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Dear Parents/Guardian

Letter to Parents/Guardian – Term 2

I hope this letter finds everyone well. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all parents and guardians for working closely with the school in Term 1. As we come to the end of Term 1, there is some information that I would like to share with you.

The last day of Term 1 will be on Fri, 8 Mar 2024. We will break for the March Holidays that will run from Sat, 9 Mar 2024 to Sun, 17 Mar 2024. Term 2 will commence on Mon, 18 Mar 2024.

YSS 38th Speech and Prize Giving Day

We look forward to celebrating the success of Yishunites in 2023 at the 38th Speech and Prize Giving Day which will be held on 8 Mar 2024 from 5:45 pm to 8:00 pm at the School Hall.

The first part of the Speech and Prize Giving Day celebration, the Caring Hearts Carnival, was held on 1 Mar 2024. The carnival, comprising games and other activities, was organised by Yishunites for invited senior citizens from eldercare centres.

Academic Matters

Holiday Homework

Details of the holiday homework for the March Holidays given across the different subjects can be found on the school website via this link: <https://yishunsec.moe.edu.sg/students/announcements>

Weighted Assessment 2

The schedule and topics to be tested for Weighted Assessment 2 can also be found on the website via this link: <https://yishunsec.moe.edu.sg/students/exam>

Mother Tongue Language Intensive Revision

To better prepare your child/ward for the Mid-year GCE O-Level Mother Tongue Language (MTL) examinations, the MTL department will be conducting the MTL intensive revision from 20 May to 24 May 2024. The intensive revision will be held during school hours.

WE SEEK, WE STRIVE, WE SOAR

Student Learning Festival (SLF)

The Student Learning Festival will take place in Term 2 Week 5 (15 Apr to 19 Apr 2024). During the week students will benefit from a slew of specially curated activities which leverage educational and developmental opportunities beyond the classroom.

On that week, there will be no formal lessons in the classroom as students will be engaged in activities and learning journeys out of the school.

The Weighted Assessment will take place in the morning of Mon, 15 Apr 2024 instead of the usual Tuesday. There will be no scheduled WA on 23 Apr 2024. Instead, the time will be used for students to share on their learning during the SLF.

Student Matters

Co-Curricular Activities (CCA)

Our Secondary Four and Five students will stand down from CCA on Fri, 8 Mar 2024. This is to allow our graduating cohort to concentrate on their academic learning.

There are some students from the graduating cohort who will continue with their CCAs due to competitions. A training schedule can be found on the school website via this link: <https://yishunsec.moe.edu.sg/students/CCA-Schedule>

YSS Cross-Country

The YSS Cross-Country will be held on Fri, 17 May 2024. The event will be held at the F1 Pit Building at Republic Boulevard. More details regarding this event will be made known later.

Affective Programmes in Term 2

Applied Learning Modules (ApLM)

The ApLM will be held at Nanyang Polytechnic for *selected* students. These modules provide our students with applied learning opportunities. They also allow students to discover their interests and strengths so that they can make more informed education and career choices. The tentative schedule for the various level are as follows:

Level	Dates	Venue
Sec 3E and 4E	11 to 13 Mar 2024	Nanyang Polytechnic
Sec 3NA and 3NT	25 to 27 Mar 2024	
Sec 4NT and 4NA	20 to 21 May and 23 May	

More information will be made available later via Parents Gateway (PG).

Secondary One Breakfast Meeting

The Secondary One Breakfast Meeting will be held on 26 Mar 2024 from 8:00 am to 10:00 am. A notification will be sent via PG nearer the date to confirm your attendance as light snacks will be served.

Secondary One to Five Parent-Teacher Meeting (PTM)

We see much value in working with parents/guardians to provide the best education for all Yishunites. The PTM will be held on 24 May 2024. The PTM aims to provide you with information regarding your child/ward's performance in school. Details of the PTM will be made known later.

Student Leaders Investiture

The Student Leader Investiture will be held on Fri, 5 Apr 2024 from 2:30 pm to 3:45 pm at the School Hall. At this event, we will officially appoint the Prefectorial Board Executive Committee, Peer Support Leader Executive Committee, Class Committee and CCA Leaders as they start their term of duty for 2024/2025.

Discipline Matters

Kindly refer to the Annex attached for information regarding the severity of vaping and its consequences.

Wishing everyone an enjoyable and restful end of term break.



Mrs Regina Lee
Principal

Annex

E-vaporisers are illegal in Singapore. Under the Tobacco (Control of Advertisements and Sale) Act, the possession, use or purchase of e-vaporisers carries a maximum fine of \$2,000. It is also an offence to import, distribute, sell or offer for sale e-vaporisers and their components. Any person convicted of such offences is liable to a fine of up to \$10,000, or imprisonment of up to six months or both for the first offence, and a fine of up to \$20,000, or imprisonment of up to 12 months or both for the second or subsequent offence. All prohibited tobacco items will be seized and confiscated.

MOE takes a firm stand against 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 also manage vaping-related offences through existing disciplinary frameworks. These include taking school-based disciplinary actions, such as suspension or caning (for boys). Students caught vaping will also be placed on cessation support programmes where counsellors will guide them through their cessation journey to effect long-term behavioural change.

Parents have an important part to play in their children's education. There are resources and relevant information that parents can access on Parent Hub. Parents are encouraged to have a serious conversation with their children about vaping to prevent it from becoming a life-long habit. More information about the harms of vaping is available on Parent Hub at <https://go.gov.sg/parent-hub-vaping>.

Source:

MOH-HSA press release on 'Multi-Agency Effort to Step up Vaping Enforcement and Education', dated 19 Dec 2023