



# Queensway Secondary School

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Dear Parents/Guardians and QSS students

It has been almost a month since school re-opened and I am most appreciative for the good support and response thus far. Singapore has moved into Phase 2 of Safe Management Measures during this process of mitigating our management of COVID-19, and it has thus far been quite encouraging.

Firstly, I want to express my appreciation to the teachers and staff of Queensway Secondary for the additional efforts made to keep our school COVID-19 free and to ensure that learning proceeds with minimal disruption to the learning process. Besides preparing lessons and marking the work done by students, they have had to manage the screening of students as they enter the school and take charge of further screening in the classroom.

I am also heartened that the majority of our students have been responsible and co-operative, wearing their masks and adhering to keeping a safe distance when in queues or more crowded areas like bus stops or the MRT stations. I appreciate parents/guardians reminding your children to keep to the safe management measures.

We are still quite a long way from seeing the end of COVID-19 and all of us must do our part to ensure that our students and we, ourselves, adopt good practices. Health experts are concerned that there will be another wave of infections if we let our guard down, for instance:

- While only a few, I have had to deal with students who have not kept their masks on in public. This comes to my notice as this very anti-social behaviour in this time of COVID-19 management is wrong. Members of the public have chosen to send photographs of such students to me, though they could have sent the evidence to government authorities. Please remind your children that they can be fined for not wearing a mask, as this is a default practice.
- Thankfully, while limited, we have had students coming to school with flu-like symptoms but have not seen a doctor. When such students are identified, we will have to get parents to send their child/ward to see a doctor before he/she can return to school
- Gathering in groups. The risk of such an action is that we do not know if anyone in the group is asymptomatic for COVID-19. Thus, in school, we have limited students to activities within their class groupings. A disturbing observation I have made is groups of people from different families coming together for social activities. Though they limit the group size, but the risk if anyone in the group has the virus or is a Super-carrier, it will result in the formation of a cluster.

## New Time-Table from Week 5 (29 June onwards)

From Monday 29 June, all students will be reporting back to school. To minimize crowding and congestion, we will continue to have staggered arrival and dismissal times. Sec 1 and 3 students will report to school by 7.30 am and be dismissed at 1.45 pm, while Sec 2, 4 and 5 students will report by 8 am and be dismissed at 2.15 pm. Please





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note that for the rest of Semester 2, we will be operating with the new Time-Table, which has already been sent via Parents Gateway.

## Remedial Lessons

From next week, remedial lessons will also commence for Sec 2 and 4 & 5 students. For students in Sec 1 and 3, teachers will arrange for remedial or consultation as the need arises. Should your child/ward be required to stay back for remedial lessons, they will need to purchase their lunch and consume it in their classrooms before the remedial lesson.

## Mosquito Issue

We have been fumigating the school every Saturday in a co-ordinated effort with the construction company next door. At the same time, we are spraying insect repellent in the classrooms and also installed mosquito traps. We are also working with NEA and NParks to address the issues outside of our compound. Some have suggested switching the on the air-conditioners in the classrooms. However, with COVID-19, this would pose another risk. The situation has improved and we are continuing to monitor the situation.

## General Elections 2020

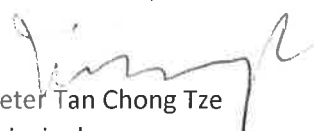
In the next 2 weeks, Singapore would be going through an interesting election process. Besides a first in election hustings not held at rally grounds but on television and through the internet, it is likely that this would be an election with more parties contesting for Singaporeans' votes.

While your children are too young to vote, it is never too young to help them understand the process and be engaged in the issues discussed. After all, the outcomes of the elections will affect all our lives and possibly, when the next elections are held, the older students would be eligible to vote. We will certainly want our students when it comes time for them to cast their vote, they will do so thoughtfully and wisely.

## Conclusion

We understand that the economic impact of COVID-19 may have more severely affected some families. We have been engaging with our students on this, providing them various resources and supporting processes. Should you need any assistance, please approach your child's/ward's Class Mentor or call the school office and my colleagues will be able to assist and advise you. I am very grateful to our QSS Alumni and Church of Our Saviour for providing financial support to purchase food packages for families in need. It is wonderful to see the community coming together to lift each other up. This is a time for us to pull together and lend each other support.

Yours sincerely,

  
Peter Tan Chong Tze  
Principal



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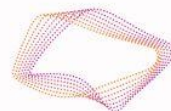
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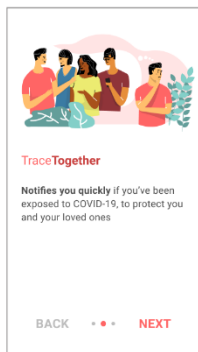
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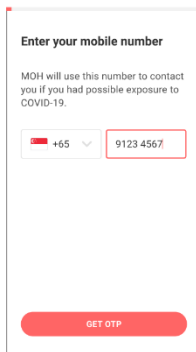
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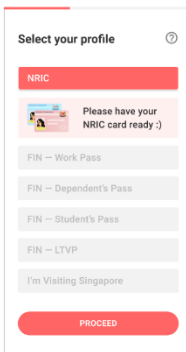
2. Launch the app.

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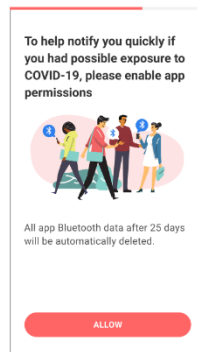
3. Register using your mobile number.

**Enter the One-Time Pin** sent to you via SMS.



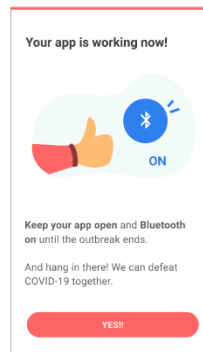
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5. Enable Bluetooth.

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