



林景中学

**WOODGROVE SECONDARY SCHOOL**

*A School of Choice. A Community of Dynamic Learners.*

22 January 2018

Dear Parents / Guardians

## Notification of School Matters and Events

The school would like to thank you for the unwavering support that you have given to our programmes, allowing us to provide a holistic education for our students. As part of the school's regular communication with our parents, I would like to share with you (1) key school matters, (2) our achievements and good news and (3) upcoming events.

### (1) Key School Matters

The school has 2 distinctive programmes:

- Applied Learning Programme (ALP): Materials Science for Sustainable Living
- Learning for Life Programme (LLP): Community & Youth Leadership

#### Applied Learning Programme (ALP): Materials Science for Sustainable Living

This programme introduces Woodgrovers to the fields of materials science and environmental science through teaching relevant topics during Science, Mathematics, Geography, Design & Technology and Project Work lessons. Secondary 2 classes will participate in learning journeys to industries or institutions of higher learning to reinforce and deepen their learning. Secondary 3 students are given the opportunity to participate in Overseas ALP trip at the end of the year.

#### Learning for Life Programme (LLP): Community & Youth Leadership

Our LLP aims to nurture students to be compassionate individuals with a passion to serve the community. All Secondary 1 to 3 classes will participate in a student-initiated service learning project (Go Make A Difference) each year, allowing Woodgrovers the opportunity to work with community partners or Voluntary Welfare Organisations to show their care for the needy or the environment. Secondary 3 students are given the opportunity to participate in Overseas Service Learning trip at the end of the year.

#### Handphone & Electronic Devices Policy

Handphones have become an important mode of communication especially when students spend long hours in school. To ensure a conducive environment for teaching and learning, students must understand their responsibility towards themselves and others when using handphones.

Students can only use their handphones/electronic devices before morning assembly, recess time and after the last period of curriculum time. Handphones/electronic devices are to be switched off or put on silent mode and kept in the bags during examinations/tests, lessons and co-curriculum time. Disciplinary actions will be taken against students that violate this rule and their handphones/electronic devices will be confiscated. For more details on the school's handphone and electronic device policy, please refer to the Code of Conduct printed on page 103 of the Student Planner 2018.



QR Code for School Website



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### Traffic Management Related Information

The school would like to thank all parents for exercising patience and consideration when driving in and out of the school during the peak hours of 6:45 a.m. to 7:25 a.m. Kindly note that the front gate will be closed at 7:25 a.m. to facilitate the school's flag raising ceremony. We would appreciate if you could continue to adhere to instructions by school personnel directing the traffic and obey all traffic rules. The speed limit within the school premises is 15 km/h.

If you intend for your child to cycle to school, your child would need to collect a consent form from the general office. Once your child has been given approval to cycle to school, he/she should wear the appropriate protective gear (i.e. helmets and paddings) as well as use bicycles adhering to LTA regulations.

### Assessment Guidelines

The school views assessment as an integral part of a student's educational experience. The primary goal of assessment is to improve student learning through gathering information to inform teaching practice and provide feedback to students.

To support their learning, all students are expected to attend school on a daily basis. Students are to be punctual for school, including all lessons and all activities. Students who are absent from school due to illness are to present a Medical Certificate issued by a doctor. On days where assessment is conducted, we seek your understanding and cooperation in the implementation of the following guidelines:

- (a) Our students' health and well-being is our top priority. A student who is ill is not encouraged to stay in school for assessments. Parents of the affected student will be contacted to bring their their child/ward home and consult a doctor if necessary. If a medical certificate is issued, students should rest at home for the full duration stated in the Medical Certificate (MC).
- (b) If a student is absent for an assessment because of illness, he/ she needs to submit a Medical Certificate (MC). The school will arrange for a re-sitting of missed class tests within five school days. However, there will be no make-up/re-sit arrangements for Common Tests (CA1 and CA2), Mid-Year Examination and End-of-Year Examination.
- (c) If a student is absent for any assessment (including class tests, Common Tests (CA1 and CA2), Mid-Year Examination and End-of-Year Examination) without an official reason, together with the submission of the supporting documentation, a zero mark will be awarded.

### Snack Time

To ensure the well-being of our students, the school has introduced a 10-minute snack break from 12:50 p.m. to 1 p.m. from Monday to Thursday for all classes. In line with promoting a healthy lifestyle in our school, students are only allowed to consume healthy food and plain water during the snack break.



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## (2) Achievements and Good News

### 2017 Overseas Learning Journeys

The school organised 4 Overseas Learning Journeys for 120 Secondary 3 students in November last year. Participating students had rich learning from their overseas experiences in Hong Kong (Aesthetic Trip), Chiang Mai (ALP Trip) and Vietnam (2 Service Learning Trips). The school will be organising 3 Overseas Learning Journeys for the current Secondary 3 students at the end of the year. The details of the trips will be given to Secondary 3 parents and students in March.



Staff Well-Being



PEOPLE OF THE YEAR  
SINGAPORE



### Release of 2017 GCE N level results (18 Dec 17)

The school has done well in this examination. Our 4N(A) cohort has done well with 100% passes in English. The percentage of 4N(A) students eligible for promotion to Secondary 5N(A) is comparable with national average. Our 4N(T) cohort has also done the school proud. The percentage passes for almost all their subjects are better than the national average.



2011

### Secondary 1 Orientation Programme (2 Jan 18 to 5 Jan 18)

Secondary 1 cohort experienced a week of fun-filled orientation programmes (SOAR) from 2 Jan (Tue) to 5 Jan (Fri) to help them forge friendships with their peers as well as to familiarise themselves with their new learning environment. SOAR closed on a high note with a campfire where the newest members of the Woodgrove Family performed for their peers, parents and teachers.



OUTSTANDING SEAA RECIPIENT 2012

### Sec 3 Adventure Leadership Camp (8 Jan 18 to 10 Jan 18)

All Secondary 3 classes have successfully completed their Adventure and Leadership Camp from 8 Jan (Mon) to 10 Jan (Wed). Students participated in dragon boating, orienteering challenge and high element courses during the camp. The activities helped to foster a stronger class spirit in the Secondary 3 cohort.



### Release of 2017 GCE O level results (12 Jan 18)

Woodgrovers have done well in this examination. The percentage of students with passes in at least 3 subjects is comparable with the national average. The percentages of passes and distinctions for most subjects are higher than national average.



### Co-Curricular Activities (CCA) Achievements

CCA groups have done the school proud by achieving good results in their respective competitions. Our National Cadet Corps Unit and National Police Cadet Corps Unit have achieved Gold Awards in the 2017 Best Unit Competitions respectively. We are awaiting more good news from the other CCA groups.



## (3) Upcoming Events

### Chinese New Year Celebration (15 Feb 18)

The school will be having our Chinese New Year Celebration on 15 Feb (Thu). Students are expected to report to school at 7:20 am on that day and they will be dismissed at 10:30 am. Students who do not turn up for school will need to produce a valid medical certificate. Please note that students are not required to attend school on 16 Feb (Fri) and 19 Feb (Mon). School will resume on 20 Feb (Tue).



ASEAN  
ECO-SCHOOLS AWARD  
2015

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Sec 1 to 3 Common Test (26 Feb 18 to 01 Mar 18)

Secondary 1 to 3 classes will have common tests from 26 Feb (Mon) to 1 Mar (Thu). A letter informing parents and students on the schedule of the common test will be issued in late January. The schedule can also be found on the school website under communication with parents.



Cross Country (9 Mar 18)

The annual cross country will be on 9 Mar (Fri). The details of the event will be given to parents and students in late February.



Sec 4/5 Meet the Parent Session (23 Mar 18)

The school will be inviting parents of Secondary 4/5 students to attend a Meet the Parent Session on 23 Mar (Fri). The details of the event will be given to Sec 4/5 classes and their parents in late February.



I look forward to our continued partnership as we work together to realise the Woodgrove Education outcomes for each child in the school.



Yours sincerely



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