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Dear Parents/Guardian

As we welcome our Merahans back to school for the new term, we would like to thank you for working with us in keeping our school community safe. As the fight against COVID-19 continues, the school can only be kept safe through the concerted effort of all school members and students who demonstrate personal social responsibility.

Since 2020, as part of the process for safe management, the school has introduced staggered arrival for the lower secondary levels. Secondary 1 and 2 students currently report to school at 7.45am. From Term 1 this year, the school has taken time to study the morning arrival situation to identify likely congestion points at bus stops and school entrances. As the study has indicated that there is no morning congestion, the school has decided to resume the **7.30am reporting time for our lower secondary levels** so that it is the same as that of the upper secondary levels. This will be put in place with effect from 29 March 2021 (Monday). Your child/ward has also been notified of this new arrangement.

The school will continue the current **Safe Management Measures (SMMs)** which include temperature taking, visual screening of students and processes to reduce congestion, where possible, to ensure the well-being of our students and staff.

Under the **National Digital Literacy Programme**, for parents and guardians who have submitted their Personal Learning Device (PLD) procurement orders, your child/ward will be receiving his/her PLD in Term 2. Do look out for notifications on Parents Gateway as we will be sharing with you more information on PLD matters nearer the collection date.

Students whose parents and guardians had earlier indicated that they would like the school to issue a **TraceTogether (TT) Token** to their child/ward, would be receiving the tokens from 25 Mar 2021 onwards. Should you have any queries on TT Token collection, kindly contact Ms Loretta Lee @ lee\_siew\_yong\_loretta@schools.gov.sg

To help you and your child/ward plan ahead, please refer to the attached annex for the list of Term 2 events. For some of these events, a separate letter with more information will be issued to parents/guardians at a later date.

We hope to work hand in hand with you to develop your child/ward to his/her fullest potential.

Do stay safe and healthy!

Yours sincerely

Timothy Cheng Principal

## Annex 1

## **2021 BMSS TERM 2 EVENTS**

DATE	LEVEL	EVENT	REMARKS
22-24 Mar	All	EL Week	
23, 25 & 26 Mar	Sec 4E/5N	EL Oral Communication Skills workshop	Afternoon (details will be shared with the classes)
26 & 29 Mar	Sec 2	Virtual Parent-Teacher Meeting (PTM)	Afternoon
29 Mar-1 Apr	Sec 4NA/NT	Elective Modules	
		APRIL	
2 Apr	All	Good Friday Public Holiday	
5-7 Apr	Sec 2	Sec 2 Adventure Camp	
13-15 Apr	Sec 4NA/NT	EL Oral Examination	
16 Apr	Sec 4E/5N	MTL Oral Examination	
	Sec 4NA/NT	EL Make-up Oral Examination	
19 Apr	Sec 4NT Sec 4 CLB	MTL Oral Examination	
21 Apr	Sec 4E/5N Sec 4NA	EL Oral Examination MTL Oral Examination	
22-23 Apr	Sec 4/5	Mid-Year Examination (Part 1)	
26 Apr	Sec 4/5	MTL Make-up Oral Examination	
28 Apr	Sec 4E/5N	EL Make-up Oral Examination	
28 Apr	Sec 4E	Pure Chemistry Practical Examination	
29 Apr	Sec 4E	Pure Physics Practical Examination	
30 Apr	Sec 3E1 & 3E2	Virtual Global Merahan Programme with Jiang Nan Middle School, China Wuxi	
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1 May	All	Labour Day Public Holiday	
3 May	All	Labour Day School Holiday	
4-12 May	Sec 4/5	Mid-Year Examination (Part II)	
13 May	All	Hari Raya Puasa Public Holiday	
14 & 17 May	Sec 4/5	Script Checking	
18-21 May	Sec 3NA/NT	Elective Modules	
19-27 May	Sec 4E/5N	MTL Intensive Programme	
24-25 May	Sec 3	Sec 3 Adventure Camp	
26 May	All	Vesak Day Public Holiday	
27 May	All	Last Day of Semester 1	
27 May	Sec 1 & 3 Sec 2*	Virtual Parent-Teacher Meeting (PTM)	Afternoon /

			*selected Sec 2 students
28 May	Sec 1 & 3 Sec 2*	Virtual Parent-Teacher Meeting (PTM)	*Selected Sec 2 students
31 May	Sec 4E/5N	GCE O Level MTL Examination	
	1	JUNE	
1 Jun	Sec 4E/5N	GCE O Level MTL B Examination	
1-3 Jun / 21-24 Jun	Sec 4NA/NT	Craft & Technology Coursework Intensive Programme	Morning
1-3 Jun / 21-24 Jun	Sec 4E/5N	Study Programme	Morning / including 4NA SBB students
1-3 Jun / 21-24 Jun	Sec 4E/5N	Craft & Technology Coursework Intensive Programme	Afternoon
2 Jun	Sec 3E3, 3N1 & 3T1*	Virtual Global Merahan Programme with Samakkhiwitthayakhom School (SWK), Thailand Chiang Rai	*Selected students from 3T1
3 Jun	Sec 3E4, 3N3 & 3T1*	Virtual Global Merahan Programme with Srinagarindra the Princess Mother School, Phayao (SWPY), Thailand Phayao	*Selected students from 3T1
22-23 Jun	Sec 4NA/NT	EL Study Programme	