

Tuen Mun Catholic Secondary School
2022-2023 School Circular No. 5
(Suitable for F.1 students)

28th October, 2022

Dear parents and guardians,

Continuation of face-to-face lesson schedule, half-day lesson schedule on 10th Nov and the Athletic Meet, the purchase of Chinese Language Resource Booklet, Form Teachers' Period, School Textbook Assistance Scheme and Subsidy for Internet Access Charges and a parent-child excursion

1. Continuation of face-to-face lesson schedule

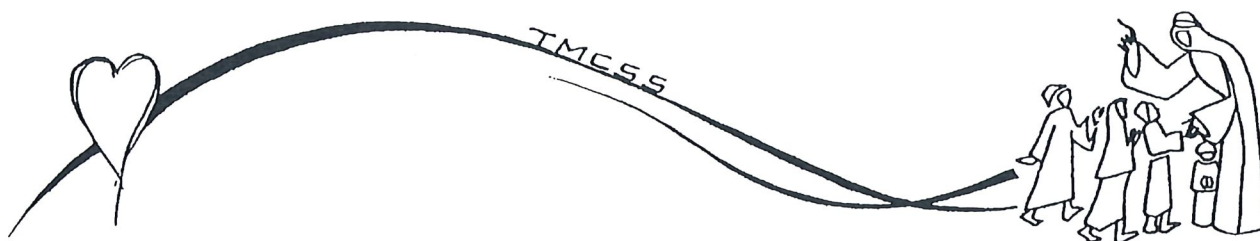
Education Bureau notified all schools that the face-to-face lesson schedule will be continued until 31st January, 2023. Actually, our school has fulfilled the vaccine requirements in mid-October, that is, over 90% of our students have received 3 doses of COVID vaccine. Our school will continue the face-to-face lesson schedule and students are all allowed to participate in extra-curricular activities aiming at the whole person development. The fulfillment of the vaccine requirements should be attributed by the support of our parents and students. It is hoped that our face-to-face lesson schedule will be continued after 31st January, 2023.

2. Half-day lesson schedule on 10th November

As there is a joint-school activity planned for several months and it is difficult to anticipate the vaccine rate of different schools, a half-day lesson schedule will be adopted on 10th November for organizing the event. The school ending time is 1:35 p.m. on that day.

3. Athletic Meet (15th – 16th November)

The 36th Athletic Meet will be run from 15th to 16th November in Tang Shiu Kin Sports Ground. Students should arrive the venue at 8 a.m. with tidy PE T-shirt and trousers. Students are allowed to wear PE jacket if necessary. The school ending time is 1:30 p.m. (the exact school ending time depends on the event progress). According to the Health Advice to Schools for the Prevention of Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19), students are eligible to enter the sports ground only if they have fulfilled the vaccine requirements including a Blue Code in Vaccine Pass. If students do not fulfill the requirements, they need to stay at school and a live broadcast for the event will be provided. If students are not allowed to enter the sports ground due to the vaccine requirements, our teaching staff will bring those students back to school. The annual Athletic Meet promotes good health, but students are not encouraged to take part in the competitions if they have health problems. If students are absent in the Athletic Meet, including a one-day leave, a medical certificate is required. If you have any questions, please contact Miss Wong Big Ha, the head of Physical Education department.

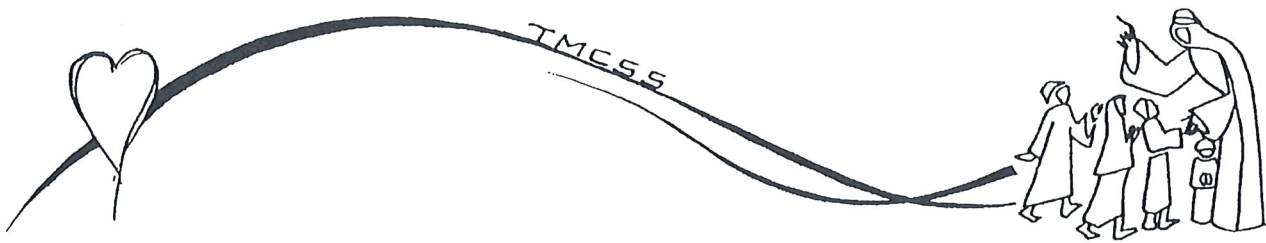


Guidelines for athletes

Number bibs	1. All eligible athletes should wear tidy and neat P.E. uniforms and the athlete number bibs issued by the event organizer should be pinned at the front of the P.E. T-shirt (including inter-house relays and inter-class relays). 2. The number bibs will not be re-printed. Athletes will be disqualified if they use the numbers bibs borrowed from other students. Penalties will also be considered.
Dress and trainers	1. The requirements are the same as the P.E. uniform required in P.E. lessons, including a P.E. T-shirt, short pants and white socks. Athletes should keep their T-shirts tidy and neat. Athletes are allowed to wear P.E. jackets before the competition. 2. Athletes are only allowed to wear class T-shirts in inter-class relays and F.6 Graduation Run. 3. Athletes are eligible to wear sprint shoes and shoes for track and field events. There is no restriction on the colors of the shoes but basketball shoes are not allowed. 4. Athletes may be disqualified if the outfit does not fulfill the above requirements.
Reporting and application for a leave	1. If the track and field events take place at the same time, athletes should report the case to the judge of the field event and then take part in the track event. Athletes should quickly return to the field event upon the completion of the track event and report to the judge. 2. If athletes do not feel well, they should report to the house teacher consultants and fill in the form for exemption. The form should be handed in to the commander's stand. Mark penalty will be done on absentees when the authority is not officially noticed.
Scores for participation	1. Every athlete can earn one point for the house they belong to. One point will be deducted if there are absentees who do not notify the event organizer. 2. 9 points will be given to the champion, followed by 7 points to the first runner up and etc. The overall champion will be crowned to a house with the highest points.

4. Purchase of Chinese Language Resource Booklet

There is a resource booklet prepared by Chinese teachers for improving reading and writing competence and language usage among F.1 students. As the booklet has been re-edited in 2022, repeaters should also purchase a new copy. The booklet costs \$37.5 and the payment will be handled in November. If you have any questions, please contact Ms Tsoi Ka Man, the head of Chinese department.



5. Form teachers' period

9th November (Day 5, Wed) Session 8, Form teachers' period

23rd November (Day 5, Wed) Session 8 Hall assembly on Cybercrimes

6. School Textbook Assistance Scheme and Subsidy for Internet Access Charges

Eligible applicants who have submitted the application form for Student Financial Assistance Schemes and passed the mean test should have received the school textbook assistance and the subsidy for Internet Access Charges approved by the Student Finance Office. The amount should have been transferred to the applicant's account automatically from 28th October to 1st November.

The transaction code is TXBGR (School Textbook Assistance and the subsidy for Internet Access Charges). Parents could confirm it with their bank passbooks or bank statements. If you have any questions, please give a call to the Student Finance Office at 2802 2345. Our school will inform parents on behalf of Student Financial Office if further bank transfer has been done.

7. A parent-child excursion to the nature run by Ethics and Religious Education committee

Yim Tin Tze located in Sai Kung has been awarded UNESCO Asia-Pacific Heritage Awards for Culture Heritage Conservation twice. Parents and students are welcomed to take part in the excursion and you will experience how villagers live peacefully with the nature. You will have a chance to practise meditation, tour around the nature and taste organic or naturally handmade Hakka food. You may make salt with your children in this excursion. The details are as follows:

Date: 11th December (Sunday)

Time: 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Location: Yim Tin Tze, Sai Kung

Fee: \$200 (including coach fee, admission tickets, materials for making salt, snacks and lunch)

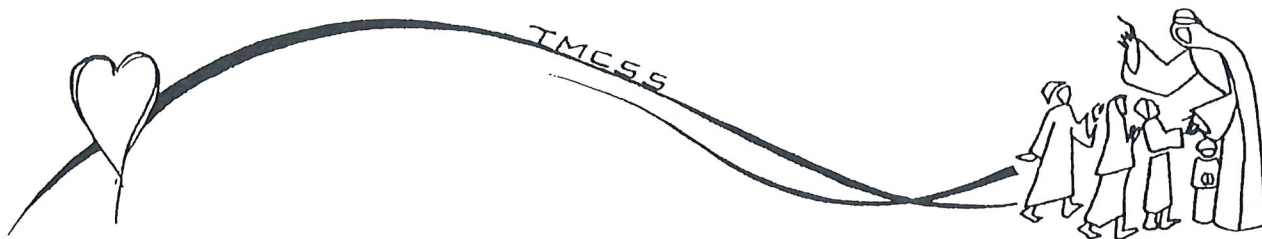
Quota: 50 (if there are more than 50 applicants, a draw will be done)

If you have any questions, please contact Ms Lam Siu Yau, Vice Principal.

Yours faithfully,

Mr. Siu Sze Chuen
Principal





Submission of the reply slip: 31st October, 2022

Student Name: _____ Class: _____ Class No.: _____

2022-2023 Reply Slip of the School Circular No. 5

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Dear Mr Siu,

1. I am well-informed with the above information and agree with the printing fee of Chinese Language Resource Booklet.

2. Please tick (✓) as appropriate:

☐ I am interested in the parent-child excursion to Yim Tin Tze on 11th December.

(No. of participants: _____)

☐ I am not interested in the parent-child excursion to Yim Tin Tze on 11th December.

Parent's signature: _____

Date: _____