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Dear Parents/Guardians,

2021 TERM 1 LETTER UPDATES FOR WEEK 9 AND 10

On behalf of all staff at Geylang Methodist School (Secondary), we are glad that everyone has kept safe and are healthy in the first 2 months of 2021.

With a clearer stand on the national posture for safe management measures, we have collated a list of updates to keep you informed of the activities and programmes to be carried out in week 9 and 10:

Date	Updates
5 Mar (Fri)	Sec 2 Express and Normal(Academic) Subject Combination Talk This event will be conducted via zoom from 1900h to 2015h. A letter had been sent to parents this week and the zoom link for the event will be sent out closer to the date for those who have registered for the session.
9 Mar (Tues)	Tuesday Time-Table to continue on 9 Mar We had originally planned to follow Friday's Time-Table on 9 Mar to mitigate the loss of Friday's curriculum time as a number of public holidays and school-wide events fell on Fridays in Semester 1, eg, Chinese New Year, Cross-Country, Good Friday and Founders' Day. As Cross-Country this year will involve a smaller number of students and normal lessons will continue on Friday, we have decided to keep 9 Mar to Tuesday's Time-table. Students will be informed accordingly.
9-11 Mar (Tues-Thurs)	Capstone Projects for Sec 4 The Sec 4s will continue to partner the social agency they had selected at the end of Sec 3 in 2020 in their final Capstone Projects. They will further hone their collaboration skills working with one another planning for the finale.
11 Mar (Thurs)	Learning Festival for Lower Sec For the Secondary 1E/N(A), they will embark on a Historical Investigation (HI) to historical sites like Little Indian, Chinatown, Joo Chiat, Kampong Glam. Each class will visit 2 venues and collect sources for their HI project to be conducted during March and April. Safe management measures will be shared with all students and staff on 5 Mar from 1400h. A Learning Journey will be conducted for Secondary 1N(T) to further strengthen active citizenry in our students. The venue is still pending confirmation.

	<p>For Secondary 2, they will learn more about financial literacy so that they can make smart financial decisions and manage money more wisely to achieve financial stability in the future.</p> <p>(Staggered dismissals will be around 1230h. We appeal to your patience if you are waiting to pick up your child.)</p>
11 Mar (Thurs)	<p>ECG Fair for Upper Secondary students Secondary 3 students, through some experiential learning, will explore career opportunities and enhance their awareness.</p> <p>Secondary 4/5 will attend a keynote address by Mr Maurice Tan, Deputy Chief Executive Officer of Singapore's Health Promotion Board (HPB). They will then attend concurrent sessions of their interest from various polytechnics, ITEs, JCs and industries, eg, media and technology.</p> <p>(Staggered dismissals will be around 1230h. We appeal to your patience if you are waiting to pick up your child.)</p>
12 Mar (Fri)	<p>Cross-Country Run at Bedok Reservoir As a result of safe management measures, to keep group size manageable, we have selected 64 runners, representing the B and C Divisions as well as the 4 Houses, to run at Bedok Reservoir under the care of some teachers. They will leave the school at staggered timings and are expected to return by 1100h.</p> <p>Normal lessons will continue for the rest of the school and everyone will join in the celebration and prize-presentation from 1115h to 1215h.</p>

We are in the midst of raising funds to continually improve our physical facilities and support needy students in our midst through the Methodist Walk. We appeal to your generosity to donate to this cause and our heartfelt appreciation to those who have donated generously. This initiative is led by the PE Department and we are targeting to raise at least \$60 000 and to complete a total run of 20 000km by staff and students. Do donate freely via this link: <https://s.giving.sg/941bUWN>

We thank parents for your partnership in this journey of growing GEMS to be Passionate Learners, Courageous Leaders and Caring Citizens. We continue to pray for God's guidance and blessings as we nurture in our students the values of Godliness, Excellence, Mastery and Service.

Yours sincerely

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