



18 January 2024

Dear Parent/ Guardian

### **WEIGHTED ASSESSMENT 1 (WA 1) FOR SECONDARY THREE**

To nurture our students to be lifelong learners and building on the efforts to move away from an over-emphasis on academic results, MOE has adjusted school-based assessment (SBA) structures so that our students can experience more joy and develop stronger intrinsic motivation in learning. These SBA adjustments will free up time and space for us to pace out teaching and learning, adopt effective student-centred pedagogies to deepen our students' learning, and in the process, lay the groundwork to nurture lifelong learning attitudes and skills, encourage self-directed learning and strengthen holistic development.

In accordance to MOE guidelines, the school has allocated the percentage of each term's weighted assessment as shown in the table below. These weighted assessments (WA) count towards the final grade for each subject.

	<b>TERM 1</b>	<b>TERM 2</b>	<b>TERM 3</b>	<b>TERM 4</b>
Assessment	WA 1	WA 2	WA 3	End of Year Examination
Secondary 3	15%	15%	15%	55%

Please note that

- there is no Mid-Year Examination for Secondary 3 students,
- there is no weighted assessment in Term 4 as the End of Year Examination will be in Term 4 Week 3 and,
- there is 1 weighted assessment per subject per term (except Term 4) and the format of the weighted assessment differs for each subject (please refer to the details overleaf).

Students who are certified medically unfit to take the Weighted Assessments will be recorded as "absent with valid reason". They must submit the original copy of the Medical Certificate to their respective Form Teacher when they return to school after their medical leave. For Covid-19 related absences, students may submit a parent letter supported with an image of the positive ART test for up to 2 days of absences.

If you have further questions or concerns, please contact us at 6572 9100 or email aes@moe.edu.sg.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely

Mr Vincent Toh  
Principal



**(A) Date Specific Assessments**

Subject	S3-4	S3-5	S3-6
English Language [Express Syllabus]		Written Test: Continuous Writing  <b>Week 6: 8 February, Thursday</b>	
English Language [NA Syllabus]	Written Test: Continuous Writing  <b>Week 5: 2 February, Friday</b>		Written Test: Continuous Writing <b>3/6 SBB</b> <b>Week 5: 2 February, Friday</b>
English Language [NT Syllabus]			Written Test: Paper 1 – Editing and Situational Writing  <b>Week 5: 2 February, Friday</b>
Mathematics [Express Syllabus]		Written Test: Topics to be assessed: Quadratic Equations (Sec 2) Chapter 1: Quadratic and Fractional Equations Chapter 2: Simultaneous Linear Inequalities Chapter 3: Indices and Surds <b>3/5 SBB</b> <b>Week 8: 21 February, Wednesday</b>	
Mathematics [NA Syllabus]	Written Test: Topics to be assessed: Chapter 1: Algebraic Expressions and Formulae Chapter 2: Quadratic Equations and Graphs Lower Sec: Ratio, Percentage, Numbers  <b>Week 8: 21 February, Wednesday</b>		Written Test: Topics to be assessed: Chapter 1: Algebraic Expressions and Formulae Chapter 2: Quadratic Equations and Graphs Lower Sec: Ratio, Percentage, Numbers <b>3/6 SBB</b> <b>Week 8: 21 February, Wednesday</b>
Mathematics [NT Syllabus]			Written Test: Topics to be assessed: Chapter 1: Indices and Standard Form Chapter 2: Map Scales  <b>Week 8: 21 February, Wednesday</b>
Science (Biology) [Express Syllabus]		Written Test: Section A: Multiple choice questions Section B: Structured questions  Topics to be assessed: Chapter 1: Cell Structure and Organisation Chapter 2: Movement of Substances Chapter 3: Biological Molecules <b>3/5 SBB</b> <b>Week 9: 27 February, Tuesday</b>	
Science (Chemistry) [Express Syllabus]		Written Test: Section A: Multiple choice questions Section B: Structured questions	



Subject	S3-4	S3-5	S3-6
<i>(continue to next page)</i> <i>(continued from previous page)</i>		Topics to be assessed: Chapter 1: Experimental Techniques Chapter 2: Kinetic Particle Theory Chapter 5.1: Elements, Compounds, Mixtures  <b>Week 8: 20 February, Tuesday</b>	
Science (Chemistry) [NA Syllabus]	Practical Test with Theory Questions:  Topics to be assessed: Chapter 1: Experimental Techniques Chapter 2: Kinetic Particle Theory Chapter 5.1: Elements, Compounds, Mixtures  <b>Week 8: 21 February, Wednesday</b>	Practical Test with Theory Questions:  Topics to be assessed: Chapter 1: Experimental Techniques Chapter 2: Kinetic Particle Theory Chapter 5.1: Elements, Compounds, Mixtures  <b>Week 8: 22 February, Thursday</b>	Practical Test with Theory Questions:  Topics to be assessed: Chapter 1: Experimental Techniques Chapter 2: Kinetic Particle Theory Chapter 5.1: Elements, Compounds, Mixtures  <b>3/6 SBB Week 8: 23 February, Friday</b>
Science (Physics) [NA Syllabus]	Written Test:  Topic to be assessed: Chapter 1: Physical Quantities, Units and Measurements Chapter 2: Kinematics  <b>Week 9: 27 February, Tuesday</b>		Written Test:  Topic to be assessed: Chapter 1: Physical Quantities, Units and Measurements Chapter 2: Kinematics <b>3/6 SBB Week 8: 21 February, Wednesday</b>
Science (Biology) [NA Syllabus]	Practical and Theory Test:  Topics to be assessed: Chapter 1: Cell Structure and Organisation Chapter 2: Movement of Substances  <b>Week 7: 27 February, Tuesday</b>		
Science [NT Syllabus]			Written Test: Section A: Multiple choice questions Section B: Structured questions  Topics to be assessed: Chapter 1: Energy Chapter 2: Electricity  <b>Week 8: 23 February, Friday</b>
Humanities (Social Studies) [Express Syllabus]		Written Test : 2 SBQ (Purpose & Comparison) <b>3/5 SBB Week 6: 5 February, Monday</b>	
Humanities (Social Studies) [NA Syllabus]	Written Test : 2 SBQ (Purpose & Comparison)  <b>Week 6: 8 February, Thursday</b>	Written Test : 2 SBQ (Purpose & Comparison)  <b>Week 6: 5 February, Monday</b>	Written Test : 2 SBQ (Purpose & Comparison) <b>3/6 SBB Week 6: 5 February, Monday</b>
Humanities (History) [Express Syllabus]	Written Test: SEQ and Short Answer Questions Chapter 1  <b>Week 8: 20 February, Tuesday</b>		
Humanities (History) [NA Syllabus]	Written Test: SEQ and Short Answer Questions Chapter 1  <b>Week 8: 20 February, Tuesday</b>		



Subject	S3-4	S3-5	S3-6
Humanities (Geography) [Express Syllabus]		Written Test: Geography in Everyday Life 1 3/5 SBB <b>Week 8: 20 February, Tuesday</b>	
Humanities (Geography) [NA Syllabus]	Written Test: Geography in Everyday Life 1 <b>Week 8: 20 February, Tuesday</b>		Written Test: Geography in Everyday Life 1 3/6 SBB <b>Week 8: 20 February, Tuesday</b>
Computer Applications			Written Test: Topics to be assessed: Computer Fundamentals (CPF) Document Processing (DOP) Media Elements (MEL) Interactive Multimedia Communication (IMC) Amimation & Game making (AGM) Spreadsheets (SST) <b>Week 9: 27 February, Tuesday</b>
Elements of Business Skills			Written Test: Topics to be assessed: Chapter 1: Introduction to Business Activities Chapter 2: Business in Selected Industries <b>Week 9: 26 February, Monday</b>

**Please note:**

Students who are **absent from school** on days of date specific weighted assessments are **required** to submit a **medical certificate**. For Covid-19 related absences, students may submit a parent letter supported with **an image of the positive ART test** for up to 2 days of absences.

**(B) Ongoing Project Based Assessments**

Subject	S3-4	S3-5	S3-6
<b>Elective Literature</b> [Express Syllabus]		Alternative Assessment Project Task: Book Cover Design and Rationale 3/5 SBB <b>Week 6 (5 February) to Week 8 (23 February)</b>	
<b>Basic Chinese Language</b> [NT Syllabus]			Performance Task Assessment Portfolio: Situational Writing (Informal Email) <b>Week 3 (19 January) to Week 7 (16 February)</b>
<b>Basic Malay Language</b> [NT Syllabus]			Performance Task Assessment Portfolio: Situational Writing (Response to a Forum) <b>Week 3 (19 January) to Week 7 (16 February)</b>
<b>Chinese Language</b> [Express & NA Syllabus]	Performance Task Assessment Portfolio: Composition <b>Week 3 (19 January) to Week 7 (16 February)</b>		



Subject	S3-4	S3-5	S3-6
Malay Language [Express & NA Syllabus]	Performance Task Assessment Portfolio:  Situational Writing (Formal Email of Appreciation)  Week 3 (19 January) to Week 7 (16 February)		

**Please note:**

- 1) For ongoing project-based assessments, information will be given to students by their respective subject teachers during lessons.
- 2) Ongoing project-based assessments are conducted during curriculum time and guidance is given by the respective subject teachers throughout the learning process.
- 3) Students are to **complete** their ongoing project-based assessments by the respective deadlines given.

**(C) Coursework Assessments**

For coursework WA1 assessments, the schedule, information and instructions will be given to students by their respective subject teachers during lessons.