

24 March 2026

Dear Parents/Guardians of Secondary 3 Students,

UPDATES ON EVENTS IN TERM 2 2026

1. We hope that your teen had meaningful and restful March holidays, and you were able to spend quality time with him/her.

At this year's Committee of Supply Debate, MOE announced initiatives to enable Singaporeans to learn together and be equipped for an AI-transformed future. To further develop students' digital literacy and technological skills, MOE has been integrating AI literacy into the curriculum, co-curriculum and self-directed learning. Students can also look forward to MySkillsFuture Portal enhancements including an AI-powered digital advisor. For more details, please refer to <https://cos.moe.gov.sg/2026/>. The Bowen Experience includes intentional and targeted technology integration for teaching and learning, as well as fostering student digital responsibility. This will enable Bowenians to be AI-ready.

As we enter Term 2 of the school year, we trust that it will be as enriching and fulfilling for your teen as Term 1. We would like to provide you with key updates for Term 2 for our Sec 3 students.

A. Key Programmes, Events and Holidays in Term 2

2. The following are highlights of our school's programmes, events and holidays in Term 2.

Date	Programmes/ Events	Remarks
Wed 25 Mar	Sec 3 Class-based Parents' Engagement	Will be conducted in school. Details have been sent via PG on Fri 6 Mar .
Wed 1 Apr	Temperature Taking Exercise	Conducted during curriculum hours. See <u>Section B</u> below for details.
Fri 3 Apr	Good Friday Public Holiday	-
Mon 6 Apr to Fri 10 Apr	Bowen Safer Internet Week	Activities will be conducted during curriculum hours.
Mon 13 Apr	International Friendship Day Commemoration	Conducted during CCE lesson.
	Sec 3 Elective Geography Fieldwork (GI)	For students offering G2 and G3 Elective Geography. Programme will be conducted after school and will end at around 6.00pm. More details will be shared with your teen by their Geography teachers and details will also be provided via PG closer to the date.
Mon 13 Apr to Fri 24 Apr	Mother Tongue Language Fortnight	Activities will be conducted during curriculum hours.
Mon 13 Apr to Fri 8 May	Sec 3 Term Assessment 2	For more information, please refer to the letter on Weighted Assessments sent via PG on 20 Jan .
Wed 15 Apr, Wed 29 Apr, Wed 13 May	Home Based Learning (HBL) for Sec 1 - 5	Students will need to log into SLS by 8.00am for check-in and attendance taking.

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Mon 20 Apr to Fri 24 Apr	Sec 3 MOE – OBS Challenge (MOC) Programme	A separate letter will be issued closer to the date.
Mon 27 Apr to Fri 1 May	English Language Week	Activities will be conducted during curriculum hours.
Mon 27 Apr	Student Leaders' Investiture	Conducted during curriculum hours. See <u>Section C</u> below for details.
Thu 30 Apr	School Mass Run (AM)	Venue: OCBC Square (The Kallang) Time: 8.00am to 11.30am More details will be shared closer to the date.
Fri 1 May	Labour Day Public Holiday	-
Mon 4 May, Wed 6 May, Thu 7 May, Mon 11 May	Sec 3 English Language Internal Oral Examinations	The school's internal Sec 3 English Language oral examinations will take place in the afternoons of Term 2. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mon 4 May: 3A, 3S, 3P • Wed 6 May: 3T, 3R • Thu 7 May: 3S, 3T, 3K, 3R • Mon 11 May: 3K, 3L, 3E Please note that the respective EL teachers will provide students with the schedule indicating their reporting date and time.
Mon 11 May, Wed 13 May and Thu 14 May	Sec 3 Use of Personal Learning Device (PLD) for E-examination Trial for students offering selected G1/ G2 subjects	A separate letter will be issued at a later date. See <u>Section D</u> below for details.
Tue 12 May	Sec 3 NRIC registration	Conducted during curriculum hours.
Fri 15 May	44 th Speech Day and Prize Presentation Day	See <u>Section E</u> below for details. There will be no CCAs conducted on this day.
Wed 20 May	Class Photo-taking	Conducted during curriculum hours.
Tue 26 May and Thu 28 May	Mid-Year FIESTA	For all levels (Sec 1-5). More details will be shared closer to the date.
Wed 27 May	Hari Raya Haji Public Holiday	-
Thu 28 May	Issuance of Report Books and Result Slips	Conducted during curriculum hours.
Fri 29 May	Sec 1 to 5 Meet-the-Parents Session (face-to-face)	Last day of school for Term 2 before the June School Holidays. There will be no CCAs conducted on this day. A separate letter will be issued closer to the date to guide parents on signing up for the MPS.
Sat 30 May to Sun 28 Jun	June School Holidays	Student protected time will be from Wed 10 Jun to Tue 23 Jun (both dates inclusive). No school activities will be held during this period. Please also note that Mon 1 Jun is a Vesak Day public holiday.

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		<p>Term 3 begins on Mon 29 Jun.</p> <p>The school strongly recommends that overseas travel only takes place during student protected time, so that your teen can continue to participate in scheduled school activities supporting holistic development (e.g. CCA).</p>

B. Health Matters and Temperature Taking Exercise

3. The school continues to prioritise student health and remains vigilant in checking in on student well-being. Your support is also crucial towards keeping Bowen a safe environment for students. Please remind your teen to practice good personal hygiene (e.g. washing/sanitising hands) and exercise personal and social responsibility. While mask-wearing is no longer required in a school setting, it remains an effective way to minimise the risk of infectious disease transmission. Students who prefer wearing masks are welcome to continue doing so.
4. If your teen is unwell, please ensure he/she stays at home and seeks medical attention if necessary. Do also inform his/her Form Teachers (FTs). If your teen is recovering from respiratory-related illness, please encourage him/her to exercise social responsibility (e.g. by wearing a mask, minimising social interactions). Social responsibility will be crucial in preventing any infectious disease outbreak in schools. In the event your teen has to miss school, his/her learning will be supported. FTs will assign a buddy to update your teen on lessons and collect his/her learning materials. Please encourage your teen to be proactive in finding out on what he/she has missed from his/her buddy.
5. Please note that all schools will be carrying out a temperature-taking exercise on **Wed 1 Apr**. We would appreciate it if you could remind your teen to bring a working thermometer on **Tue 31 Mar** for a check, and for use on **Wed 1 Apr**. Do also encourage your teen to continue bringing a thermometer to school so that he/she can monitor his/her health whenever necessary.

C. Student Leaders Investiture

6. Our Student Leaders Appointment Ceremony will take place on **Mon 27 Apr** during school hours. This is an important annual event where the school witnesses the handover between the current and the next Student Leaders Executive Committee. The event will also celebrate the investiture of new Student Councillors, Class Leaders, CCA Leaders, Tech Champions and Peer Support Leaders, who as role models, will lead and serve the school and their fellow Bowenians to the best of their abilities. Parents/guardians of incoming Student Leaders Executive Committee members will receive an invitation to join us for the ceremony via Parents Gateway.

D. Use of Personal Learning Device (PLD) for E-examination trial for students offering selected G1/G2 subjects.

7. Since 2013, the Singapore Examinations and Assessment Board (SEAB) implemented Electronic examinations (e-Examinations) for selected subjects in national examinations. Students have been sitting for these e-Examinations using school devices. As every secondary school student now owns a Personal Learning Device (PLD) and PLDs have become an integral part of teaching and learning, SEAB has been piloting the use of PLDs for national e-Examinations. Following a successful pilot with several schools at the 2025 national examinations, SEAB will be expanding the use of PLDs in e-Examinations to 20 more pilot schools, including Bowen Secondary.

8. In preparation for the use of PLDs at the 2027 national e-Examinations, our school, in partnership with SEAB, will be conducting a practice trial for Secondary 3 students offering selected G1 and G2 subjects (e.g. Mother Tongue Languages, Humanities). As students have been regularly using their PLDs for lessons and school-based assessments, this trial will provide them with the opportunity to become more familiar and confident in using their own devices in a structured, time-based examination setting.
9. The trial will be conducted over three days in Term 2 Week 8. Further details on the G1/G2 subjects and students involved, as well as the schedule, will be provided closer to the practice sessions.

E. Celebrating Students' Achievements: 44th Speech and Prize Presentation Day

10. Our 44th Speech and Prize Presentation Day will be held on **Fri 15 May** from **4.00pm to 6.30pm** in the school hall. It is a key school event where we celebrate our students' academic and co-curricular successes. Prize recipients will need to report to the respective school venues by **3.00pm** (More details will be given nearer to the date). Parents/guardians of all 2025 Sec 1 to 3 Prize Recipients will be notified via Parents Gateway.
11. Please note that lessons will carry on as usual from 7.30am to 12.30pm. However, there will be no CCA that afternoon. If your teen is involved in the Speech and Prize Presentation Day (e.g. emcees, AV crew, CCA performers etc.), you will be informed via Parents Gateway.

F. Road Safety Matters

12. We would like to reinforce the need for all students to adhere to traffic regulations when travelling to and from school. We seek parents/guardians' support to remind our students to be aware of their surroundings and follow safe practices such as crossing public roads at correct designated areas. We would also like to take this opportunity to sincerely appeal to all parents/guardians who drive to observe the speed limit, practice safe driving and show graciousness to our staff on duty when in a school zone, for the safety and well-being of our students, staff and other stakeholders.

Thank you for your continued support and for partnering us closely as we nurture our students to be Passionate Learners, Servant Leaders and Champions of Good.

Yours faithfully,



Mr Loh Chih Hui
Principal

Use of photographs and video images

Photographs or video images of students, parents and visitors may be taken during school activities and events such as classroom lessons, enrichment activities, CCA activities, camps, etc. The school may use and publish such photographs or video images in school publications, the school's website, social media channels, or other communication channels.