



Queensway Secondary School

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Dear Parents/Guardians and Queenswayans,

The End-of-Year Examinations concluded today for Sec 1 – 3 students. This letter serves to inform you of the activities that your child/ward will be involved in till the last school day on Friday, 23 October 2020. Besides these important dates, please take note of the dismissal times that are being adjusted in view of the GCE O-Level.

In addition to the schedule for the rest of the term, please note the Travel Declarations must be made if your child/ward travels overseas. This includes all graduating students. Please refer to more details on travel advisory and travel declarations sent via Parents' Gateway today.

Schedule for the rest of Term 4

For our students taking the GCE O-Levels, study break has commenced for all students to provide time for self-study and also to reduce possible exposure to COVID-19. However, for students who want to meet their Subject Teachers for consultations, arrangements can be made with their respective teachers. Our students taking the GCE N-Levels will be completing their examinations within the week and can anticipate the release of their results after the middle of December.

The following is the schedule for all Sec 1 – 3 students.

Day/Date	Activity	Remarks
Tuesday, 13 Oct	Marking Day	Students do not report to school
Wednesday, 14 Oct & Thursday, 15 Oct	Scripts Checking Days	Students report to school as usual
Friday, 16 Oct	Lessons as per normal	
Monday, 19 Oct	Promotion Day	Students do not report to school HBL for Sec 1E, 1NA, 2E, 2NA, 2NT, Sec 3s
Tuesday, 20 Oct	S1 – Lessons S2 – Lessons, Subject Option briefing, Mother Tongue Fortnight activities S3 – Lessons (start of Head-Start Programme)	<u>Dismissal Timings (20 – 23 Oct):</u> S1: 12.15pm S2: 12.45pm S3: 12.15pm
Wednesday, 21 Oct	S1 & 2 – Lessons & Activities S3 - Lessons	
Thursday, 22 Oct	S1 & 2 – Lessons & Activities S3 – Lessons	
Friday, 23 Oct	S1 & 3 – Returning of report books S2 – Subject Online Option Exercise S1 & 2 - Inter-house games S3 - Lessons	





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As announced on Wednesday, 7 October, MOE has lifted the restrictions on the conduct of CCAs to allow students an opportunity to engage in purposeful activity while maintaining Safe Management Measures (SMM). As soon as our teachers are able to finalize the arrangements with the instructors, your child's/ward's CCA teacher will inform you of the training schedule via Parents Gateway. Do be assured that SMM will be carried out for all CCA sessions as safety for our students is a priority.

In addition, we will be organizing Sports-for-Life activities for our Sec 1 and 2 students to engage them in meaningful learning of activities not offered in our regular PE/CCA programme. These activities will be held during our curriculum hours.

To ensure that our Sec 3 students ground their foundation to prepare for their O/N-levels the following year, we will commence our Head-Start Programme as stated above. They will be following the regular time-table for this year, though dismissal times for all Sec 1 – 3 students will be according to the dismissal time stated above.

Travel Declaration

Should your child/ward need to travel overseas, you will be required to submit the Travel Declaration to your child's/ward's Class Mentor before the end of the term. If there are changes to your travel plans, you will need to submit fresh travel declarations. All students and staff are strongly discouraged from travelling overseas as the COVID-19 situation remains unstable. Please refer to the templates should you or your family need to travel. You will need to take note of the applications and financial commitments you will need to make before you travel.

Conclusion

This has been a very different year due to COVID-19. There are many lessons we can learn from the experience. Among these, we should congratulate ourselves and our children for the resilience displayed. We have learnt to take things in its stride and do our best with the situation.

Another positive is the compulsory wearing of face masks has ensured better protection not only from the COVID-19 virus, it has also protected us from other viruses. I noticed the big drop in MCs due to common cold and cough. I hope this encourages to look for positives even in difficult and challenging situations.

Meanwhile, keep yourselves safe and enjoy some time to rest with your family. Do keep a look out for mail that will come to you during the school holiday break, especially about the start of school in 2021.

Yours sincerely,

Peter Tan Chong Tze
Principal

