

Tuen Mun Catholic Secondary School
2024-2025 School Circular Issue No.11
(Suitable for F.3 students)

16th December, 2024

Dear parents and guardians,

Christmas and New Year Holiday, Staff Development Day, Transition to Winter School Uniform and Sportswear Arrangements, Exam Language in Senior Secondary and F.1 Discretionary Places (DP) Allocation

Please refer to the following details:

1. Christmas and New Year Holiday

The holiday will take place from 20th December to 1st January. Our school days start again on 2nd January (Thu, Day 3). The first term exam will take place in mid January. You are advised to supervise your children to make good use of the holiday for doing revision. You are also advised to pay attention to the activities that your children take part in during the holiday.

2. Staff Development Day

Our staff development day will take place on 14th January and all students do not have to go to school.

3. Transition to Winter School Uniform and Sportswear Arrangements

1. Our school will officially switch to winter school uniforms starting 2nd January after the holiday.

Parents are advised to check if they need to purchase winter uniforms.

2. Sportswear Arrangements

2.1 Winter

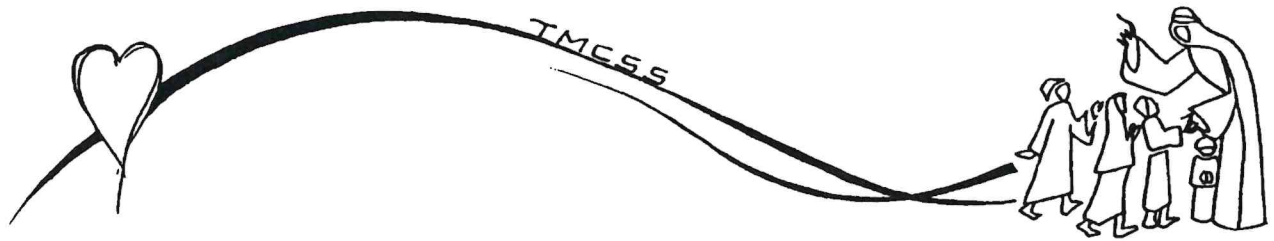
On days when there are Physical Education (P.E.) classes, students may wear their complete sportswear to school, including sports shirts, long pants, and windbreakers. If necessary, they can wear the school's fleece jacket and black long coat.

2.2 Summer

Students should wear the complete summer school uniform to school and bring their sportswear for classes, changing before P.E. lessons.

2.3 Transition Period

Students should bring their sportswear to school for classes and change before PE lessons.



4. Exam Language in Senior Secondary

Since the 2022/23 academic year, our school has opened classes that use English as the medium of instruction in accordance with the Education Bureau's Language Fine-tuning Policy for the third phase. We have three English-medium classes for all subjects, which account for approximately 75% of the total number of students. On November 29, during a parents' night, we explained the admission criteria for elective subjects and the medium of instruction to the parents. During the meeting, the school also introduced the option for parents to apply for their children to use English as the examination language for certain subjects that are taught in Chinese.

Parents must submit a written notification to the school regarding their application to use English as the examination language for Chinese-medium subjects between 17th February and 30th May. The school will consider students' overall performance, English proficiency, the English-language teaching environment, and relevant subject grades in junior secondary when reviewing applications. The Vice Principal of Academic Affairs and subject department heads will meet with parents and students to further discuss the application situation and the school's approval results.

The language of examination is crucial to students' performance in public exams, so parents are urged to consider this carefully, understanding the students' confidence and capabilities in exams. If you have any questions, please contact Vice Principal Lai Chi Yuen.

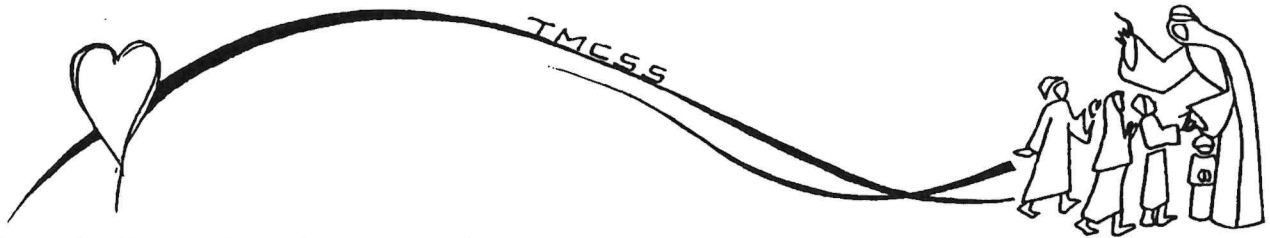
5. F.1 Discretionary Places (DP) Allocation

For the 2025/26 academic year Form 1 admission, the school will not provide physical application forms. Please visit the school website on the designated date to complete the application form. The submission period for the application form will be from 2nd to 16th January, 2025. You and your relatives are welcomed to apply for a place in our school. If you would like further information about the admission process, you can contact our Vice Principal Ms. Tsui Siu Lai

Yours faithfully,

(Wong Kit)





The reply slip should be submitted by 19th December.

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

2024-2025 Reply Slip for School Circular Issue No. 11
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Dear Mr. Wong,

I am well informed with the above information.

Parent's signature: _____

Date: _____