



2 September 2020

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian,

## **Weighted Assessment 4 for Secondary 2 Express**

1. During the one week holiday in September, we hope to encourage all our students to spend their break in a productive way by ensuring that learning remains a continuous endeavour. Your encouragement for your child/ward in this area is critical as Term 4 is a very short academic term.
2. Weighted Assessment 4 (WA4), the final assessment of the academic year, will be conducted over several days from 1 October to 15 October 2020. CCA will stand down from 5 October to 16 October 2020. Please note the important dates and respective dismissal times in the table below.

Dates	Dismissal	Remarks
Thurs, 1 Oct	0945 hrs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• WA4 for English Language</li><li>• Early dismissal due to GCE 'O' Level Science Practical Examination</li></ul>
Fri, 2 Oct - Wed, 7 Oct	1415 hrs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Normal lessons</li></ul>
Thurs, 8 Oct - Thurs, 15 Oct	1225 hrs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• WA4 for remaining subjects</li><li>• Normal lessons will continue before or after the day's paper</li></ul>
Fri, 16 Oct	No school	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Online Education &amp; Career Guidance Day</li></ul>
Tues, 20 Oct	No school	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Promotion &amp; Administration Day</li></ul>

3. The attached Annexes A and B provide details of the schedule and scope of assessment for the various subjects. However, some subjects including Geography, History, Art, Design & Technology and Food & Consumer Education will be assessed via alternative forms such as Project Work or Performance Tasks.
4. Students who are absent for any WA will need to submit a medical certificate to their form teacher when they return to school.
5. Should you have any queries, please contact the following personnel at 62889227:  
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6. Thank you for partnering us to support your child/ward in his/her learning.

The SGSS Academic Programme Team

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## Schedule for WA4

Date/ Day	SECONDARY 2 EXPRESS				
	Subject/ Paper No.	Time	Duration	Class	Remarks
1 Oct (Thursday)	English Language	0830 – 0945 hrs	1 hr 15 min	1PE, 1RP, 1IN, 1DI, 1EP	All Lower Sec students will be dismissed at 0945 hrs.
8 Oct (Thursday)	Chinese Malay Tamil	0830 – 0945 hrs	1 hr 15 min	2PE, 2RP, 2IN, 2DI, 2EP	All Lower Sec students will attend normal lessons for the day, other than the period of the WA4.  All Lower Sec students will be dismissed at 1225 hrs.
	Chinese B	0830 – 0930 hrs	1 hr	2RP, 2IN, 2DI, 2EP	
9 Oct (Friday)	History	0830 – 0945 hrs	1 hr 15 min	2PE, 2RP, 2IN, 2DI, 2EP	
12 Oct (Monday)	Literature	0845 – 1000 hrs	1 hr 15 min	2PE, 2RP, 2IN, 2DI, 2EP	
13 Oct (Tuesday)	Geography	0830 – 0945 hrs	1 hr 15 min	2PE, 2RP, 2IN, 2DI, 2EP	
14 Oct (Wednesday)	Lower Secondary Science	0830 – 0930 hrs	1 hr	2PE, 2RP, 2IN, 2DI, 2EP	
15 Oct (Thursday)	Mathematics	0830 – 0945 hrs	1 hr 15 min	2PE, 2RP, 2IN, 2DI, 2EP	

## Scope for WA4

### Secondary 2 Express

S/N	Subject	Topics
<b>The schedule of WA 4 occurring between 1 Oct and 8 Oct – 15 Oct</b>		
1.	English	<u>Writing and Comprehension</u> 1. Editing 2. Situational Writing 3. Visual Text  Thematic Focus: Culture, Sports and Appearance
2.	Mother Tongue	Paper 1: Essay Writing
	Chinese B	Paper 2: Comprehension
3.	Mathematics	1. Simultaneous Equations 2. Expansion and Factorisation of Quadratic Expressions 3. Algebraic Fractions and Formulae 4. Quadratic Equations and Quadratic Graphs 5. Pythagoras' Theorem 6. Trigonometric Ratios 7. Volume and Surface Area of Prisms, Cylinders, Pyramids and Cones
4.	Lower Secondary Science	1. Interaction through the Application of Forces 2. Energy and Work Done 3. Effects of Heat and its transmission 4. Chemical Changes 5. Interactions within Ecosystems
5.	Literature	<u>Poetry Passage-based Questions</u> 1. analysis of imagery, diction and writer's style 2. constructing coherent arguments
6.	History	Unit 3: Was Singapore an Accidental Nation? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Economic problems during the British Military Administration</li> <li>• Riots during the 1950s</li> <li>• Merger and Separation of Singapore and Malaysia</li> </ul>

S/N	Subject	Topics
7.	Geography	1. Chapter 5: Floods <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Types of floods</li> <li>• Reasons why some cities are more prone to floods than others</li> <li>• Impacts of floods</li> <li>• Mitigation measures to prepare cities for floods</li> </ul> 2. Topographical Map reading Skills
<b>The following subjects have scheduled their WA4 <u>outside</u> the period of 8 Oct – 15 Oct as they are project work or graded assignments, which will take place during curriculum time.</b>		
8.	Art	<u>Coursework Performance Task</u> 1. Control of Medium Deadline for submission: 2 Oct 2020
9.	Food & Consumer Education	<u>Coursework Performance Task</u> 1. Sensory Evaluation 2. Culinary Skills (Pastry) and Methods of cooking 3. Consumer Education 4. Nutritional tools Deadline for submission: 6 Oct 2020
10.	Design & Technology	<u>Coursework Performance Task</u> 1: Ideation 2: Mock-up Deadline for submission: 2 October 3: Prototype Deadline for submission: 16 Oct 2020