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Dear Parents/Guardians of Primary 5 Students,

Holistic Assessment to Support Learning

Haig Girls' School has been implementing Holistic Assessment (HA) since 2010. HA focuses on knowing and developing the whole child and seeks to build her confidence and desire to learn. Our school adopts a balanced approach to assessment comprising both formative and summative assessment. Summative assessment evaluates the extent to which students have achieved learning outcomes. Formative assessment supports students' learning and is embedded in classroom instruction. It can include questioning, self- and peer-assessment and feedback given to students.

To assess the different learning outcomes, the school has developed a range of age-appropriate assessment modes to enable our students to demonstrate what they know and can do. For example, in addition to written tests, our students are engaged in performance tasks, practical tests, project work and different forms of oral presentations to enable them to demonstrate their learning and understanding.

An overview of our P5 assessment plan for Semester 1 is provided in the table below:

Subject	Component	Weighting	Date
English Language (Standard)	Mock Test		
	Group Oral Presentation	Non-weighted	26 Feb - 2 Mar
English Language (Standard)	Semestral Assessment 1		
	Paper 4 (Oral Communication)	30%	25 Apr
	Paper 1 (Writing)		3 May
	Paper 3 (Listening Comprehension)		7 May
	Paper 2 (Language Use & Comprehension)		7 May
English Language (Foundation)	Mock Test		
	Group Oral Presentation	Non-weighted	26 Feb - 2 Mar
	Semestral Assessment 1		
	Paper 4 (Oral Communication)	30%	25 Apr
	Paper 1 (Writing)		3 May
Paper 3 (Listening Comprehension)	7 May		
Paper 2 (Language Use & Comprehension)	7 May		
Mathematics (Standard)	Mock Test		
	Whole numbers Operations of whole numbers Fractions and mixed numbers Heuristic Worksheets H1 to H5	Non-weighted	27 Feb
	Semestral Assessment 1		
	Whole numbers Operations of whole numbers Fractions and mixed numbers Multiplication of whole numbers, fractions and mixed	30%	8 May

Subject	Component	Weighting	Date
	numbers Fractions (Word Problems) Area of a Triangle Ratio Volume of cubes and cuboids Heuristic Worksheets H1 to H10		
Mathematics (Foundation)	Mock Test		
	Whole Numbers	Non-weighted	27 Feb
	Semestral Assessment 1		
	Whole Numbers Fractions Geometry	30%	8 May
Science (Standard)	Mock Test		
	Themes in Lower Block P3 & 4 Diversity Cycles Systems Energy Interactions	Non-weighted	1 Mar
	Themes in Upper Block P5 Cycles <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water and Changes of State • The Water Cycle Systems <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Unit of Life 		
	Semestral Assessment 1		
	Themes in Lower Block P3 & 4 Diversity Cycles Systems Interactions Energy	30%	10 May
	Themes in Upper Block P5 Cycles <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water and Changes of State • The Water Cycle • Reproduction in Plants • Reproduction in Humans Systems <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Unit of Life 		
Science (Foundation)	Mock Test		
	Themes in Lower Block P3 & 4 Diversity Cycles Systems Energy	Non-weighted	1 Mar

Subject	Component	Weighting	Date
	Interactions Themes in Upper Block P5 Cycles <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water and Changes of State • The Water Cycle 		
	Semestral Assessment 1		
	Themes in Lower Block P3 & 4 Diversity Cycles Systems Interactions Energy Themes in Upper Block P5 Cycles <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water and Changes of State • The Water Cycle • Reproduction in Plants • Reproduction in Humans 	30%	10 May
Chinese / Malay / Tamil (Standard)	Mock Test		
	Oral (Conversation) Paper 2: Language Paper and Comprehension	Non-weighted	6 - 8 Mar 28 Feb
	Semestral Assessment 1		
	Oral: Reading Aloud & Conversation Paper 1: Composition Writing Listening Comprehension Paper 2: Language Use and Comprehension	30%	23 Apr 4 May 9 May 9 May
Higher Chinese / Malay / Tamil	Mock Test		
	Paper 2: Language Paper and Comprehension	Non-weighted	28 Feb
	Semestral Assessment 1		
	Paper 1: Composition Writing Paper 2: Language Use and Comprehension	30%	11 May 11 May
Chinese / Malay / Tamil (Foundation)	Mock Test		
	Oral (Conversation) Paper 1: Language Use and Comprehension	Non-weighted	6 - 8 Mar 28 Feb
	Semestral Assessment 1		
	Oral: Reading Aloud & Conversation Listening Comprehension Paper 1: Language Use and Comprehension	30%	23 Apr 9 May 9 May
Social Studies	Term 1		
	Written Assignment on the different environments in other parts of the world and how they affect the way people live (15 marks)	50%	12 - 16 Feb
	Term 2		
	Poster Design on the achievement of the Ancient Egyptians/Greeks/Romans (15 marks)	50%	30 Apr - 4 May

Please note:

- Students who are ill should not be in school for tests and examinations.
- If a student has a temperature of 37.6°C and above, she will not sit for the assessment and her parents/guardians will be asked to take her home or seek medical attention.
- If a student misses a test/exam because of an illness, she needs to submit a medical certificate upon her return.
- The student will not get a '0' for the test/exam. The school will indicate 'VR' (Valid Reason) in her report book and her overall marks will be pro-rated accordingly.
- There will be no make-up assessments for the written, listening comprehension and practical assessments.

We thank you for your partnership and look forward to your continued support in the holistic development of your child/ward.

Yours faithfully,

Endorsed by

Mdm Wong Yoke Lye
P5 Assistant Year Head

Ms Phua Ai Lei
Vice Principal

Please return the acknowledgement slip to your child/ward's Form Teacher by **Tuesday, 23 January 2018**.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT SLIP - 2018 P5 HOLISTIC ASSESSMENT TO SUPPORT LEARNING

I have taken note of the contents of the above-mentioned letter.

Name of Student : _____ ()

Class : P5

Name of Parent/Guardian : _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian : _____

Date : _____