



# BENEMEER PRIMARY SCHOOL

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SINGAPORE 339948

12 Feb 2018

Dear Parents,

## 1. School Continual Assessment 1 (CA1) Schedule for Primary 6 pupils

The schedule for the CA1 for our Primary 6 pupils is from Mon 26<sup>th</sup> Feb to Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> Mar. The dates of the CA1 for the various subjects are as follows:

Level	Mon 26 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Tue 27 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Wed 28 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Thurs 1 <sup>st</sup> Mar	Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup> Mar
P6	English	Mathematics	Mother Tongue	Science	Higher Mother Tongue

### Important: Absence from School Examinations

All pupils are to submit a medical certificate or other official document if they are absent on the examination day(s). Please note that parents' letter will not be accepted. Failure to produce the relevant document(s) will result in the pupil receiving zero mark for the paper that he/she missed. Other than medical leave, the school will only consider cases such as hospitalization, demise of immediate family member as valid reason (VR) for a pupil to be absent from his/her exams. For pupils who have valid reason (VR) and are unable to sit for the full paper of a subject, a total mark will not be accorded to that subject. 'VR' will be given for that subject in the examination and the overall mark will be pro-rated.

## 2. Suspension of Remedial and Supplementary classes and CCA sessions

Please take note that remedial/supplementary classes will be suspended for Primary 6 pupils during week 9 and 10. CCA sessions will be suspended for Primary 6 pupils during week 9.

## 3. Primary 1 to Primary 6 Parents-Child-Teacher Conference on 9<sup>th</sup> March Friday

The school will be holding the Parent-Child-Teacher Conference (PCTC) on Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> Mar 2018. The PCTC this year will see our pupils sharing with their parents their learning experiences in school which contributed to their holistic development. To make the PCTC more meaningful for you and your child, you are strongly encouraged to bring your child for the PCTC. Please take note of the venue of the meeting:

Primary 1 to Primary 6 - Respective Classrooms  
Mother Tongue Teachers - School Hall

In order to facilitate the planning of the session, we would appreciate it if you could kindly indicate your choice of time slot by completing the online form by **Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> Feb 2018**. Instructions on the completion of the online booking is attached at Annex 1 of this letter. If you are unable to attend or would like to make changes to your selection, please contact your child's Form Teacher to make alternative arrangement. Please note that there will be **no lessons for all pupils** on that day. All pupils accompanying their parents are to be in their school uniform. For parents who are driving, we seek your understanding to park your car at the nearby HDB car parks in view of the limited parking facilities in the school.

## 4. Parenting Talks on 9<sup>th</sup> March 2018

As part of the Family Life Education Programme under the Family Matters@ School (FMS), the following talks will be conducted on the same day as the **Parents-Child-Teacher Conference on 9<sup>th</sup> March Friday**:

**Synopsis - Raising Children of Character by Ms Veronica Ng from Centre for Advancement of Family Education:**

“Some people get all “A”s but flunk life” said novelist Walker Percy. “Succeeding in life takes Character” he said. Family is the “cradle of learning”. Our parenting greatly affects our children’s ability to learn and the standards we teach and uphold, has a profound impact on our children’s moral development and behaviour. Our job as parents is to bring out the best in our kids. You will take back with you some strategies to help your kids build strong character as the foundation for a purposeful, productive and fulfilling life.

**Time: 10.30am to 12.30 pm**  
**Venue: PAL room, Level 3**

**Synopsis – Managing Expectations by Mr Jason Ng from Families for Tomorrow Services:**

Are you being too hard on yourself? Should parents set high expectations for their children and then run the risk of their child being depressed and discouraged when they fail? Or should parents avoid setting high expectations for their children and help them feel successful? To have healthy expectations for yourself as a parent, you first need to know what your goal as a parent is. You must remember that there is no perfect parent or child in the world. The objective of this talk is to share with parents, ways on how they can empower their kids and manage their expectations.

**Time: 1.30 pm to 3.30 pm**  
**Venue: PAL room, Level 3**

These talks are complimentary and light refreshments will be provided. Please register online (Instructions on the completion of the online registration is attached at Annex 1 of this letter) or drop the registration form (Annex 2 of this letter) in the Family Matters Box at the General Office. Please note that the last day for registration is on **Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> Feb 2018**. For further enquiries, you may message our FMS Coordinator, Ms Jacqueline Yeo at 9640-7762, or email her at [familymatters.bendemeerps@gmail.com](mailto:familymatters.bendemeerps@gmail.com).


### **5. Cyber wellness**

Recent studies showed that most of our children went online most days of the week and started using their smartphones/Internet at 6 years old. Rapid developments in educational technology have ushered in new possibilities in teaching and learning. MOE’s work in Information and Communications Technology (ICT) in education focuses on developing future-ready and responsible digital learners. ICT is to be used to deepen subject mastery and develop 21st Century Competencies. These competencies include a sense of right and wrong, the skills of critical thinking and discernment, a strong sense of civic responsibility and a desire to better the lives of those around them. However, while technology offers value, the open nature of the internet may pose risks to our children. Some of these include: cyber bullying, excessive internet use, danger with online contacts and accessing inappropriate online content. As we may not always be in the same digital space as our children, their peers could help to mitigate some of these online risks and be an additional form of support for them online. Hence, to create a culture of positive behaviour online, we have provided some parenting tips (see Annex 3) to help in developing your children to be a positive peer influence online.

### **6. March Holidays and Start of Term 2**

Please be informed that the term 1 March Holidays will be from Mon 12<sup>th</sup> March to Fri 16<sup>th</sup> March. The first day of school for term 2 will be on Mon 19<sup>th</sup> March.

Thanks.

  
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Mr Tan Siew Tiong  
Principal

School Vision: Lifelong Learners. Rooted in Values  
School Mission: Nurture every individual to be a self-directed learner with strong moral values  
School Values: Passion, Resilience, Integrity, Diligence, Empathy

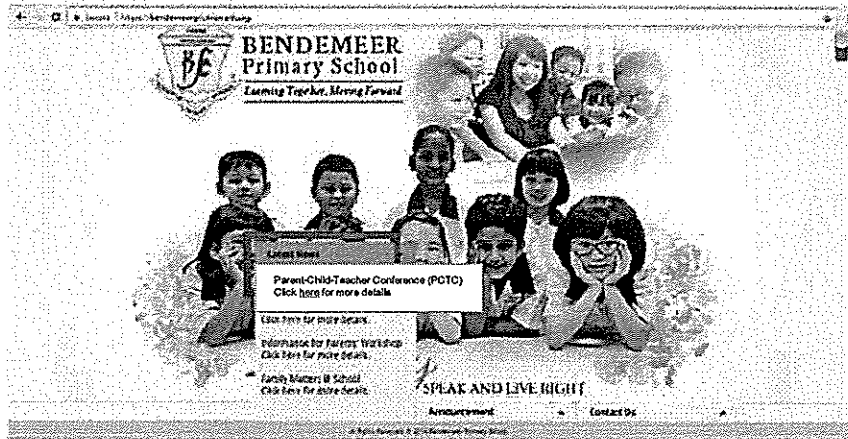
# How to access Parent-Child-Teacher Conference Form

## Annex 1

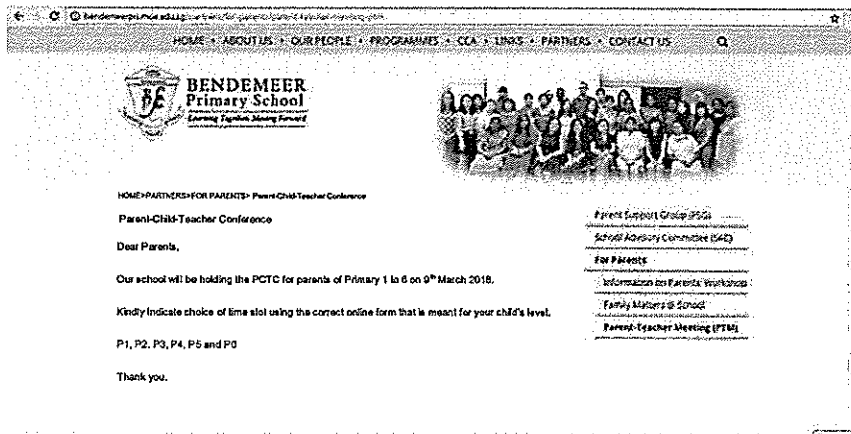
1. Go to school website: <https://bendemeerpri.moe.edu.sg/>
2. Click on Partners/ For Parents/Parent-Child-Teacher Conference(PCTC)



3. OR click Latest News



4. Choose your child's level, please click P1, P2, P3, P4, P5 or P6.



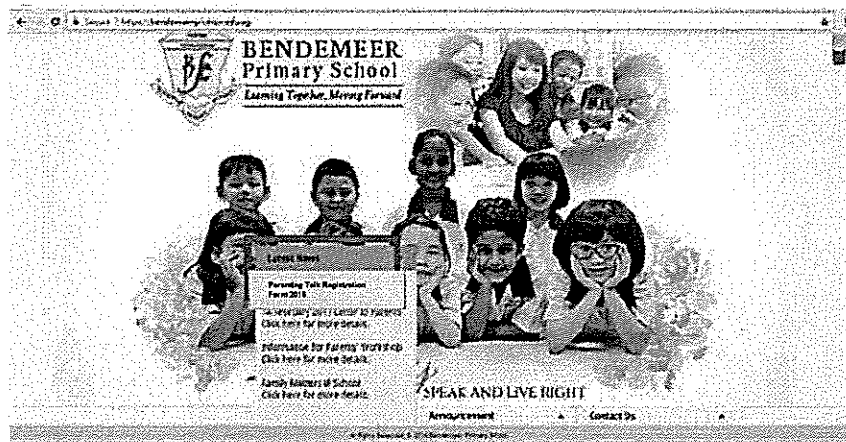
5. Complete the form accordingly.

## How to access Parenting Talk Registration Form

1. Go to school website: <https://bendemeerpri.moe.edu.sg/>
2. Click on Partners/ For Parents / Parenting Talk Registration Form 2018



3. OR click Latest News



4. Complete the form accordingly.



**FAMILYMATTERS@SCHOOL (FMS) REGISTRATION FORM**

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**PARENTING TALKS ON 9<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2018**

Please drop your registration form in the Family Matters box at the General Office. Please note that the last day for registration is on Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> Feb 2018.

Name of Pupil: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Topic	Tick if attending
<b>Raising Children of Character</b> 9 March 2018, 10.30 am to 12.30 pm	
<b>Managing Expectations</b> 9 March 2018, 1.30 pm to 3.30 pm	

Name of Father attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact No.: (Mobile) \_\_\_\_\_ (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Office) \_\_\_\_\_

(Email) \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Mother attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact No.: (Mobile) \_\_\_\_\_ (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Office) \_\_\_\_\_

(Email) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Supported by:





## DEVELOPING YOUR CHILD TO BE A POSITIVE PEER INFLUENCE ONLINE



### What is Positive Peer Influence?



Positive peer influence is a key principle in MOE's Cyber Wellness Framework which encourages our students to:

- ✓ Be a positive role model online (e.g. share healthy and positive content, harness technology to do good); and
- ✓ Advocate positive online behaviours (e.g. stand up for their peers online, report cases of cyber bullying to a trusted adult/authority, post encouraging remarks on social media).



### Why is Being a Positive Peer Influence Online Important?



Being a positive peer influence online will help your child to:

- ✓ Exercise empathy and kindness online
- ✓ Develop resilience and moral courage to stand up to negative peer pressure and unhealthy online influences
- ✓ Learn responsibility for words and actions
- ✓ Leave positive digital footprints and establish a good online reputation



### How can Parents Help?

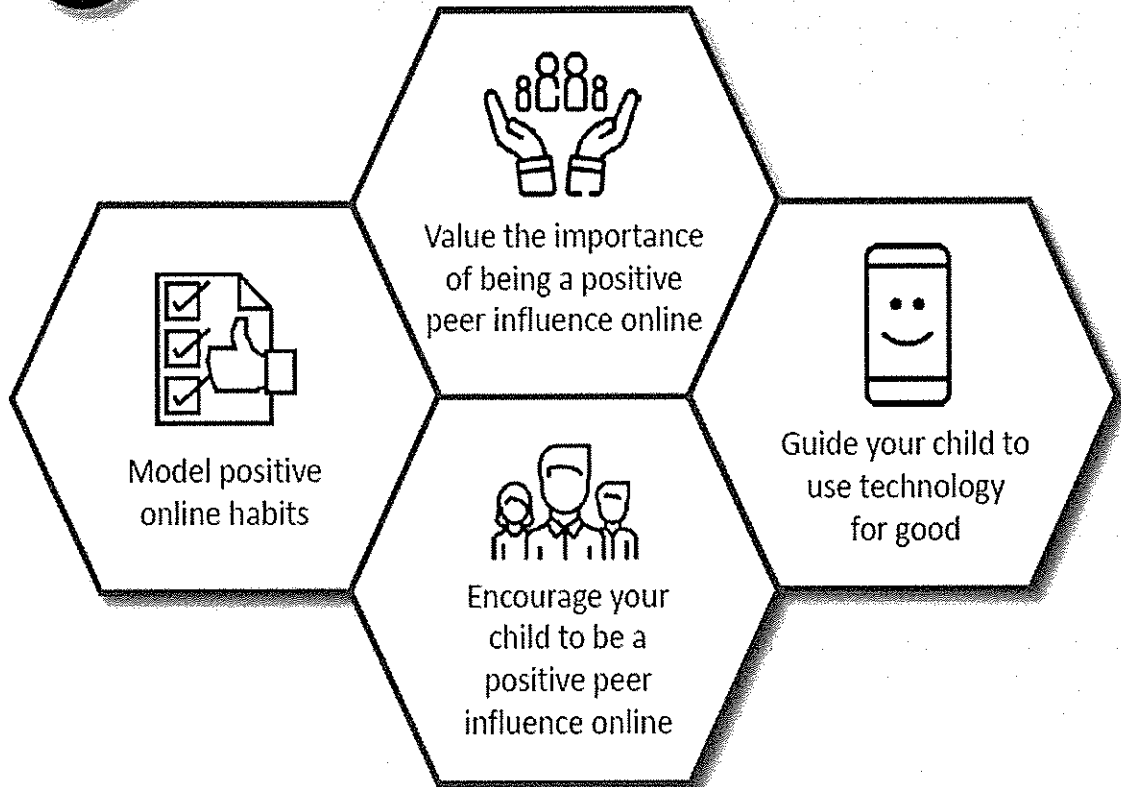


Encourage your child to:

- ✓ Be S.U.R.E. before sharing. Check the Source, Understand the facts, Research and Evaluate
- ✓ T.H.I.N.K. before posting. Ask: "Is it True? Helpful? Inspiring? Necessary? Kind?"
- ✓ Be an upstander for friends who are cyber bullied
- ✓ Use technology for good



## Key Messages



## Resources



### Ministry of Education

Check out MOE's Cyber Wellness Portal for up-to-date cyber wellness tips and resources for parents.

[ictconnection.moe.edu.sg/cyber-wellness/for-parents](http://ictconnection.moe.edu.sg/cyber-wellness/for-parents)



### Media Literacy Council

Check out "Media-WISE: A SMART guide for YOUths" for tips on how your children can stay safe and kind online.

[medialiteracycouncil.sg/-/media/MLC/Resources/Pdf/Youth/Media-Wise.pdf](http://medialiteracycouncil.sg/-/media/MLC/Resources/Pdf/Youth/Media-Wise.pdf)



### National Library Board

Pick up some research skills and learn more about the S.U.R.E. method from NLB's eLearn Centre, an e-learning portal for Internet users of all ages.

[nlb.gov.sg/sure/elearn-centre](http://nlb.gov.sg/sure/elearn-centre)



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**CYBER WELLNESS**  
Responsible Digital Learners