



UNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents

Time flies and we are almost at the end of Term 1. We are pleased to observe that the students especially the P1 have settled in well and making good progress despite the various Safe Management Measures (SMM) in the school.

Let us continue to adhere to the SMM and security measures to keep the students and school community safe and secure. The following are some information to take note of:

1. Temporary Closure of Back Gate wef Sat, 13 Mar 21

In view of the COVID situation, the targeted construction to repair the linkway from the back gate to the school building, during the 2020 June holidays, has been disrupted. With the Phase 3 re-opening and easing of manpower, the construction works to the linkway will resume and **take place from Sat, 13 Mar 21**. For safety, the linkway needs to be hoarded up and access using the back gate will not be possible temporarily.

As such, the back gate will be **closed from Sat, 13 Mar 21 to around end May** till the completion of the works. All arrivals and dismissals during this period will be via the front gate and we seek your co-operation to make the necessary arrangement for your children to access the main entrance to the school. We apologise for the inconveniences caused and will update when the back gate can be re-opened.

2. Daily Dismissal

To mitigate the potential risk of community spread, we appeal to the parents and helpers/caregivers not to congregate at the entrance of the school. If you are picking up your child/ren from school, please stick to the designated waiting area and do not go beyond the barricade or stand on the road. Do leave immediately after picking up your child/ren.

For students who go back on their own, please ensure that they go straight home and not loiter in the school or the neighbourhood creating disturbances to the residents.

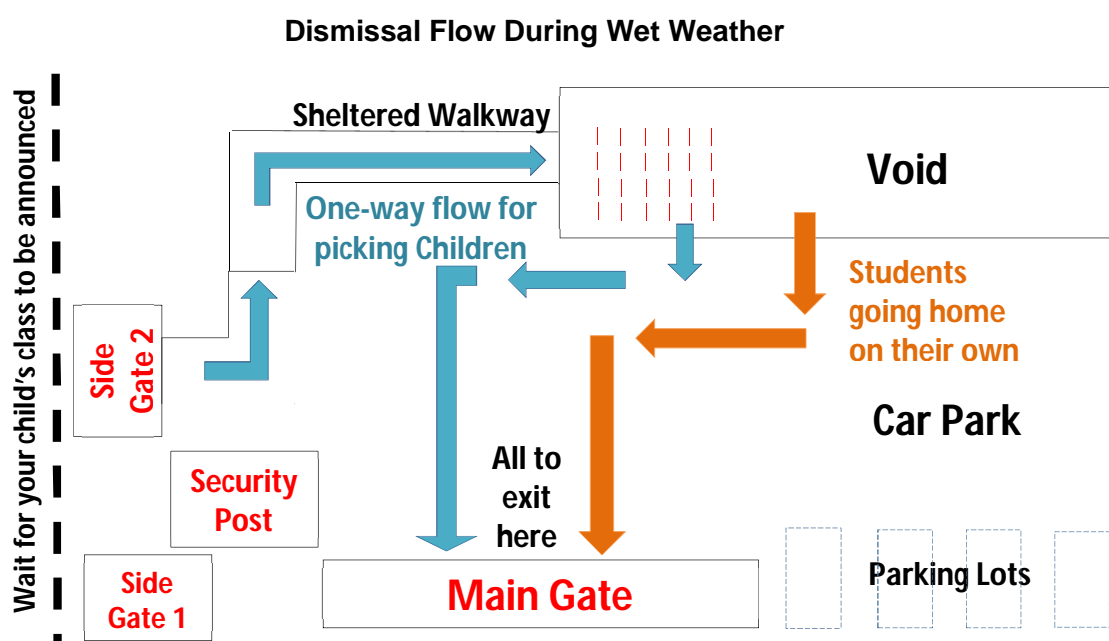
Reminders For Dismissal During Wet Weather

To facilitate at least 1-metre safe distancing, manage congestion and ensure secure dismissal of all our students during wet weather, one parent or caregiver will be allowed into the school briefly to do a quick pick up of your child. For your children going home on their own, please ensure that they have an umbrella in their school bag so that they are not caught when it rains.

Privilege to enter will be denied to those parents/caregivers who flout safe-distancing measures or display unruly or uncooperative behaviours that compromise the management and safety of the school community. Please adhere to the following procedures and flow.

- Stand 1 metre apart at the waiting area outside Side Gate 2.
- Do not enter when Side Gate 2 is open.
- Wait for your child's class to be announced before you enter.
- Maintain 1-m distance while proceeding to Void Deck via the sheltered walkway.
- Move forward but still maintaining safe distancing at Void Deck for your children to see you. Do not block the path in.

- Strictly no waiting at the void deck to avoid overcrowding. Do not stand and block the exit at Void Deck.
- Pick up your child and leave immediately via Main Gate (traffic flow out is denoted by the blue arrows).
- Do not backtrack to Side Gate 2 or get your child to exit via Side Gate 2 to meet you.
- All parents and students are to exit from Main Gate.
- Enter only once and at the later timing to pick up all your children. In other words, do not come in earlier and hang around the void deck to wait for your other children who are being dismissed later.



3. Parents Gateway (PG)

Parents Gateway (PG) is a one-stop portal that strengthens school-home partnership to support our children in their education journey. With the PG App, parents can access all school announcements and consent forms, give consent for your child's activities anytime, anywhere. To download PG or for its FAQ, visit <https://pg.moe.edu.sg/>. **Kindly turn on the PG notification in your phone setting so that you can be alerted to PG updates** from the school and MOE in a timely manner.

The school will be conducting emergency relay system test with parents every term using PG. We appreciate your timely co-operation and consideration to read all the notifications sent out and take the necessary actions.

4. Informing School of Child's Travel Plans

As part of MOE's regulations, parents are expected to update and provide the school with travel details via PG if your child is travelling overseas at any time. Please comply and declare prior to travels.

5. March Holidays

With the March school holidays approaching, the school would like to remind all parents to exercise vigilance in the care and supervision of your children to ensure that they stay meaningfully engaged and not get into trouble/mischief or fall prey to online scams/predators. Our teachers will reiterate these messages and we hope that parents continue to play your important role in safeguarding the interest and safety of your children.

Additionally, we urge parents to remind your children to adhere to safe distancing measures in public places and continue to wear masks when leaving home over the school holidays. They should avoid congregating in large groups, cooperate with, and comply with the instructions of enforcement officers and SG Clean and Safe Distancing Ambassadors.

6. School Calendar of Events for Term 2

Please refer to the school calendar of events that has been uploaded onto the school website so that parents can obtain live and updated information. Please refer to this link: <https://unitypri.moe.edu.sg/parents-matter/calendar-of-events/>.

Thank you for your kind attention. Do enjoy the March holidays and keep safe.

Yours sincerely
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Principal