

Dear P4E Parents,

Welcome to a new school year at NationalHigh!

My name is Chie and I will be your child's English teacher this year. I am also the mentor of P6Grace and the English teacher of both P6 classes.

Just a few notes on class expectations this year:

1. Books & Notebooks

Textbooks and workbooks will be sent out in Week 1. Please make sure that the books are labeled with your child's name. The children should always have these books with them when we have English lessons. (Note: I do not require that the students tear completed pages off from their workbooks.)

Notebooks will also be sent out in Week 1.

2. Spelling Lists and Dictation

Spelling lists for Term 1 will be released in Week 1. Spelling tests will begin Week 2. Dictation will be a mix of seen and unseen, and will always adhere to the theme or text type of the corresponding units. Spelling and Dictation test days will be announced in Week 1.

3. Composition Work

These should be written in their composition books. Students should skip lines between writing. Neat penmanship is required at all times. If you think your child has poor penmanship, I recommend that he or she be provided a penmanship practice book at home to assist in improving this communication tool.

4. Ink Colours and Writing Tools

Class Work will be in pencil for Term 1 as we transition to using pens full time in Terms 2 to 4.

Corrections by students will be in red ink. Corrections by the learning facilitator will be in green ink.

Please make sure that your child has at least 3 of each of their required writing tools in their pencil cases at all times. The use of correction tape/fluid is NOT allowed in any written work.

5. Files

Work must be filed in blue files. A table of contents will be given for them to fill in when worksheets are added to it.

6. Late Submissions

Late items within 2 days get half credit. Beyond 2 days 0 credit unless a valid reason is given through a note from the parents.

7. Absenteeism

If a student is absent for a test, the student must submit a medical certificate and then will sit as soon as possible for the paper. Primary 4 students are also expected to start bearing responsibility for missed lessons and activities, and should coordinate with me in ensuring their requirements and lessons for this year's learning are submitted and met.

8. Extra Materials

An English Dictionary is needed for class work and should be brought to class at all times.

9. Book

P4 classes are required to have a book for daily silent reading. Please make sure that your child brings a book for personal reading.

Should you wish to confirm, clarify or discuss any concerns re English class for P4E, please feel free to reach me through my contact information as follows:

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Thanks and best regards,

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