



29 Dec 2023

INFORMATION AND PROGRAMMES FOR TERM 1 - SECONDARY 2

Dear Parents / Guardians,

Happy New Year!

We look forward to welcoming our Navalites back to school and would like to share some information with you for Term 1 of 2024.

1. Secondary 2 Level Camp 2024 - Camp Vigour - Unleashing Talents, Developing a Zest for Life (9 - 11 Jan)

As a start to the new academic year, our Sec 2 Navalites will be participating in a 3 day non-residential camp from Tuesday 9 Jan to Thursday 11 Jan.

Besides building on the camaraderie and friendships forged from Sec 1 within the class, the camp aims to expose students to activities in the Arts, Sports, Mental Health Literacy and Digital Literacy to develop their dispositions towards a healthy and active lifestyle for the future.

The camp programme and to-bring list is provided as Annex A for your reference.

For any queries, please email Mr Kenneth Sung at Kenneth_sung_kok_siong@schools.gov.sg or Ms Kellie Kok at kellie_kok_yu_feng@schools.gov.sg.

2. Fortnightly Home-Based Learning (HBL) Days

In secondary schools, fortnightly HBL days are part of MOE's efforts to develop students as self-directed and independent learners, and HBL lessons are considered as part of the school curriculum.

In NBSS, HBL days generally take place on Even Fridays. Navalites are expected to learn from home under minimal supervision and to complete any assigned work at their own time. Form teachers will check in with the class online.

The dates for HBL days for Term 1 are: 12 Jan, 26 Jan, 23 Feb, and 8 Mar.



3. Department Programmes

a) English Language and Literature Department - Reading Programme

The school aims to develop good reading habits and a love for reading in Navalites through its reading programme. When Navalites read widely, they develop competency and confidence in using the English language, as well as widen their general knowledge.

All Navalites will be scheduled for school library visits and participate in related reading activities throughout the year, as part of the reading programme. With their Personal Learning Devices (PLD), Navalites are also encouraged to access free e-books via the National Library e-book application - Libby. Hence, all Navalites should have a book with them every day, as time will be set aside for reading in the morning.

Beyond curriculum hours, Navalites are strongly encouraged to read the books / articles recommended in their English Language Resource Packages.

b) Mother Tongue Languages Department - Mother Tongue Fortnight and Chinese New Year Celebrations

In order to provide Navalites with opportunities to learn and use MTL in novel and exciting ways, the Mother Tongue Fortnight Part 1 will be held from 30 Jan to 9 Feb, coinciding with the Chinese New Year and Pongal Celebrations. During this period, Navalites will be engaged in a wide range of activities related to Chinese, Malay and Tamil languages and cultures during and after school hours.

The school will celebrate Lunar New Year on 9 Feb Friday. More details on the celebrations will be provided nearer to the day.

c) Humanities Department -Geographical Investigation

An integral part of the Geography curriculum, Geographical Investigation (GI) offers Navalites the opportunity to carry out geographical inquiry and participate in fieldwork. In doing so, Navalites learn to transfer what they have learnt from their geography lessons to real world issues. These activities will be conducted towards the end of Term 1 and more details will be shared closer to the date of the activities.

d) Character and Citizenship Education

Chingay NE Show (3 Feb, Saturday)

The Chingay Parade started in 1973 as a street parade to celebrate the Chinese New Year. Since then, it has evolved into an annual iconic event that showcases Singapore's rich and unique multi-ethnic and cosmopolitan cultures. This year, our Navalites are invited to attend the Chingay NE Show on 3 Feb at the F1 Pit Building to experience the vibrance of Singapore's diversity. Participants will receive more information from their teachers and parental consent will be sought through Parents Gateway.

Total Defence Day (15 Feb, Thursday)

Total Defence Day is commemorated annually to mark Singapore's fall to the Japanese on 15 February 1942, to remind us about the importance of Total Defence in protecting our sovereignty as a nation through the six pillars of Total Defence. This meaningful occasion will be marked during CCE periods through an engaging assembly programme, thoughtful discussions on contemporary issues facing Singapore today as well as various lead-up activities.

Sec 2 Cohort Learning Journey to the National Museum of Singapore

All Secondary 2 students in Singapore will visit the National Museum of Singapore (NMS) for a Character and Citizenship Education (CCE) cohort Learning Journey, where they will learn about, reflect on, and connect with the people, places, and experiences in Singapore's history. This is also aligned to the Secondary 2 History or Social Studies syllabuses. More details will be provided through Parents Gateway

4. Table of Events for Term 1

Date	Programme / Activity
9 Jan - 11 Jan	Sec 2 Level Camp - Camp Vigour
12 Jan	HBL Day
30 Jan - 9 Feb	Mother Tongue Fortnight
3 Feb	Chingay NE Show
9 Feb	Chinese New Year Celebrations
15 Feb	Total Defence Day Commemoration
23 Feb	HBL Day



5. Administrative Matters

a) First Day of School Attire

Navalites are to report to school, properly groomed according to school guidelines, on Tuesday 2 Jan at 7.20am at the multi-purpose hall in their PE t-shirt and school shorts / skirts.

b) SMS Notifications of Student Absence from School

When students are absent, an automated SMS will be sent in the morning to the primary caregiver as reflected in School Cockpit. This is to ensure that parents/guardians are promptly updated about your child/ward's absence. Please make sure that your child/ward returns to school with the relevant documents explaining their absence. If you do not wish to receive SMS alerts or if there are changes to your contact number, please inform the school at nbss@moe.edu.sg.

c) Photographs / Images Taken During School Events

Please note that photograph(s) and video image(s) of your child/ward may be captured during school events. These images may be published in school publications, websites, social media and other school communication channels. If you do not wish to have these photographs and images published, you may write to the school at nbss@moe.edu.sg.

We look forward to a positive and collaborative school-parents partnership as your child/ward continues with their educational journey with NBSS in 2024. Thank you!

This termly letter can be downloaded from the Parents Gateway (PG) and the school's website:
<https://navalbasesec.moe.edu.sg/parents-at-nbss/termly-letters>

If you need further clarifications, please send an email to:
nbss@moe.edu.sg



[Annex A](#)

Sec 2 Camp Programme Overview

	Tuesday, 9 January						
	GROUP A				GROUP B		
	2A	2B	2E	2F	2C	2D	2G
0735-0800	Morning Assembly / FTCT (ISH) + Collection of Valuables						
0800-0835	Videography Module (8.00am-11.00am) 2A Classroom	Videography Module (8.00am-11.00am) 2B Classroom	Videography Module (8.00am-11.00am) 2E Classroom	Videography Module (8.00am-11.00am) 2F Classroom	Travel to Venue Bus Pick-up: 7.45am		
0835-0910					Photography Module (9.00am - 11.30am) Objectifs - Centre for Photography & Film 155 Middle Road	CYCLING (9.00am - 11.30am) Constant Wind	
0910-0945							
0945-1020							
1020-1055							
1055-1130	LUNCH (11.00pm - 12.00pm)				Travel to Venue Bus Pick-up: 11.30am		LUNCH @ Constant Wind
1130-1205					LUNCH @ Constant Wind		
1205-1240	Travel to Venue Bus Pick-up: 12.15pm				LUNCH @ Constant Wind		Travel to Venue Bus Pick-up: 12.45pm
1240-1315	Archery Tag (1.00pm - 2.30pm)	Archery Tag (1.00pm - 2.30pm)	Goalball (1.00pm - 2.30pm)	Goalball (1.00pm - 2.30pm)	CYCLING (1.00pm - 3.30pm) Constant Wind		
1315-1350	Yishun Futsal Arena	Yishun Futsal Arena	Yishun Futsal Arena	Yishun Futsal Arena			
1350-1425							
1425-1500							
1500-1535	Goalball (2.30pm - 4.00pm)	Goalball (2.30pm - 4.00pm)	Archery Tag (2.30pm - 4.00pm)	Archery Tag (2.30pm - 4.00pm)			Objectifs - Centre for Photography & Film 155 Middle Road
1535-1610	Yishun Futsal Arena	Yishun Futsal Arena	Yishun Futsal Arena	Yishun Futsal Arena			
1610-1645	Back to school Bus Pick-up: 4.15pm				Back to school Bus Pick-up: 3.45pm		Back to school Bus Pick-up: 4.15pm
1645-1720	REFLECTION + Returning of valuables						



	Wednesday, 10 January						
	GROUP A				GROUP B		
	2A	2B	2E	2F	2C	2D	2G
0735-0800	Morning Assembly / FTCT (ISH) Mass Temperature Taking Exercise						
0800-0835	Travel to Venue Bus Pick-up: 7.45am						
0835-0910	Photography Module (9.00am - 11.30am) Objectifs - Centre for Photography & Film 155 Middle Road	CYCLING (9.00am - 11.30am) Constant Wind		Videography Module (8.00am-11.00am)	Videography Module (8.00am-11.00am)	Videography Module (8.00am-11.00am)	
0910-0945				2C Classroom	2D Classroom	2G Classroom	
0945-1020							
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1610-1645			Back to school Bus Pick-up: 4.15pm				
1645-1720	REFLECTION (ALL FTs) + Distribution of T-Shirts + Returning of valuables						



	Thursday, 11 January						
	GROUP A				GROUP B		
	2A	2B	2E	2F	2C	2D	2G
0735-0800	Morning Assembly / FTCT (ISH) + Video/Photo Voting						
0800-0835	AI TALK (8am - 9.30am) ISH						
0835-0910							
0910-0945							
0945-1020	R E C E S S (9.30am - 10.05am) + Cohort Photo-taking (ISH)						
1020-1055	MENTAL WELLNESS TALK (10.15am - 10.45am) ISH						
1055-1130	WATER SOCCER (11.00am - 2.00pm) Pavilion						
1130-1205							
1205-1240							
1240-1315							
1315-1350							
1350-1425	P L A N T W A T E R I N G / C H A N G E U P / L U N C H						
1425 - 1500	R E F L E C T I O N / C L O S U R E / D I S M I S S A L						

[To-Bring List](#)

Tuesday, 9 January							
GROUP A				GROUP B			
2A	2B	2E	2F	2C	2D	2G	
Reporting Attire: Half-uniform Compulsory items: English Storybook Fully-charged iPads School PE attire Water bottles (at least 600ml) Optional: Personal medications				Reporting Attire: Half-uniform Compulsory items: English Storybook Fully-charged iPads School PE attire Water bottles (at least 600ml) Optional: Personal medications Sun Protection (Cap, Sunscreen etc.) Insect Repellent / Mosquito Patches Poncho/Rain coat			



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Thursday, 11 January							
GROUP A				GROUP B			
2A	2B	2E	2F	2C	2D	2G	
Reporting Attire: Half-uniform (with 2024 Level T-shirts) Compulsory items: English Storybook Fully-charged iPads Water bottles (at least 600ml) Extra PE T-shirt or Level Camp T-shirt Extra set of undergarments Optional: Personal medications Sun Protection (Cap, Hat, Sunscreen etc)							