



OUTRAM SECONDARY SCHOOL

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Dear parents / guardians,

Letter to Parents – Term Three 2020

With the end of the Circuit Breaker period on 1 June 2020, we will progressively bring students back to school from 2 June 2020 (Term 3), in a careful and safe manner.

For a start, **students from our Secondary 4 and 5 classes will attend school daily from Mondays to Fridays. Students from Secondary 1 to 3 will rotate weekly between Home-Based Learning (HBL) and returning to school for lessons.** Please refer to the table below for the weekly rotation schedule.

Week	In-School	<u>HBL</u>
T3W1	Secondary 1, 2, 4 & 5	Secondary 3
T3W2	Secondary 3, 4 & 5	Secondary 1, 2
T3W3	Secondary 1, 2, 4 & 5	Secondary 3
T3W4	Secondary 3, 4 & 5	Secondary 1, 2

From Term 3 Week 5, we will work towards bringing all students back to school daily, if the situation permits. MOE will monitor the situation closely and we will inform all parents in due course.

Schools will ensure that safe management measures are in place to keep our students safe:

- Daily temperature-taking with additional visual and question screening will continue to be carried out for all students and staff. In addition, students and staff who are unwell, or who have adult household members on home quarantine / Stay Home Notice or have flu-like symptoms such as fever and cough, will be required to stay away from school.
- Schools will clean high-touch surfaces more frequently and disinfect the premises daily.
- Students and staff are required to wear their masks or face shields.
- Students will practise frequent hand-washing throughout the school day and practice wipe down of tables and shared equipment after use.
- Intermingling across classes and levels will be minimised.
- There will be fixed exam-style seating in classrooms and spaced seating in canteens or alternative venues.
- There will be staggering of dismissal and recess timings to reduce congestion.



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To ensure that our students remain active and keep healthy, we will resume **Physical Education (PE)** lessons when they return to school, with strict adherence to safe management measures. During PE lessons, students and PE teachers will not be required to wear masks when engaged in strenuous physical activities such as running and workouts. Given that students may not be sufficiently prepared physically, the **National Physical Fitness Award (NAPFA)** this year will be cancelled.

For PE lessons in Term 3 at Outram Secondary, students are reminded to carry their personal hand sanitizers (that will be distributed to them) for hand- and equipment-cleaning after the lessons. They should also bring a clean bag (eg. re-sealable plastic bags) to keep their masks in a hygienic manner during the PE lessons.

For the **upcoming GCE O-Level mid-year Mother Tongue Language (MTL) examinations** on 18 to 19 June 2020, we will also put in place the necessary safe management measures. Candidates will be required to wear masks or face shields during these examinations.

To reduce the risk of possible transmission, students on Home Quarantine Order, Stay-Home Notice and Leave of Absence will not be allowed to sit for these examinations. In addition, those who are on medical leave or unwell with flu-like symptoms (such as fever or coughing) will not be allowed to sit for the examinations. They will take the year-end examinations instead.

All **National School Games** competitions for 2020 will be cancelled, as there is insufficient time to complete the season within the school calendar. In addition, students would not be adequately prepared for the competitions due to lack of training.

Our teachers will continue to monitor the progress of your child and be in regular contact with you and your child to provide support during this transition. MOE will continue to closely monitor the COVID-19 situation. We urge you to rely on official sources of information and not to circulate any unconfirmed information.

Calendar of Events for Term Three

Please find attached the Calendar of Events for Term Three. If you have any further queries, please contact our school's General Office at 6733 4077.

Thank you and keep safe!

Yours sincerely



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2020 Term Three – Calendar of Events

Date	Event
18 – 19 Jun	GCE O-Level MTL and MTL B Written Examination
6 Jul	Youth Day (School Holiday)
7 – 17 Jul	GCE O-Level MTL and MTL B Oral Examination
13 – 17 Jul	GCE N-Level EL Oral Examination
27 Jul	GCE O Level MTL and MTL B Listening Comprehension
20 - 26 Jul	Mid-Term 3 Break
31 Jul	Hari Raya Haji (Public Holiday)
28 Jul - 4 Aug	GCE O-Level Higher MTL Oral Examination
3 - 5 Aug	GCE N-Level MTL Oral Examination
17 - 26 Aug	GCE O-Level EL Oral Examination
11 – 19 Aug	Sec 4NA Preliminary Examination*
11 – 21 Aug	Sec 4NT Preliminary Examination*
14 Aug	Sec 3 Retail Operations (Practical Examination)
27 Aug - 18 Sep	Sec 4E / 5NA Preliminary Examination*
4 Sep	Teachers' Day (School Holiday)
7 - 13 Sep	Term 3 School Vacation

**A detailed examination timetable will be distributed to students at a later date.*

