



# PUNGGOL SECONDARY SCHOOL 培道中学

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

## Principal's End-of-Year Message

2020 has indeed been an exceptional year as we continue to battle COVID-19 as a school, a country and as part of the global community. I am grateful for your strong support, patience and confidence throughout the Full Home-Based Learning period and post- Circuit Breaker as teachers explored different ways of teaching, and programmes and CCAs had to be significantly altered to ensure the safety of students and staff.

As 2020 comes to a close, we would like to inform you on key changes that will take place next year.

### *Personalised Digital Learning Programme (PDLP)*

Under the National Digital Literacy Programme, MOE will introduce Personalised Digital Learning Programme (PDLP) for all students in secondary schools. The PDLP has the following aims: to enhance teaching and learning, to support self-directed and collaborative learning and develop digital literacy. Every secondary school student will be equipped with a personal learning device by 2021. We will formally come onboard PDLP in Semester two next year and **we aim to have the students purchase their devices and receive them by May 2021**. More details will be provided at a later date.

### *Odd/ even week timetable structure*

The school will be implementing the **odd/even week timetable structure starting Jan 2021**, similar to what we had done for the first four weeks in Term 3 this year. This is to facilitate the Home-Based Learning (HBL) Day which will be implemented in Semester 2 2021 when students will have a HBL day once every fortnight. With this change, students will generally end school slightly earlier. Recess and lunch will continue to be 40 minutes and 20 minutes respectively but their timings will be adjusted so that students have their breaks at more appropriate junctures. Finally, **instead of Monday being a late start day, it will be on a Friday**, to ease students into HBL day on alternate Fridays in Semester 2.

### *Purchase of textbook and uniform for 2021*

In view of the current safe management measures, please note the following on the purchase of textbooks and uniform for 2021. We seek your cooperation so that we can minimize the number of visitors into the school:

- The 2021 booklist has been provided to your child/ward. Purchase of textbook, including payment, can only be made online at <https://www.oapl.sg/> starting 6 Nov 2020. You can choose for the textbooks to be delivered (charges apply) or to pick them up at the school. For the latter, please visit [www.picktime.com/oapl](http://www.picktime.com/oapl) to choose a timeslot for the pick-up.
- For purchase of uniform at the school, you can choose a timeslot at [www.myuniformshop.com.sg](http://www.myuniformshop.com.sg) under the "Book Now" tab. Payment can be made in school. Alternatively, you can purchase the uniform online at the same website and have it delivered to your home. Finally, you can also visit their retail outlet at 209 New Upper Changi Road #03-651 S(460209). It is opposite Bedok MRT, above the Sheng Siong Supermarket.

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- Only one parent and/or student may be allowed into the school for the pick-up of textbooks and purchase of uniform. You will be required to show the email confirmation of the timeslot to enter the school. **Individuals who did not make prior appointments for textbook or uniform will unfortunately be unable to enter the school.**
- Dates for the pick-up of textbooks and purchase of uniform are 12-13 Nov, 18-20 Nov, 24-26 Nov, 30 Nov – 3 Dec (please note that 1-2 Dec and 11 Dec dates are reserved for MOE FAS students only), 7-10 Dec and 14 Dec. Students are required to wear their uniform and have their textbooks ready on the first day of school in 2021.

To receive timely updates about the new school year, please check our website regularly and enable the notification feature on Parents Gateway. If you need further clarifications, you may email us at [punggol\\_ss@moe.edu.sg](mailto:punggol_ss@moe.edu.sg). We wish all parents/guardians a good time of family bonding with your child/ward this holiday!

Stay healthy and stay safe.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Angeline Huang  
Principal

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