



Boon Lay Garden Primary School

the Garden where diversity blossoms

4 January 2010

Dear Parents / Guardians,

Greetings from all staff and children of BLGPS!

We extend a warm welcome to all our Primary 1 pupils, Primary 1 parents and new pupils transferred in. This is a termly letter for our stakeholders and we hope you will find the information helpful.

SCHOOL'S FOCUS FOR 2010

The school continues to place our stakeholders at the heart of what we do. This year, we aim to ***Bring Out The Best In Everyone***, which is aligned closely to the school's vision "the Garden where diversity blossoms". For our pupils, we will emphasise ***Character Before Achievement***, to ensure that our efforts at educating each child remains holistic so that he/she is well prepared for his/her future.

STAFF MOVEMENT

We welcome five teachers into the school:

1. Mdm Liew Mei Lian
2. Mdm Chan Yin Har
3. Mr Pua Chia Siong
4. Mr Ong Jun Qi Henry
5. Miss Kam Lee Theng

The following teachers have left the school with effect from 1 Jan 2010:

1. Mrs Tow Beng Neo (Retirement)
2. Mdm Norain Hasein (Posted out as HOD/Science)
3. Miss Ho Wai Wai (Posted out as teacher)

OUR SCHOOL VALUES

Our school values CARES, continues to be relevant and aligned to the school's vision. The following indicators for each school value will help guide us in observing and affirming the values displayed by pupils:

School Values	Identified Statement	Traits/Indicators
Cooperation	I will study, play and work with others	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Work harmoniously with others▪ Share knowledge with others▪ Team-player
A*ttitude	I will be a good role model	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Diligence▪ Integrity▪ Resilience▪ Responsibility▪ Self-discipline▪ Caring
Respect For All	I will love myself, others and the environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Self-worth▪ Polite▪ Show appreciation
Efforts Leading to Success in Everything We Do	I will strive to achieve my goals	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Determination▪ Punctuality▪ Completing tasks assigned

We encourage parents to promote the school values at home and to acknowledge your child's actions when he/she demonstrate them positively.

SUCCESS STORIES

2009 PSLE RESULTS

Our ten top PSLE pupils are:

Name	Agg Score	EL	CL	MA	SC	HCL
Guo Li	278	A*	A*	A*	A*	Distinction
Ng Wei Heng	260	A	A	A*	A*	Merit
Ling Shiaw Jiunn	257	A*	A*	A*	A*	Distinction
James Lek	257	A*	A*	A	A*	Merit
Ho Fanny	256	A	A	A*	A	Merit
Megan Tan Pat Hoon	254	A	A	A*	A	Merit
Zhang Xuyang	254	A	A*	A*	A*	Merit
Low Jia Hui	250	A*	A*	A	A	Merit
Terence Tan Jun Hao	250	A	A*	A*	A	Merit
Wen Yifei	250	A	A*	A*	A*	Merit

The two pupils who obtained entries to secondary schools through the Direct Schools Admission (DSA) scheme are:

Guo Li	River Valley High School
Cheng Hao En	School of Science and Technology

Congratulations to all our P6 pupils who are promoted to secondary schools. The school wishes them all the best as they continue their learning journeys.

2009 EDUSAVE AWARDS

Kudos goes to those of our pupils who were awarded the various Edusave awards. The details are:

Edusave Scholarships	43 pupils
Edusave Merit Bursary	128 pupils
Good Progress Award	101 pupils
EAGLES (for P5 & P6)	6 pupils

HEALTH RELATED MATTERS

MOE will be supplying Oral Digital Thermometers (ODTs) to all P1 pupils for the first time at no cost to parents. For P2 – P6, the school had over the past years issued an ODT to every pupil. Should your child's ODT be faulty, the ODT is sold at the school's bookshop.

As part of the school's Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) for managing Influenza A (H1N1), please note that the school will conduct regular temperature-taking exercises as well as checking of pupils' ODTs. All pupils are encouraged to maintain their ODTs well for use at any time.

Before long weekends and termly school holidays, the school will require parents to update us on travel plans. This is to enable the school to respond quickly and appropriately should there be a Influenza A (H1N1) pandemic globally or in the region at any time. We seek parents' understanding in giving us your full support when the Travel Declaration Form is issued to you for submission.

As a preventive measure against the spread of the Influenza A (H1N1) virus, we seek your support to remind your child/children to maintain personal hygiene through handwashing. If your child is unwell, consult a doctor and do not come to school.

SCHOOL SAFETY & SECURITY

Opening Timing for main vehicle entrance and pedestrian gates

Monday to Friday:	6.15 am to 6.45 pm
Saturday:	8.00 am to 1.00 pm
School Holidays:	6.30 am to 5.00 pm
Closed on Sundays and Public Holidays	

Car Parking

In view of the limited parking lots within the school premises, parents attending to official matters at the school may be allowed to park their vehicles should lots be available.

In view of the heavy traffic movement during peak hours, parents are advised not to drive into the school premises for the safety of our pupils.

Drop off/Pick up Points for Parents' vehicles during rainy days

Parents are allowed to drop-off/pick up the children from the school porch **only on rainy days**. Parents are advised to give way to school buses.

Visits to our school

In the interests of safety and security, all visitors/parents must register their presence at the Security Guard Post first and obtain a Visitor Pass. The Visitor Pass shall be worn while in the school premises. Visitor Passes are issued for visiting Bookshop and General Office only.

No visitor is allowed access to any other part of the school premises without prior permission from the General Office.

Our school staff have been instructed to approach outsiders who do not display the Visitor Pass in the school premises and to direct them to the Security Guard Post.

We also seek your understanding on the following:

- a. Should parents need to bring items to their children in school, please arrange with your child to collect them from you at the Security Guard Post.
- b. The sale of canteen food to outsiders is not allowed.

BELTING UP IN SMALL SCHOOL BUSES

Our School Transport service provider has installed seat belts in small buses. Children travelling in the small buses will be safely strapped in. They will enjoy a safer journey on their way to and from school when travelling in small buses.

I would like to emphasise that the safety of children in school buses is a shared responsibility. Parents play a pivotal role in teaching their children to belt up and to be safe at all times. We seek parents' assistance to **help the school to remind the children to always buckle up, no matter how short the journey.**

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

The schedule of activities for Term 1 (4 Jan 2010 – 12 Mar 2010) is attached for your reference. Do call us or drop us an e-mail if you need further clarifications.

We look forward to an exciting 2010 and look forward to your support and partnership.

Yours sincerely,



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