# **AHMAD IBRAHIM PRIMARY SCHOOL**



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# Dear Parents / Guardians (Our Valued Partners-in-Education)

We have just entered into a brand new academic year of 2024 and I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all students back to school. A special welcome to our Primary 1 students (and their parents) and all those who have just joined AIPS – you are now part of the ONE AIPS Family!

#### 1. Staff Matters

We would like to extend a warm welcome to the following staff to our AIPS family:

- a) Ms Baey Ee-Lyn (Principal)
- b) Mdm Siti Aisha (Education Officer)
- c) Ms Tan Yanwen (Education Officer)
- d) Ms Ang Pui San Evina (Allied Educator)
- e) Mdm Raihana Binte Zainalabidin (Allied Educator)
- f) Mdm Tang Chiew Yin (Allied Educator)

We would also like to thank the following staff for the service rendered to the school and wish them all the best in their future endeavours:

- a) Ms Ong Lee Choo (Principal)
- b) Mdm Chua Yen Ling (Education Officer)
- c) Mdm Ismiralda Bte Masduki (Education Officer)
- d) Mdm Quek Pei Jin (Education Officer)
- e) Mrs Rachel Tham (Education Officer)
- f) Ms Sindhuja Suresh (Education Officer)
- g) Mrs Tan Jie Qi, Exther (Education Officer)
- h) Mdm Wong Suk Mee (Education Officer)
- i) Ms Caroline Tan Poh Lin (Allied Educator)
- j) Ms Haslinda (Allied Educator)

## 2. PSLE 2023 Results

The school would like to congratulate the 2023 cohort for their PSLE results. I would like to wish the graduating class of 2023 all the best in their future endeavours and encourage them to continue to stretch themselves in their potential and always challenge their personal best.

# 3. Safety and Security Matters

# a. Requirement for Visitor's Registration

The safety of your children is of paramount importance to us. All visitors to the school are required to report to the Security Guard Post for registration before proceeding to the General Office. Please display the issued "Visitor Pass" visibly at all times as unauthorized personnel around the school will be asked to leave immediately. Parents/guardians are not permitted to go near the classrooms. If you are waiting for your child/ward, please do so at the designated area as instructed.

# b. Drop-off / pick-up points

For safety reason, parents who drive your children to school are <u>not</u> allowed to drive into school compound. You may drop-off / pick-up your child/ward at the nearby HDB car parks at Blocks 161 or 162. You are strongly advised not to drop-off / pick-up your children along Yishun Street 11 which is against traffic rules and to reduce traffic congestion. However, on rainy days, you will be allowed to drive into the school compound.

## c. Road Safety Measures

All students have been taught to practise kerb drill when crossing the road. We seek your support to reinforce road safety messages to your child/ward and encourage parents to set an example for them by using pedestrian crossings when crossing roads at all times, especially for students who are using the main gate (Gate A) and the gate at the school canteen (Gate B).

- For students entering the school via the main school gate (Gate A)
  Students are to cross the street -Yishun Street 11 by using the pedestrian traffic light located just outside the main gate.
- For students entering the school via Gate B at the school canteen which is near the bus stop Students are to use the zebra crossing located near Block 123 along Yishun Street 11 or the pedestrian traffic light just outside Yishun Primary School.
- Jaywalking

Jaywalking is an offence in Singapore. It is a dangerous act and a fine of \$50 is payable for the first offence. Parents and students are strongly advised to avoid jaywalking when crossing the roads to school.

### d. Cycling to school

All cyclists are required to complete a permission form which is available from the General Office. If your child / ward must cycle to school, please ensure that he / she knows safe cycling rules and is a competent cyclist. Protective gear such as a properly secured helmet, shoes (with laces properly tied), elbow and knee pads are to be worn to protect against serious injuries.

#### 4. Heath Related Matters

#### a. Personal and Social Responsibility

All parents are to ensure that your child/ward know the importance of personal and social responsibility. Students are to maintain a high standard of personal hygiene and observe school routines such as washing of hands and wipe down. Please pack a spare mask in the school bag for use should he/she start to experience flu symptoms while in school.

We seek parents' support to keep schools a safe environment for students. If your child/ward is unwell, please ensure that he/she stays at home and seeks medical attention if necessary. If your child is recovering from respiratory-related illnesses, please encourage him/her to exercise social responsibility (e.g., by wearing a mask, minimising social interactions with big groups).

Let us all do our part to exercise personal and social responsibility and stay safe.

## b. Temperature-Taking Exercise

The school will be conducting the temperature-taking exercise in January. We would like to seek your assistance in ensuring that your child/ward brings a functioning personal oral digital thermometer (ODT) to school on **5**, **9** and **10** January. Students who do not have a ODT may purchase it at the school bookshop.

For P1 students, MOE has provided an ODT for each P1 student. It will be issued to your child in week 1 of school.

#### 5. Update of Student Details

MOE has rolled out the Student Details Form (SDF) to all Parents/Legal Guardian (LG)/Authorised Caregiver. The SDF is the digitalisation of the Pupil Data Form (PDF) and the Individual Student Details Report (ISDR). Parents/LG can provide both sets of data in one single session when you login to the SDF portal. A separate notification has been sent via Parents Gateway (PG). Please update your child/ward's details accordingly. The deadline to complete SDF submission is 31 January 2024.

#### 6. School Bags

We encourage our students to carry bags made of lightweight material and to avoid carrying heavy and fanciful water bottles, big boxes of colour pencils or books not required for the day. All students are advised to pack their bags according to the class timetable.

# 7. Meet-The-Parents Briefing

We would like to invite parents to join us for the briefing. The schedule is as follow:

Date	Time	Level	Venue
18 January Thursday	2:30pm - 4:30pm	P5 and P6	Ahmad Ibrahim Primary School
25 January Thursday	2:30pm - 4:30pm	P3 and P4	Ahmad Ibrahim Primary School
01 February Thursday	2:30pm - 4:30pm	P1 and P2	Ahmad Ibrahim Primary School

Further details will be given in a separate notification. We hope that you can join us for the session.

#### 8. Communication

Class Mentors will be sending out an introductory letter to connect with you. All parents / guardians are encouraged to use the AIPS Students' Handbook as a means to communicate with the teacher. You are also welcome to give us feedback via the school email (aips@moe.edu.sg) or contact us at 67592906. Teachers' emails are provided on the school website.

# 9. Nominations for Staff Award – President's Award for Teachers (PAT) 2024 and Outstanding Youth in Education Award (OYEA) 2024

The President's Award for Teachers (PAT) gives national recognition to the role teachers play in moulding the future of our nation. These teachers prepare our students for life, as well as model commitment to continuous learning and enterprise. They inspire both their students and peers through their words and deeds.

The Outstanding Youth in Education Award (OYEA) recognises young teachers, aged 35 and below, who are role models for the teaching profession. These teachers personify youthful idealism, enthusiasm, and inspire their students and peers.

In support of MOE's sustainability and digital efforts, nominations for both awards can be submitted online (https://go.gov.sg/pat2024 and https://go.gov.sg/oyea2024). The links to the online nomination forms can also be found on the Academy of Singapore Teachers website (OYEA Nomination Form and PAT Nomination Form).

Nominations for OYEA and PAT will close on 10 January 2024. We look forward to receiving your nominations.

As a parent, you are the key navigator of your child's growth. Your child will benefit the most when we put your child at the heart of what we do, and when we understand our shared responsibilities for your child and work together to bring out the best in your child. Having a close relationship with us will help you to better understand your child's learning experience in school, so that you could provide the necessary family care, support and reinforcement at home. Here are some tips that you could consider to support your child's learning:

- Praise your child's good efforts, not only his / her successes
- Do not dwell on mistakes and academic marks. Rather, always encourage your child to strive for improvement
- Give your child the confidence to seek help from his / her teacher

We look forward to working in collaboration with you. Together, let us develop and nurture our students with good values, attitudes and mindsets for excellence to prepare them well for the future. I would like to extend our appreciation to our well-wishers who have sent us cards, messages as well as words of encouragement. These little gestures have meant a lot to all of us at AIPS as they affirm what we are doing. Please keep them coming.

Wishing you and your family good health and happiness and a Happy New Year!

Yours Sincerely, Ms Baey Ee-Lyn Principal