

ZHANGDE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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FROM THE DESK OF THE PRINCIPAL

MF/22/007

Dear Parents/Guardians

1. Welcome to Term 2

I hope you have had a good break. I would like to welcome all our parents/guardians back to school as you support your child(ren) throughout the term. Do drop us a note at ren. Do drop

2. Term 2 Calendar & Mid-year Examination

The hard copy calendar was distributed to all students on Wednesday, 7th March 2022. We have also uploaded this to the Parent's Portal in our school website. Please refer to the calendar for the activities, programmes, weighted assessment dates and mid-year examination dates. Do take note that the P4 and P6 students will still have their mid-year examination in 2022.



3. School Vision: All our school programmes continue to be aligned to our school's vision to develop our students holistically.

LEARNING SCHOOL: Our after school supplementary program aims to stretch our students to think beyond the usual and the normal. Our LSP/LSM/RRP/SRD/Remedial groups are kept to small numbers to allow more time to address gaps and level up our students. We

continue to educate our students to understand the importance of consistent effort in all that they do. Our CCA program every Friday morning emphasizes the importance of developing strong bodies and minds. It is time set aside for students to learn new skills and make friends from the other classes and levels. The P3-P4 Financial Literacy Programme will start in Term 2 Week 3 and carry on till end of Term 3. Students will learn the importance of saving and spending wisely through an online lesson package on our Student Learning Space (SLS). These are just a few examples of the planned learning experiences for the term.

GIVER³S Heart: Our focus this term on character development is based on our GiVER³S Values of Respect and Empathy. Not only must these values be spoken about, they need to be thought about, practiced by our students and seen to be practiced by all around them. These values must be part of our daily behaviour and observed through the actions of all Zhangderians. When actions don't match values, we need to do something positive about it to make things better.

- One area that is a great concern is punctuality. A small group of students from P1 to P6, some of them accompanied by parents, report to school after 7.35am and seem to think that this is acceptable behaviour. Zhangde starts the school day at 7.30am with important messages and reminders for our students for the day.
- On another point, our students cannot practice responsibility if they know that parents will

bring whatever items they have forgotten, to be delivered to the classrooms for them. In the long term, this is not good for them. This includes when students do not have their trace together tokens with them daily. This is a National Policy and collective effort.

Character development in a primary school where they start their journey towards adulthood will define our students as they grow and mature. Let us speak the same message to our students and share with them that every choice has a possible negative or positive outcome.

4. School Rules & School Uniform

Please go through the Parent Handbook (page 16) and Student's Handbook (page 12-14) on the School Rules (page 16). It would be good to share this with your child to impress upon him/her the purpose of the rules. Students should take pride in their school uniform (Parent Handbook page 4 & Student's Handbook page 21& 22) and be dressed smart and neat daily. Name tags must be ironed on as part of the uniform. The school carries our regular Fashion Checks.

5. COVID-19 Management: Issuance of Health Risk Notice (HRN) during school hours In line with the shift of HRN from an order to an advisory, students are not required to take the ART in school. They can perform the self-test at home after school dismissal. If student receives the HRN SMS within 90 days of his/he C+/Ag+ result, he/she can disregard the HRN.

6. NS Mark (Gold)

Zhangde Primary School has been successfully accredited with NS Mark (Gold) on 31 Dec 2021 in showing strong commitment, at the highest level, in supporting National Service (NS) and Total Defence as well as for implementing pro-NS policies and practices such as flexible work hours for NSmen.

Zeal, Progress, Success! Thank you. Mrs Rita Dass, Principal