3 Jan 2024

Dear Parents/Guardian

Breakfast Meeting with Parents

We see much value in working with you to provide the best education for your child/ward and would like to start our Breakfast Meetings for 2024 where we can clarify any questions that you might have regarding your child's/ward's education in our school and, to simply touch-base with you, our valued stakeholders.

We are pleased to welcome you to our school for a face-to-face session. The dates of the meetings are as follows:

Level	Area of focus	Date/Day
Sec 1	Adapting to secondary school life	26 Mar 2024, Tuesday
Sec 2	Selecting the best subject combination to suit your child's learning and interest	9 Jan 2024, Tuesday
Sec 3	Adjusting to upper secondary school life	16 Jan 2024, Tuesday
Sec 4/5	Preparing for the national examination Exploring Pathways	23 Jan 2024, Tuesday

The programme for the respective breakfast meetings is as follows:

7:45 am - 8:00 am: Registration of parents

8:00 am - 8:45 am: Principal's Time

8:45 am - 9:30 am: Check-in with Form Teachers

A notification will be sent via Parents Gateway (PG) nearer the date to confirm your attendance as light snacks will be provided.

If you have any questions, you can pose them via your reply in the PG notification.

Please feel free to contact the school at yishun_ss@moe.edu.sg if you require any information or assistance.

Farewell and Thank You

On another note, we would also like to bid farewell to some of the members of our staff and welcome new faces to the school.

Our Vice-Principal, Mr Michael Tan, has been posted to another school where he will continue the good work he has been doing here in Yishun Secondary School. Ms Doris Choong, Mr Mr Lim Meng Teck, Mdm Juliet Yeo and Mr Chiang Kok Hoong will also be moving on to other MOE schools where their passion for teaching and commitment to education will grow and inspire even more students. Mr Shahjohan will be retiring from service and Ms Tanny Quek will be leaving for other pursuits.

We thank them for their contributions and wish them all the best.

Welcome

We welcome our new Vice-Principal, Mrs Oh Wee Ming, who is an experienced educator and has previously served in other schools in a similar capacity. Given her professional experiences, she will be a good addition to the school leadership team.

We also have members of the teaching staff coming on board. They are Mdm Sieow Lee Mei, Ms Charissa Boo, Ms Oh Hui Qi, Ms Sharon Tan, Mr Billy Wan and Mr Ezahan. We look forward to working with them.

Vaping is a Serious School Offence

As reported in the news (*The Straits Times, 20 Dec*), MOH and HSA had jointly issued a press release on 19 Dec highlighting the multi-agency effort to step up vaping enforcement and education. The multi-agency effort aims to protect our population and prevent vaping from being entrenched locally.

We would like to reiterate that MOE and schools take a firm stand against vaping. Vaping and smoking are categorised as 'serious offences' that warrant school-based disciplinary actions, including suspension and/or caning for boys.

In addition to engaging the students in school about the dangers of vaping, we would like to encourage you to have a serious conversation with your child about vaping to prevent it from becoming a lifelong habit. There are resources that can be accessed on Parent Hub (https://go.gov.sg/parent-hub-vaping) about the harms of vaping and we have also attached an infographic for your reference.

Thank you and warmest regards

Mrs Regina Lee Principal