Harmony Day on 21 July & Commemoration on 24 July

Racial Harmony Day this year is on 21 July. Our school will be commemorating this day with the theme "Our People, Our Tapestry" on 24 July. Students reflect on and celebrate Singapore as a harmonious society built on a rich diversity of cultures and the collaborative effort of all to promote social cohesion. Students are encouraged to wear their traditional costumes on 24 July.

c) National Day Celebrations on 8 August

As part of the celebration, students will reflect on the historical importance and solemnity of National Day. Students are encouraged to wear outfits in national colours (red and/or white) on that day.

As part of the SGSecure framework to safeguard Singapore and our way of life, our school is conducting an emergency preparedness lockdown exercise on that day. This exercise aims to ensure the safety and well-being of all students and staff by preparing them to respond to emergencies on the school premises and be familiar with the safety and evacuation procedures whenever required. The school hours are from 7.30 am to 10.30 am that day. There will be no after-school activities.

d) Teachers' Day Celebration on 4 September

There will be celebratory activities to commemorate Teachers' Day on 4 September to recognise the hard work of educators and staff working in the school. We encourage you to work with your child to prepare simple hand-made appreciation cards or handicrafts for staff. Please do not purchase any gifts for the staff. The school hours for students will be from 7.30 am to 10.30 am that day. Our teachers will be welcoming and meeting up with our alumni students from 10.45am to 11.30am. There will be no after-school activities on that day.

STUDENT SAFETY AND SECURITY

14. Safety

Singapore will get warmer days in term 3. We would allow our students to put on their halfuniform PE T-shirts and shorts (for boys) / skirts (for girls) instead of full uniform on non-PE days during this period for additional comfort.

Thank you for your support as we work in partnership together to make this semester a successful one for our students.

Your Partner-In-Education,

Mrs Peh-Wong Wei Yong Principal

Term 3 Calendar

Date	Events / Activities	Remarks
Mon 7 July	Youth Day	School Holiday
Tue 8 July	Peiying Learn and Play (P.L.A.Y) Day	 More information will be provided closer to the date No after-school activities
Wed 9 July	Temperature Taking Exercise	All students bring their thermometers
Sat 19 July	NE Show	For P5 only
Mon 21 & Thu 24 July afternoons	P6 Prelim Oral Exams	 For P6 only More details will be released closer to the date of the exercise.
Fri 8 August	National Day Celebrations cum Emergency Preparedness Exercise – Lockdown	 Dismissal from 10.30 am No after-school activities More information will be provided closer to the date
Sat 9 August	National Day	Public Holiday
Mon 11 August	National Day	School Holiday
Wed 13 & Thu 14 August	PSLE Oral Exams	 For P6 only. Students will be informed of the reporting time later. No school day for P1 to P5. More details will be released closer to the date of the exercise.
Mon 18 to Fri 22 August	P6 Prelim Exams (Written Papers)	For P6 only
Thu 21 August	P3 Gifted Education Screening Exercise	For P3 students who signed up only. More details will be released closer to the date of the exercise.
Mon 1 to Wed 3 September	P5 3D2N Camp	For P5 only
Thu 4 September	Teachers' Day Celebrations	 Dismissal from 10.30 am No after-school activities
Fri 5 September	Teachers' Day	School Holiday
Sat 6 to Sun 14 September	September Holidays	School will reopen on 15 September

P6 Prelim Exams Timetable

Date	Paper	
Mon 21 & Thu 24 July After-school	Oral (English/ Foundation English & Mother Tongue Languages/ Foundation Mother Tongue Languages)	
Tue 5 August	Listening Comprehension (English/ Foundation English Language & Mother Tongue Languages/ Foundation Mother Tongue Languages)	
Mon 18 August	Paper 1 – English/ Foundation English Language Paper 2 – English/ Foundation English Language	
Tue 19 August	Paper 1 – Mathematics/ Foundation MathematicsPaper 2 – Mathematics/ Foundation Mathematics	
Wed 20 August	Paper 1 – Mother Tongue Languages/ Foundation Mother Tongue Languages Paper 2 – Mother Tongue Languages	
Thu 21 August	Science Foundation Science	
Fri 22 August	Paper 1 – Higher Mother Tongue Languages Paper 2 – Higher Mother Tongue Languages	

The written examinations will take place during normal curriculum hours (7.30 am - 1pm /1.30 pm).

Term 3 School Programme Highlights

Level Highlights

a) P3 SwimSafer Programme

P3 students will be going for the SwimSafer programme at Orchid Country Club. Through the programme, they will be equipped with basic swimming and water survival skills. A separate notification on the details of the programme was sent to parents on 13 May 2025 via PG.

b) P3 Mother Tongue Languages (MTL) and Cultural Camp

The MTL Department will be organising the P3 MTL and Cultural Camp on Fri 4 July. The theme is "Embrace the Joy of Learning MTL through Arts and Cultures". Students will immerse themselves in the use of their respective MTL and appreciate their MT cultures. The school will be hosting students from Taiwan on that day and they will be interacting with the P3 students.

c) P3 & P4 SCALE@Peiying Programme

As part of the Learning for Life Programme (LLP), students will take part in Outdoor Education at the Adventure Centre in Term 3 Week 3 and 4 to develop skills such as teamwork, leadership, resilience, critical thinking skills and problem-solving. A separate notification on the details will be sent in Term 3.

d) P4 Science Learning Journey

To provide our P4 students with authentic and out-of-classroom learning for Science, students will attend a workshop on 'Heat' at the Singapore Science Centre. Students will learn about common sources of heat and have the chance to investigate the effect of conductors and insulators to build a cool house. The schedule is as follows:

- 4P & 4E: 31 July
- 4D & 4R: 4 August
- 4I & 4W: 7 August

e) P4 Learning Journey to Kreta Ayer Heritage Gallery

The CCE cohort learning journeys have been developed to allow students to explore their Singaporean identity through the arts, culture, and heritage. Our P4 students will visit the Kreta Ayer Heritage Gallery in the afternoons. The schedule is as follows:

- 4E & 4R : 29 July
- 4I & 4W : 30 July
- 4P & 4D : 15 August

f) P5 National Education (NE) Show

Our students will be attending the show on Sat 19 July. Details of the arrangements have been given to our P5 students and parents on Fri 23 May via PG.

g) P5 Camp

P5 students will be attending the P5 camp at Jalan Bahtera Outdoor Adventure Learning Centre from Mon 1 to Wed 3 September. A separate notification on the details of the programme will be sent to P5 parents in Term 3 via PG.