

**NOTIFICATION 1/P3/2023**

26 January 2023

**P3 Assessment Matters**

Dear Parents

Primary 3 is a transition year during which pupils will learn a new subject, Science. There are also higher content rigour and learning expectations. We want to provide our Primary 3 pupils with adequate time and space to adjust to the increased curriculum demands. They will have **Weighted Assessments (WA)** in Terms 1, 2 and 3. Each weighted assessment may be assigned different weightings and can take various modes, e.g. class tests, quizzes, presentations, group projects. In addition, they will sit for an **end-of-year examination**, typically called **Semestral Assessment 2 (SA2)**, where '2' indicates the second semester of the year.

**Weighted Assessment (WA) Schedule (Terms 1, 2 and 3)**

We want to encourage our pupils to focus on the process of learning, enjoy learning and experience success; and the WA tasks are opportunities for pupils to work on their daily efforts so that they enjoy learning and find success in their efforts. Please note the schedule for the WA tasks in Tables 1, 2 and 3 below:

**Table 1: Weighted Assessment (WA) 1 (10%)**

Subject	Week	WA Task
English	Weeks 7 and 8	Reading & Speaking Task
Mathematics	Weeks 8 and 9	Pen & Paper Task
Mother Tongue	Week 9	Speaking Task
Science	Week 8	Investigative Task

**Table 2: Weighted Assessment (WA) 2 (15%)**

Subject	Week	WA Task
English	Week 7	Pen & Paper Task
Mathematics	Week 9	Pen & Paper Task
Mother Tongue	Week 8	Narrative Writing
Science	Weeks 5 to 7	Investigative Task

**Table 3: Weighted Assessment (WA) 3 (15%)**

Subject	Week	WA Task
English	Week 9	Pen and Paper Task
Mathematics	Weeks 8	Pen and Paper Task
Mother Tongue	Week 9	Pen and Paper Task
Science	Weeks 8	Pen and Paper Task

**Semestral Assessment 2 (SA2) Schedule (Term 4) (60%)**

SA2 is an important milestone check for our pupils. Their performance at SA2 is a reflection of their efforts to learn and their learning progress. We encourage our pupils to put in effective effort throughout the semester so that they will not be unduly anxious and stressed. We seek parents' support to monitor your children at home, ensure that they have sufficient time to learn, to play and to rest. Together we can support the learning and development of your children, and take care of their mental and emotional health as well. Please find below the SA2 schedule:

Subject	Date	Assessment
English Language	21 and 22 Sep 2023	Paper 4 (Oral Communication)
	9 Oct 2023	Paper 3 (Listening Comprehension)
	10 Oct 2023	Paper 1 (Writing)
	26 Oct 2023	Paper 2 (Language Use and Comprehension)
Mathematics	27 Oct 2023	Written Paper
Mother Tongue Language	21 and 22 Sep 2023	Paper 3 (Oral)
	9 Oct 2023	Paper 3 (Listening Comprehension)
	10 Oct 2023	Paper 1 (Writing)
	30 Oct 2023	Paper 2 (Language Use and Comprehension)
Science	31 Oct 2023	Written Paper

Please note that the assessment dates and information are subjected to changes. We will inform you if there are any changes.

### Attendance during Assessments

Please note that it is important and necessary that:

- Pupils must be present for all assessments unless certified unwell by a general practitioner. The school should be informed promptly of the medical leave;
- Pupils who are absent for an assessment, including SA2, **with** a medical certificate endorsed by a general practitioner may be able to sit for the assessment on another day, but the marks will not be recorded;
- Pupils who are absent for any assessment **without** a medical certificate endorsed by a general practitioner will not be able to sit for the assessment on another day and will be awarded a 'zero' mark; and
- For language papers (English and Mother Tongue) in the end-of-year examination, pupils should have taken at least Paper 2 to be awarded an overall assessment mark for the subject.

We look forward to working closely with you to motivate your children to put in sustained effective effort in their daily assignments and focus on their learning and progress.

Thank you.

Warm regards



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