

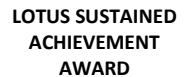


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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

NBPS/2018/001

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Greetings from NBPS and Happy New Year to you!

Firstly, a warm welcome to our new students and staff joining the Naval Base Family. We hope that 2017 has been a fruitful one for every Navalite ; one that was filled with enriching learning experiences and cherished time with family. We are looking forward to a productive partnership with you to ensure our students can achieve their highest potential. We will continue to emphasise on values education, anchoring on our school programmes with the school's core values of Self-Discipline, Integrity, Respect, Compassion and Learning.

Celebration of Our Successes

Heartiest congratulations to our Primary 6 cohort 2017 who have done well in the PSLE. We congratulate them for their success and wish them all the very best as they set off on the next phase of their journey in education. I would also like to acknowledge the efforts of our teachers, as this achievement would not have been possible without their guidance and expertise as well as the support and partnership of parents.

Character Development

At Naval Base Primary, the aim has always been to deliver a holistic curriculum that is strongly anchored on Character and Citizenship Development. The school values are imparted to our students in a myriad of ways – in and outside of the classroom, in their daily interactions with the teachers and one another, in every aspect of their school life. We hope that every member of the Navalite family will truly walk the talk and make the values a way of life.

Punctuality and Attendance

Students are required to report to school and be seated in the hall by **7.50 a.m.** from Monday to Friday. We seek your cooperation to ensure that your child adheres closely to this school rule as late-coming is considered a school offence. Punctuality is a good habit that we hope all students will learn as part of their holistic and life-long education.

School hours for 2018

	Monday and Tuesday	Wednesday, Thursday and Friday
Reporting Time	7.50 am	7.50 am
Dismissal Time	2.00 pm	1.30 pm

We would also like to reiterate the importance of your child's regular attendance and active participation in all school activities. Teaching and learning can only take place effectively if a child is present for school regularly. We seek your cooperation as parents to ensure that your child is in school daily so that he/she may achieve his/her learning potential. Any absence from school must be supported by a medical certificate or letter from parents.

School Uniform

Students are to wear the prescribed school uniform and modifications to the uniform are not permitted. This rule also applies to students' attendance for any school programmes that may be conducted on Saturdays and during school holidays. The same goes for the prescribed school shoes and socks.

Safety in School

Let us continue to keep our students safe on the roads. Do constantly remind your children to observe traffic rules and to use the pedestrian crossings when coming to and returning from school. All parents and visitors are requested to sign in at the security desk when visiting the school. Let us work together to make the school a safe and conducive place for teaching and learning.

Recess & Snack Time

In view of the changes in school hours and recess timings in 2018, we will implement a revised timing for the three recesses and snack-time in Term 1. This will be done as a trial in the first term as part of effort to ensure the well-being of our students. At the same time, the students will be refreshed, remain attentive and be more engaged in class.

Level	Monday – Friday
10 minutes break (snack time)	Between 9.00 am to 9.30 am
Primary 1 & 5 Recess	10.30 am
Primary 2 & 4 Recess	11.00 am
Primary 3 & 6 Recess	11.30 am

Temperature-Taking Exercise

Daily temperature taking is something we will continue to do in NBPS. We would like to thank students, parents and staff for their continued efforts in safeguarding the well-being of every Navalite. We seek the effort of all parents to ensure that your children bring their thermometers to school every day. The school will be conducting a Temperature Taking Exercise on **Friday, 5 January 2018**. Please ensure your child has a working thermometer for the Exercise.

Co-curricular Activities (CCA) and PAL

As part of the school's efforts in providing students with a holistic school experience, CCAs will be held on **Mondays, after curriculum time, from 2.30 pm to 4.30 pm**, for all Primary 3 to 6 students. P1 and P2 students will also be having their PAL (Programme for Active Learning) sessions during curriculum hours in the mornings. More details can be obtained from your child's timetable.

Communication with Parents – Every Parent a Supportive Partner

We value having a close partnership with parents thus enabling our students to achieve their best. The school has scheduled the following briefings for parents to interact with their children's teachers and to find out more about the school's programmes:

Date	Time	Level
19 January 2018	6.30 p.m. to 9.00 p.m.	Primary 4, 5 and 6
26 January 2018	6.30 p.m. to 9.00 p.m.	Primary 1, 2 and 3

The teachers will be addressing key areas in which you can work with them to help your child learn more effectively. We look forward to seeing you at the session. More details will be given at a later date.

The Navalite Compass

Parents who take a keen interest in their children's school work will be able to help them reach their potential and achieve their overall learning outcomes. Hence, do use your child's school diary, The Navalite Compass, as a means of communicating with the teachers to monitor and support your child's progress.

We recognize that in order to be successful in school, our students need support from both the home and school. My colleagues and I look forward to working closely with you to nurture our students holistically and to enable them to achieve their best.

Here's wishing you and your families a wonderful 2018 ahead.

Thank you.

Warmest regards,

Sita Singh (Mrs)
Principal