

STUDENTS' REFLECTIONS OF 2020

This year has been a wonderful year for me. Despite Covid-19 and FHBL, I have learnt a lot from Bendemeer Sec and hope to continue studying here. The teachers teach us how to approach our mistakes and handle the problems that are faced by students of my age. I am grateful to all the teachers who have encouraged me to achieve beyond my limits and to pursue my dreams. **Sadayan Ehsan Ahmed, 1C1**
2020



Personally I think that secondary school is different from a primary school as everyone seems to be more mature. On my first day, I was worried that I would not be able to fit in. However, I was soon warmly welcomed by my form teachers and the Student Council. The orientation camp allowed me to grow closer to my classmates and the seniors also helped us. This inspired and motivated me to become a student councillor and I am proud to say that I am one now. **Sasmeta D/O A Ravindha, 1C1**

During the circuit breaker, I had thought that it was a time for both students and teachers to relax. What I did not know was that the teachers had to work even more to ensure that their students are constantly learning from home. This experience taught me how to be more responsible in having to wake up early to check in and complete my online homework on time. **Mohamed Azhar Bin Mohamed Ne, 1C1**



When I first stepped into Bendemeer Sec, I was worried about making friends. The teachers helped students like me to overcome this fear by holding one to one sessions on alternate days to build on fostering relationships. As a result, I got more comfortable with my classmates and the environment. I started to make many good friends which made my 2020 a joyful one! **Seah Qi Zhen, 1C1**

My siblings had always told me that secondary school life would be extremely fun. Although I knew that it would be exciting to meet new friends and teachers, I was nervous as it was to be a whole new experience. Fortunately, when I entered my class, I felt truly welcomed by the warm smiles of my form teachers. I felt comfortable in class and after this one year, I am now ready to achieve greater heights and continue with my adventure in Bendemeer Sec. **K Saleema D/O Kuthubudeen, 1C1**

My experience in Secondary One has been amazing. I did not think that I would have the chance to make good friends. Then suddenly Jeff and Joe appeared and opened my eyes to the joys of friendship. As they say, all good things must come to an end. Jeff and Joe decided to head back to their own country and I was left devastated. However although time has passed, our friendship is still going strong. This is the best experience I obtained from Bendemeer Sec this year. **Yoo Jun Hui Jovan, 1C1**



Secondary school has been an overall fun time. I met great classmates and teachers and forged solid friendships along the way. I feel this experience is so much better than being in Primary school. I am looking forward to starting a new adventure in Secondary Two. **Neo Wei Quan Ryan, 1C1**



My experience in Bendemeer Secondary School has been enriching and extremely wonderful. In the earlier part of the year, the school had hosted a plethora of activities that I had nonetheless highly enjoyed! There were also countless numbers of opportunities where we were able to bond and interact with one another as a class and hence, I feel satisfied with my first year at Bendemeer ending as I have made a myriad of memories from the experiences and hope to make more in the near future to come!

Shairafaye Romaguera Revindran, 1C2

I entered Bendemeer Secondary School as an ex-Bendemeerian. All I miss right now is the Secondary One Orientation. It was the most unforgettable and Bendemeer Secondary made the experience unique for most of us. It provided a good opportunity for us to know some of the seniors in the school and also to form healthy friendships with others. Personally, I think that the school strongly encourages independent learning in each and every Bendemeerian. Everyone gets to learn something new every day, thus our motto being, From Each His Best. **Elanthirayan Monica, 1C2**



My experience in school this year was interesting. The Secondary One Orientation was the most memorable experience for me. We played and learnt at the same time. For example, from what our seniors had prepared the games for us, I have learnt the importance of teamwork, and our school values — Integrity, Care, Respect, Responsibility and Resilience. The CCA Orientation was very impressive, especially the Band! We had more amazing activities in class too which I personally did not experience in Primary 6, such as ALP. We learnt coding and created a game for people with dementia. The overall experience in school this year was unique and there's more for me to explore around the school! **Kok Zi Ying, 1C2**

Before entering my secondary school life, I was uncomfortable to the new environment. I could only think of all sorts of strict and fierce teachers. I was not really excited. But in real life, everything was the complete opposite of what I thought. All the teachers are very caring and the classmates are very friendly. All these made me love going to school. **Tai Zi Yang, 1C2**

It has been a challenging, yet definitely unforgettable year. In the first few weeks of school, honestly, it was really hard for me to adapt to a new and unfamiliar environment. I had to keep encouraging myself that things would get better as time passes by. I had never expected it but I was actually voted to be the Class Chairperson. I started to think of the definition of this position and learn to take on the responsibilities. Also I am extremely grateful for having caring and supportive people from my class and CCA as my friends. Life would certainly be dull without them as they make my school life more enjoyable. Most importantly, I really appreciate the effort that my teachers put in not only to teach us but to care for our well-being during these unprecedented times. I will continue to work hard and improve myself in different aspects as I believe hard work pays. **Yang Ningting, 1C2**

This year we had to work harder as due Covid-19, we had many topics to revise in a shortened school time. We missed out on some fun events like Sports Day and celebrating the Mooncake Festival. Home-based learning was relaxing because I did not need to wake up early but also tough because many things distracted me while I was doing my work. **Jayda Aw Chyi Yan, 1C3**

Sec 1 in general has been fun since it has not been stressful. The first few weeks of FHBL were hard since I was not used to doing assignments from home and could not understand their requirements. However I soon got used to the routine and could plan my leisure time as well. **Neo Yu Zhe Zac, 1C3**

It has been a year of mixed feelings. FHBL was, in a way, relaxing because I had the flexibility to complete the assigned tasks at any given time during the day. So I enjoyed it, because I was able to spend time on the activities I loved to do. This year was also an emotional rollercoaster as there were times that I felt anger, sadness, loneliness, happiness, and anxiety during school and during the circuit breaker. **Shane Mahela Fernando, 1C3**

I truly like the new opportunities to cook, do crafts and take on other new subjects in Secondary One. I also realised that I can learn in different ways During FHBL I actually learnt more about technology and how useful it can be during the Circuit Breaker and similar situations. However, I missed communicating with my friends face-to-face. **Kaviyarasan Saiprasath, 1C3**

My experience in secondary school has been special to say the least. This year is the first time I stayed at home to study. This secondary school has helped me find my best friend and I have also met many other amazing sweet and kind people whom I am glad to call my friends. Besides friends, I got to meet many new teachers too. I have learnt new subjects which help me increase my knowledge. One of the most memorable things that happened this year was FHBL. Not having to wake up at 6 a.m. was a great blessing for me as I tend to sleep quite late. During the FHBL, we functioned at "own time own target", something I liked without the pressure of teachers looking over my shoulders. I had much more freedom during the FHBL compared to school. **Sarah Boo See Ching, 1C4**



I believe this year 2020 has been very difficult for everyone because of the pandemic. However, I must say that I really enjoyed myself during the months that we were still able to return to school. The beginning of the FHBL period was very difficult for me as I was not able to communicate with my teachers and clarify my doubts. Over time, I realised that I became more independent because I still had to wake up early to report my attendance and temperature on time as well as to complete the HBL assignments. The teachers were very caring and they readily helped us with our assignments. **Arbaz Khan, 1C4**

2020 has been a fun year to be with my class, despite the pandemic. I had a lot of fun with them during our orientation camp. That was one memorable time we had together. When we returned to school after the two-month-long circuit breaker period, I was happy to see us all back together in our class. I love all our sharing of personal experiences and thoughts. **Ng Wee Kee, 1C5**

I have lots of beautiful memories in this class which I will not forget. Since the orientation camp, we have all been going through a variety of experiences together as a class. We attended lessons for ten subjects, worked in groups on various projects like for LLP and ALP, experienced the circuit breaker while attending online lessons and doing schoolwork using SLS and Zoom. What an incredible way for all of us to start our secondary school years! **Mohamed Ruknudeen Thasneem, 1C5**



A lot of people build up the first day to be the most intimidating. Coming from a tiny primary school into this giant secondary school, I was lost in a new environment. I was also panicking because I knew Secondary One would be more challenging than Primary Six, and I was not sure how I would cope. At the start of the year, I was nervous about meeting people and making new friends.

Gradually but surely, I got along with my classmates and made some great friends. Being the chairperson of my class involves a lot of responsibilities and it is not easy to juggle them with my studies at times. However, I still love helping people and I want to show more appreciation to my classmates and peers. At the same time, being voted as one of the candidates for the Model Bendemeerian Award has also made me realise that I am indeed capable of being a great leader for my class.

But of course, these were possible due to their unwavering faith in me. Even saying a billion 'thank you' to them seem insufficient. I am also thankful for my two form teachers, Mr Daryl Toy and Mrs See Geok Yan. To me, the most important lessons they taught me were about life. I really hope that I will continue enjoying studying in Bendemeer Sec, make even more friends and treasured memories throughout my secondary school years. **Khan Faiza, 1C5**



I find that the teachers in our school are engaging and helpful. They have taught me new subjects which I enjoyed learning and how to improve myself to become a better person. I met wonderful people especially those in my class and some of them are now my close friends. I felt welcomed when I first entered the school and developed a good impression of it the minute I stepped into the school. On the whole, I have had a great first year in this school. **Nur Natasha Binte Abdul Latif, 1C6**

Learning new subjects is difficult for me but I was able to slowly understand the topics taught. The teachers in school are encouraging. They are also kind and help their students by giving them advice on how to improve in their work. It was quite difficult for me to make new friends when I first joined the school but my classmates turned out to be caring and supportive. **Megan Lee Jing Wen, 1C6**

I learnt a lot of new things these past 10 months in school. My friends in school were very caring and the teachers were patient and understanding towards us. For example when I did not know how to complete my homework, they would always be there to teach me until I understood. During the HBL it was difficult at first, because I did not really understand how to do my homework at first. Zoom lessons helped because we could talk to our teachers and ask them questions. **Lee Yu Jing, 1C7**



It has been amazing being in Bendemeer Secondary School. I have made wonderful friends and my teachers have also been very kind because whenever I needed help with my work they willingly helped me. In April when all of us had to stay home to do FHBL, it was difficult at first because I didn't know how to do most of my work, but after my teachers had Zoom meetings with us and helped us, FHBL became easier for me. **Jannatul Fardous Nobonita Md Kamrul Islam Chakder, 1C7**

At the beginning of the year, I was scared about not being able to catch up with the class and wondered if I could make any friends but that slowly changed when I met great classmates who turned into my friends. When I couldn't understand simple equations I would ask them and they would explain them to me. During the circuit breaker, I managed to understand the HBL lessons thanks to the teachers' efforts. **Yong Zhen Stephanie, 1C7**

One of the things I enjoy about starting secondary school is we get to learn new subjects. It was challenging at first but as time passed, I got more used to it. Of the many subjects, I like Literature the most. Through Literature, we see things in a different way. We also learn valuable lessons through short films which make the lessons more enjoyable. Another thing I enjoyed this year was making new friends. It was difficult at first but I gathered the courage to talk to my new classmates. Now I have a group of friends I always hang out with. The last thing I enjoyed was meeting my new teachers. They were all kind and caring and helped me whenever I needed help or needed someone to talk to. Overall, my life in secondary school has been great! **Reeve Tay Kai Jie, 1C6**

I enjoyed using the Chromebook for HBL so that I could separate my personal and school computers. The lessons were enjoyable, especially Maths! There were many games included in the lessons that helped us to pay attention.

Nicolle Ong, 2R4

I was worried that having HBL for too long would cause me to perform poorly for my exams. However, all my teachers put in great effort to help me during FHBL. They always remained contactable and I am very grateful for them.

Cassandra Choo, 2R4

I felt worried about the pandemic during the Circuit Breaker. I had many thoughts about how painful or uncomfortable it would be if I had contracted the virus. However I felt happy with FHBL as I am an introvert and like to stay at home. I also learned to be more independent in my studies and how to be more responsible for my own learning.

Tan Xin Yi, Alicia, 2R5

During the Circuit Breaker, I had a great experience with FHBL. It allowed me to study comfortably at my own pace at home. It allowed me to learn at my own pace. I also had more flexibility to do other things in my own time. Thankfully, there was not too much homework to do. I was hence able to study better at home since there were less distractions.

Ng Mei Qi Becky, 2R5

FHBL was okay as I had my Chromebook so I did not have to worry about sharing a computer with my siblings. At first, learning online was difficult and confusing. I was trying to figure out which homework needed to be done but as time passed, I got the hang of it and it became a lot easier. Overall, FHBL was a positive experience for me.

Yeo Quan Wei, 2R5

As a student, I am heartened that MOE has effectively implemented home-based learning in such a short time. Moreover, I find it beneficial in many ways. Unlike regular lessons in school, home-based learning allows us to learn in the comfort of our own homes. Without distractions from chattering classmates, I find myself able to focus better. Besides, teachers can teach more efficiently without having to do much of the usual classroom management.

Mohamed Sirajudeen Reshma, 2R6

My experience during FHBL was definitely different and interesting as I had never been taught through a virtual platform for a prolonged period of time before. Interactions with my friends and teachers improved as my teachers took the initiative to organise online lessons and Zoom calls with us. My friends and I did not lose touch as we were constantly catching up on FaceTime.

Melli Puan Sanjaya, 2R6

FHBL brought the classroom into our homes. We got to experience our teachers talking to us online. They spent time helping us with our studies. I am heartened to witness the care and concern that the teachers showered on us. When I first heard about FHBL, I was afraid as I could not be in the classroom to physically listen to what the teacher is teaching and I had also thought that it might affect my academic performance. However it did not turn out that bad after all as our teachers encouraged us and helped us to overcome our challenges. We were all forced to embrace remote learning but it opened up many new options and platforms that we can continue to utilise for learning in the long term. FHBL has really helped me to become a more independent learner. It is fun too as the 'live' lessons make me feel like my room is the classroom.

Marcus Koh Jia Jun, 2R6





My experience during HBL at first was quite difficult to cope but as days went by I got the hang of it and found it quite flexible especially because it was done at home. The interaction with teachers was very helpful as they listened to my problems and gave me advice. This was really helpful and I felt better. **Y Shafreena, 2R1**

Home-based learning was a fun experience for me. From being able to wake up later to learning new skills on the side, I have developed my time management skills and was able to do my work independently without supervision from teachers. It was very satisfying to be able to get work done on my own accord. **Akshara Sriram, 2R1**

My life during HBL was not bad as I managed to make new online friends and had a chance to bond with my family through board games and other forms of interaction. I also managed to finish all the work given by my teachers. **Mahesh Rakesh, 2R1**

Full Home Based Learning was tough at first but our teachers were a great support. They made sure we did our work and called us frequently. Not only did the teachers help us get through those tough times, my friends were a great help too. Both of these groups kept in touch and helped entertain me. **Isaac Lee Yi Han, 2R3**



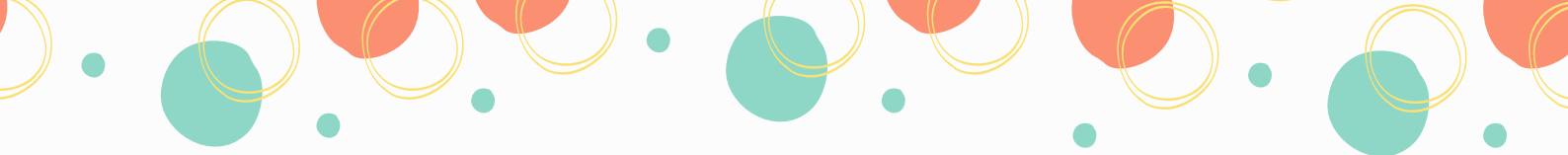
This year, despite Covid-19 affecting our lives, school was fun and I looked forward to going to school. My teachers always motivated me to do better and made lessons meaningful and interesting. A few times, I was sternly reminded by my teachers to be on task. They were always there to help mould me into a better person. I am truly grateful for them as without them, I would never have had the confidence and the motivation to aim to excel in my studies. **Liu Siyu Nicholina, 2R2**

Full Home Based Learning really gave me a new experience as we had never done home-based learning for two months before. I think that I coped well during that time as I managed to learn some subjects better online than in class. Overall, I think that home-based learning is as good as learning in school. **Chu Man Yee, 2R3**



During Full Home Based Learning, I became closer to my family and friends. I also became more independent. I learnt many things that I did not know about my friends and family. **Isabella Shem Ji Wai, 2R3**

I feel that the school is very efficient in getting students to follow the safe management measures. I also feel that the school listens to students' feedback and tries to make changes. **Syed Tipu Tabrez, 2R4**



My experience during FHBL was definitely interesting and different as I had never been taught through a virtual platform before. The interactions with my friends and teachers were good because my teachers took the initiative to organise Zoom sessions with us. My friends and I did not lose touch as could catch up on FaceTime. However, I was glad to return to school as I could interact with my friends and teachers face-to-face. **K R Heemraj, 2R8**

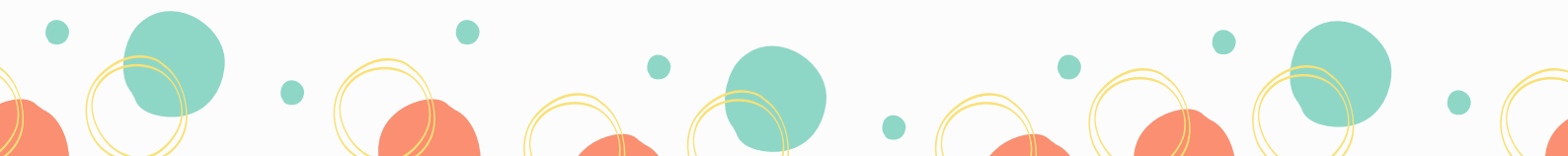
Learning through HBL was interesting. I was able to do my own research when I was unsure of certain things. My teachers were able to teach me through online platforms too. The interactions with my teachers were good as they always helped me when I needed help. I was glad for my friends as they also lent me a listening ear whenever I needed someone to talk to. **Zen Tan Ying Xuan, 2R8**

Full home-based learning (FHBL) was a unique experience. It felt different waking up to a different routine. Instead of entering the classroom, we had to log in to Zoom and Google Meet for lessons. Most of the time, lessons felt like what normal lessons were like in school. When we returned to school, although we had to practise safe distancing and wear masks, we were over the moon to finally get to meet each other face-to-face again. **Goh Jun Meng Xavier, 2R8**

The experience I had during the FHBL was interesting as it was something new. Interactions between subject teachers and friends were difficult at first because I did not know how to use the Google Meet application. But after learning how to use platforms such as Zoom and Google Meet, the interactions between teachers and friends became easier. **Nurul Khairini, 2R8**

This year's circuit breaker was an extraordinary experience for all the teachers and students. We had common and very different struggles. For example, some of us had difficulty trying to keep in shape or trying to bond with our family members. To get around this, my family members and I used our creativity and modified a cricket game so that it could be played at home and keep us fit while helping us to bond. We had a lot of fun doing this. Some had difficulty trying to stay calm during this period and they got their comfort from their friends and relatives. We had to overcome these challenges with dedication and will. The government also implemented strict measures and put in great effort to explain the rationale of each. We all managed to get past this difficult time and we would always remember the experience that took us out of our comfort zone. **Felix George, 3R1**

I learnt a lot during the full home-based learning. As many lessons and assignments were arranged online, we had to be on task to complete them regularly. Not only did I exercise my self-management ability, I also learned how to manage my time effectively. In addition, online teaching also allowed me to listen more attentively because I could view the online whiteboard displayed by the teachers and hear their explanations more clearly. Furthermore, I was able to absorb the new knowledge at my own pace. While this year has been one of most hectic, it has simultaneously been one of most the most fruitful as well. I have grown closer to people I had never thought I would have. Despite face-to-face lessons being greatly reduced, the teachers did not give up in assisting me in my areas for improvement. I received much guidance and encouragement and those contributed to my improvement in the end-of-year exams. I would like to take this opportunity to thank my teachers for guiding me, inspiring me and making me who I am today! **Li Yunfeng, 3R1**





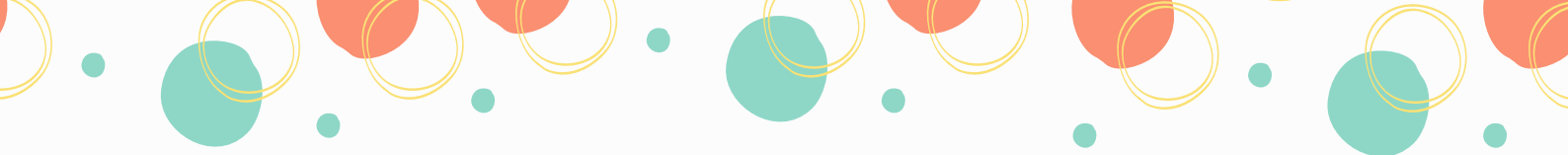
Full home-based learning this year was something none of us had expected or experienced before. Although the teachers arranged many lessons on Zoom, it was still not the same as normal lessons in the classroom. I learnt that I was in charge of my own learning. One important skill I learnt and improved on was in being self-directed. I also had many opportunities to be a leader at home and in virtual school. Indeed as one of the new Student Council Presidents, we were given the opportunity to reach out to the student body by producing videos on how students can manage their stress. **Saiyyad Sufyan, 3R1**

During FHBL, it was a relief to be able to wake up later than usual and experience online classes that I had never experienced before. Despite not being able to comprehend some of the instructions for work assigned, I was able to complete the tasks after I clarified my doubts. I was glad that the teachers were readily available online to respond to our queries regarding the work they had assigned us. Since I did not get to see my friends often, I frequently called them to socialise and get rid of my boredom. All in all, FHBL was enjoyable to some extent and not very tiring. I was grateful to be able to experience such online education. **Uthaichai Tosita, 3R2**

My experience during FHBL was a unique and unforgettable one. At first it was difficult to adapt to learning through a device but I gradually got used to it. FHBL gave me more opportunities to strengthen bonds with my family. I was also able to learn at my own pace at home instead of keeping up with the pace of the class. However, I had to manage the distractions at home. All in all, I think FHBL was beneficial. **Chen Yong Hui, 3R2**

At the start of FHBL, I was not used to it as all lessons had to be taught and learnt through e-learning platforms. I also could not go shopping or go out to play hence it was a totally new experience for me. After a few weeks, I got used to learning online. Although I still couldn't go out, I learnt some new skills at home such as playing the ukulele and piano together with my family members. **Nicole Lim, 3R2**

In light of how turbulent this year has been, there has not been as much time compared to previous years to get to know my teachers and classmates better. However, even with the limited amount of time I have had with my class, I have bonded well with my friends and teachers such as my Math teacher, Mrs Yap, who is extremely patient and caring, and has really helped me understand a subject that I used to hate very much. **Anna Constante, 3R4**



This year has been an unusual year for all of us because for the first time, we had to stay at home for two months due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Full home-based learning was initially tough for me because I could not understand certain topics without the teachers' explanation. There were many adjustments we had to make, such as the temperature taking every morning and updating our form teachers of our health and well-being status. The only issue I faced was the lack of personal space at home. However I am glad that we got to experience Zoom and Google Meet online lessons. **Nur Amirah Binte Mohamed Faizal, 3R5**

I was filled with mixed emotions during FHBL. I was happy because I got to spend more time with my parents. It was a dream come true for me. At the same time, I was also sad because I couldn't meet my friends and I missed going to school with them. I also struggled to complete my HBL homework. Finally, when FHBL was over, I was able to see my friends again in school and happy to catch up with them. It was awkward talking to the teachers again though as I had not seen them for almost 2 months. **Lim Mei Xin, 3R6**

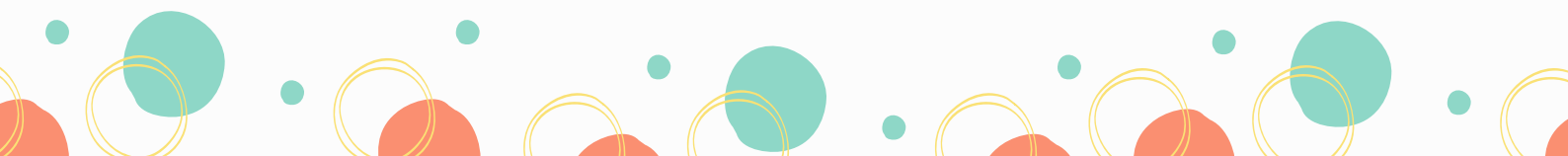
This year was a different experience from the past years. The year started off as usual until Covid-19 started spreading and we had to go on FHBL. It was a struggle to study from home mainly because it was hard to focus. It was so different from physically attending school. Finally, when schools reopened, I felt like a bird being released from its cage. Seeing my friends and teachers chased away my depressed mood. Everything became so much more pleasant when I finally got to hang out with my friends and chat with my teachers again. It made me appreciative of my friends and simply being able to attend school. **Mohamad Jasim, 3R6**

Learning was difficult during FHBL. I had difficulty participating in Zoom lessons as the home Internet connection was weak at times and I find it hard to concentrate at home. When school reopened, it felt somewhat awkward interacting with my teachers and friends again. But as time passed, things got better. Perhaps because of the lack of interaction during FHBL, I learnt to treasure the time in school and with my friends. My relationships with my friends have gotten stronger. **Nur Elisa Felisha, 3R6**

During FHBL, I really missed my friends and classmates. I didn't like attending online lessons as I found it difficult to follow the lessons fully. Lessons aside, as I had more free time to spare, I got to explore different interests and picked up new hobbies like baking. I felt relieved returning to school as I could finally understand lessons and was able to meet my friends and classmates face to face again. **Rahamath Farhana Hajathali, 3R6**

In light of the Covid-19 pandemic, we had to be on FHBL at home for a few weeks. It was tough but there were some benefits from it like being able to learn and study at my own pace. Even though it was difficult to understand some things that were taught online, the teachers were very kind and helpful in clearing any doubts as well as checking up on us through texts. They worked really hard and deserve so much more respect and appreciation for what they have done for us. **Aiqha Ryefa, 3R7**

FHBL was a great experience for me. It was great because this FHBL was meaningful in various ways like friends helping one another in the online lessons as well as teachers helping the students in any issues. FHBL was not easy but the teachers tried their best to make lessons fun and engaging. **Oen Yock Long, 3R7**



FHBL was a very tough experience as it was challenging listening in online lessons due to the many distractions at home. We had to learn to be independent by studying by ourselves and managing our own time. I am glad I was able to persevere in spite of the difficulties during that time. **Thian Hui Jun Victoria, 3R4**

My FHBL experience was fun and interesting as it was my first time using applications like Zoom and Google Meet to attend online lessons. I found it interesting how teachers could switch from teaching in school to teaching online during the Circuit Breaker period. It was a whole new experience. **Levelle Tan, 3R4**



2020 has been a tough year. We had to stay at home for two months during the Circuit Breaker period. My friends and I had to go online for home-based learning for almost every subject and it was frustrating for me. There were some subjects I struggled to understand through the online lessons. I feel that I learn better in the classroom. It took me a few weeks to adapt to this new form of learning. Fortunately, my teachers were understanding so they arranged Google Meet & Zoom lessons for us. Thank you to our form teachers for making the effort to check on our well-being every morning. **Nur Qur'aini Binte Muhammad Hizbullah, 3R5**

During full home-based learning, it was important for us students to have a conducive learning environment. However, we were not used to learning virtually thus that slowed our learning process down. Fortunately, our teachers put in much effort to condense the topics tested for the examinations. They also made learning more fun through the use of Kahoot. The Circuit Breaker period was a good time for my friends and me to strengthen our bonds through text messaging. It was a good opportunity for us to interact virtually and better understand one another. **Gulinton Lim Zhifu, 3R5**

I had a unique and interesting experience during the full home-based learning period. It was my first time experiencing staying at home and studying. This gave me the opportunity to build a stronger bond with my family as everyone had to stay at home. Attending all lessons online was a whole new experience. This was relaxing as I was able to do my work at a slower pace which allowed me to better understand what I was learning. The teachers in Bendemeer Secondary School are kind and helpful. When we are unsure about our work, they always make themselves available for us to consult them after school. **Karampreet Kaur, 3R5**



During full home-based learning, we all had to learn from home and were assigned work to do on the Student Learning Space (SLS). I was struggling during this period as I found it hard to understand the topics due to a change in teaching and learning environment. Thankfully, I obtained support from my teachers. They arranged Google meetings which had helped me to better understand various concepts. Apart from that, I also had friends who were willing to help me with my learning. Even though it was a difficult time, I am glad I had the support of my friends and teachers. **Tan Hock Boon, 3R5**

My experience during FHBL was not easy at first as I did not know how HBL worked. I gradually understood how manageable HBL could be. Whenever I struggled in my work, I would text either my teacher or my classmates to ask for help. HBL helped me improve in subjects I was weak in and I was thankful for it. The interactions I had with my teachers and friends in school made me really happy and I felt motivated to attend school daily. **Mas Der Intan, 3R7**

Even though 2020 hit us with the Covid-19 virus, I had an amazing time with my teachers and friends during lessons. It was difficult for me to catch up on my studies after the Circuit Breaker but I am very thankful to be able to have teachers who have the patience to teach me no matter how slow I am. They put in so much effort for me and support me when I am at my lowest. Although so much has happened, I have learnt so many things and will always remember the good and bad times and all the silly moments I have had with my classmates. **Nur Farai'sya, 3R8**

My experience during this school year was very different from what I had expected. I learnt a lot, not just in my studies, but I also learnt how important friendships are and that my teachers, Ms Ramadevi, Ms Tan Jiahui, Mr Eric Choo as well as the counsellor, Ms Nicole Choong, are always here to support and guide me which they have done since I was in Sec One. I have learnt how to let go of the toxic things in my life and I have never been better. The FHBL experience was initially confusing but I got used to it. It was helpful as I was able to attempt the tasks at my own pace so I would not stress out and push myself to my limit. I had so much self-isolation time then. Ms Ramadevi was there throughout the whole Circuit Breaker to listen to my problems and I felt very comforted. I know I have grown to be a better person. **Kimberli Ng, 3R8**

I encountered many easy and challenging experiences in school this year. I learnt how to face my problems and work out solutions. My teachers in Bendemeer Secondary School are friendly. FHBL was difficult because I struggled to understand what was taught in the lessons. The only way I could understand is to ask my friends and teachers for help. I want to thank Mr Lai, my English teacher, for helping me in my English. **Priya Darshini, 3R8**

