

23 January 2017

Dear Parents of Primary 4 Students

Primary 4 Holistic Assessment for Term 1

Assessment is an integral part of the interactive process of teaching and learning. The main purpose of holistic assessment is to provide meaningful feedback on how students are doing in achieving specific learning outcome. It monitors students' progress and identifies their strengths and weaknesses so that students can take ownership in their own learning. At the same time, more effective, focused and differentiated instructional packages can also be planned.

In order to allow you to have a better idea of the guiding framework, content, resources and programmes of the subjects offered in primary school, we have prepared the Information Booklet for Parents for the respective levels. We have also included in the booklet some information on the Holistic Assessment (HA) practices in the school. More details on the weighted assessment items are given at the beginning of each term in separate letters to parents, such as this one. The Information Booklets are also made available on our school website.

In **Term 1**, the forms of assessment for each subject for Primary 4 are as follow:

English Language Assessment Items	Date/Duration	Marks/Weighting
<p>EL CA1</p> <p>Format: Vocabulary multiple-choice questions (6 x 1m) Grammar multiple-choice questions (8 x 1m) Grammar Cloze Passage (8 x 1m) Modified Cloze (4 x 1m) Synthesis (4 x 1m) Comprehension 1 (10m) Comprehension 2 (10m)</p> <p>Scope of Testing: Companion Booklets 1 & 3 Supplementary materials covered in class</p>	<p>20 Feb 17 (1 h 15 min)</p>	<p>50 marks (10%)</p>

Mathematics Assessment Items	Date/Duration	Marks/Weighting
<p>Maths CA1</p> <p>Format: 15 multiple-choice questions (15 x 2m) 20 short-answer questions (20 x 2m) 5 long-answer questions (5 x 4m)</p> <p>Scope of Testing: Targeting Maths Chapter 1, 2 & 3</p>	<p>21 Feb 17 (1 h 45 min)</p>	<p>90 marks (10%)</p>

Chinese Language Assessment Items	Date/Duration	Marks/Weighting
测验一 (第1课到第4课) 辨字测验 (2题4分) 词语选择 (4题8分) 词语搭配 (4题8分) 短文填空 (2题4分) 造句 (2题4分) 阅读理解 (3题8分) 理解问答 (5题9分)	22 Feb 17 (1 h)	45 marks (10%)

Malay Language Assessment Items	Date/Duration	Marks/Weighting
ML CA1 Komponen: Perkataan Berimbuhan (5 soalan x 2 markah) Peribahasa (4 soalan x 2 markah) Golongan Kata (5 soalan x 2 markah) Kefahaman 1 (2 soalan x 2 markah) Interaksi Penulisan (1 soalan x 4 markah) Kefahaman 2 (4 soalan x 2 markah) dan Kosa Kata (1 soalan x 1 markah) Bahan Rujukan: Buku Teks dan Buku Aktiviti MEKAR 4A Unit 1-3 Jurnal Lembaran Kerja Senarai Peribahasa	22 Feb 17 (1 h)	45 marks (10%)

Tamil Language Assessment Items	Date/Duration	Marks/Weighting
தொடர்கணிப்புத் தேர்வு 1 அமைப்பு: வேற்றுமை, மூவிடப்பெயர்கள், அடைமொழி / எச்சம், காலங்கள் (4x2m) (1 மொழிக் கூறுக்கு 1 வினா மட்டுமே சோதிக்கப்படும்) செய்யுள் (5x2m) (கொன்றை வேந்தன், வெற்றிவேற்கை) முன்னுணர்வுக் கருத்தறிதல் (4x2m) (கோடிட்ட இடத்தை நிரப்புதல்) தெரிவுவிடை கருத்தறிதல் (3x2m) எழுத்துவழி கருத்துபரிமாற்றம் (1x4m) (சுயவிடை) சுயவிடைக் கருத்தறிதல் (5வினாக்கள் 9m) (சுயவிடை)	22 Feb 17 (1 h)	45 marks (10%)

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Science Assessment Items	Date/Duration	Marks/Weighting
Science CA1 Format: 24 multiple-choice questions 10 open-ended questions Scope of Testing: P3 Themes - Diversity (Chapters 1 to 5) - Cycles (Chapters 1 & 2) P4 Theme - Interactions (Chapters 1 & 2)	23 Feb 17 (1 h 30 min)	80 marks (10%)

As the assessment items listed above are weighted and counted towards the overall marks at the end of the year, do note that **a valid medical certificate** is needed if your child is not feeling well and is absent from school on the afore-mentioned dates. If he/she is absent and does not have a valid medical certificate, he/she will be given **“0” mark** for the particular assessment item.

Please also note that students who are late without a valid reason on the days of assessment will not be given extra time and the End Time would be the same as the rest of the students sitting for the assessment in the classrooms. If you have further queries, please feel free to contact your child's Form Teacher.

Thank you for your continued support in your child's learning.

Yours sincerely
 Mdm Jayanthi Retnam
 Vice-Principal

Acknowledgement Slip

*(Please return completed Acknowledgement Slip to the Form Teacher **by Wed, 25 Jan 17**)*

Re: Primary 4 Holistic Assessment for Term 1

I have noted the dates for the Term 1 Holistic Assessment for my child.

Name of Child : _____ Class : _____

Name of Parent : _____ Signature: _____

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