

Tuen Mun Catholic Secondary School
2022-2023 School Circular No. 12
(Suitable for F.4 students)

17th February, 2023

Dear parents and guardians,

Election for IMC Parent Manager, Stakeholders' questionnaires, invitation to Book Fair and authors sharing sessions, Running Applied Learning Programmes, English Language Enhancement Programme, hall assembly, purchase of English fictions and 5-Day Singapore Study Tour

Please refer to the following items:

1. Election of IMC Parent Manager

The election of our IMC Parent Manager will take place on 26th February (Sunday). The candidates' profiles have been posted on the school website and in our school lobby on 13th February (Monday). You are cordially invited to come and vote for your parent manager.

Election Date: 26th February

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Location: Lower School Hall

2. Stakeholders' questionnaires

To evaluate our school development, you are sincerely invited to fill in a questionnaire on the parents' day. We aim to collect opinions from parents for facilitating our self-evaluation, purposing for excellence.

3. Invitation to Book Fair and Authors Sharing Sessions

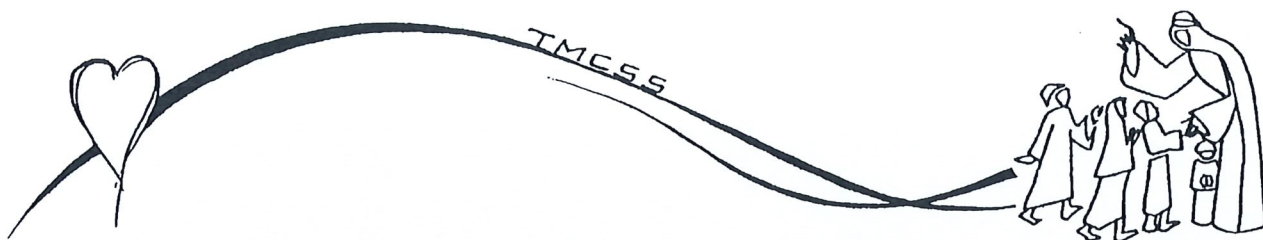
Tuen Teen Book Fair is our traditional annual event, in which teachers recommend books and introduce different authors and genres. We aim to nurture students with good reading habits and widen their horizons. Our theme is 'Innovative Technology Loves Reading'. Books including Chinese Language, English Language, Language Across Curriculum are available. The books cover topics such as Religious Studies, Literatures, Humanities, Natural Science and so on. Parents are also advised to read books about parent-child communication, information technology, cooking, planting and so on. 20% off is offered to Chinese books and 15% off is offered to English books. There are also books with special discounts. Parents are cordially invited to come and read with your children. If you are not available to come, you are advised to support your children to buy books and nurture their reading habits.

Date: 1st March – 4th March (Wednesday to Saturday)

Time: 8:30 a.m. – 5:15 p.m. (1st March to 3rd March, Wed to Fri)

10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. (4th March, Sat)

Venue: School Hall



Celebrated authors are invited to our book fair every year, sharing their reading, writing and life experience with our students. It is our pleasure to invite our former vice principal Mr Pao Kwok Hung and an experienced artist Mr Chung Chi Kwong as our guest speakers. Parents are welcomed to attend the sharing seminars. Besides, there is an English session for F.4 students.

Guest Speaker	Date	Time	Venue	Theme
Mr Pao Kwok Hung	1 st March (Wed)	2:30 – 3:45	Lower School Hall	Travel and time travel
Mr Chung Chi Kwong	2 nd March (Thu)	2:30 – 3:45	Lower School Hall	Teacher-Student Relationship is forever
Miss Jane Houng	2 nd March (Thu)	2:20 – 3:05	Library	An afternoon with Jane Houng

If you have any questions about the book fair, please contact Miss Kwok Yan Ling, the teacher in charge of Reading Planning Committee and Miss Wong Hei Man, the librarian.

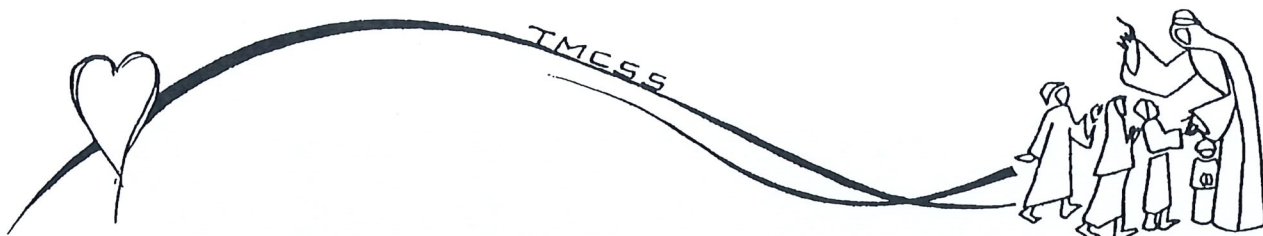
4. Running Applied Learning Programmes

Applied Learning (ApL) is one of the elective subjects in the senior form curriculum. The programmes incorporate both theories and practicum, aiming at widening students' horizons in some professions and establishing the connection between students and the fields. Students can learn some basic theories and concepts, develop some job-related skills and boost generic competences. Generally speaking, the duration of the programmes lasts for 2 academic years including F.5 and F.6.

The current F.4 students can consider taking ApL programmes in F.5 and a briefing session was held on 4th January, 2023 so as to let students be more familiar with the course features and how the curriculum helps their further studies and future career. Interested students should submit the application form (as attached) to the collection box available in the General Office on or before 13th March. Successful applicants will be nominated by school after the interview. Students can review the details available in eClass and parents are advised to get more information from <https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/curriculum-development/cross-kla-studies/applied-learning/index.html>. If you have any questions, please contact Ms Tsui Siu Lai, the assistant vice principal or Ms Wong Wai Ping, the vice principal.

5. English Language Enhancement Programme

In order to boost students' competence in reading and listening, an English Enhancement Programme is run for F.4 students. The programme is taught by our alumni studying in universities. Course materials will be given and it is not necessary to purchase other materials in the course. The course fee is \$500 and \$250 will be subsidized by the school. As there is a limited number of participants, student performance will be one of the criteria for the admission.



Date: 4/3, 18/3, 25/3, 1/4, 22/4, 29/4, 6/5, 13/5, 20/5, 27/5 (Saturdays, 10 sessions in total)

Time: 9: 15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

Venue: Classrooms on 3/F

Parents will be informed with the admission list through eClass message and students will then be notified to pay the course fee. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Lai Chi Yuen, our vice principal and English Panel Head.

6. Hall assembly

The event will take place on 8th March (Day 6) in Sessions 7 and 8 and the theme is 'A sharing session by professionals'.

7. 5-Day Singapore Study Tour

Our school will run a 5-Day Singapore Study Tour from 12th April to 16th April (during Easter Holiday). The tour is jointly organized by English Department and Tourism and Hospitality Studies. The itinerary covers knowledge in the curriculum and a chance to exchange ideas with local students in English. Students studying Tourism and Hospitality Studies will have the priority in the selection process. The maximum number of participants is 40. The tour fee is \$10360. School will subsidize students according to their economic situation: (1) Student whose family is supported by Comprehensive Social Security Assistance or full grant for Textbook Subsidy should pay \$2590; (2) Student with half grant supported will pay \$4144; (3) Other students (not supported by the above allowances) will pay \$9324. If your son or daughter is interested in it, please tell them to approach Mr. Lai Chi Yuen, the vice principal or Ms Lee Kit Ling. The application form is also available in eClass. Parents are advised to refer to the detailed information. All applicants will be invited to attend an interview.

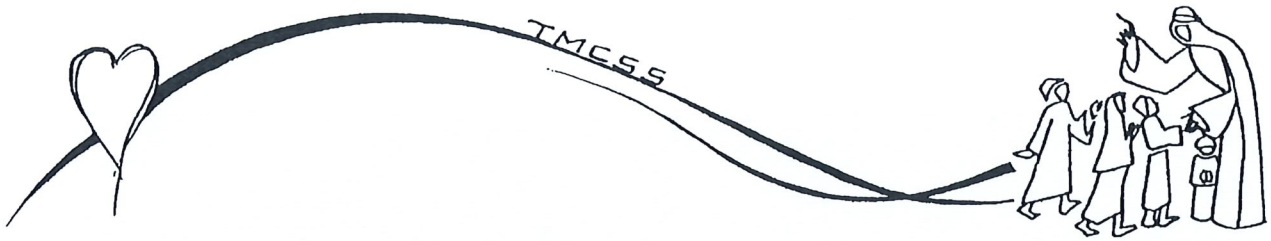
8. Purchase of English Fiction

In order to practise how to complete School-based Assessment, our English teachers have subscribed the book 'Wonder' for learning and assessments with F.4 students. The discounted price is \$62.

Yours faithfully,



Mr. Siu Sze Chuen
Principal



Submission of the reply slip: 20th February, 2023

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

2022-2023 Reply Slip of the School Circular No. 12
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Dear Mr Siu,

I am well-informed with the above information and

- ☐ I am interested in the book fair sharing session on _____. No. of participants: _____
☐ I am not interested in the book fair sharing session.

- ☐ I agree that my son or daughter attends the English Language Enhancement Programme.
☐ I do not agree that my son or daughter attends the English Language Enhancement Programme.

- ☐ I hope my son or daughter can participate in the 5-Day Singapore Study Tour.
☐ I do not hope that my son or daughter can participate in the 5-Day Singapore Study Tour.

- ☐ I agree that your school handles the bulk purchase of the English book for my child with \$62 in total.
☐ I do not agree that your school handles the bulk purchase of the English books for my child.

*Please tick the appropriate boxes.

Parent's signature: _____

Date: _____