



Briefing to P5 Parents

Endeavour Promotes Success

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YEAR HEAD (P5 & 6)

- Works with the rest of the staff to provide every P5 & 6 student with quality school experiences.
- Monitors and supports students' academic and socialemotional development across P5 & 6.
- Plan and organise programmes and events as platforms to develop students.
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Navigating Primary 5

"Education...is painful, continual and difficult work to be done in kindness, by watching, by warning, by praise, but above all, by example."

— John Ruskin



Transiting from P4 to P5

- Changes in what they have to learn in the curricular and co-curricular
 - Increase in leadership responsibilities
 - Increase in number of topics
 - Need to show understanding, think critically, reason and apply the knowledge rather than just remembering facts

Transiting from P4 to P5

Changes in examination format

- Longer duration for examination papers
- EL
 - Addition of Situational Writing in Paper 1
- MA
 - Papers 1 and 2
 - Use of calculator for Paper 2
- MT
 - e-Oral

| Written Papers (Standard subjects) | Duration in P4 MYE | Duration in P5 EYE & PSLE |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| English Paper 1 | 50 minutes | 1 hour 10 minutes |
| English Paper 2 | 1 hour 15 minutes | 1 hour 50 minutes |
| Mother Tongue Paper 1 | 40 minutes | 50 minutes |
| Mother Tongue Paper 2 | 1 hour | 1 hour 40 minutes |
| Mathematics Paper 1 | 1 hour 45 minutes | 1 hour |
| Mathematics Paper 2 | NA | 1 hour 30 minutes |
| Science | 1 hour 30 minutes | 1 hour 45 minutes |



Assessment in EPS



The Ministry of Education (MOE) announced in September last year (2018) that mid-year examinations for Primary 3 and 5 as well as Secondary 1 and 3 students would be scrapped by 2021, to move away from the narrow focus on grades and help students discover the joy of learning.

| Term | P4 | P5 | P6 |
|------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1 | Mastery Test 1 | Mastery Test | Mastery Test |
| 2 | Mid-Year Examination (30%) | Weighted Assessment 1 (15%) | Mid-Year Examination (100%) |
| 3 | Mastery Test 2 | Weighted Assessment 2 (15%) | Prelim Exam (100%) |
| 4 | End-Year Examination (70%) | End-Year Examination (70%) | PSLE |

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Supporting your child at EPS

| Dates of Structured Programme | Levels involved |
|-------------------------------|------------------------|
| 22 to 24 June 2022 | P5 & 6 students |
| (Last week of June Holidays) | (8 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.) |

| Dates | Activity |
|--------------|-----------------------|
| 8 April 2022 | PSLE & DSA Briefing |
| | (4 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.) |



Developing your child at EPS

- P5 Adventure Camp (January)
- Code for Fun (January to April)
- Sexuality Education (January)
- Student Leadership Training (April)
- NE Show (July) TBC
- Eunos Olympiad (October)



Journeying with your child

Practical tips

- Co-construct a schedule of things to do each day with your child and be consistent in following through with it.
- They have to do a quick revision of the key points learnt on a new topic or a revision topic everyday.
 - There will not be enough time if they wait for the teachers to complete the topic

Journeving with your child

- Study hard, play hard & be happy
 - Time must be allocated for children to play and refresh their minds.
 - Happy children are happy learners.

Well-being of the Child

Practical tips

- Provide practical support and share your own experiences of dealing with stress and learning
- Communicate with your child in a supportive manner in daily conversations
 - What questions do we ask our children when they come home?



Instead of "How was your day at school?" try...

| What made you smile or laugh today? | What was the hardest thing you did today? How did you overcome it? |
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| What did you do that was really fun today? | Did someone help or said something nice to you today? |
| What was the least favourite thing that happened today? | Did you have challenges following what was taught in school today? |
| What did you do that was kind today? | Did you learn something you did not understand at first? What did you do? |
| If you could change one thing about your day, what would it be? | What do you look forward to do in school tomorrow? |

IF YOUR CHILD IS...

 Procrastinating because he/she is anxious

Distracted by digital devices

 Stuck in his/her revision because he/she has forgotten concepts learnt previously

YOU CAN TRY TO...

- Guide him/her to break down revision into smaller, more achievable tasks.
- Encourage your child to revisit the earlier chapters. If needed, ask them to approach his/her teachers and/or older siblings for help.

Teachers and parents play complementary roles in raising confident learners



Together with you, the teachers will:

- Let your child know that they are loved and accepted regardless of their examination performance
- Recognise that it is normal to feel stressed, anxious and nervous during the examination period
- Provide positive feedback and cheer him/her on for every improvement and progress
- Encourage them and be their best cheer leaders as much as it is not easy for us, remember that it is not easy for them too

Journey the year with your child

JUST 3 SIMPLE PARTS!

1. Start-of-year Check-in

REFLECT TOGETHER, MAKE AN ACTION PLAN (WISH, OUTCOME, OBSTACLE, PLAN), STICK YOUR PLAN UP SOMEWHERE VISIBLE!

2. Mid-Year Check-in

REFLECT TOGETHER. PLAN FOR THE JUNE HOLIDAYS USING A FUN BINGO GAME!





Dear Parents & Children.

Remember the reflection exercise about what makes us feel stressed or cared for and the WOOP Action Plan you set together at the start of the year?

0 - Obstacle

You might have stuck it up on a wall, or on your fridge, or kept it somewhere close.

As the mid-year holiday approaches,

let's take some time to reflect on how

you have stuck to your plan so far. and plan for a fulfilling and fun June holidays.



1. Individual Check-in Exercise 2. Joint Check-in Exercise

3. Holiday Bingo





WOOP Action Plan

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- 1. Individual Reflection 2. Joint Reflection
- 3. Joint Planning Exercise
- 4. Write out our Plan!



You/your child are beginning Some of you may be excited, and

Children

We want you to know that there will always be support for you

in your journey ahead. Like every other year, there might be challenges, but what remains constant is this:

Your well-being and health are most important.

This exercise will help you reflect on what kind of care and support you need, and how you can work with your family to get that support.

3. End-of-Year Check-in

REFLECT TOGETHER. WRITE A NOTE OF GRATITUDE. FIND OUT HOW MUCH SLEEP ANIMALS GET & TALK ABOUT THE KIND OF CONVERSATIONS YOU HAVE!

child's needs

and some ways to care for and support them this year.



Mid-Year

Check-in

WOOP

tion Plan

June Holidays!

This year, we will make sure that

To do this, we will

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Thank you!