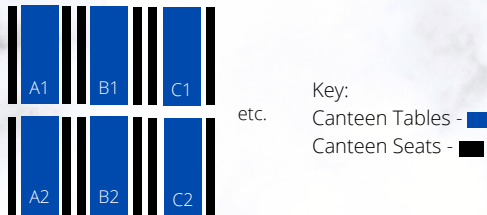Idea Board:

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Ever faced difficulties finding where your classmates or friends are sitting in the crowded canteen during recess?
Ever placed your belongings in the canteen but you forgot where you placed them?

Introducing:
CANTEEN TABLE LABELS

Here's a simple diagram as to how the canteen tables would be labelled!

A1   B1   C1   etc.

A2   B2   C2

Key:
Canteen Tables -
Canteen Seats -

INITIATE: How can this initiative help?
- **Inclusive** - Students who are new to the school may not know the canteen layout well, and telling them that "we're sitting near the drinks stall" may be confusing for them (and even existing students!) Having labels on the canteen tables would provide greater convenience in knowing the exact table they can find their friends or classmates are sitting at.
- **Reduces inconvenience** - From finding where your friends are sitting during breaks, to finding how or where to put back canteen tables to their original places after school-wide events (e.g. Mid-Autumn Festival), this initiative could even be utilized to control crowds of students during emergency situations where teachers can clearly allocate classes/batches of students to specific tables in the canteen.

IDEATE: Features of the initiative
- **Tables are labelled alphabetically for each row** - Similarly to PAC chairs, canteen tables would be labelled as such (see diagram above) for easy locating and access
- **Easy locating of tables** - the layout of the canteen with each labelled table will be compiled into an online/printed (around the canteen) 'map' for students to locate the tables easily.
- **Transparent** - While these labels are not literally 'transparent' , the presence of such labels on canteen tables does not hamper the convenience of existing students who have more experience with the canteen's layout in finding the tables where their friends/classmates are located.

INSPIRE: Potential future developments of the initiative
- **Opens up room for future initiatives built upon this initiative** - This initiative can serve as a baseline for potential initiatives to build upon this idea. For example, with automation this initiative could be used to allow students and teachers to know when the canteen is crowded (just like a parking lot system). Such data collected could also be utilized by teachers to spread out recesses more evenly to reduce canteen crowds!