



Dear Parents / Guardians,

As another busy term comes to an end, we want to thank you once again for the continued support of our efforts to develop every child to his/her fullest potential. Our special thanks to those of you who have contributed your time and effort to enhance the learning experiences of our pupils.

As the school breaks for the September holidays, do take time to bond with your child over some fun and meaningful activities. Our pupils should have a good rest and some fun during the break. They should also spend some time to revise their work and ensure they are well prepared for the end-of-year examination that will take place in September (for P2 to P5).

1. School Events in September & October

Date	Event / Programme	Remarks
Fri, 1 Sep	Hari Raya Haji	Public Holiday
Sat, 2 Sep to Sun, 10 Sep	School Holidays	
Fri, 15 Sep	PSLE Listening Comprehension Examination	School functions as per normal as SKGPS does not have any PSLE candidates.
	Class Photography	All pupils are expected to wear their full school uniform for the photo shoot.
Mon, 25 Sep & Tue, 26 Sep	P2 MTL Oral Examination	More information will be provided to parents in a separate letter.
Tue, 26 Sep to Thu, 28 Sep	P5 EL & MTL Oral Examination	
Mon, 2 Oct	P2 EL Oral Examination	
Mon, 2 Oct & Tue, 3 Oct	P3 / P4 EL & MTL Oral Examination	
Thu, 5 Oct	Children's Day Celebration	Normal school hours
Fri, 6 Oct	Children's Day	School Holiday
Tue, 10 Oct to Thu, 12 Oct	P2 End-of-Year Examination P3 – P5 *SA2 Written Examination	More information will be provided to parents in a separate letter.
Wed, 18 Oct	Deepavali	Public Holiday
Thu, 19 Oct to Tue, 24 Oct	PSLE Marking Exercise	There will be no lessons in school for all levels as teachers are involved in the marking exercise.
Thu, 26 Oct to Wed, 1 Nov	P2 End-of-Year Examination P3 – P5 *SA2 Written Examination	More information will be provided to parents in a separate letter.

*SA2 – Semestral Assessment 2

2. Teachers' Day Celebration

Teachers' Day falls on Thursday, 31 August this year. The school, with the help of the Parent Support Group, will organise an assembly programme to honour our teachers on Wednesday, 30 August. School will dismiss at 12.15pm to allow our teachers to participate in a celebration lunch together. Pupils are advised not to give expensive gifts to their teachers. Cards and hand-made gifts are acceptable.

3. Pupil Achievement

- Our Floorball team participated in the Get Active Singapore Floorball Under 13 4V4 Competition and emerged as the 2nd Runner Up team.
- Perlynn Tan Si Xuan from 2 Diligent for achieving a bronze medal in the Whampoa Taekwondo Poomsae (Pattern) Championship 2017.

4. Staff Achievement

Congratulations to:

- Mr Lim Jit Hin, Vice Principal, for being awarded the National Day Public Service Medal (Bronze).
- Mrs Trina Yee, HOD Aesthetics & CCA, for being awarded the National Day Commendation Medal.

5. Caring Teacher Award (CTA) 2018

The CTA started in 1996 and is organised biennially by the National Institute of Education, in partnership with ExxonMobil Asia Pacific Pte Ltd, with the support of the Ministry of Education. It aims to celebrate school teachers who exemplify the values of caring, sharing and concern for the academic, moral, social, emotional and mental welfare of their pupils.

Parents and pupils are invited to nominate deserving teachers for the CTA. Nomination forms will be given to the pupils. Nominations need to be submitted by Fri, 13 October 2017 at the General Office.

This year, to complement hard copy nomination form submissions, an online submission system is also in place. Parents who wish to submit nominations online are to visit <http://www.cta.nie.edu.sg>.

6. Award for Character Excellence (ACE) and Edusave Character Award (ECHA) 2017

Nomination for ACE and ECHA for 2017

We would like to invite all pupils, parents and staff to nominate outstanding pupils for the Award for Character Excellence (ACE) which is a school based award presented to pupils, including international pupils, who demonstrate exemplary character and outstanding qualities. ACE nominees who are Singapore citizens will also be considered for the ECHA.

The ECHA gives recognition to Singaporean students who demonstrate exemplary character and outstanding personal qualities through their behaviour and actions. This award is given by the Ministry of Education to all schools in Singapore.

Eligibility Criteria:

- a. For ECHA, Students must be Singaporeans. For ACE, students can be Singaporeans, Permanent Residents or foreigners.
- b. The ECHA/ACE nomination is opened to all pupils, staff, parents and other stakeholders.
- c. The Nominee must have demonstrated good character and values on a consistent basis.

The nominees may be identified for the following types of qualities:

- I. Qualities associated with the School Values of Integrity, Care, Active Teamwork, Respect, Responsibility and Excellence;
- II. A high level of civic responsibility: Students must have demonstrated concerns about issues related to their community or issues faced by others. They could have initiated simple action or played an active role to address these issues and demonstrate commitment to making a difference;
- III. Qualities associated with Resilience: Students who have persevered despite facing difficult circumstances (e.g. financial problems, health issues, family issues, peer resistance, etc) and have managed to overcome the odds;
- IV. Displayed leadership qualities: Pupils must be able to act as role model to lead and serve for the school (e.g. school events, VIA) and motivate peers to strive for the best.

Form of Award:

The ECHA awardees will receive a certificate and an award voucher. The ECHA award quanta are as follows, depending on the level of study:

Levels	Award Quantum
Primary 1 to 3	\$200
Primary 4 to 6	\$350

The ACE awardees will receive a certificate and trophy.

Nomination and Selection:

Nomination forms are available at the school's General Office. They can also be downloaded from the school website. Completed nominations can be submitted to the Form Teachers or at the General Office. **The nomination period is from 31 August to 23 September 2017.** Incomplete and late submission of nomination forms will not be considered.

Nominated students for ECHA/ACE will be shortlisted and there will be selection process conducted by the endorsement panel consisting of Principal/Vice Principal, EXCO Member and School Advisory Committee Member (SAC).

We look forward to your nominations.

Your Partner-in-Education,

Mrs Daphne Yeoh
Principal