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Dear Parents/Guardians of Secondary 1 students 2019,

It gives me great pleasure to welcome you to Queensway Secondary School, a place where your child/ward will spend the next most formative years of his/her life. Secondary school education will present opportunities for your child/ward to explore his/her interests, passions and abilities as well as shape them to be prepared for the next phase of development, leading to further studies or employment. His/her journey will be most meaningful and enjoyable if he/she chooses to immerse in the full myriad of programmes and activities that are offered by our school.

Today, your child/ward will begin to make new friends and forge friendships that will transcend time. For most people, friends made in secondary schools tend to become friends for life. At a recent Queensway Secondary Alumni dinner event, it was heartening to see a number of the first cohort of the school coming together to celebrate their friendship as they have done for years.

This morning, I shared about our school's values and motto. To reiterate, we focus on Discipline, Respect, Responsibility and Excellence, values that I am sure you would like your child/ward to demonstrate as they will prepare him/her for life. We give focus to each of these values throughout the year through our various programmes and activities. The school's motto is "Success through Diligence". As parents/guardians, you would want your child/ward to find success in life. Likewise, as his/her teachers, we want the same, but we know that it takes effort — effort with diligence — to find success. Hence it is not half-hearted effort, but effort that calls for doing and giving our best that would lead to success.

Over the course of the year, I will write to you frequently and these letters will be posted through the Parents Gateway, as well as in our school's website. I encourage you to visit our website to familiarize yourself with our programmes and activities. The email addresses of your child's/ward's teachers can also be found there, should you wish to communicate with them.

To help your child/ward integrate into the school, the Secondary 1 Orientation Camp has been planned from 2nd January to 4th January 2019. This was mentioned in today's briefing and the following are details for your information.























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Secondary 1 Orientation Camp

Your child/ward will commence school with a 3 day, 1 night Orientation Camp. On Wednesday, 2nd January, your child/ward will report to the School Hall by 7.30 am and be dismissed at 5 pm. On Thursday, 3rd January, he/she will report by the same time of 7.30 am to the School Hall, and experience camping in school on that night (please refer to the items that he/she would need to bring according to the packing list attached). There will also be a Campfire that night, commencing at 7 pm and all parents/guardians are cordially invited to join us. On Friday, 4th January, your child/ward will be dismissed after the CCA Fair.

Your child/ward will report for the camp in PE attire. He/she will need to bring money to purchase food for recess and lunch as we do not wish to add to the cost of the camp. However, he/she would need to pay \$20 for the camp that would cover the camp T-shirt, snacks, dinner and supper for Thursday as well as breakfast on Friday.

We are certain your child/ward will get to know his/her peers, including our teachers and their seniors in school, which would help in his/her adjustment to secondary schooling.

Secondary 1 Meet-the-Parents and CCA Fair

Our school cordially invites you to the Secondary 1 Meet-The-Parents Session & CCA Fair which will be held on 4th January 2019 (Friday) from 3 pm to 6 pm. Registration will commence at 3.00 pm in the School Hall.

The objectives of this session are to provide parents the opportunity to:

- understand the school's key curricular and co-curricular programmes
- meet and interact with Secondary One Form Teachers and Key Personnel of the school
- find out more about our Parent Support Group (PSG) and its activities
- find out more about the wide range of CCAs offered in QSS

We hope you will give us your full support by being present at this session. Once again, I welcome you to the Queensway family and we look forward to building our relationship.

Yours sincerely

























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Programme on 4th January 2019 (Friday)

3.00 p.m. Arrival of Parents & Registration

3.15 p.m. Performance

3.30 p.m. Welcome

Introduction of Key Personnel and Sec 1 Form Teachers

Principal's Address

The Curriculum

Performance

The Co-Curricular Programme

QSS Parent Support Group

QSS Alumni

Installation Ceremony

4.20 p.m. Dialogue with Form Teachers & Key Personnel (Classrooms)

5.00 p.m. CCA Fair

6.00 p.m. End of CCA Fair























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Packing list for overnight camp on 3rd January

| S/N | Item | Quantity | Remarks |
|-----|--------------------------|------------|---|
| 1 | Queensway PE T-shirt | 1 | |
| 2 | Queensway PE shorts | 1 | |
| 3 | Sweater/Jacket | 1 | Optional |
| 4 | Sandals/Slippers | 1 pair | During wash up |
| 5 | Socks | 1 pair | |
| 6 | Sleep wear | 1 set | |
| 7 | Undergarment | 1 set | |
| 8 | Bath towel | 1 | |
| 9 | Toiletries | | Comb, facial wash, sanitary pads, contact lens equipment, hair bands, shampoo, body foam/soap, toothpaste |
| 10 | Sleeping bag | 1 | Compulsory |
| 11 | Writing materials | 1 set | |
| 12 | Torchlight | 1 | with batteries |
| 13 | Plastic bags | Sufficient | For dirty clothes, etc |
| 14 | Personal First Aid Items | | Ventolin inhaler, plasters, ointment for insect bites, medication |

Note:

Students are strongly encouraged NOT to bring handphones and expensive personal valuables for the camp. General office will be the point of contact and can be contacted at 64794072.



















