



September 28, 2006

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The management and the staff of SFMS send greetings. With the final term for 2006 well underway, I would like to update you on the following matters:

Year-End Examinations

The year-end examinations for non-graduating classes will begin in late October. Secondary 1 & 2 will commence on the Thursday 26th October while Secondary 3 and Pre-University 1 will commence on Friday 20th October. The exams will end on Wednesday 1st November.

Marking Day and Results

Marking day will be on Thursday 2nd of November which will be a school holiday for the students. All students are to return to School on Friday the 3rd of November to collect their results. Please note that attendance will be marked on the 3rd so please ensure your child/ward's attendance.

Promotion Criteria and Supplementary Exams

The promotion criteria for all levels are appended to this newsletter for your information. For students who do not attain the promotion criteria, a supplementary exam will be held on Wednesday 3rd January and Thursday 4th January.

Term 3 Results

The results for the third term are enclosed with this newsletter.

Graduating Classes

Regular classes will continue until the 13th of October. After this date students will be on study leave. However, they may like to see their teachers for revisions of any particular subjects.

Proper Grooming and Attire

We have noticed many students dyeing their hair and being in improper uniform. We would greatly appreciate your assistance by helping us with the students who are under your care, during the holidays, to have them return to school properly attired and groomed for their new school term in January 2007.



Crime Prevention

We have received a request from the police to help to remind students of the following:

- a. Getting involved in any criminal activity, no matter how minor is an offence, a mistake that brings serious consequences to their lives;
- b. Avoid staying out late at night or frequenting places of ill repute;
- c. Take care of their personal belongings, especially hand-phones, which are small and misplaced easily and of high value to thieves and robbers.

Please help us by stressing these issues to your child/ward.

Additional Security Personnel

From Monday the 25th of September, the school will employ an additional security guard who is stationed at the main gate to deter truancy and to deter students leaving early.

Parents Day

The Parents Day for graduating classes will be held at 7pm on Friday the 20th of October. The Parents Day for non-graduating classes will be held at 7pm on Friday 10th of November.

Lockers

Please remind your child/ward to clear their lockers before the end of the year. The deadline for graduating classes to clear their lockers is the 20th of October and the deadline for non-graduating classes is 3rd November.

I wish to express my sincere and kind regards to all parents and guardians in our continuous quest to provide quality education to your child/ward.

I wish to take this opportunity to wish you a Happy Deepavali and Selamat Hari Raya Puasa.

Mr. Koh Boon Long
Principal
St. Francis Methodist School



Appendix

PROMOTION CRITERIA FOR ALL LEVELS

English Language Foundation:

Students will need to pass the end of course examinations before they are considered for mainstream courses. Students must pass English and 2 other subjects + IELTS accreditation to determine their level of main stream entry.

Sec One to Sec Two:

Pass English and three other subjects.

Sec Two to Sec Three:

Pass English and Three Subjects.

Sec Three to Sec Four:

Pass English and two other subjects.

Pre-U One (Cambridge/London) to Pre-U Two:

Pass a minimum of 1A and 2 AO Level subjects.

Pre-U One (AUSMAT) to Pre-U two:

Pass at least four subjects including ESL or English.