



FUCHUN PRIMARY SCHOOL

A Concerned Leader, A Lifelong Learner

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Date : 15 February 2017

Through : Principal

Dear Parents/Guardians,

School Overseas Programme for Primary 4, 2017

1. We are pleased to inform you that we will be organising an overseas programme for the Primary 4 pupils during the March school holidays. This **day trip** aims to provide pupils with opportunities to:

- i) better appreciate and understand our Asian Heritage
- ii) experience life in an authentic kampong setting
- iii) learn about new and sustainable farming methods

2. The pupils will visit a Malay kampong and an organic farm. They will engage in various hands-on activities that will enable them to acquire skills and learn from their peers. The pupils will also learn to be independent and responsible, as well as to take care of one another during the trip, enabling them to develop holistically to be "A Concerned Leader, A Lifelong Learner".

3. The details of the overseas programme are as follow:

Venue	Johor Bahru, Malaysia		
Dates	Participants	Day / Date	Time
	2 classes or not more than 80 pupils	Monday, 13 March 2017	6.30 a.m. to 6.30 p.m.
	2 classes or not more than 80 pupils	Tuesday, 14 March 2017	6.30 a.m. to 6.30 p.m.
	2 classes or not more than 80 pupils	Wednesday, 15 March 2017	6.30 a.m. to 6.30 p.m.
	<i>You will be informed of the confirmed travelling date for your child/ward after the number of participants per class is finalised.</i>		
Reporting Time	6.30 a.m.		
Reporting Venue	School Hall		
Reporting Attire	PE T-shirt, long pants / slacks and covered shoes		
Dismissal Time from School	about 6.30 p.m.		
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch and Tea-break (Halal and/or vegetarian) will be provided during the trip.		

4. The cost of the trip is **S\$61.00** per pupil, covering transport to and from school, tours, meals and travel insurance. **This cost will be fully borne by the school.**

5. Pupils who are participating in the programme must have a **valid international passport**. The passport must be valid for at least **6 months** as at 15 March 2017. A photocopy of your child's international passport must be submitted to his/her Form Teacher by **Monday, 20 February 2017**.

6. Pupils who are Non-Malaysian Singapore Permanent Residents or foreign citizens will require a visa for travel into Johor Bahru. **The visa fee ranging from \$60 to \$70 will be borne by the affected pupils.** The school, however, can assist in the application process.

7. Pupils who are daily commuters from Johor Bahru must report to school for the programme and be dismissed from the school accordingly.

8. A **briefing for parents and guardians** will be conducted on **Friday, 24 February 2017 from 8.15 p.m. to 9.15 p.m. in the school hall**. Parents or guardians of pupils who **are attending** the overseas programme are strongly encouraged to be present at the briefing.

9. Please indicate your decision for your child/ward to attend the School Overseas Programme by completing the **Reply Slip in the attached Consent Form**. Complete **Form A** if you allow your child/ward to participate in the programme. Please return the forms to your child's/ward's Form Teacher by **Monday, 20 February 2017**.

10. In the event that your child/ward is **unable** to attend the programme upon confirmation of his/her participation without a valid reason, he/she will have to bear the cost of the programme. Valid reasons include being ill (supported by a medical certificate). Other reasons will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

11. The school reserves the right to postpone or cancel the overseas programme as and when it deems appropriate in the interest of the pupils' safety and security.

12. If you have any queries, you may contact your child's Form Teacher or Mrs Fiona Tan at [tan li hwa@moe.edu.sg](mailto:tan_li_hwa@moe.edu.sg) or 63655632.

13. Thank you for your continuous support of the school's programmes and we look forward to your child's/ward's participation in this overseas programme.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Fiona Tan
Year Head for Pri 3 & 4

Itinerary for School Overseas Programme to Johor Bahru

s/n	Description	Venue / Places of Interest	Meals
1	At about 0700h Depart from Fuchun Primary School	Fuchun Primary School	Breakfast of a bun and a packeted drink on the bus
2	Immigration clearance at Woodlands Checkpoint	-	-
3	At about 0830h Arrival in JB	-	
4	At about 0900h Visit to a Malay Kampong <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit a traditional Malay house • Learn about the Malay culture and costumes • Hands-on experience at making simple Malay kueh using traditional methods • Hands-on craft work eg. weaving, batik printing • Playing traditional games eg coconut bowling, chapteh 	Kampong Sinaran Baru	
5	At about 1130h Proceed to lunch	Zenxin Organic Farm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lunch will comprise food from the 4 food groups - rice/noodles, fish/chicken, vegetables and fruit • Restaurant is Halal-certified
6	At about 1230h Proceed to tour around the organic farm to learn about sustainable farming Activities to include: - a guided tour around the park to learn about how some tropical fruits, herbs and vegetables are grown - pupils to observe greenhouses and learn how they are set up for efficient farming - pupils to learn about pest management, and other environmental issues - hands-on activity – EM Mudball Making*	Zenxin Organic Farm	
7	At about 1530h Depart Johor Bahru for Singapore	-	A slice of pre-packed cake and a packeted drink
8	At about 1815h Arrival in Fuchun Primary School At about 1830h Dismissal from Fuchun Primary School	Fuchun Primary School	

*EM mud balls - Effective Microorganism mud balls are made using a mixture of clay and EM. They inhibit the growth of algae and break down any sludge and silt in the pond; keeping the water clean and clear.