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Dear Parents/Guardians,

As we move into Term 2, on behalf of the school staff and students, I would like to express my sincere appreciation to all of you for your unwavering support in the successful completion of our 140th Anniversary Celebrations. Special thanks go to the parents and guardians who joined us for the Cycle for a Cause event, which raised \$14,102 to-date for the Singapore Disability Sports Council. If you are still keen to donate, you may do so till 30 May 2025 through <https://www.giving.sg/donate/campaign/gess140cares--cycling-for-a-cause>.

We are also grateful to our partners, namely the School Advisory Committee, the Gan Eng Seng Old Students' Association, and the Parent-Teacher Association (PTA), who participated in our 140 Creative Wall project, sharing their well-wishes for the school, as well as to those who attended the Prize Presentation Ceremony. GESS has distributed through our students 200 car decals to the first 200 parents who requested for them. These car decals were sponsored by our SAC member, Muhamad Imaduddin bin Abd Karim.

In Term 1, we were delighted to host students from Thailand, including Triamudomsuksa Pattanakarn School, Suan Boon Yopatham Lamphun School and schools from Chengdu, China. These enriching visits offered our students a unique opportunity for cultural exchange, helping them build new friendships while expanding their global perspectives. Looking ahead, we are excited to announce that in May-June 2025, our Sec 3 students will be taking part in the internationalisation programme, with trips to Thailand (Bangkok and Chiang Mai), China (Guangzhou), and Brunei. By now, students who expressed interest should have received confirmation of their assigned destinations.

Term 2 will be exciting with the Weighted Assessments, the on-going National School Games, the Singapore Youth Festival Arts Presentations and internal school events such as the Meet-Parent-Sessions and the Cross-Country meet. This is a good test of our students' time management skills, resilience and discipline. Do partner our teachers in helping Gessians to manage their time well as we work towards the holistic development of every student.

1. GESS Proud Moments

We are very happy to share our students' achievements with you. NCC achieved distinction for unit recognition 2024. Si Lim Yong Jun and Goh Ping Jin Marvin received the SPF-NPCC Badge which is the pinnacle award that NPCC cadets can attain. The Girls' Brigade Company is awarded the Silver Award for 2024. It brought home a Silver and a Bronze medal in the National Drill Competition 2025. The competition featured two exciting segments: music drill and impromptu drill. It was a true testament to the Girls' hard work, commitment, and teamwork. Jayden Lee and Stefan Chua, both from 4-6, finished 10th and 16th in the under 18 Boys' category in the Wings Athletics Cross Country Championship. GESS E-Club received the Silver Award for the Sustainability Advocacy Challenge jointly organised by Terra and Crescent Girls' School.

Do visit our official Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/SG.GESS/> or GESS Instagram at [@theofficialgess](https://www.instagram.com/theofficialgess/) for school updates on our Founder's Day cum 140th Anniversary Celebrations and for school and students' achievements/events.



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2. Sec 2 and 3 Meet-Parent-Sessions 2025

There are changes to the educational landscape and pathways. To better prepare the parents/guardians, GESS has planned the Sec 2 and 3 Meet-Parent-Sessions:

- Sec 3 on 11 April 2025 from 5 pm to 6.30 pm (Virtual)
- Sec 2 on 16 May 2025 from 5 pm to 7 pm (Physical)

The Sec 2 Meet-Parent-Session will focus on the 2026 subject combinations offered for your child/ward based on the new MOE announcements. We strongly encourage you and your child/ward to join us for the session so that you can support your child/ward in making an informed decision. The Sec 3 session aims to provide information to parents/guardians on the post-secondary options available to your child/ward once he/she graduates from GESS. Do join us if your child/ward is at these levels.

3. GESS Annual Cross-Country

The GESS Annual Cross-Country will take place on Friday, 25th April 2025, from 7:30 am to 11:00 am. We warmly invite you to join your child/ward for this exciting event and help make it a memorable experience for all involved. You can participate by running alongside your child/ward or walk with the staff. Alternatively, you can contribute in other meaningful ways, such as assisting at the drink booths. GESS and its PTA deeply appreciate your support and contributions in making this event a success.

4. Important Dates for Term 2, 2025

Please refer to pages 3 and 4 for information on some of the key events/ activities for term 2. We will also be uploading the CCA schedules for the June holidays on our school website by 30 May 2025. Please note that school will keep 7 June to 22 June free from school activities, including CCA training, so that Gessians and staff may enjoy a well-deserved holiday break with their family and friends.

ONWARD!

Yours faithfully,

Ms Tan Hwee Pin
Principal



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Important Dates for Term 2 (2025)

Annex A

Date	Event	Remark
2 Apr – 4 Apr 2025	Gessian Experience Week <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sec 1 Learning Festival (non-residential camp in GESS) Sec 2 GESS Life Camp (Singapore Discovery Centre) Sec 3 GESS Life Camp (MOE Labrador Outdoor Adventure Learning Centre) Sec 4/5 GESS Life Camp (non-residential camp in GESS) 	Kindly take note that the Sec 3 camp will end on Sat, 5 April
8 Apr 2025	Election of Head Prefect	
9 Apr 2025	Social Studies Learning Journey for 4-6 Sports Wednesday	
11 Apr 2025	International Friendship Day Commemoration	
	Meet-Parent-Session Sec 3 (Virtual)	Details will be sent closer to the date
16 Apr 2025	Home-based learning 4E5NA MT Prelim Oral Exam Communications Workshop for 4NA, 4Exp, 5NA - 2 sessions (1000 -1230, 1300-1530)	
18 Apr 2025	Good Friday (Public Holiday)	
21 Apr – 24 Apr 2025	Health Screening for Students	
25 Apr 2025	School Cross-Country Event at West Coast Park 7.30 am to 11 am	
29 Apr 2025	Student Leaders Appointment Ceremony (SLAC) NAPFA 5 stations (Sec 4/5)(PM)	
30 Apr 2025	Home-based learning Pure Geography Tourism Fieldtrip (3Exp) (PM)	



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1 May 2025	Labour Day (Public Holiday)	
2 May 2025	Sec 1 Breakfast with parents at 8.15 am Last CCA training for 4E5N	
3 May 2025	NAPFA 2.4km (Sec 4/5)(AM)	
6 May 2025	NAPFA 5 stations (Sec 2)(PM) PISA 2025 Main Study (40 Sec 4s)	
10 May 2025	NAPFA 2.4km (Sec 2)(AM)	
12 May 2025	Vesak Day (Public Holiday)	
13 May 2025	PABL Performance for Sec 1 (PM)	
14 May 2025	Home-based learning	
16 May 2025	4Exp5NA EL Prelim Oral Exam (AM) 4NA/4NT MT Prelim Oral	
	Sec 2 Subject Combination Talk for Sec 2 students and parents	Details will be sent closer to the date
21 May 2025	Sports Wednesday	
23 May 2025	4NA/NT EL Prelim Oral Exam (PM) Sec 3 NRIC Registration	
26 May – 30 May 2025	4E5N MT Intensive Programme	
28 May 2025	Home-based learning	
30 May 2025	Eat With Your Family Day (No CCA) Parent-Teacher Meeting (For selected students only)	General Office will close at 5 pm
31 May – 29 Jun 2025	School holidays	
	7 June -22 June: Protected Time for Teachers	General Office is open from 8 am to 5 pm on weekdays
2 Jun 2025	GCE O level MTL Examination	
23 & 24 June 2025	2 Day Student Leaders' Camp	
30 Jun 2025	Start of Term 3	