

P1 Orientation Day

2024

Damai Primary School



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15th November 2024

Upon Registration..

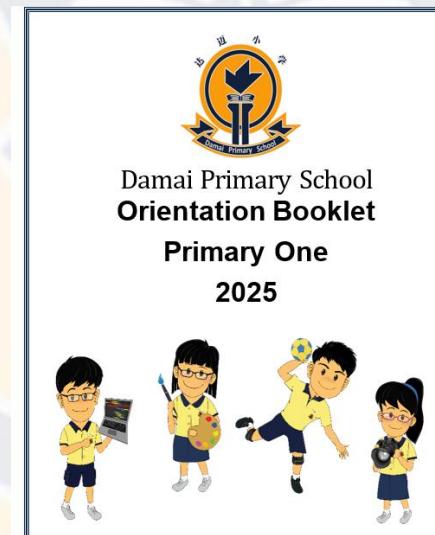
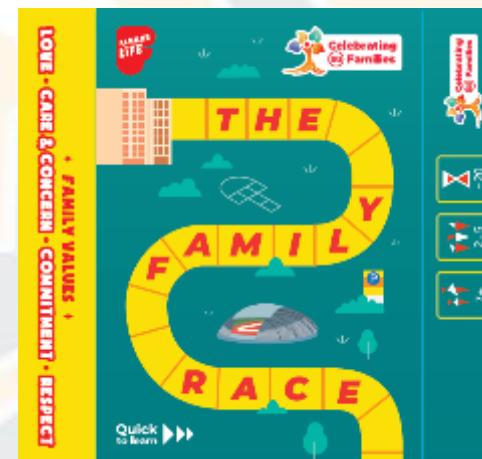
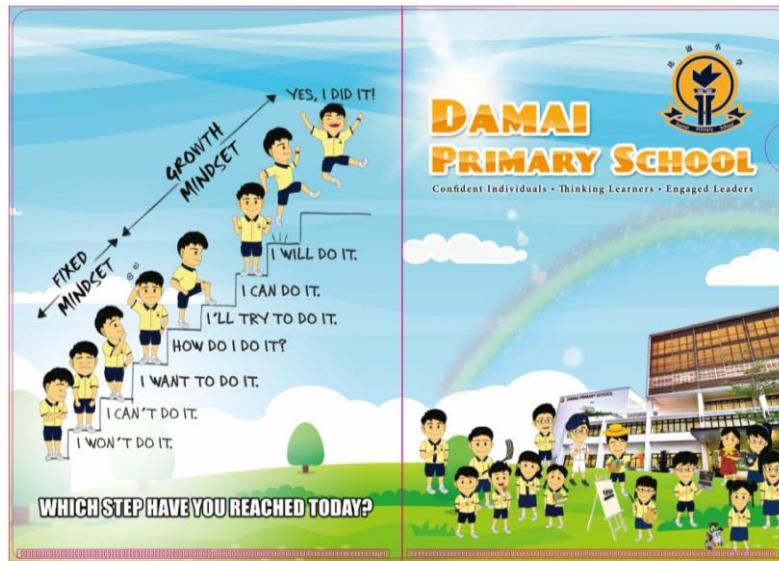
- Damai File

- ✓ Booklist

- ✓ Attire list

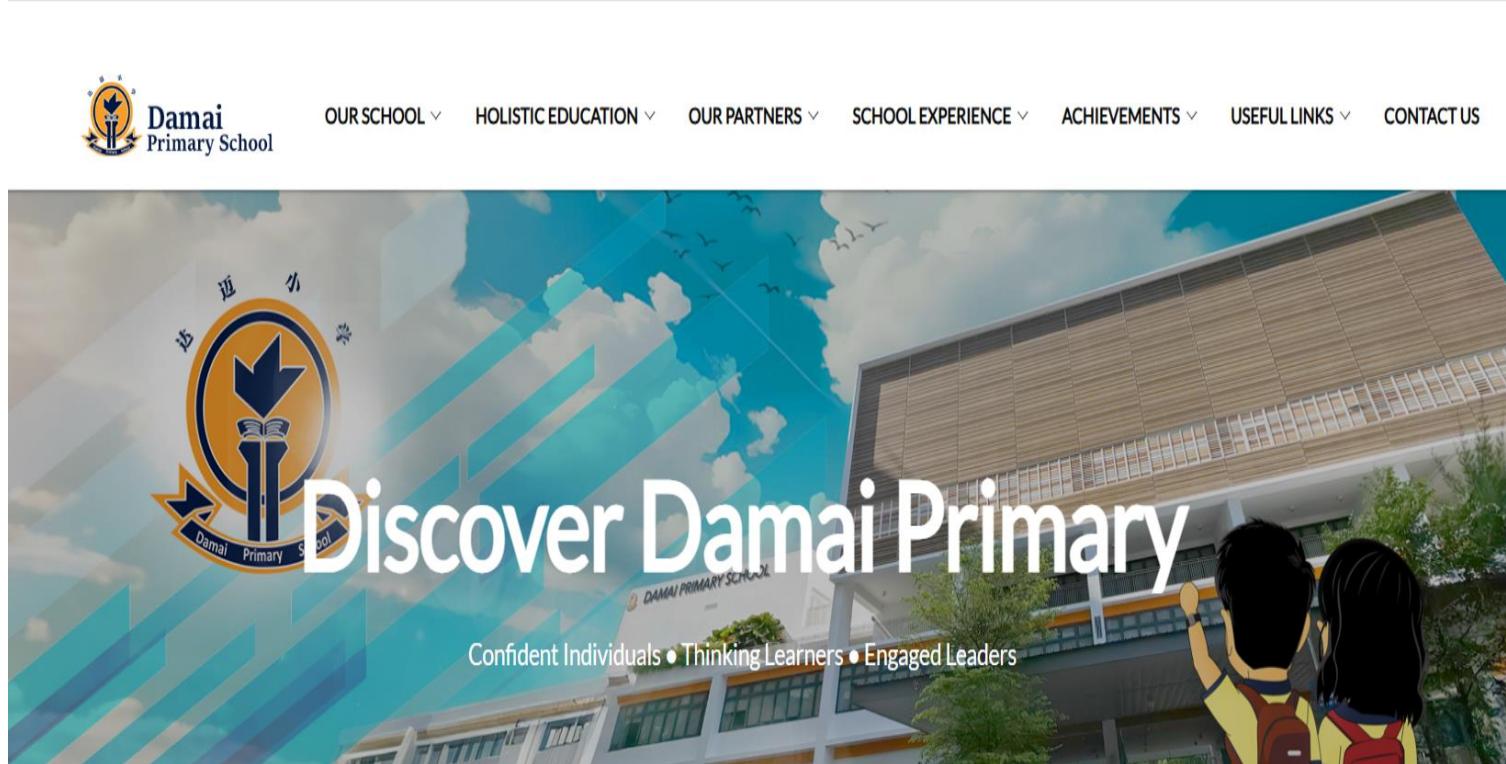
- ✓ Family Values Card Game

- ✓ Primary 1 Orientation Booklet 2025



P1 Orientation Slides

**P1 Orientation Slides will be made available on
our school website by 22nd November 24.**



Address by Principal, Mrs Leong



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Welcome To All Parents

- **A warm welcome to our Damai Family**
- **Looking forward to a strong partnership for 2025**



2025 Primary 1 Form Teachers

Level Manager

Mdm Junainah

Year Head

Mrs Nadira Khan

Our Philosophy

A School of Care & Distinction

Care

Showing concern (through thoughts, words & actions) for each teacher & student

Distinction

Marked by unique & quality learning experiences (based on student profile & school programs)

OUR CORE BELIEF

**Every Student Can Learn
Every Student Can Grow
Every Student Can Lead**

**Every Student wants to and can
Succeed!**



OUR MISSION

To nurture and empower
every Damaian to
learn, grow, and lead



OUR VISION

**Confident Individuals
Thinking Learners
Engaged Leaders**



OUR VISION

Confident Individuals	who demonstrate SPARK values, communicate effectively and want to make a difference
Thinking Learners	who think critically and innovatively, and learns collaboratively
Engaged Leaders	who care and have the courage to want to contribute



DPS Student Outcomes	Confident Individual	Thinking Learner	Engaged Leader	
Desired Outcomes of Education	<p>Confident Person who has a zest for life, a strong sense of right and wrong, is adaptable and resilient, knows himself, is discerning in judgment, thinks independently and critically, and communicates effectively</p>	<p>Self-directed Learner who takes responsibility for his own learning, is curious, reflective and persevering in the pursuit of learning, driven by passion and purpose</p>	<p>Concerned Citizen who is rooted to Singapore, has a strong civic consciousness, is responsible to his family, community and nation, and takes active roles in improving the lives of others</p>	<p>Active Contributor who is empathetic and open-minded to collaborate effectively in teams, exercise initiative, has courage to take risks responsibly , is innovative, and strives for excellence</p>

Our **SPARK** Values

Sincerity to self and others

Passion for learning

Aspiration to succeed

Resilience in life

Kindness to all



Our SPARK Values

“Every Damaian has self-discipline to uphold our SPARK values.”

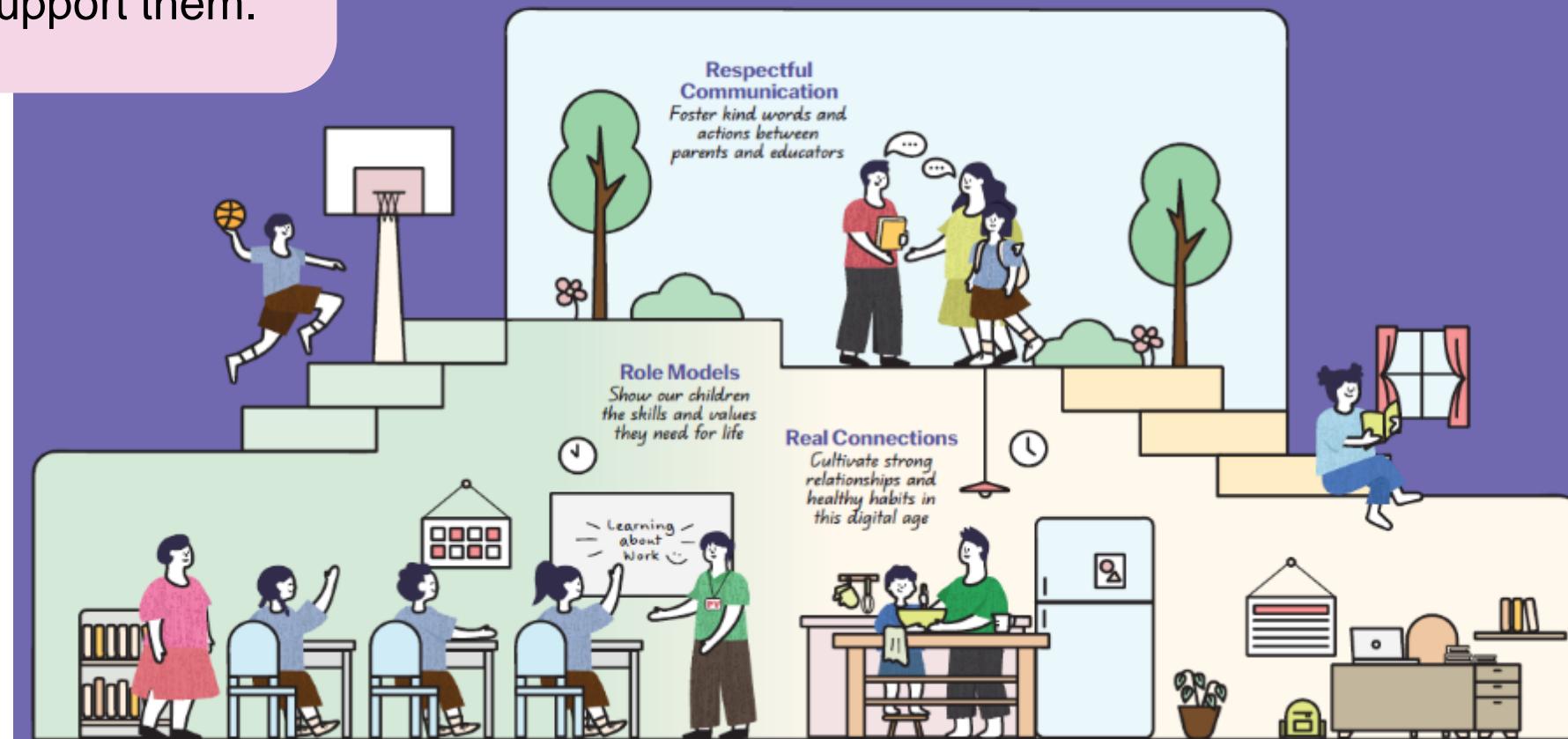
Sincerity to self and others	Honesty / Care / Respect
Passion for learning	Responsibility / Self-directed / Curiosity
Aspiration to succeed	Commitment / Seek to improve
Resilience in life	Perseverance / Adaptability
Kindness to all	Helpful / Empathy

School- Home Partnership

Our children do best when schools and parents work hand in hand to support them.

Guidelines for School-Home Partnership

Raising a Happy, Confident, and Kind Generation Together



Parents are important partners in education

- **T**rust is the foundation
- **R**emember the child as our focus
- **U**nderstand our shared responsibilities
- **S**eek common ground
- **T**ogether, we work towards common goals



3 areas we can work together on to foster School-Home Partnership

**1 Respectful
Communication**

2 Role Models

3 Real Connections



Respectful Communication

Foster kind words and actions between schools and educators



Listen to and understand each other's perspectives and concerns regarding each child



Communicate kindly using official channels. Teachers are not required to share their personal mobile numbers



Respect each other's time by communicating during working hours



Role Models

Show our children the skills and values they need for life



Find joy in everyday experiences with our children



Instill confidence by encouraging responsibility and believing in our children's abilities



Model good values in words and actions



Check out this video on MOE YouTube for tips on how parents can support the social-emotional learning of their children.

Real Connections

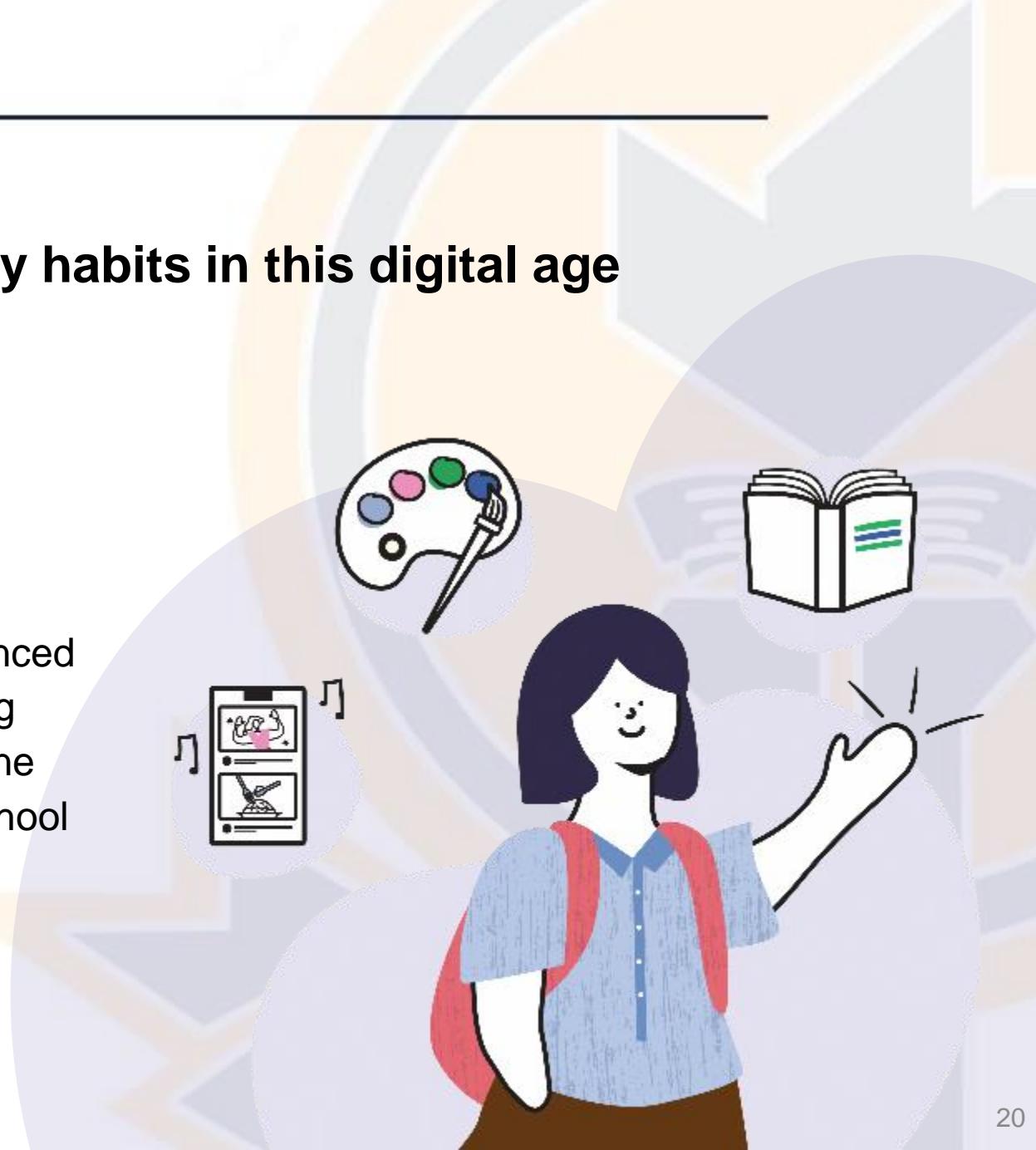
Cultivate strong relationships and healthy habits in this digital age

Establish good habits for our children to stay confident and in control of their technology use

Build strong bonds through shared experiences and meaningful conversations



Provide a balanced mix of engaging online and offline activities, at school and at home



Parent-Teacher Communication

- At DPS, we value parent-teacher communication via
 - Parents Gateway
 - Student Handbook
 - Emails
 - Phone calls – via school line **6445 6483**
 - Meetings
 - School Website
 - Letters to parents
 - Parents' Briefings
 - Parents-Teacher Meeting



Parent-Teacher Communication

- First point of contact – Form Teachers / Subject Teachers
- Level-related matters – Year Heads
- School-related matters – Admin Manager / School Leaders
- School is still the best point of contact
- School will continue to keep you updated
- Do look out for any updates from school via
Parents Gateway (PG) and School Website



Attendance in School

- Your child's attendance in school is important and compulsory
 - Supported by medical certificate if unwell
 - Covered by parents' letters
- Only when your child is in school will we be able to nurture him/her
- Let's work to support your child to have a smooth transition to Primary 1



Digital Devices

- Students are not allowed to bring handphones / smartwatches to school without obtaining written permission from the school. Parents must fill in a prescribed form to request for permission. The school will not be responsible for the loss of any handphone / smartwatch. The request for permission is to be applied yearly by parents.
- Permission granted by school comes with conditions for parents and students to adhere.

Digital Devices

- Students are not to use personal digital devices, including smartphones/smartwatches, during school hours including recess, CCA and all after-school programmes (e.g. supplementary/ enrichment/remedial lessons). Students are only allowed to use personal digital devices after school hours when they are outside school grounds.
- Students who bring such devices are **to put them in their school bags once they enter the school premise before school start time**. They can retrieve the devices after school ends, outside school grounds. Students should bear responsibility for safekeeping of devices.

Good Discipline

- The school believes that good discipline is an important factor to help create positive school with a conducive environment for our students
- All Damaians need to know our school rules and adhere to them as expected



Good Discipline

- The school provides a safe physical and emotional environment for Damaians so that every Damaian feels safe and secure to continue his/her learning
- School is a safe place, Damaians
 - must be mindful of own actions/words
 - keep hands and legs to self
 - treat others the way you would like to be treated
 - interact / play safely and respectfully
 - have the morale courage to be an upstander



Good Discipline

- When something happens, Damaians will:
 - Tell the person to stop what he/she is doing
 - Express he/she does not like what is being done
 - Inform the teacher soonest possible
- DO NOT take things into their own hands
- Reflect on own actions
 - What did I do?
 - What could I do differently?
 - How could I help to prevent it?



Reminder for Damaians

In all that you do, always think before you act

- 1) Is it right or wrong?
- 2) Is it kind or helpful?
- 3) Will my parents/teachers be proud of me?



Year Head General Briefing



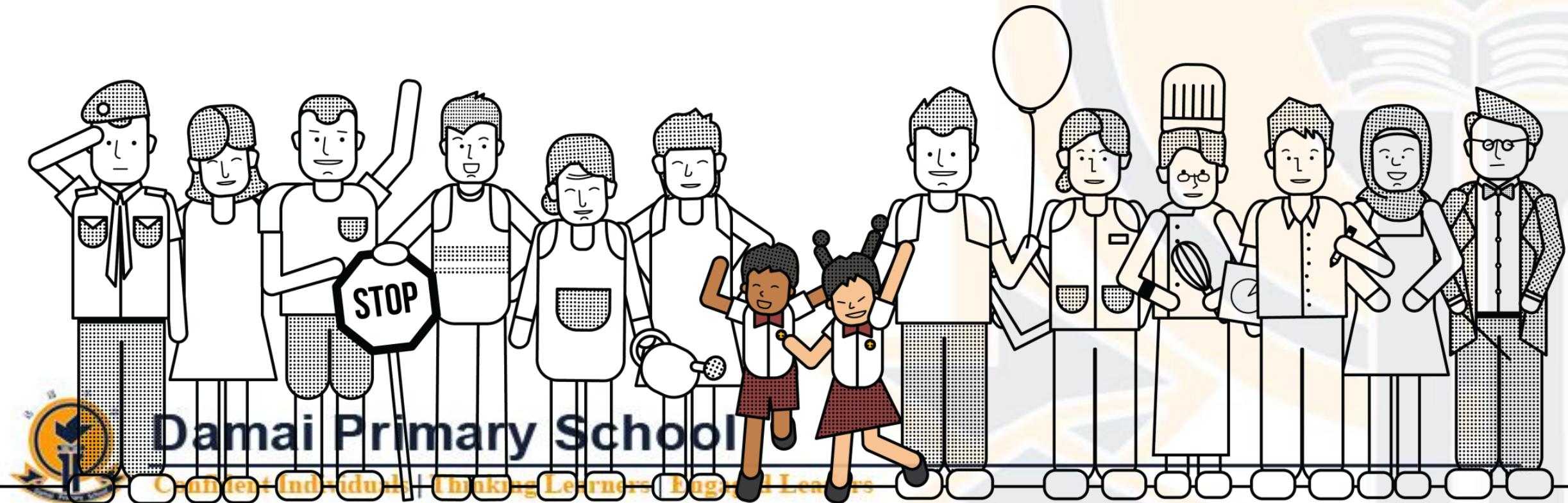
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SINGAPORE

A GREAT START TO PRIMARY SCHOOL



OVERVIEW

1 What Is It Like in Primary School?



2 Transition to Primary 1

3 School-Home Partnership

DEVELOPMENTS IN PRIMARY EDUCATION



Either opened up an opportunity or taught us some value,



Schools may access the video via:

<https://youtu.be/9paLbNR2zWg>



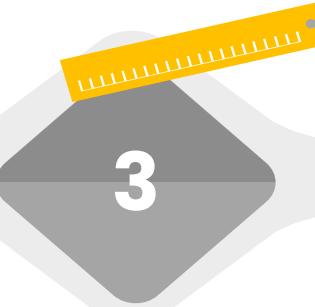
What is Primary School about?



Laying a strong foundation



Nurturing well-rounded individuals & passionate lifelong learners



Providing learning opportunities, recognising our children's strengths & developing their potential



Preparing our children for the future



Providing a safe learning environment to support their well-being



P1 Curriculum

1. English Language
2. Mother Tongue Language
3. Mathematics
4. Social Studies
5. Art
6. Music
7. Physical Education
8. Health Education
9. Character and Citizenship Education (CCE)
10. Form Teacher Guidance Period (FTGP)
11. Programme for Active Learning (PAL)



Holistic development Primary 1 includes:

Focus on building greater confidence and nurturing a stronger intrinsic motivation to learn



Offering age-appropriate assessment strategies to support learning

No examinations and weighted assessments at P1 and P2 to encourage the joy of learning.

Smoothening the transition to Primary 1

When your child enters primary school, their experience will include:

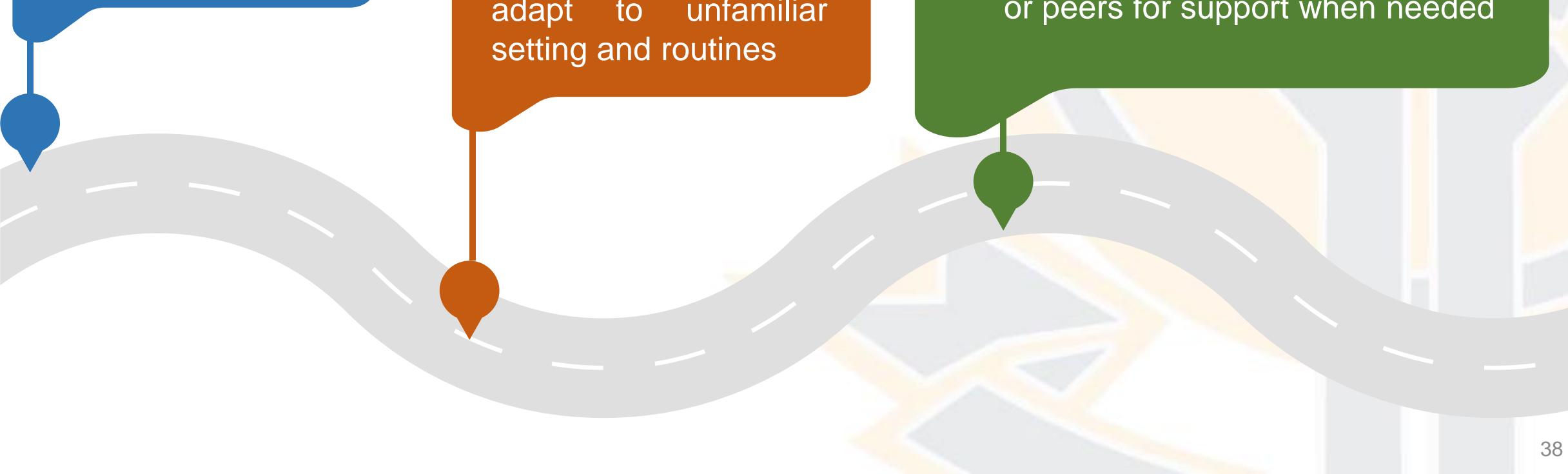
New friends and
teachers



New routines

New learning environment

Smoothening the transition to Primary 1



1. Transition is the process in which a child moves into a new environment

2. When moving from pre-school to primary, a child will have to adapt to unfamiliar setting and routines

When your child has transited well, he/she will:

- Feel safe and comfortable in the new environment
- Be able to manage daily challenges
- Be able reach out to teachers and/or peers for support when needed

How can you prepare your child for Primary 1?

You can start talking to your child about the following:



Adjusting to a larger learning environment

Interacting with more peers and teachers

Adapting to longer school hours and new routines

Taking the initiative to ask for help

Becoming more independent and responsible



Schools may access the video via:
<https://go.gov.sg/transition-to-primary1>

How else can you support your child?

Support

your child and encourage them to overcome challenges with your care

Affirm

your child by recognising small successes and praising their efforts

Familiarise

your child with new routines gradually and share your experiences in primary school

Empathise

with and acknowledge your child's feelings



How else can you support your child?

Primary 1 is an exciting and fun stage for your child.
Help your child to enjoy the journey by developing these skills:



Nurture a love for reading
Sign your child up for a free Library membership and myLibrary ID to enjoy NLB's e-resources!

Relating Well to Others

Build your child's interpersonal skills by:

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Modelling the use of friendly and polite phrases

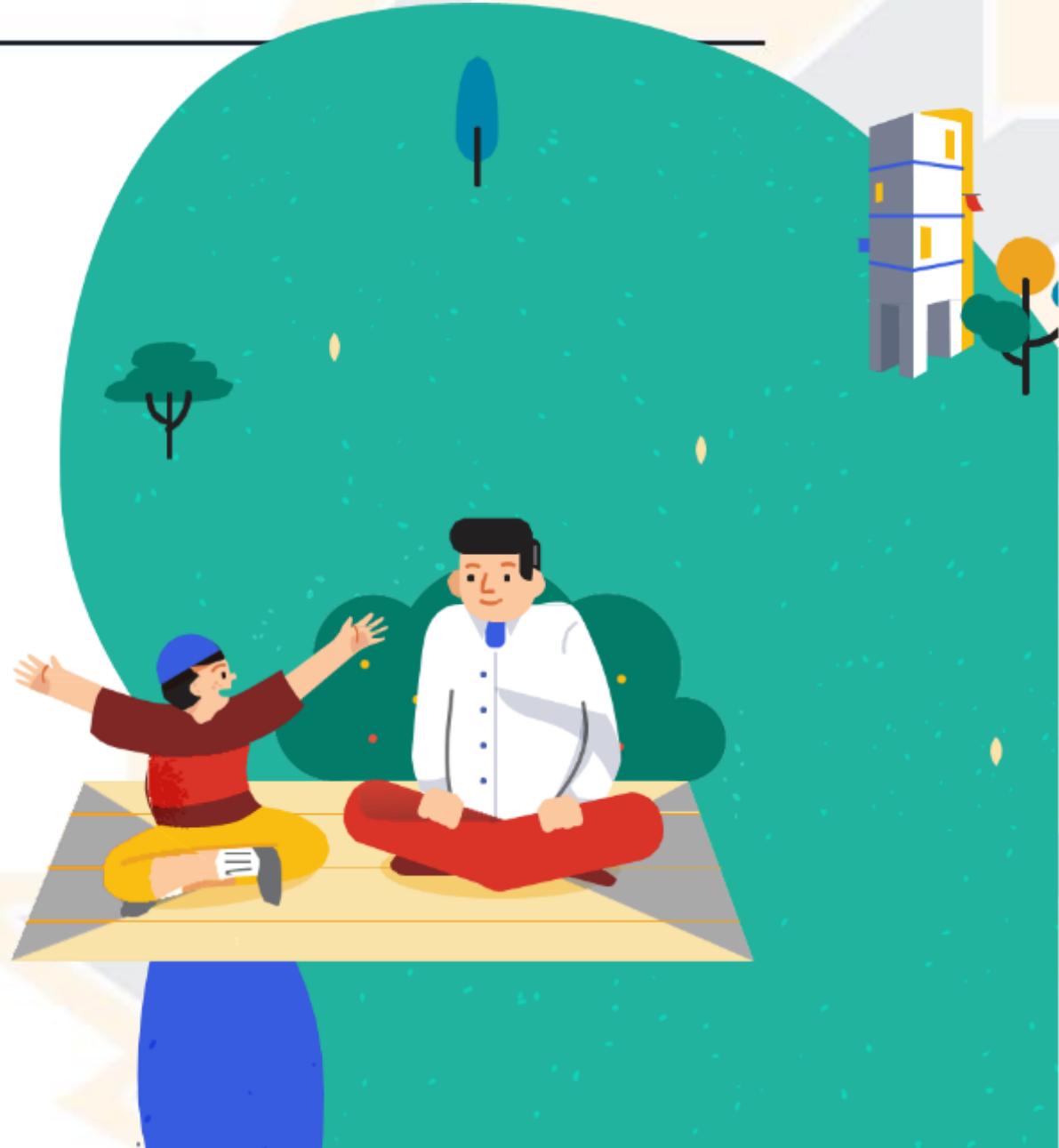
“May I please...”

“Hi! My name is...What is your name?”

“Could you help me with...”

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Providing opportunities for your child to share and take turns during playtime with other children



Developing Good Habits

Routines help your child build confidence and learn to manage things by themselves.

Take their temperature using a thermometer



Practise consistent pre-bedtime routines and have at least 9 hours of sleep



Wash their hands



Guide your child to do the following independently:



Dress themselves

Pack their bag and check for materials



Buy food at the canteen

Make healthy food choices



Knowing when and how to ask for help



Nurturing Positive Attitudes

Developing the right learning attitude will help your child learn better. You can encourage your child to:



Ask questions about their experiences and their observations on the world around them



Reflect on learning experiences, learn from mistakes and try ways to do something better



Persevere even when faced with challenges



Knowledge, Skills & Dispositions for the start of Primary 1



Values, Social-Emotional Competencies, Citizenship Dispositions

Art

English Language

Mathematics

Mother Tongue Languages

Music

Physical Education

• Understand and Care for Oneself	• Enjoy Participating in Art	• Listen and Speak for Enjoyment and Information	• Basic Understanding of Numbers Up To 10	• Enjoy and Show an Interest in Learning Mother Tongue	• Enjoy Participating in Music and Movement Activities	• Enjoy Physical Activities
• Show Care and Respect for Others	• Express Ideas and Feelings through Art	• Read with Enjoyment and Understanding	• Recognise Simple Patterns	• Enjoy and Show an Interest in Listening and Speaking in Mother Tongue	• Express Ideas and Feelings through Music and Movement Activities	• Display Coordination in Motor Tasks
• Make Responsible Decisions and Act on Them	• Demonstrate Awareness of Art from Different Cultural Groups	• Communicate Ideas and Information through Writing or Using Symbols or Letter-Like Shapes	• Compare Quantities Between Two Groups of Objects	• Demonstrate Awareness of Local Ethnic Culture	• Demonstrate Awareness of Music and Movement from Different Cultural Groups	• Demonstrate Awareness of Healthy Habits and Safety

YOUR CHILD IS READY. ARE YOU?



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What's in for me?

Join the Parent Support Group (PSG)!

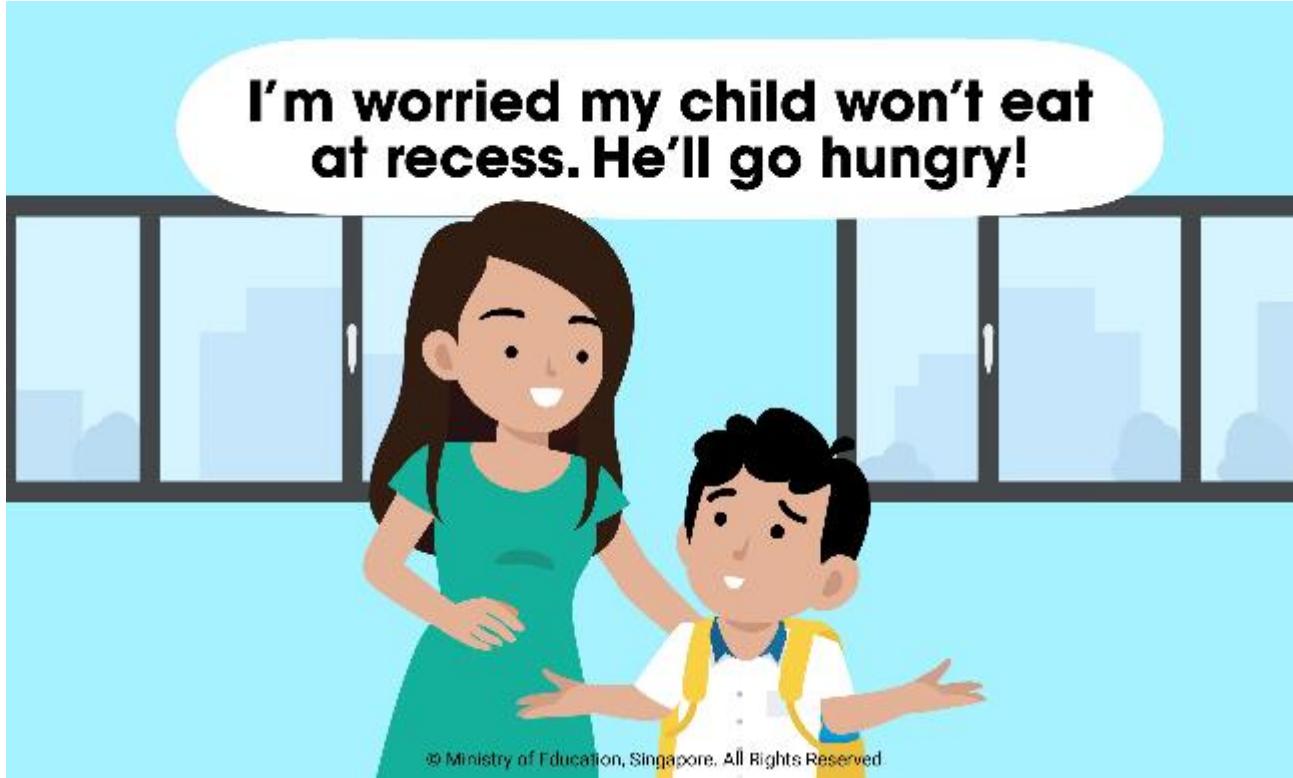
The PSG consists of a group of dedicated parents who partner the school to support fellow parents in nurturing their children.

It is the platform for parents to network, share, learn and support one other in this parenting journey.

Some of the initiatives of the PSG include:

- NE Events
- Festive Celebrations

Some questions you may have...



Remind your child that eating during recess is important as it helps them with the physical energy to continue focusing and learning in class.

Students may enjoy recess so much that they forget to eat. Some students may not be eating because they are shy about ordering food.

Encourage your child to eat during recess

- Let your child practise ordering food and making payment when out with the family
- If they need more time to build their confidence or observe how it is done by other students, you may pack a lunch box in the meantime, so they will always have something to eat
- If you worry that your child is not eating at all, discuss with your child's teacher

We get you ready for your primary school journey

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Hear from fellow parents, MOE educators and more on how
your child can get more out of their primary school experiences.
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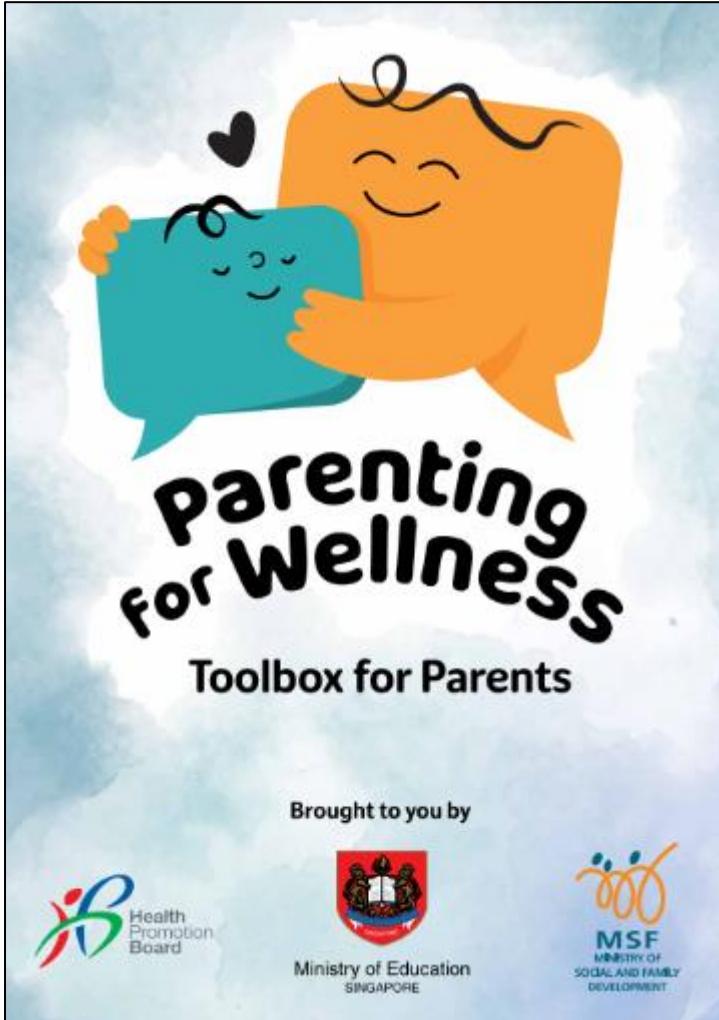


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Latest Resource: Parenting for Wellness Toolbox



An initiative to empower parents with key knowledge and skills to build strong parent-child relationships, strengthen their children's mental well-being and resilience, and parent effectively in the digital age.

The Toolbox for Parents **comprises bite-sized practical tips and strategies for parents**, such as ways to create a safe and nurturing home environment, build resilience in children, and stay safe online.



Check out Parenting Resources on Parents Gateway (PG)

Repository of parenting resources

A repository for parents to browse resources on topics such as preparing for Primary 1, forging parent-child relationships and education pathways.

The screenshot shows the PG app's main screen. At the top, there are two tabs: 'FOR YOU' (highlighted in blue) and 'EXPLORE'. Below this is a section titled 'Highlights' featuring a news item about refreshed guidelines for school-home partnership. Under 'Based on your preferences', there are three categories: 'Cyber wellness' (selected), 'Interpersonal skills', and 'Managing time'. A large image of a person interacting with a laptop is displayed. At the bottom, there are five navigation icons: HOME, CONTACTS, SERVICES, PARENTING (circled in blue), and PROFILE. A blue arrow points from the text 'A repository for parents to browse resources on topics such as preparing for Primary 1, forging parent-child relationships and education pathways.' to the 'PARENTING' icon.

The screenshot shows a 'Prepared for Primary 1' section. It displays a list of 13 available resources, starting with a guide titled 'HOW TO PICK & PACK SCHOOLBAG'. Below it is another resource titled 'P1 cheat sheet: How to pick and pack your schoolbag'. At the bottom, there is a 'PARENT KIT' for 'Starting Your Primary 1 Journey' with the text: 'Your child will be reaching another milestone going into Primary 1 soon.' and an illustration of two children.



Find out more about Parents Gateway here.

Resources in PG for every educational stage

Supporting your child through the Primary 1 journey



Fri, 23 September 2022

[Preparing for P1 - PDF] Supporting Your Child Through the Primary 1 Journey

Click to download or view this issue on preparing your child for P1.

Teach Your Child Social Emotional Skills

BE READY FOR LEARNING

What your child may learn in school



What you can do at home



Mon, 18 October 2021

[PDF] Social skills to prepare your child for Primary 1

Click to download or view this resource to learn how you can help your child learn social skills.



Mon, 23 August 2021

Are you over-preparing your child for P1?

Learn how overpreparing your child may hinder learning.



Wed, 15 December 2021

[NLB] LearnX Reading - Primary

Create fun experiences for your child to discover the joy of reading.

Find out what your child really needs for Primary 1.

Help develop your child's social and emotional skills by referring to this infographic.

Are you over-preparing your child for primary school?

How to cultivate the love for reading? Check out resources from the National Library Board.

Check out more resources from MOE

Parent Kit



Parent Kit

www.moe.gov.sg/parentkit

Each Parent Kit issue contains bite-sized actionable tips with supporting resources for parents to help them support their child in their education journey.

MOE Social Media Platforms



www.instagram.com/parentingwith.moesg



www.instagram.com/moesingapore

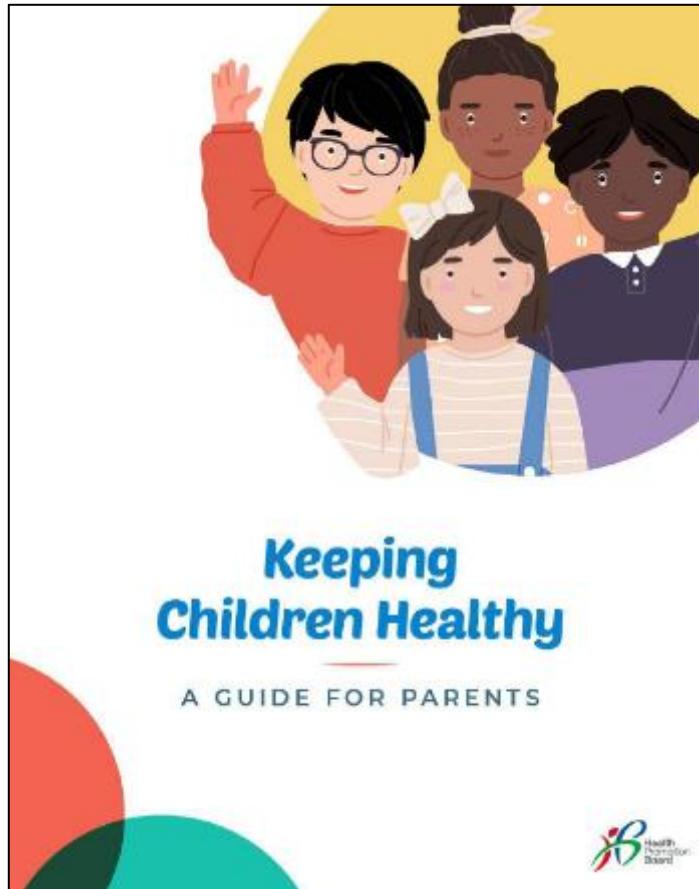


www.facebook.com/moesingapore



www.youtube.com/moespore

Keeping Children Healthy



Is your child transitioning to P1?

Unlike preschool where your child is served meals based on a fixed menu, they will have to start making more independent choices about what they want to eat in primary school.

This transition from being served to choosing for themselves can be daunting for children. Prepare them for it in the following ways:

- Talk to your child about 'My Healthy Plate' and highlight the importance of different food groups in our diet. Teach them how to choose a combination of dishes using the 'quarter-quarter-half' method so they learn to incorporate all food groups in their meals.

Here is an example of a meal that is not well-balanced, and a couple that are:



Edition 1



Edition 2



Edition 3

Family Values Card Game

Families for Life, in partnership with the Ministry of Education

- Designed for parent-child bonding and provide opportunities to discuss about family values as a family
- Families can learn how to play the game by scanning the QR code on the game box
- Parents are encouraged to make use of the conversation starters included in the rulebook to engage children in understanding and demonstrating the family values of **love, care and concern, commitment and respect**



Parent- Child Activity Book is readily available online:

**10 TIPS FOR
PARENTS** to help you
navigate your child's first year
in primary school.

- Chat** with your child
- Boost** their confidence
- Practise** various scenarios
- Create** something interesting
- Thank** others for their help
- Pledge** to do things together



Parent- Child Activity Book is meant for both parent and child's use:

How To Use This Book?

Primary school is an exciting time for all - not just for the kids, but for parents, too!

In this book, you'll find 10 tips for parents - to help you and your child adjust smoothly to primary-school life. Each tip includes activities which you can do together.

As this is an e-version, you may want to download this and print it, and let your child write or draw on paper. If you prefer an environmental-friendly way, screenshot the pages, or download it and use a mobile application for your child to doodle on it.

With your child, pick the activities that you'd like to do. You don't have to do them all!

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 This 'hand' tells your child what to do

 Try this!

Use an application and allow your child to doodle on it!

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Activities Inside Include:

→→→ Pledge →→→
Make promises and keep them

 Boost
Every child needs encouragement

 ★ Thank ★
Show gratitude. It's a great habit.

 Create
Make something awesome together

 Practise
Get familiar with new routines

 Show-and-Tell ★
Keep that conversation flowing

This will be a year of making great memories, together. Have fun learning with your child!

Your adventure begins on the next page.

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Parent- Child Activity Book

contains practical tips, tap on it!

Great Ideas For A Great Adventure

Paste a sticker after you complete each tip!
Stickers can be downloaded from <https://www.moe.gov.sg/parentkit>.

Before
school starts!

Tip 1 Get Ready For School

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Dec—before
school starts!

Tip 2. Practise Routines

pg 17 ~ 28
Dec—before
School starts!

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TIP 2



Practise Routines

Building good habits helps your child cope with the many new things they will encounter this year.

School is a lot more structured than your child is used to. Lessons are longer and so is the school day. Buying food at recess is a new experience and they will need to go to the washroom on their own. After-school activities and homework might take some getting used to. Practising routines will help your child face the unfamiliar with a smile!

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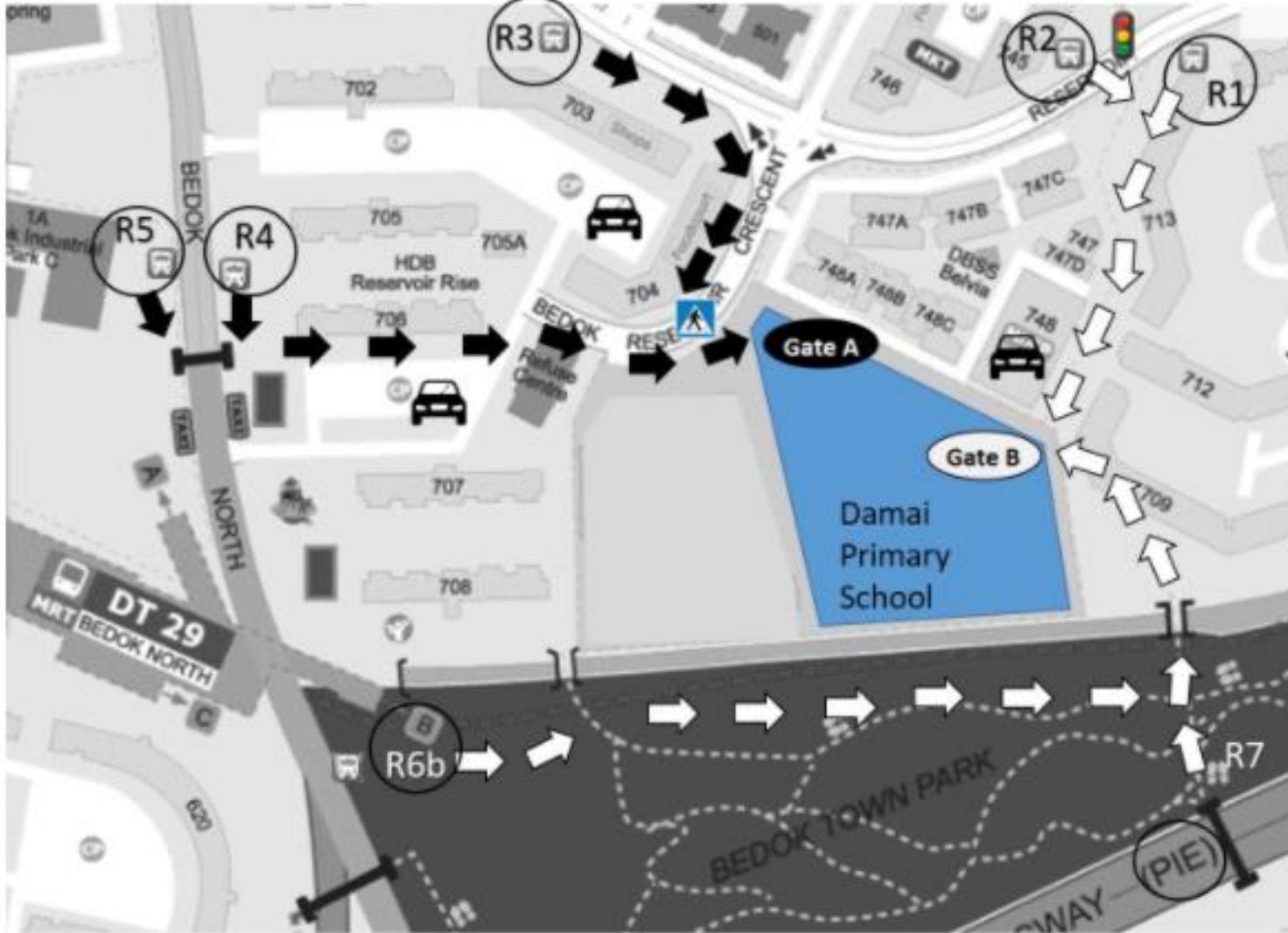
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PREPARING FOR SCHOOL



Safety & Security



Suggested Routes to Damai Primary School

Legend:

Traffic Light Junction

Zebra Crossing

Public carpark

Route to Gate A

Route to Gate B

Bus Stop

Mrt Exit B

Dismissal Arrangements

- Parents who will be driving and would like to pick up their children after school, can only do so after 1.45pm daily after the school buses have left the school compound.

Dismissal Arrangements

- Settle on a confirmed dismissal routine and share on 1st day of school
- Students will only be dismissed upon parents being sighted at the gate
- Other arrangements – waiting for older/younger siblings (sibling area), school bus, SCC

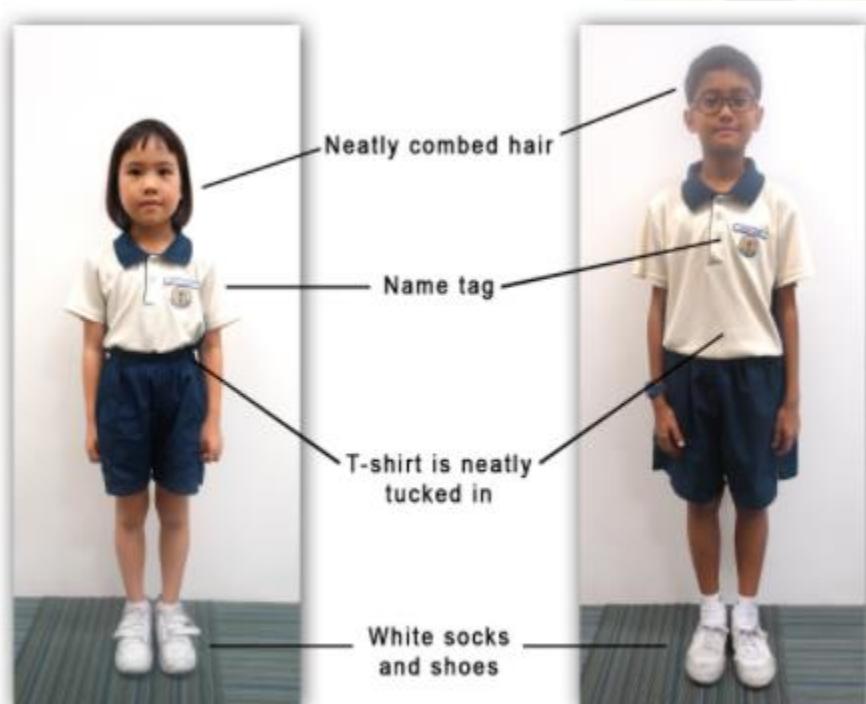
Preparing for School

- Providing a structured and supportive environment
- Providing greater support for students with special educational needs

Preparing for School

What to wear

- PE attire
- White school shoes
- White socks



Preparing for School

P1 Reporting and Dismissal Time

Curriculum Time	7.30am
Reporting Time	Preferably 5-10 min before 7.30am
Recess	8.30-9.00am
Snack Break	11.20am
Dismissal Time (Monday and Tuesday)	1.30pm (Week 1 onwards)
Dismissal Time (Wednesday to Friday)	1.00pm



First Day of School (2 January 2025)

Time	Activities
8.00 am *	Report to foyer Prefects to bring them to class
8.00 – 9.00am	Start it Right Programme Circle Time – Getting to Know You
9.00 – 9.30am	Recess
9.30 – 10.00am	Tour around the school
10.00 – 12.00pm	Start it Right Programme Knowing the people in the school Collection of Books (Orientation Booklet)

*Report at 8am only on first day of school, 2nd of January 2025
Dismissal Time: 12pm

P1 Recess

2 Jan to 6 Jan 2025

(Thursday, Friday and Monday)

Catered Recess

P1 Recess

From 7 Jan onwards

Recess Timing: 8.30am – 9.00am

**Students to bring \$3 to purchase food
during recess**

Buddy System

7 Jan to 14 Jan 2025 (Week 1 & Week 2)
**Primary 5 students will be paired up with
P1 students.**

**Work Hand-In-Hand
with The School**



Administrative Matters



Health & Dental Matters

Parent's Consent: On-line consent for screening, immunisation and dental treatment

(Enquiry Booth outside General Office)

Transport Arrangement

**Vendor : Aedge Holdings Pte Ltd
Contact No : 6458 7645**

Big Heart Student Care

After School Care Services

(1.30 p.m. – 7.00 p.m.)

Full Day Care Services for School Holidays

(7.30 a.m. – 7.00 p.m.)

**Interactive programmes designed for
Social & Emotional Development**

Learning Journeys during School Holidays



Mother Tongue for International Students

**All P1 students must opt for MTL -
Chinese, Malay or Tamil**

**International students may apply
to study a language in lieu of MTL
eg French, German or Japanese**

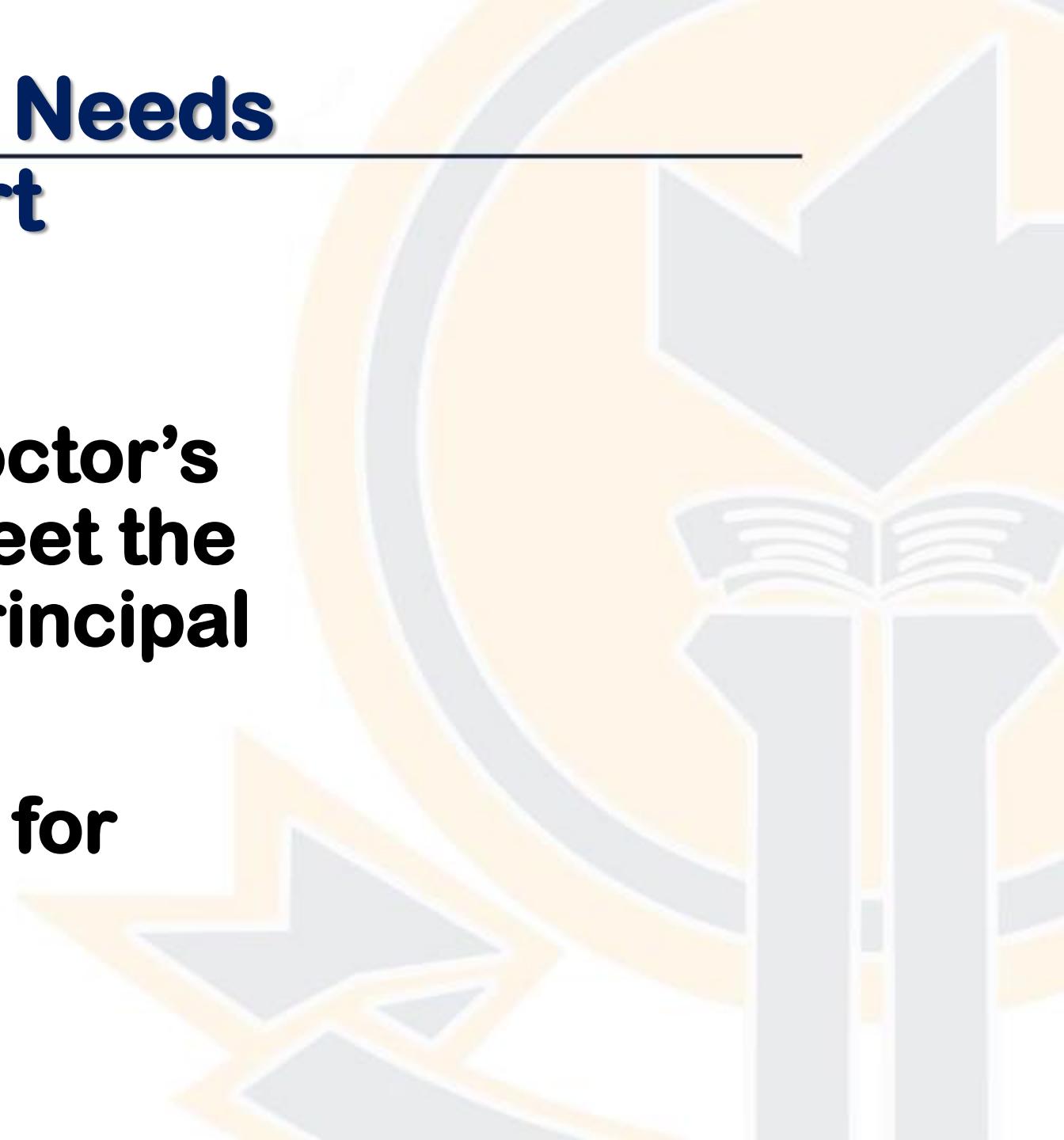
**Applications must be made
through the school and will be
approved on a case-to-case basis
by MOE**



Students with Special Needs and/or Doctor's Report

**Parents of children with
special needs and/or doctor's
reports are invited to meet the
Principal and/or Vice-Principal**

**Partnership with school for
better support**



Q & A



Other Matters

- Bookshops / Uniform Vendors will be operating during the school holidays (dates are available – refer to booklist)
 - Suggest **not to rush to buy today**
 - School will close at **5.00pm today**
 - Order online and book a date to collect or opt for home delivery – save your precious time
- Cost of books / PE attires – all reflected in the booklists
- School buses will be available to answer your queries



Other Matters

- For school fees enquiry, please approach General Office
- Name tag – same colour (blue) will stay with the cohort till they graduate. New sets of PE attire/uniform need to have their name tags
- Opening hours of Gate B as per school website. It will be available in the Student Handbook which the students will receive a copy in 2025



Thank You

