



NORTHLAND SECONDARY SCHOOL

Our Vision: Learners who Share. Citizens who Care. Leaders who Dare.

Our Mission: Nurturing Character, Inspiring Learning.

Our Values: Respect. Responsibility. Resilience.

Our Ref: 2018/244

6 July 2018

Dear Parent/Guardian,

SEMESTER 2 CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR SECONDARY 4 & 5 STUDENTS

We are glad to welcome your child/ward back to Semester 2 and hope he/she has settled into the school routine after the June vacation.

1 SPARCLE2 & PassionArts 2018

We opened Term 3 with **SPARCLE2**, a week-long signature programme with learning journeys and customised lessons. Through an inter-disciplinary, project-based approach, our students explored the theme, 'Green Earth for Everyone', to learn about environmental issues and conservation. Northstars also participated in a lively **SPARCLE2 Showcase** last Friday. The week culminated in the **PassionArts Concert** on Saturday, where our student performers dazzled the audience with their talents at the School Of The Arts (SOTA).

We are grateful to all parents for your support to make SPARCLE2 and PassionArts a success. Thank you!

2 SEMESTER 2 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Please find below a schedule of the various school events and holidays for this Semester. This schedule is also available on our school website (<http://www.northlandsec.moe.edu.sg>).

Table 1 – Calendar of Special School Events & Public Holidays

Term & Week	Date	Activity/Event	Remarks
T3W4	17 Jul (Tue)	GCE O-level MT Listening Comprehension Examination	Dismissal time for 4N students: 1240
T3W4	20 Jul (Fri)	NE Commemorative Day: Racial Harmony Day	Remarks <i>Students are encouraged to wear their ethnic costume in place of their school uniform. Students with PE on that day must also bring along their PE attire.</i>
T3W4- T3W5	16 July – 27 July	Class Test 4	Subject teachers will inform the class of exact test dates
T3W7	8 Aug (Wed)	National Day Celebration - Parade & Concert	Dismissal time: 1100



NORTHLAND SECONDARY SCHOOL

Our Vision: Learners who Share. Citizens who Care. Leaders who Dare.

Our Mission: Nurturing Character, Inspiring Learning.

Our Values: Respect. Responsibility. Resilience.

Term & Week	Date	Activity/Event	Remarks
T3W7	9 Aug – 10 Aug	National Day Public Holiday National Day School Holiday	
T3W9	22 Aug (Wed)	Hari Raya Haji Public Holiday	
T3W10	30 Aug (Wed)	Teachers' Day Celebration - Class Party & Concert	Dismissal time: 1200
T3W10	31 Aug (Thu)	Teachers' Day	School Holiday
TERM BREAK (3 SEP – 10 SEP)			
T4W3	28 Sep (Fri)	Graduation Day	Time: 1000 – 1230 / School Hall Note: Lessons as usual until 1000

Table 2: School & National Examination Schedule

	Week	Date	Activity/Event	Level	Remarks
TERM 3	2	3 Jul (Tue)	GCE O level MT(B) Oral Examination	S4E/5N	
	2 – 4	4 Jul - 16 Jul	GCE O level MT Oral Examination	S4E/5N	
	2 – 3	5 Jul - 12 Jul	GCE N level EL Oral Examination	S4N	
	4	17 Jul (Tue)	GCE O level MT Listening Comprehension Examination	S4E/5N	Note: Dismissal time for 4N students: 1240
	6	31 Jul – 3 Aug	GCE N level MT Oral Examination	S4N	
	6 – 8	6 Aug – 17 Aug	N Level Preliminary Examinations	S4N	Refer to Annex A for the Exam time-table
	8 - 10	13 Aug – 28 Aug	GCE O level English Oral Examination	S4E/5N	
	8	14 Aug – 16 Aug	O Level Preliminary Science Practical Examinations	S4E/5N	Refer to Annex B for the Exam time-table
TERM 4	Week	Date	Activity/Event	Level	Remarks
	1 - 2	10 Sep – 20 Sep	GCE N level Written Examination Phase I	S4N	
	1	11 Sep	GCE N level MT Listening Comprehension Examination	S4N	Note: Dismissal time for 4E/5N students: 1240
	1	12 Sep	GCE N level English Listening Comprehension Examination	S4N	
	3	24 Sep (Mon)	GCE O level MT(B) Oral Examination (Year End)	S4E/5N	
	4 – 5	1 Oct – 12 Oct	GCE N level Written Examination Phase II	S4N	
	5 - 6	4 Oct – 17 Oct	GCE O Level Science Practical Examinations	S4E/5N	
7 - 10	22 Oct – 19 Nov	GCE O Level Written Examinations	S4E/5N		



3 ACADEMIC SUPPORT FOR GRADUATING CLASSES

The following programmes are planned to provide support for our graduating students in their final preparations for the National Examinations.

(a) Structured Coaching Sessions

We will be conducting after school coaching sessions to address the learning gaps of your child / ward as identified by the Subject Teachers. Your child / ward will need to attend the coaching sessions unless otherwise notified by the Subject Teachers. Please refer to schedule **Annex C** as attached.

Coaching Sessions	Level	Term 3	Term 4
	4N	9 July 2018 (Week 3) to 3 Aug 2018 (Week 6) 20 August 2018 (Week 9) to 27 August (Week 10)	
4E/5N	9 July 2018 (Week 3) to 17 August 2018 (Week 8)		10 September 2018 (Week 1) to 21 September 2018 (Week 2)

Please note that attendance for the coaching sessions is compulsory unless there is a valid reason. You may contact Mdm Gan Lei Fong, HOD / Craft and Technology at 6257 6781 ext 205 if you need any clarification.

(b) Night Study in School

We will be commencing the optional Night Study sessions for graduating students on Monday, 23 July 2018 (Term 3 Week 5). This is an additional programme to provide a conducive environment for your child/ward to prepare for the GCE N/O Level examinations.

Night Study Sessions	Venue	School canteen
	Date	Every Monday, Wednesday and Thursday (except on School/ Public Holidays and early dismissal days)
	Time	6.00pm - 8.30pm
	Dress code	School uniform or PE T-shirt with school skirt/pants and school shoes
	Rules & Regulations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Be present for every session that they sign up for ✓ Be punctual for all sessions and sign in each evening ✓ Stay throughout the session ✓ A medical certificate must be produced for absence and submitted to the Form Teachers the following day ✓ Be properly attired as mentioned above ✓ Be disciplined and focused during the sessions ✓ Revise his / her work quietly in the designated venue ✓ Use of handphones and listening to music are not permitted ✓ Keep the premises clean and dispose all litter before leaving ✓ Leave the school premises by 8.35 pm



NORTHLAND SECONDARY SCHOOL

Our Vision: Learners who Share. Citizens who Care. Leaders who Dare.

Our Mission: Nurturing Character, Inspiring Learning.

Our Values: Respect. Responsibility. Resilience.

In addition, please note that students who are **absent during curriculum hours will not be allowed to attend the programme**. They will be sent home should they turn up. Students, who breach any school rules, including those identified by Discipline committee for truancy, late-coming and/or other discipline issues, may be removed from the programme.

For any queries, you may contact the school at 62576781 during school hours or 97839852 for the HOD on duty during the Night Study sessions between 6.00 pm to 8.30 pm.

(c) Revised Timetable for Sec 4E/5N from 1 Oct 2018 to 10 Oct 2018

The time-table will be revised for targeted and intensive revision. The official curriculum time will end at **1200**, after which students are encouraged to arrange for consultation with their subject teachers. The time-tables will be given out in Term 4 Week 3.

(d) Recess Week for Sec 4E/5N (after 11 Oct 2018)

Students need not report to school after 11 Oct (Thu) so that they can complete their final revision. However, they are encouraged to consult their subject teachers if they need to.

4 LAUNCH OF SCHOOL NOTIFICATION & ATTENDANCE APP (SNAAPP)

As informed on 31 May 2018, we will be implementing **SNAAPP** from Term 3 onwards. We thank all parents who have signed up for this and request those who have not done so to download SNAAPP, to enable you to have timely updates on your child's/ward's daily attendance and activities in school.

Downloading of SNAAPP	School website	Visit our school website for an online instructional manual
------------------------------	-----------------------	---

Other Queries & Support	General Queries	Please call Mdm Kumari (Year Head) at +65 62576781 ext 205 for general enquires pertaining to the implementation of SNAAPP
	Technical Assistance	Kindly email to snaapp@mggsoftware.com or call 6815 1210 for technical assistance, e.g. resetting of passwords



NORTHLAND SECONDARY SCHOOL

Our Vision: Learners who Share. Citizens who Care. Leaders who Dare.

Our Mission: Nurturing Character, Inspiring Learning.

Our Values: Respect. Responsibility. Resilience.

5 ATTENDANCE MATTERS

We are pleased to inform you that our students' average attendance rate has improved significantly. We thank you for your support to encourage your child to turn up for school regularly. This is important so that he/she can benefit from the school's curriculum and programmes. The school takes a very serious view on students' punctuality and attendance.

- Students who do not meet the attendance requirements of the school would face consequences that include downgrading of the conduct grade to Fair/Poor and/or staying behind after school in the afternoons to catch up on missed lessons.
- Please note that the school will only accept a maximum of 3 parent letters for absenteeism per term. For absences from tests and examinations, only valid medical certificates will be accepted.

Thank you for partnering us in the education of your child/ward.

Yours sincerely,

Tan Siew Woon (Mdm)
Principal



Annex A N-level Preliminary Examination 2018

Sec 4 Normal (Academic)

SN	Date/Day	Subject	Duration	Timing	Remarks
1	6 August (Monday)	English Language Paper 1	1h 50m	0800 - 0950	4R4 4R5 4R6 4R7 4R8
		English Language Paper 2	1h 50m	1100 - 1250	4R4 4R5 4R6 4R7 4R8
2	7 August (Tuesday)	Mother Tongue Paper 1	2h	0800 - 1000	4R4 4R5 4R6 4R7 4R8
		Mother Tongue B Paper 1	50m	0800 - 0850	4R4 4R6 4R8
		Mother Tongue Paper 2	1h 30m	1100 - 1230	4R4 4R5 4R6 4R7 4R8
		Mother Tongue B Paper 2	1 h	1100 - 1200	4R4 4R6 4R8
3	13 August (Monday)	Social Studies	1h 45m	0800 - 0945	4R4 4R5 4R6 4R7 4R8
		Mathematics Paper 1	2h	1100 - 1300	4R4 4R5 4R6 4R7 4R8
4	14 August (Tuesday)	History/Geography	1h 40m	0800 - 0940	4R4 4R5 4R6 4R7 4R8
		Science(Chemistry) Paper 3 & 4	1h 15m	1100 - 1215	4R4 4R5 4R6 4R7 4R8
5	15 August (Wednesday)	Mathematics Paper 2	2h	0900 - 1100	4R4 4R5 4R6 4R7 4R8
6	16 August (Thursday)	Science(Physics) Paper 1 & 2	1h 15m	0800 - 0915	4R4 4R5 4R6 4R8
		Science(Biology) Paper 5 & 6	1h 15m	0800 - 0915	4R4 4R5 4R6 4R7
		Additional Mathematics Paper 1	1h 45m	1000 - 1145	4R4
		Literature Paper 1	1h 40m	1000 - 1140	4R4
7	17 August (Friday)	Additional Mathematics Paper 2	1h 45m	0800 - 0945	4R4
		Literature Paper 2	1h 30m	0800 - 0930	4R4
		Art Syllabus A Paper 2	3h	0800 - 1100	4R5
		Design & Technology	1h 30m	0800 - 0930	4R6 4R7 4R8
		Food & Nutrition	1h 30m	0800 - 0930	4R6



NORTHLAND SECONDARY SCHOOL

Our Vision: Learners who Share. Citizens who Care. Leaders who Dare.

Our Mission: Nurturing Character, Inspiring Learning.

Our Values: Respect. Responsibility. Resilience.

Sec 4 Normal (Technical)

SN	Date/Day	Subject	Duration	Timing	Remarks
1	6 August (Monday)	English Language Paper 1	1h 15m	0800 - 0915	4R9 4R10
		English Language Paper 2	1h 20m	1100 - 1220	4R9 4R10
2	7 August (Tuesday)	Basic Mother Tongue Paper 1	50m	0800 - 0850	4R9 4R10
		Computer Applications Paper 2	1h 30m	0930 onwards	Practical
3	13 August (Monday)	Mathematics Paper 1	1h 30m	0800 - 0930	4R9 4R10
		Mathematics Paper 2	1h 30m	1100 - 1230	4R9 4R10
4	14 August (Tuesday)	Science Paper 1	1h	0800 - 0900	4R9 4R10
		Science Paper 2	1h 15m	1100 - 1215	4R9 4R10
5	15 August (Wednesday)	Elements of Business Skills	1h 30m	0900 - 1030	4R9 4R10
		Design & Technology	1h	0900 - 1000	4R9 4R10
6	16 August (Thursday)	Computer Applications Paper 3	1h 30m	0800 onwards	Practical
7	17 August (Friday)	Computer Applications Paper 1	1h 15m	0800 onwards	4R9 4R10



Annex B O-level Preliminary Examination 2018

Sec 4 Express / 5 Normal Academic

SN	Date/Day	Subject	Duration	Timing	Remarks
1	14 August (Tuesday)	Combined Science (Physics/Chemistry)	1h 30m	0800 onwards	4R3 5R1 (Practical)
		Combined Science (Chemistry/Biology)	1h 30m	0800 onwards	4R2 5R1 (Practical)
2	15 August (Wednesday)	Biology / Physics (Revised)	1h 50m	0900 onwards	4R1 (Practical)
3	16 August (Thursday)	Chemistry (Revised)	1h 50m	0800 onwards	4R1 (Practical)
4	20 August (Monday)	English Language Paper 1	1h 50m	0800 - 0950	5R1 4R1 4R2 4R3
		English Language Paper 2	1h 50m	1100 - 1250	5R1 4R1 4R2 4R3
5	21 August (Tuesday)	Mother Tongue Paper 1	2h	0800 - 1000	5R1 4R1 4R2 4R3
		Higher Mother Tongue Paper 1	2h	0800 - 1000	4R1 4R3
		Mother Tongue B Paper 1	50m	0800 - 0850	5R1 4R1 4R2 4R3
		Mother Tongue Paper 2	1h 30m	1100 - 1230	5R1 4R1 4R2 4R3
		Higher Mother Tongue Paper 2	1h 45m	1100 - 1245	4R1 4R3
		Mother Tongue B Paper 2	1 h	1100 - 1200	5R1 4R1 4R2 4R3
6	23 August (Thursday)	Social Studies	1h 45m	0800 - 0945	5R1 4R1 4R2 4R3
		Mathematics Paper 1	2h	1100 - 1300	5R1 4R1 4R2 4R3
7	24 August (Friday)	History/Geography	1h 40m	0800 - 0940	5R1 4R1 4R2 4R3
		Chemistry Paper 2	1h 45m	1045 - 1230	4R1
		Science(Chemistry) Paper 3	1h 15m	1045 - 1200	5R1 4R2 4R3



NORTHLAND SECONDARY SCHOOL

Our Vision: Learners who Share. Citizens who Care. Leaders who Dare.

Our Mission: Nurturing Character, Inspiring Learning.

Our Values: Respect. Responsibility. Resilience.

SN	Date/Day	Subject	Duration	Timing	Remarks
8	27 August (Monday)	Physics Paper 2	1h 45m	0800 - 0945	4R1
		Biology Paper 2	1h 45m	0800 - 0945	4R1
		Science(Physics) Paper 2	1h 15m	0800 - 0915	5R1 4R3
		Science(Biology) Paper 4	1h 15m	0800 - 0915	5R1 4R2
		Mathematics Paper 2	2h 30m	1100 - 1330	5R1 4R1 4R2 4R3
9	28 August (Tuesday)	Additional Mathematics Paper 1	2h	0800 - 1000	4R1 4R2 4R3
		Literature Paper 1	1h 40m	0800 - 0940	5R1 4R1 4R2 4R3
		Chemistry Paper 1	1h	1100 - 1200	4R1
		Art & Design	3h	1100 - 1400	5R1 4R2 4R3
		Design & Technology	2h	1100 - 1300	5R1 4R2 4R3
		Food & Nutrition	2h	1100 - 1300	5R1 4R2 4R3
10	29 August (Wednesday)	Physics Paper 1	1h	0900 - 1000	4R1
		Biology Paper 1	1h	0900 - 1000	4R1
		Science(Physics / Chemistry) Paper 1	1h	0900 - 1000	5R1 4R3
		Science(Chemistry / Biology) Paper 1	1h	0900 - 1000	5R1 4R2
		Additional Mathematics Paper 2	2h 30m	1100 - 1330	4R1 4R2 4R3
		Literature Paper 2	1h 30m	1100 - 1230	5R1 4R1 4R2 4R3



NORTHLAND SECONDARY SCHOOL

Our Vision: Learners who Share. Citizens who Care. Leaders who Dare.

Our Mission: Nurturing Character, Inspiring Learning.

Our Values: Respect. Responsibility. Resilience.

Annex C

Coaching Schedule for Sec 4 Normal (Academic) Students in Semester Two 2018

Odd Week				Even Week			
Day / Time	Date	Subject	Class	Day / Time	Date	Subject	Class
Mon 1440-1540	9 Jul 23 Jul 20 Aug	English Language	4R4-4R7	Mon 1420-1520	16 Jul 30 Jul 27 Aug	Additional Mathematics / Literature	4R4
						Art	4R5
						Design & Technology / Food & Nutrition	4R6
						Design & Technology	4R7
		Mathematics	4R8				
Wed 1540-1640	11 Jul 25 Jul	History / Geography	All	Wed 1540-1640	18 Jul 1 Aug	Mathematics	4R4
						Chemistry	4R5
						Mathematics	4R6-4R7
						Chemistry	4R8
Thu 1540-1640	12 Jul 26 Jul 23 Aug	Chemistry	4R4	Thu 1540-1640	2 Aug	Biology / Physics	4R4-4R5
		Mathematics	4R5			Biology / Physics	4R6
		Chemistry	4R6-4R7			Biology	4R7
		Physics	4R8			English Language	4R8
Fri 1300-1400	13 Jul 27 Jul 24 Aug	Chinese Language / Tamil Language	All	Fri 1420-1520	20 Jul 3 Aug	Social Studies	All
Fri 1420-1520		Malay Language	All				



NORTHLAND SECONDARY SCHOOL

Our Vision: Learners who Share. Citizens who Care. Leaders who Dare.

Our Mission: Nurturing Character, Inspiring Learning.

Our Values: Respect. Responsibility. Resilience.

Coaching Schedule for Sec 4 Express / 5 Normal (Academic) in Semester Two 2018

Odd Week				Even Week			
Day / Time	Date	Subject	Class	Day / Time	Date	Subject	Class
Monday 1420-1520	9 Jul	Biology / Physics	4R1	Monday 1420-1520	30 Jul	Chemistry	4R1
	23 Jul	Art/ DT/FN	4R2		13 Aug	Social Studies	4R2
	6 Aug				Social Studies	4R3	
	10 Sep				Social Studies	5R1	
Tuesday 1500 -1600	10 Jul 24 Jul 7 Aug 11 Sep	Additional Mathematics/ Literature	4R1-4R3				
Wednesday 1620-1720	11 Jul	English Language	4R1				
	25 Jul	Chemistry	4R2	1 Aug	Biology / Physics	4R2	
	12 Sep	English Language	4R3	15 Aug	Biology / Physics	4R3	
Wednesday 1500 –1600		Chemistry	5R1	Wednesday 1500 –1600	19 Sep	English Language	5R1
Thursday 1540-1640	12 Jul 26 Jul	Mathematics	All	Thursday 1540-1640	2 Aug 16 Aug 20 Sep	History/ Geography	All
Friday 1420 -1520	13 Jul	English Language	4R2				
	27 Jul	Chemistry	4R3				
	14 Sep	Biology / Physics	5R1				

Note: For CL coaching under Mr Chang Zheng, lesson will start at 1420 hr -1520 hr on even week of Friday.