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Dear Parents/Guardian of Secondary 3 students,

1 I hope our Sec 3 students have been sharing with you their highlights of school life in Term 1. Just before we ended Term 1, the Sec 3s had organized a self-run carnival for their peers and teachers to end the Term on a high note. However, it was not all just fun and games for them. Through the month-long planning process, our students got the opportunity to better understand their own strengths, and how they could serve to be a positive influence and contributor in a real-world context. Making their vision for the carnival come alive required them to tap on their self and team leadership skills to the fullest as they tackled the inevitable complex scenarios which arose when individuals come together. We know these formative experiences will instill in them lifelong values and attitudes, beyond academic learning.

2 Many of them will soon be taking on leadership roles in their own domains, and I hope the experience has served them well in learning how to manage their own emotions, thoughts and behaviour. I look forward to their continued growth as individuals and their contribution to our vibrant learning community.

3 The school regularly shares our activities for students on the school's official Instagram account. We invite you to follow this account to view snapshots of school life for your child/ward. Knowing what your child/ward may have experienced in school is a good conversation starter to connect with him/her about his/her relationships in school and sense of well-being. Do search for us using *officialctss* on Instagram.

4 In the rest of this letter, the school would like to share information about school activities which have been planned for Sec 3s in Term 2.

Meet-the-Parents Session (Friday 24 March 2023)

5 As part of our continuous effort to enhance communication and partnership between you and the school, we would like to invite you to attend the Secondary 3 Meet-the-Parents session on Friday 24 March 2023, from 6.00pm to 7.00pm in the school hall.

6 The programme includes an address by Vice-Principal, a briefing on Education and Career Guidance (ECG) and Post-Secondary Pathways for Students as well as a sharing by Assistant Year Head on Stress Management. More information regarding the Meet-the-Parents session will be put up on Parent Gateway.

Remediation for Identified Students

7 From Term 2, Week 2 to Week 9 except Week 6, subject teachers will hold remediation on Tuesday with identified students who will benefit from additional academic support. The duration of each session is 1 hour, from 3.30pm to 4.30pm. For more information regarding your child's/ward's attendance in the remedial classes, please contact the general office at 6777 7362.

Well-being Week (Monday 27 March to Friday 31 March 2023)

8 CTSS Well-being week aims to educate students on their self-management of personal well-being, both psychologically and physically. We hope that Clementeens will learn, start and sustain healthy psychological and physical habits through a series of informative activities that will be conducted during ASPIRE Time, recess and

lessons. The series of activities will be led by Sports Leaders and Peer Support Leaders, for Clementeens by Clementeens.

9 In the area of cultivating good physical habits, Clementeens will learn to be mindful of the food we consume. They will also have the opportunities to participate in exercise challenges during recess to keep their body active and explore new sporting activities such as Target Games.

10 To enhance psychological well-being, Clementeens will learn to focus on strengthening their resilience through thought reframing process, self-care as well as showing care and support for others.

International Friendship Week (Monday 10 April to Friday 14 April 2023)

11 International Friendship Day helps the world to overcome its challenges and complexity using the most basic form of human solidarity, friendship.

12 The theme for International Friendship Day this year is *Singapore in Asia*. Asia is made up of colourful and diverse cultures. Mutual understanding of each other's culture helps to promote regional peace through the acknowledgement and respect of cultural differences within the region.

13 This year, for International Friendship Day, students will get the opportunity to appreciate the culture of selected ASEAN countries through engaging booth activities during recess throughout the week. Character and Citizenship Education (CCE) lesson will also portray how countries within the region help each other through different situations, highlighting the cooperation and solidarity of ASEAN.

Sec 3 Student Leadership Training (Thursday 13 April and Thursday 11 May 2023)

14 There will be a Student Leadership Training session on the afternoon of 13 April and 11 May 2023 for all student leaders of the various student leadership bodies. This is aimed at equipping the current student leaders with the requisite skills and knowledge for their roles for the upcoming Semester ahead as the Secondary 4/5 students look to handover their expertise and experiences to their juniors before they step down at the end of the Term.

43rd Speech and Prize-Giving Day (Thursday 27 April 2023)

15 CTSS is celebrating our 43rd Speech and Prize-Giving Day on Thursday, 27 April 2023. This would be our first full-scale celebration since the pandemic, and we are thankful to once again be able to invite our ex-Clementeens and parents of prize winners to attend the ceremony. Our Sec 2 and 3 Prize Giving Ceremony will be held during ASPIRE Time on Tuesdays, 2 and 9 May 2023.

Mid-Year Parent-Staff Interaction (Thursday 25 May and Friday 26 May 2023)

16 Our Mid-Year Parent-Staff Interaction will be held via either phone call or Zoom (a video conference platform) this year. An announcement will be put up on Parents Gateway to invite you to register your mode of communication with the CCA Parent in May 2023. You may choose to meet the CCA Parent on either Thursday 25 May or Friday 26 May 2023.

Leadership Handover Ceremony (Thursday 25 May 2023)

17 The Leadership Handover Ceremony will be held on the morning of Thursday, 25 May, as part of the end-of-term programme to give due recognition to our Upper Secondary Student Leaders for their commitment and leadership throughout the past year. It also marks an important juncture where the current leaders take a step back and allow for the new leaders to take over. We look forward to celebrating the achievements and growth of our Clementeens.

[HMTL students only] Secondary 3 Higher Mother Tongue Languages Oral Exams (5 May to 11 May)

18 The Secondary 3 Higher Mother Tongue Languages Oral Exams will be held from Friday 5 May to Thursday 11 May 2023, after curriculum hours. The marks for the oral exam will be included in the End-of-Year Exam. Students will be informed of their individual date and time slot by their subject teachers.

Sec 1 to 3 Student Leadership Camp (Wednesday 31 May to Thursday 1 June 2023)

19 There will be a Student Leadership camp that will take place from 31 May to 1 June for all newly appointed student leaders and the Executive Committee members of the new Student Union. This is designed for the student leaders to learn more about the Leadership Challenge Model, and prepare them for the year ahead as they embark on creating positive change to the community and environment under our school's Life-long Learning Programme focusing on Community Youth Leadership.

FOR PARENTS/GUARDIANS' SUPPORT

Safety and Security Related Matters

20 The school appreciates that the majority of our parents/guardians are cooperative and partners with us in ensuring the safety and security of our staff and students. We would like to remind parents/guardians on the following:

- a. Visitor Declaration. To enable the accounting of all visitors into the school compound, all visitors must register their particulars at the Security Guard Post. Do show our Security Guards any ID which can proof your identification. Upon clearance by the security guards, visitors MUST display the school visitor's sticker prominently on the upper right side of the shirt/blouse.
- b. No Parking/Waiting at the Foyer. Please be reminded that the road along the Foyer is meant to be a drop-off/pick-up point and not for parking or waiting. Parents/guardians can park their vehicles at Carpark A if your child/ward is not ready to board the vehicle. Do wait for your child inside the car and not at the foyer area.

21 I look forward to another school term of rich and meaningful learning together with our Clementeens. I also seek parents'/guardian's continued understanding and support to work with my staff as we nurture them holistically.

Yours sincerely,

Mdm Rasidah Bte Rahim
Principal

(This is an electronic letter. No signature is required.)