



# Queensway Secondary School

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Indeed time has moved along and we are almost at the end of Semester 1. Except for our Sec 1 students, we began the written examination papers for the rest of the school. There will be processes that will follow after the examinations and I will elaborate on these later in the letter. This letter will also highlight activities following the end of the examinations.

## **Congratulations to our Drama Club, Choir, Chinese Dance and Band CCAs**

We are very proud of our students who participated in the Singapore Youth Festival Presentations. They put in much time and effort to develop their craft, synchrony with their fellow participants to present performances that were of very high quality. Their development in strengthening their skills and competencies also builds much confidence in them as they must be well coordinated in what they do, and be composed if something unexpected happened. I was also heartened to see former students and some parents turning up to support our students on the presentation day.

I had earlier informed you that the Malay Dance obtained a Certificate of Distinction and I am pleased to inform you that both our Drama and Choir were also awarded the Certificate of Distinction. We are equally delighted that our Chinese Dance and Band were presented the Certificate of Accomplishment. More than the awards, they have forged strong friendships and these experiences are to be treasured.

## **Marking Day – Friday, 17 May 2019**

Students do not need to report to school as this is designated as Marking Day for teachers to complete all the marking and result processing for the Mid-Year Examination. Please note that Monday, 20 April 2019 is Vesak Day.

## **Return of Examination Scripts – 21 & 22 May 2019**

We will begin to return examination scripts to students from Tuesday, 21 May 2019. Please note that as we will want to take time for students to learn from the process of answering questions, it will be more than checking that the addition of marks are correct. As the Sec 3 and 4 Express students have more components to their examination, they will be required to stay back till 3.00 pm on both 21 & 22 May 2019. Please be reminded to sign on the cover page of each examination paper to acknowledge that you have seen your child's/ward's scripts.

## **Parents-Teachers Meeting – Friday, 31 May and 3 June 2019**

The Parents-Teachers Meeting for Semester 1 will be held on Friday, 31 May, for Sec 1 2, 4 and 5 students from 10.30 am to 4.30 pm. As Sec 3 students will be attending the Outward Bound School and only returning that day, we had previously informed you that the Parents-Teachers Meeting for Sec 3 students and their parents will be on 3 June from 1.00 – 4.30 pm.

On 31 May, students will report to school as usual and will be dismissed at 10.00 am. To facilitate the Parents-Teachers Meeting, there will be 2 different letters issued to parents at a later date. The first will be for the group of students that teachers would want to meet, together with their parents. Some of these students and parents will also need to see the School Leaders. The purpose in giving you the letter in advance of other students is to ensure that you can book a suitable time-slot to meet your child/ward's Class Mentor and 2 other teachers.





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Please note that bookings with teachers are strictly on a first-come-first served basis and as a teacher can only meet so many parents that day, we urge that you take the necessary action to book your preferred slot once the system is opened.

All other parents/guardians who wish to meet their child's/ward's Class Mentor or other teachers will receive the letter with instructions to book the meeting slot a day later. Though this might mean that the teacher you wish to meet may be unavailable due to the available meeting slots, I hope you understand our need to prioritize meeting with certain students and their parents.

Should you be unable to meet your child's/ward's teacher, you could email the respective teacher. All teachers' email addresses are in the school's website. Should you wish to have a face-to-face meeting, you could arrange for this in the first week of the school holidays. Do note that teachers will still be conducting lessons or CCAs for students then and you will need to find a convenient time with them.

## Post-Examination Activities

Aside from the review and checking of examination scripts, there are a number of Post-Examination activities your child/ward would be involved in. The consent forms have already been issued to your child/ward. These activities support the holistic development of your child/ward and will allow him/her to experience a varied form of learning. Please ensure that the signed consent forms are returned before the activity.

Sec 4/5 students will be engaged with intensive preparations for the GCE O-Level Mother Tongue papers that will be held on 3 June. There will also be an academic programme for all Sec 4/5 students during the 1<sup>st</sup> week of the school holidays. Parents/Guardians have been advised not to book holidays during that time to ensure that your child/ward does not miss out on these sessions.

## Conclusion

It has been a busy semester and I am grateful for our Queensway teachers to go the extra mile for our students to ensure that they have the opportunity for holistic development while in school. Behind each activity is hours of planning and preparations. I hope that you too can be appreciative of their hard work. As parents/guardians, the way you engage with your child's/ward's teachers also role models to them how they should treat others. So when you come to meet your child's/ward's teachers or engage with them on other occasions, let it be a learning opportunity for your child/ward.

As a parent/guardian, I am sure you want your child/ward to grow to be the gentleman or lady you aspired for him/her to be, the first you laid eyes on him/her, then as a baby, but now a grown child. That desire and hope should grow as you work together with our teachers to develop them and be equipped and ready for life's challenges.

Yours sincerely,

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Principal



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