



## Anglo-Chinese School (Junior)

*A Methodist Institution (Founded 1886)*

30 December 2019

Dear Parents/Guardian

I bring you greetings of the Christmas and New Year season and hope that you had a good year-end break. My staff and I look forward to welcoming your children back to school on 2 January 2020.

We usher in a new year with a new theme – One Heart, One Mind, One Voice. With this comes hope that 2020 will be a year of unity for our staff, our students and parents. As one community, we will work together, embrace differences and raise each other up to achieve a common mission – the heritage and values of an ACSian education. We also desire that our boys form firm friendships and learn how to interact and work with their classmates/schoolmates. We will press on in our efforts to raise a generation of boys who will grow into men of purpose and passion, with an indwelling perspective of empathy and care for humanity, and we invite you to journey together with us.

### GENERAL INFORMATION

#### 1. Staff Matters

We warmly welcome the following staff.

1. Ms Cheryl Ng (Head Of Department/English)
2. Ms Tan Su-Ping (Assistant Year Head /Middle Primary)
3. Mr Teo Choon Boh (Senior Teacher/Science)
4. Mr Seetaram Panday (English & Science Teacher)
5. Mr Eric Huang (Chinese & CCE Teacher)
6. Mdm Karmene Yee (Chinese & CCE Teacher)
7. Teow Jing Ho (Chinese & CCE Teacher)
8. Nur Amirah Binte Jumat (Art Teacher)
9. Mdm Faith Tan (Chinese Teacher)
10. Mr Wong Leong Kiet (PE Teacher)

We bid farewell to the following staff:

1. Ms Lim Seow Keong (Retirement)
2. Mr Jeffri Khalid
3. Mr Roy Ye
4. Mrs Joey Teo
5. Mrs Karen Lee-Yeo
6. Mdm Eunice Lin
7. Mdm Zhang Cui Zhi
8. Ms Shahana Shereene
9. Ms Lee Xuan
10. Ms Wu Zhiying

We extend our heartfelt appreciation to all of them for their dedicated service and wish them the best as they embark on a new chapter in their life journey.

## 2. Thanksgiving

We are pleased to share ACSJ's 2019 PSLE results, giving glory to God, for blessing the work of the teachers and the efforts of the boys. They have done very well, with 100% passes, and with 92.9% of our boys eligible for the express stream. Our teachers have worked very hard to support our boys in their learning, and helped them to become the best they can be – not just in terms of results, but in character and values as well. Once again, we congratulate our P6 cohort of 2019 on the completion of their primary school education, and wish them all the best!

## 3. Student Council

I am pleased to announce that the following prefects have been appointed as Council Members 2020:

Head Prefect	Low Ying Xiang, Joshua	(P6.2)
Deputy Head Prefect	Timothy Joseph Chia	(P6.2)
Deputy Head Prefect	Caleb Tham Kai Le	(P6.8)
Member	Luke Chee Keane Hoi	(P6.1)
Member	Ong Shane Ghe, Shane	(P6.2)
Member	Dylan Choo Yong Yi	(P6.3)
Member	Jon Goh Tze Rae	(P6.3)

## 4. School Hours for 2020

Punctuality is about discipline and a mark of respect. As a school, we inculcate this habit of being punctual every morning so that the boys are better prepared for a day of learning in school. Please ensure that your child gets sufficient sleep every night and reaches school before 7.30am. Boys are expected to be at their respective assembly points by 7.30am every morning. Please refer to the information below for where your son is to assemble. Dismissal every day is at 1.30pm. CCAs, Remedial and Enrichment Lessons will begin on Week 4 of Term 1 (29 Jan 2020). More information to the boys concerned will be sent out in due course.

### Note for Parents of Primary One Boys on Dismissal and Recess:

For the first 2 days of term (2 January to 3 January), your son will be escorted from class to the Foyer at 12.30pm (for boys on the school bus) and 1.15pm (for the rest). This will allow us to settle the Primary 1 boys who go on the school bus first before the rest of the boys are dismissed. Parents who are picking up their P1 sons and not going on the school bus are to approach their son's Form Teacher in the Foyer. The Form Teacher will then release your son and you may leave the Campus before the official time of 1.30pm.

Parents may 'observe' their P1 sons from a distance in the canteen during recess (all other areas are out of bounds) which begins at 9.00am for the P1 boys on Thursday 2 January. They may do this only for the first day of school. Rest assured, they will be well taken care of by our Parent Shepherds for the first two days of school, and then subsequently by the P4 buddies.

A gentle reminder to prepare a healthy snack for your P1 son for his 'elevenses' in addition to what you would like him to have for his recess. This is to tide him over till school dismissal as his recess is early at 9.30am.

There will be a special orientation programme for **Parents of P1 Boys** on 2 Jan 2020:

Time	Activity	Venue
Before 7.30am	P1 boys report to Music Room	Music Room
7.30 to 9 am	Talk for Parents by School Personnel and Cairnhill Methodist Church	PAH
9am to 9.55 am	P1 Recess	Canteen
9.55 to 10.30am	Tea for Parents	PAH
10.30 to 11.30am	Parenting Talk by Dr Foo Fung Fong	PAH

11.30am to 12pm	Cyberwellness Talk	PAH
P1 Dismissal	From 12.30pm	Foyer

## 5. Assembly Point on First Day of School

All P1 boys are to report to the Speech & Drama Room / Music Room on Thursday 2 January and Friday 3 January between 7am and 7.30am. Parents are allowed to escort their sons there. Our Form Teachers will be waiting to welcome the boys.

All P2-P6 boys are to report to their respective classrooms to meet their Form Teachers/Co-Form Teachers on Thursday 2 January. At 7.20am, the teachers, together with the students, will proceed to the Multi-Purpose Hall for morning assembly. Please allow your son to walk to their classrooms unescorted. The Teaching Block continues to remain out of bounds to all parents and other unofficial visitors to the school.

## 6. What to Bring on the First Day of School

All P1-P6 boys are to bring only their pencil case, colouring pencils, a story book and a water bottle. **They are not to bring any school books.** Boys will be advised by their respective Form and Subject Teachers when they are to bring their books. Formal academic lessons will begin on 6 January after the orientation week. Please also ensure that your child's belongings are properly labelled. P1 boys are to have their lanyards with them for the first two weeks of school.

## 7. Attire

Boys are to wear their official school uniforms when they report to school on Thursday 2 January. The new corporate T-shirts may be worn on Fridays (except during examinations) and during excursions/camps throughout the year. We will still allow our students to wear Red Corporate T-shirts and White Corporate Polo shirts until the end of 2020. P1 students may also wear their PE uniforms during their PAL lessons. White Corporate T-shirts and shorts may be worn on Fridays (except during examinations), and the Red Corporate T-shirts during excursions throughout the year.

## 8. Back to School Safety

Student safety is a priority of the school. The safety of students using roads leading to and from the school is the responsibility of all. We need motorists to play their part by slowing down as they approach the vicinity of the school, and parents to reinforce the importance of road safety at home.

Students and adults walking to the school are to use the appropriate traffic light and zebra crossings and to enter the school via Gate Number 3. Please do not walk across the Parade Square as vehicles will be moving in and out of the school.

During peak traffic periods such as arrival and dismissal times, students arriving to school by car are to alight at the lay-by along Winstedt Road or the drop-off zone in front of the Foyer/PAH. Our staff and security guards will be deployed to facilitate the flow of traffic and reinforce road safety behaviour. Please cooperate with them.

Please use public car parks at Newton Food Centre Carpark or 10 Winstedt Road as parking is not available within the school premises during reporting and dismissal time for students. Please refrain from parking inside the estate at 50 Monk's Hill Road as it is reserved for residents parking only. Unauthorized parked vehicles will be towed away by the estate management. No parking or waiting of vehicles along Monk's Hill Road, Winstedt Road and Clemenceau Avenue North as this will cause obstruction to the flow of traffic and inconvenience to the residents nearby. LTA Enforcement Officers had been contacted in the past by irate residents and summons had been issued.

## **9. PERI Upgrading Updates**

Due to the onsite PERI upgrading, the open area below the field, the playground and the linkway (between the MPH and teaching blocks) have been hoarded up. A new designated sheltered pathway that leads from the foyer to the canteen, field and multi-purpose hall has been built. The students will be briefed on safety and movement in the first week of school. All classrooms have been fitted with air-condition units to be used when necessary.

There will also be some changes to our usual routines. Morning Assembly will be held in the MPH only on Monday and Friday. On the other days of the week, it will be held in the classroom or in the Performing Arts Hall if there is a chapel session for that level.

The MPH will also be the designated play area during recess so that our boys can continue to remain active during this period. We seek your understanding during the duration of the upgrading, which is expected to conclude in December 2021; in the meantime, we will provide regular updates.

## **10. Discipline and Safety**

Please be reminded that parents are not to engage directly with other students, especially concerning issues with discipline and behaviour. Should there be any matters of concern, please bring this to the attention of our staff for investigation and resolution. For the safety of our students, boys are not allowed to leave school during their lunch break unless they are supervised by their parents/guardians.

## **11. Security Passes**

For the safety of the students, the school has a Security Pass System to monitor and manage the movement of visitors on the school premises. Parents/Care-givers are to display their security pass at all times when on school premises. An Application Form is available at the General Office. Kindly note that each Security Pass allows for 2 family members'/care-givers' particulars.

## **12. Teaching Blocks Out of Bounds**

This is a reminder that the 3 teaching blocks as well as the corridors linking them are strictly out of bounds to visitors, including parents and care-givers. Visitors are to remain in the Foyer when dropping off or picking up boys from school. Parents/guardians are allowed to enter the school and meet their children at the foyer from 1.15pm at dismissal time.

## **13. Pupil Companion & Fee Schedule**

The Pupil Companion will be given to all boys on 2 January. Your son will be encouraged to write details of his homework in it. You may also wish to use it to communicate with your son's teachers. The Fee Schedule for 2020 will be given by end January. Do approach your son's Form Teacher if you anticipate needing any form of Financial Assistance once you receive the schedule. We will do our best to help.

## **14. Important reminders for Applications for Access Arrangements (AAs)**

This is for students with learning or physical disabilities requesting for access arrangements during our internal examinations, based on their individual needs. Please note that all students with a new diagnosis will have to apply for access arrangements such as extra time for their internal examinations as access arrangements are granted on a needs basis in consultation with the teachers and observations during class and exams.

Please also note that the deadline for all applications for access arrangements need to reach us by the following dates for us to process your application.

1. The closing date for new applications for P4 SA1 & P5 SA1 and CA2 is **6 April 2020**.
2. The closing date for new applications for P3 to P5 SA2 as well as the closing date for the 2021 PSLE AAs is **31 August 2020**.

For all new applicants for access arrangements, please download and fill up an application form from our school website and send it to the following AEDs/Teacher in charge:

- For P3 and P4 students, please contact Ms Angela Tan (AED/LBS) at [tan\\_lian\\_hui@moe.edu.sg](mailto:tan_lian_hui@moe.edu.sg)
- For P5 students, please contact Ms Lauren Ng (AED/LBS) at [lauren\\_ng\\_miaw\\_shan@moe.edu.sg](mailto:lauren_ng_miaw_shan@moe.edu.sg)
- For PSLE Access Arrangements, please contact Ms Kim Quek (Senior Teacher/Special Needs) at [quek\\_soo\\_kim@moe.edu.sg](mailto:quek_soo_kim@moe.edu.sg)

### 15. Individual Student Details Report (P1 to P6)

Your child will receive an information form (Individual Student Details Report) for your verification from his Form/Co-Form Teacher on Thursday 2 January. Please assist us by completing the form and ensuring that the contact details as well as medical information is updated. Please do ensure that there are two points of contact in the event of an emergency. Also, please attach at the top right hand corner a recent passport photograph of your child. Kindly return this document to your child's Form/Co-Form Teacher by Tuesday 7 January. If there are any amendments, please make the changes in ink (any colour). Medical information declared will be copied over for subsequent years in the Student Medical Record Module in MOE School Cockpit system. You may provide supporting medical information (if any) from your child's attending doctor at a later stage to his Form/Co-Form Teacher if it is presently unavailable.

## UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

### 16. Orientation Programme for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan 2020

The Orientation Programme we have planned for the first week of school focuses on Character Building, Class Bonding as well as Building Team and School Spirit. The activities are also designed to inculcate our School Values of Integrity, Love, Excellence, Curiosity, Collaboration and Loyalty, which will also help us in the realisation of our School Vision, to nurture Every ACSian to be a young Gentleman of Character, ready for the Future to Lead and to Serve.

#### Primary 1 and 2

	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup>
7.30a.m.	Assembly	Assembly
8a.m.	P1 Recess Routines	Normal Timetable
8.30a.m.	P1 Recess Routines	Normal Timetable
9a.m.	P1 Recess	P1 Recess
9.30a.m.	P2 Recess	P2 Recess
10a.m.	Class Building	Class Building
10.30a.m.	Class Building	Class Building
11a.m.	Class Building	P1-P2 Time with Year Head & DM
11.30a.m.	Class building	P1-P2 Time with Yr Head & DM
12.30p.m.	P1 Dismissal	P1 Dismissal
1p.m.	P1 Dismissal	P1 Dismissal
1.30p.m.	P2 Dismissal	P2 Dismissal

Primary 3 and 4

	<b>Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Friday 3<sup>rd</sup></b>
<b>7.30a.m.</b>	Assembly	Assembly
<b>8a.m.</b>	Class Building	Normal Timetable
<b>8.30a.m.</b>	Class Building	P3 PE/CCA Briefing
<b>9a.m.</b>	Class Building	P3 PE/CCA Briefing
<b>9.30a.m.</b>	Normal Timetable	Normal Timetable
<b>10a.m.</b>	Recess	Recess
<b>10.30a.m.</b>	Class Building	Normal Timetable
<b>11a.m.</b>	Class Building	P4-6 CCA Briefing
<b>11.30a.m.</b>	Class Building	P4-6 CCA Briefing
<b>12p.m.</b>	P3-4 Time with Yr Head & DM	Normal Timetable
<b>12.30p.m.</b>	P3-4 Time with Yr Head & DM	Class Building
<b>1p.m.</b>	Normal Timetable	Class Building
<b>1.30p.m.</b>	Dismissal	Dismissal

Primary 5 and 6

	<b>Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Friday 3<sup>rd</sup></b>
<b>7.30a.m.</b>	Assembly	Assembly
<b>8a.m.</b>	Class Building	Class Building
<b>8.30a.m.</b>	Class Building	Class Building
<b>9a.m.</b>	Class Building	Class Building
<b>9.30a.m.</b>	Class Building	Normal Timetable
<b>10a.m.</b>	Normal Timetable	Normal Timetable
<b>10.30a.m.</b>	Recess	Recess
<b>11a.m.</b>	Class Building	P4-6 CCA Briefing
<b>11.30a.m.</b>	Class Building	P4-6 CCA Briefing
<b>12p.m.</b>	Normal Timetable	Normal Timetable
<b>12.30p.m.</b>	P5-P6 Time with Yr Head	Class Building
<b>1p.m.</b>	P5-P6 Time with Yr Head	Class Building
<b>1.30p.m.</b>	Dismissal	Dismissal

**17. Temperature Taking on 16 January 2020**

16 January 2020 is the MOE designated day for conducting a temperature taking exercise. All P2- P6 boys are to bring a working thermometer to school from 2 January for the week. All P1 boys will be issued with a thermometer by their Form Teachers prior to the exercise.

**18. Breakfast Sessions & Meet-The-Parents (MTP) 2020**

The school will be holding Breakfast Sessions with parents of P2 and P6 students. During the sessions, School Leaders and Key Personnel will be sharing some information that pertains to the level. Parents will not be meeting the Form Teachers in the classrooms during these Breakfast Sessions. The details of the Breakfast Sessions are as follows:

<b>Level</b>	<b>Day/Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Venue</b>
P2 Breakfast Session	Monday, 13 January	7.30 - 8.30am	Performing Arts Hall
P6 Breakfast Session	Friday, 17 January	7.30 - 8.30am	Performing Arts Hall

Please register your attendance via the Form SG link or QR Code below:

## **Primary 2**

The link is [go.gov.sg/p2bkft2020](https://go.gov.sg/p2bkft2020)



go.gov.sg/p2bkft2020

## **Primary 6**

The link is [go.gov.sg/p6bkft2020](https://go.gov.sg/p6bkft2020)



go.gov.sg/p6bkft2020

If you have children in 2 levels, you can submit this form twice, one for each child. RSVP will close on 6 Jan (Monday) for all levels. We look forward to meeting you.

In addition, the school will be holding Meet-The-Parents (MTP) sessions with parents of P3, P4 and P5 students. The MTP sessions will begin with the Principal's address in the PAH, followed by interaction sessions between Form/Co-Form teachers and parents of P3 and P5 only in your boys' classrooms. Due to limited seating capacity in PAH, we would appreciate it if there is not more than one parent representative per child for the P3 and P4 MTP sessions. Presentation slides will be made available on the school website after each session.

The objective of the MTP is to provide information pertaining to school, communication as well as teaching and learning matters. Please note that this MTP is a whole class/level session. If you have specific concerns pertaining to your child, you may email the Form Teachers after the session. A one-to-one MTP session will be held later in the year after the Semestral Examinations.

Level	Day/Date	Time	Venue
P3 MTP	Friday, 10 Jan	3 to 4.30pm	1. Performing Arts Hall (Principal's Address) 2. Classrooms (Interaction with FTs/Co-FTs)
P4 MTP	Friday, 10 Jan	3 to 3.45 pm	Performing Arts Hall session only (Principal's Address)
P5 MTP	Friday, 10 Jan	4.30 to 6 pm	1. Performing Arts Hall (Principal's Address) 2. Classrooms (Interaction with FTs/Co-FTs)

### **19. School Calendar**

Please find the School Calendar for Semester 1 2020 at the end of this letter. The information is also available on the School Website.

### **20. Library Matters**

Central Public Library will be bringing books from National Library Board (NLB) to ACS (Junior) in February, July, August and November 2020. We would like to take this opportunity to remind you to ensure that your son is a registered NLB member. If not, you may register via the following ways before 1 February 2020:

- 1) Parent/Guardian to bring the child down to any NLB branch with their MOE issued EZ-Link card.
- 2) Online registration ([account.nlb.gov.sg](http://account.nlb.gov.sg)) You would need the parent's SingPass to access this option.

Important Note: For Primary 1 (2020) boys, please use option 1 only and bring along the child's birth certificate for registration. NLB will issue a physical NLB library card upon registration as the MOE issued EZ-Link card for Primary 1 boys will not be ready in time for the first session of this activity.

Finally, all library members are encouraged to sign up for NLB's free email Reminder Service. This service will remind you to return the items your son has borrowed on time. You can subscribe for this service at [www.nlb.gov.sg](http://www.nlb.gov.sg).

### **21. Gifted Education Programme (GEP) Identification Exercise**

The tentative schedule for the GEP Identification Exercise is on 19 August 2020. The GEP Selection Exercise will be on 20 and 21 October 2020. The GEP Screening and Selection Exercises will be based on the Primary 1 to Primary 3 English Language and Mathematics syllabuses.

#### Screening Exercise (Mathematics)

All topics in the Primary 3 Mathematics syllabus are included except for the topics of "Area and Perimeter", "Geometry" and "Time".

#### Selection Exercise (Mathematics)

All topics in the Primary 3 Mathematics syllabus are included except for "Angles" and "Perpendicular and Parallel Lines" in Geometry.

May I take this opportunity to wish all of you a blessed and joyous New Year. I wish all the boys a fruitful year of learning and may they continue to build strong and lasting friendships. The Best Is Yet To Be!

Yours sincerely

Mrs Chaillan Mui Tuan  
Principal

**ANGLO-CHINESE SCHOOL (JUNIOR)**

<b>Date</b>	<b>School Calendar 2020 - Semester 1</b>
<b>01-Jan</b>	<b>New Year's Day Public Holiday</b>
02-Jan	P1 Programme for Parents
10-Jan	P3 Meet-the-Parents Session - 3.00 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. (PAH and Classroom)
	P4 Meet-the-Parents Session – 3.00 p.m. to 3.45 p.m. (PAH only)
	P5 Meet-the-Parents Session - 4.30p.m. to 6.00 p.m. (PAH and Classroom)
13-Jan	P2 Breakfast Session with Parents – 7.30 a.m. to 8.30 a.m. (PAH)
	Track and Field Events
16-Jan	Temperature-taking Exercise
	Swimming Events
17-Jan	P6 Breakfast Session with Parents – 7.30 a.m. to 8.30 a.m. (PAH)
18-Jan	Mathematics Workshop for P1 & P2 Parents
20-Jan	Track and Field Finals
24-Jan	Chinese New Year Celebration (Dismissal at 10.00 a.m.)
<b>27-Jan</b>	<b>Public Holiday in lieu of Chinese New Year</b>
<b>28-Jan</b>	<b>School Holiday in lieu of Chinese New Year</b>
31-Jan	Meet-the-Parents Session for Sports CCA Members
04-Feb	P5 and P6 Prefects' Investiture
14-Feb	Total Defence Day Commemoration
19-Feb	52 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Swimming Championships (Dismissal at 11.30 a.m.)
24-Feb	P6 CA1 Higher Mother Tongue
26-Feb	Internal Founder's Day Celebration (P1-P5)
28-Feb	134 <sup>th</sup> Founder's Day Celebration
01-Mar	134 <sup>th</sup> Founder's Day
02-Mar	P6 CA English Language
03-Mar	P6 CA Mathematics
04-Mar	P6 CA Mother Tongue
05-Mar	P6 CA Science
06-Mar	Parents Media Literacy Workshop at NLB (p.m.)
<b>14-Mar to 22-Mar</b>	<b>School Holidays</b>
01-Apr	P5 Camp
02-Apr	P5 Camp
03-Apr	P5 Camp
<b>10-Apr</b>	<b>Good Friday Public Holiday</b>
13-Apr	International Friendship Day
	P5 SA1 Mother Tongue Oral (after school)
16-Apr	P6 SA1 English Language Oral (after school)
21-Apr	P4 SA1 Mother Tongue Oral
23-Apr	P6 SA1 Mother Tongue Oral (after school)
27-Apr	P4-P6 SA1 English Language Composition
28-Apr	P4-P6 SA1 Mother Tongue Composition
<b>01-May</b>	<b>Labour Day Public Holiday</b>
<b>07-May</b>	<b>Vesak Day Public Holiday</b>
11-May	P5-P6 SA1 Higher Mother Tongue
12-May	P4-P6 SA1 English Language
13-May	P4-P6 SA1 Mathematics

14-May	P4-P6 SA1 Mother Tongue
15-May	P4-P6 SA1 Science
18-May	P4-P6 SA1 English Listening Comprehension
	P4-P6 SA1 Mother Tongue Listening Comprehension
<b>22-May</b>	<b>Results Processing Day (Pupils do not report to school)</b>
<b>25-May</b>	<b>Public Holiday in lieu of Hari Raya Puasa</b>
29-May	P1, P2, P4, P5 and P6 Meet-the-Parents Session
	P3 Parents-Boys-Teachers Conference
<b>30-May to 28-Jun</b>	<b>School Holidays</b>
24-Jun	P6 Supplementary Lessons (8.30 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.)
	P5 STEM Enrichment (a.m.)
25-Jun	P6 Supplementary Lessons (8.30 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.)
	P5 STEM Enrichment (a.m.)