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Dear Parents / Guardians

Letter to Parents – 2024 Term 3

Greetings from Outram Secondary School!

I hope this letter finds you well as we welcome Outramians back for Term 3.

Contributors with Compassion

Our theme for Term 3 is 'Contributors with Compassion', which highlights the importance of empathy and respect, where we encourage Outramians to understand and respect those who are different and may hold different perspectives from them. We seek to develop Outramians to be effective team collaborators, to work well with others, and to help their community, together. We seek to instill a sense of responsibility towards family, community, and nation, to develop in each - a **growth, abundance, and outward mindset**, undergirded by the strengths-based resilience framework of "**I am, I can, and I have**", so that Outramians grow to be compassionate and resilient individuals who know how to and want to do good in every aspect of their lives, and who actively take on roles to improve others' lives and positively impact those around them.

Thus, in this exciting second half of the year, as valued members of the Outramian family, we look forward to Outramians supporting and encouraging each other amidst active participation in various school activities, including community involvement, so that a strong bond is forged with the school as our second home. Concurrently, amidst the enriching new experiences and inevitable challenges that arise, we trust that Outramians will learn to cultivate and build the spirit of resilience to manage and cope well in their relentless pursuit of personal growth and achievement.

We wish all a most fruitful and meaningful Term 3 ahead!





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Term 2 Updates: Looking Back @ Our Journey Thus Far

1. OSS e-Publication – Outram Spotlight!

We are excited to present the Outram Secondary School e-Publication – Outram Spotlight! This vibrant and informative termly e-newsletter provides a comprehensive overview of all the exciting programmes and events that have taken place throughout the year.

To read about the enriching programmes your child/ward has experienced in the past Term, please access the following:

School website: <https://www.outramsec.moe.edu.sg/parents-and-students/Parents/>

E-connect website: <https://sites.google.com/moe.edu.sg/students-at-outram/outram-spotlight-newsletter>

2. Cultivating Passion and Commitment through National School Games (NSG)

Our students continue to put in their efforts during training and various competitive platforms to bring honour to Outram Secondary School.

Quoting Education Minister Chan Chun Sing in his speech at the NSG Opening Ceremony 2024:

“True sportsmanship is about pushing ourselves and one another to achieve greater heights of performance and development, even if it means that we might not win. In short, it is about surpassing ourselves, and not others.”

Our students have indeed demonstrated our SPIRIT values and helped one another to be better and to continue to strive for improvements.





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CCA Achievements - Semester 1 (2024)

CCA		Achievement & Attainment
1	National Cadet Corps (Land)	<u>Unit Recognition 2023</u> Distinction
2	Netball	Daisy Tan U17 top 4
3	Basketball	<u>National School Games 2024</u> South Zone Preliminary Round
4	Swimming	<u>Singapore National Age Group 14-15 years old</u> 800m Freestyle-2nd -Jeryl Chew <u>National Schools Games 2024</u> C boys 200m freestyle- 3rd - Jeryl Chew C Boys 400m Freestyle- 3rd- Jeryl Chew B Boys 50m Freestyle – 6 th - Jaiaree Rattawit C Girls 4x50m freestyle relay – 7 th C Girls 4x50m Medley relay – 7 th C Boys 4x50m Freestyle relay – 7 th B Boys 4x50m Freestyle relay - 7 th
5	Water Polo	<u>National School Games 2024</u> B Div - Preliminary Round
6	Sport Climbing	<u>Inter School Bouldering Championship (Mar)</u> C Girls Team - 2nd Runner Up B Boys Team - 1st Runner Up C Boys - Individual 2nd - GOH WEN YU, AIDAN C Boys - Individual 6th - CHUA SONG JIE B Boys - Individual 3rd - DANISH IRFAN MOHAMED AZMI <u>Inter School Boulder League (Mar)</u> B Boys Team - Champion B Boys - Individual 2nd - DANISH IRFAN MOHAMED AZMI





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		<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Verticrux (Apr)</u></p> <p>Youth B Boys - Individual 1st - ZAYNE LIM YU JIE Youth A Girls - Individual 1st - RIQA BINTE ABDULLAH Youth A Boys - Individual 1st - DANISH IRFAN MOHAMED AZMI Youth B Girls - Individual 2nd -TIARA KETYSHA BINTE MUHAMMAD SAID SULAIMAN Youth A Boys - Individual 2nd - SHARVIN SEKAR Youth B Boys - Individual 3rd -CHUA SONG JIE Youth A Girls - Individual 3rd -NUR ERDIANTIE BINTE NASIR Youth A Boys - Individual 3rd - SATIDSAWAT PATCHARAPON Youth B Girls - Individual 4th -CASEY CHEONG JIA EN (ZHONG JIA'EN) Youth A Boys - Individual 4th -JADEN LAI KAI JIE Youth A Girls - Individual 5th -KOH JIA XIN Youth A Boys - Individual 5th -PAUL LEONG (LIANG ENXIN) Youth B Girls - Individual 6th -LEE YUAN Youth A Boys - Individual 6th -NG BON LE (HUANG BAOLE) Youth B Girls - Individual 7th -AMALIYA WOO XIN FANG</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Spark 4.0 (Apr)</u></p> <p>Youth B Boys - Individual 4th - ZAYNE LIM YU JIE Youth A Boys - Individual 1st - DANISH IRFAN MOHAMED</p>
7	Digital Media Club	<p><u>National Cashflow Competition 2024</u> Overall 2nd (School Category)</p>
8	SRC	<p><u>Inter-School Under 17 Ultimate Frisbee Competition 2024</u> Mixed Team - Preliminary Round</p>





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Term 3: Looking Forward and Moving Ahead

1. Term 3 Timetable

Please note that there is a revision in timetable structure. An updated timetable for Term 3 has been provided for your child/ward. Kindly ensure that your child/ward has the necessary books and materials for lessons.

2. Student Management Matters

We would like to inform you of some important updates to our school policies regarding mobile phone usage and student punctuality. Starting from 8 July (Week 3), Outramians will be required to keep their mobile phones switched off and stored in lockers during school hours to ensure an optimal learning environment. We have also revised our late-coming policy to emphasise the importance of punctuality. We believe these changes will foster a more focused and respectful academic atmosphere. We appreciate your support and cooperation in reinforcing these expectations with your child. These updates can be found in an attachment, titled "Student Management Policy Updates", for your perusal.

3. Assessment Matters

End-of-Year Examination Dates for Sec 1, 2 and 3 Levels

The End-of-Year Examinations for Sec 1, 2 and 3 will be held from 23 September, Monday to 3 October, Thursday. More information will be provided to the students in August.

4. Graduating Cohort Matters

In Term 3, our graduating cohort of Sec 4 and 5 Outramians will be taking their Preliminary Examinations in preparation of the written National Examinations.

Preliminary Examinations

The Preliminary Examinations will be held on the following days:

Preliminary Examination	Start and End Dates
Sec 4NT	29 July, Monday to 7 August, Wednesday
Sec 4NA	29 July, Monday to 7 August, Wednesday
Sec 4E/5NA	19 August, Monday to 11 September, Wednesday





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National Examination Dates

The GCE N- and O-level Oral Examinations will run from 4 July to 26 July. All Outramians sitting for the examinations are reminded to report to the examination venue on time with their identity card and appropriate school attire. All other Outramians are reminded to maintain a conducive school environment for their graduating peers while the examinations are in progress. We would like to wish them the very best in this final lap of their secondary school academic pursuits.

The GCE N- and O-level Written Examination dates are listed in the calendar of events for your reference. Your child/ward is required to refer to their entry proof for examination information on subjects that he /she is offering. Please refer to the SEAB website (<https://www.seab.gov.sg/home/examinations/important-dates-for-candidates>) for more information about the national examinations.

National Oral Examinations

Oral Examination	Date
GCE O-level Mother Tongue Language (MTL) Oral Examination	4 – 12 July
GCE O-level Higher MTL Oral Examination	23 – 26 July
GCE O-level MTL Syllabus B Oral Examination	23 – 25 July
GCE O-level English Language (EL) Oral Examination	22 – 26 July
GCE N-level EL Oral Examination	22 – 25 July
GCE N-level MTL and Basic MTL Oral Examination	23 – 25 July

National Listening Comprehension Examinations

All Outramians sitting for the GCE O-level Listening Comprehension Examination are reminded to report to the examination venue on time with their identity card and appropriate school attire. All other Outramians will be dismissed at 1 pm on the respective dates, as shown in the table below, and are expected to leave the school premises immediately after dismissal.

Listening Comprehension Examination (LCE)	Date
GCE O-level Mother Tongue Language (MTL) LCE GCE O-level MTL Syllabus B LCE	3 July, Wednesday
GCE N-level EL Syllabus A LCE GCE N-level Basic MTL LCE	10 September, Tuesday
GCE N-level EL Syllabus T LCE GCE N-level MTL LCE	12 September, Thursday
GCE O-level EL LCE	16 October, Wednesday





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We wish all our Outramians the very best as they prepare for the national examinations together with our team of dedicated teachers.

5. Developing Future-ready Citizens through Applied Learning Modules

Applied Learning Elective Module (ApLM@ITE) at ITE College Central and (ApLM@Poly) at Republic Polytechnic

Outramians will continue their participation in the Applied Learning Modules (ApLMs) offered by the Institute of Technical Education and the Polytechnics to prepare them for the exciting courses they can pursue in their post-secondary education institutions. These ApLMs help Outramians discover their interests and provide them with applied learning opportunities – learning that involves doing and applying, learning about the real world, and learning for life. Going through the modules also enable them to make informed decisions in the next step of their academic pursuits or their career path.

Outramians who complete an ApLM@ITE module will be awarded a Certificate of Completion and one advanced credit standing for exemption from elective modules in ITE’s full-time Nitec programme. Outramians who complete an ApLM@Poly module will be awarded a Certificate of Participation and they may wish to use it for Early Admission Exercise (EAE) for Polytechnics.

Outramians selected for the ApLMs will be furnished with more details closer to the date. The ApLMs offered this year include:

SCHEDULE FOR ApLM@ITE College Central (2NT & 2NA)	
1. IoT Applications 2. Cyber Security 3. Fitness for Life	2 July, Tuesday to 4 July, Thursday 7.30 am to 5.00 pm
SCHEDULE FOR ApLM@Poly at Singapore Polytechnic	
1. Awesome Motion Graphics	3 September, Tuesday to 5 September, Thursday 8.00 am to 5.00 pm
2. Essentials of Marketing	10 September, Tuesday to 12 September, Thursday 8.00 am to 5.00 pm





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6. Nurturing Self-directed Learners through BL@Home

Blended Learning@Home (BL@Home) Day for Sec 1 to 5 Students

The dates for BL@Home in Term 3 are as follows:

Date	Sec 1	Sec 2	Sec 3	Sec 4 & 5
27 June	√	√	√	√
12 July	√	√	√	√
23 to 25 July	√	√	√	Not applicable, with GCE N- & O-level Oral Examinations taking place
23 August	√	√	√	Not applicable, with - examination revision for 4NT & 4NA - Preliminary Examination for 4E & 5N

Online lessons will follow the regular timetable where lessons start at 7.45 am. Teachers will design and facilitate meaningful technology-mediated learning experiences for the students. Instructions for BL@Home lessons will be posted on the Student Learning Space (SLS) platform which students can access from home. Students who do not have internet and/or computer facilities at home must report to school for supervised learning by 7.25 am on BL@Home days.

7. Celebrations

National Day

The school will celebrate National Day on 8 August, Thursday. Outramians will report to school at the usual time of 7.30 am, and be dismissed at 10.30 am. Outramians are encouraged to don red T-shirts, shirts or blouses with the school pants or skirt for the National Day celebration.

Teachers' Day

The school will celebrate Teachers' Day on 29 August, Thursday. Outramians will be dismissed at 10.30 am on that day, and will not need to attend school on 30 August as it is a designated school holiday.





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8. POSB Smart Buddy System (contactless and digital payments mode)

We will be onboarding the POSB Smart Buddy for the school canteen stalls/bookshop to familiarise students with using digital payments in their everyday lives and learning how to cultivate prudent savings and spending habits. The POSB Smart Buddy is a contactless and digital payment mode. The tap and pay terminal can accept payments made through POSB smart buddy watch/ card as well as other payments mode such as School smartcard/ EZ-link card/ POSB ATM card/ DBS ATM card/ Nets Pre-paid Card/ Nets FlashPay Card.

More details will be provided nearer to the implementation in July or August.

9. Calendar of Events for Term 3 and important Examination Dates in Terms 3 and 4

The calendar of events for Term 3 is appended as [Annex 1](#) for your perusal. In addition, please see important key school events and National Examination dates in Terms 3 and 4.

We will continue to work in partnership to provide enriching educational experiences for our Outramians. We look forward to a fulfilling and meaningful Term 3 ahead!

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Keith Tan
Principal





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Annex 1

2024 Term 3 Calendar of Events, Key School Events and National Examination Dates		
Date	Event	Level(s)
24 Jun	Start of Term 3	
24 – 26 Jun	School Level Camps	All levels
27 Jun	Blended Learning@Home	All levels
28 Jun	Outram Sports Carnival	All levels
1 Jul	Youth Day School Holiday	
3 Jul	GCE O-level MTL & MTL Syllabus B Listening Comprehension Examination	Sec 4E/5N & selected 4NA MTLB students
4 – 12 Jul	GCE O-level MTL Oral Examination (PM sessions)	Sec 4E/5N & selected 4NA MTL students
12 Jul	Blended Learning@Home	Sec 1 to 3 students
12 Jul	GCE N(T)- and N(A)-level Design and Technology Coursework Submission - 5pm	Sec 4NA/NT D&T students
15 Jul	Student Leaders' Investiture	Student Leaders
22 – 25 Jul	GCE N-level EL Oral Examination GCE O-level MTL Syllabus B Oral Examination	Sec 4 & 5 students
22 – 26 Jul	GCE O-level EL Oral Examination	Sec 4 & 5 students
23 – 25 Jul	Blended Learning@Home GCE N-level MTL Oral Examination	Sec 1 to 3 students Sec 4NT/NA students
23 – 26 Jul	GCE O-level HMTL Oral Examination	Sec 4E students
26 Jul	GCE O-level Design and Technology Coursework Submission - 5pm	Sec 4E/5N D&T students
5 Aug	Learning Journey to Act 3's <i>Animal Farm</i>	Sec 1 students
8 Aug	National Day Celebration	All levels
9 Aug	National Day Public Holiday	





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29 Jul – 7 Aug	4NT and 4NA Preliminary Examination	Sec 4NA/NT students
19 Aug	Poetry Workshop by SingLit Station	Sec 3 students
23 Aug	Blended Learning@Home	Sec 1 to 3 students
19 – 28 Aug	Sec 4E5N Preliminary Examination Part 1	Sec 4E/5N students
29 Aug	Teachers' Day Celebration	All levels
30 Aug	Teachers' Day School Holiday & End of Term 3	
31 Aug – 8 Sep	Term 3 School Holidays	
2024 Term 4 Key School Events and National Examination Dates		
Date	Event	Level(s)
9 Sep	Start of Term 4	
9 – 11 Sep	Sec 4E5N Preliminary Examination Part 2	Sec 4E/5N students
9 – 19 Sep	GCE N-level Written Examination Part 1 & 4NT CPA Practical Examination	Sec 4N students
10 Sep	GCE N(A)-level EL & N(T)-level BMTL Listening Comprehension Examination	Sec 4N students
12 Sep	GCE N(T)-level EL & N(A)-level MTL Listening Comprehension Examination	Sec 4N students
16 Sep	2E/NA EL Oral Examination	Sec 2ENA and 2NA SBB students
18 Sep	3E/NA EL Oral Examination	Sec 3ENA and 3NA SBB students
20 Sep	Graduation Day Ceremony (Sec 4 and 5)	All students
23 Sep – 3 Oct	End-of-Year Examinations	Sec 1 to 3 students
25 Sep	GCE O-level MTL Syllabus B Oral Examination (Year-End)	Selected Sec 4 & 5 students
30 Sept – 8 Oct	GCE N-level Written Examination Part 2	Sec 4N students
2 Oct	GCE O-level Chemistry Practical Examination	Sec 4E students
4 Oct	Marking Day (No school)	





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7	Oct	GCE O-level Physics Practical Examination	Sec 4E students
10	Oct	GCE O-level Science (Chemistry/Biology) or Science (Physics/Chemistry) Practical Examination	Sec 4E/5N students
14	Oct	Promotion Exercise Day (No school)	Sec 1 to 3 students
15	Oct	GCE O-level Biology Practical Examination	Sec 4E students
16	Oct	GCE O-level EL Listening Comprehension Examination	Sec 4E//5N students
		GCE O Level MTL Syllabus B Listening Comprehension Examination	Selected Sec 4E/5N students
17 Oct - 11 Nov		GCE O Level Written Examination	Sec 4E/5N students, selected 4NA & 3E students
25	Oct	End of Term 4 and School Year	
26 Oct - 31 Dec		End-of-Year School Holidays	
To be confirmed		Sec 3 Bridging Programme (November)	Sec 3 students
		Overseas Service-Learning Trip (November)	Selected Sec 2 & 3 students
31	Oct	Deepavali	

