

Geylang Methodist School (Secondary)

School General Information

Dear Parents, Guardians and our newly posted Secondary 1 Students,

A warm welcome to Geylang Methodist School (Secondary).

Under Full Subject-Based Banding or FSBB, Secondary 1 students will be in mixed form classes where they can interact with peers of various strengths and interests. With FSBB, we are moving towards a secondary school education where students learn each subject at the level that best caters to their overall strengths, interests and learning needs. Art, Design and Technology, Food and Consumer Education, PE, Citizenship and Character Education and Music will be offered as Common Curriculum subjects at lower secondary. More information will be provided at the Secondary 1 dialogue session on 6 January 2026 (Tuesday).

To help you settle into the new school environment, you may find it useful to note the following:

1. **School Attire**

School uniform and PE attire must be purchased from our school supplier, Bibi & Baba, only.

The uniforms can be purchased in school on the following dates:

Cut-off Date for Online Purchase	Date	Day		Time	Venue
	19/12/2025	Fri	For Sec 1 Only (Walk in purchase)	9am to 3pm	Level 1 Classroom
17/12/2025	22/12/2025	Mon	For Sec 1 Only	9am to 3pm	
	23/12/2025	Tue	For Sec 1 Only	9am to 3pm	
	26/12/2025	Fri	Walk in purchase / Self-Collection for Online	9am to 3pm	
23/12/2025	29/12/2025	Mon	Walk in purchase / Self-Collection for Online	9am to 3pm	
	30/12/2025	Tue	Walk in purchase / Self-Collection for Online	9am to 3pm	Outside CMS Foyer
4/1/2026	8/1/2026	Thurs	Walk in purchase / Self-Collection for Online	9am to 3pm	
	9/1/2026	Fri	Walk in purchase / Self-Collection for Online	9am to 3pm	

The Class and House allocations for your child/ward will be posted via PG by 22 December, Monday. You can proceed to buy your child's/ward's PE attire according to the house colour. Archer (Red), Lau (Green), Means (Yellow) and Mitchell (Blue). House allocation is also displayed on the noticeboard outside the General Office until the end of Term 1 Week.

Alternatively, the uniforms can be purchased directly from Bibi & Baba at #02-28, Far East Shopping Centre, Orchard Road, or its website (<https://www.schooluniforms.sg/geylang-methodist-secondary-school>).

Please refer to the [Purchase of School Uniform on the school website](#) for more details.

Guidelines on Socks and Shoes

Only white socks, at least of ankle length, are allowed.

White school shoes or track shoes of at least 70% white may be worn (front, tongue and back must be white).

Coloured track shoes may be worn on Fridays only.

2. Books and Materials

Books can be purchased from the school bookshop or via the online platform. Please refer to the [Secondary 1 booklist 2026 on the school website](#) for more details.

The books can be purchased in school on the following dates:

Date	Day	Level/ Stream	Time	Venue
19 Dec 2025	Fri	Walk-in purchase & FAS Collection for all 2026 Sec 1 only	9 am - 3 pm	Classroom (Level 1)
22 Dec 2025	Mon		9 am - 12 pm	
23 Dec 2025	Tue		9 am - 12 pm	
26 Dec 2025	Fri	Self-collection for online purchase (All Levels)	9 am - 3 pm	
29 Dec 2025	Mon		9 am - 3 pm	
30 Dec 2025	Tue		9 am - 3 pm	

Online purchase of textbooks and materials is strongly encouraged.

We strongly encourage parents to make your purchase via the Pacific Bookstores' online platform (<https://www.pacificbookstores.com>). Home delivery or Self-Collection is available for all online purchases.

3. Offering Subjects at a More Demanding Level

Eligible Secondary 1 students can offer English/ Mathematics/ Science/ Mother Tongue Language at a more demanding level based on their PSLE Achievement Level (AL) for each of these subjects. Students can choose to accept or reject the offer.

Eligibility criteria to offer English Language, Mother Tongue Languages, Mathematics and/or Science at a more demanding level			
Indicative Level of Most Subjects at Start of S1	PSLE Standard grade	PSLE Foundation grade	Option to offer subject at
G2	AL 5 or better	-	G3
G1	AL 5 or better	-	G2 / G3
	AL 6	AL A	G2

Parents whose child is eligible to take subject(s) at a more demanding level will receive the Offer Letter(s) via PG by **20 December, Saturday**. Please note that you may receive up to 4 separate Offer Letters, depending on the number of subjects your child is eligible for. You will need to submit the Offer Letter(s) by **26 December 2025 (Friday)**.

For further enquiries, please contact Ms Ng Peck Suan at ng_peck_suan@schools.gov.sg

4. Higher Mother Tongue Language (HMTL)

Please note that students who took Higher Mother Tongue Language (HMTL) in Primary Six are not automatically eligible for HMT in secondary school.

Eligibility criteria to offer HMTL:

Students with a PSLE Score of AL1/AL2 in MTL or D/M in HMTL.

The student would have received an MOE offer letter stating that the student qualifies for HMTL in secondary school. Students can choose to accept or reject the offer.

Eligible students will receive HMTL Offer Letters stating that they qualify for HMTL via PG. Parents/guardians are reminded to give consent via PG by **26 December 2025 (Friday)**.

OR

Based on the student's Secondary One results, the school and language centre will select and recommend nominated students to study HMTL in secondary school.

- Higher Chinese Language: Student's Semester 1 and Semester 2 Chinese Language results
- Higher Malay and Tamil Language: According to the requirements of the Language Centres

For further enquiries, please contact Ms Li Ping at li_ping@schools.gov.sg.

5. 3rd Language (L3)

The L3s which students are eligible for are indicated on their S1 Option Form. If a particular L3 is not indicated, it means they are not eligible for that L3. Students are to indicate the choices of L3 via (i) the S1 Internet System or (ii) through his/her primary school.

Eligibility criteria to offer L3:

Category	Language	Remark
1	Malay (Special Prog)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Students must get a PSLE Score of 24 or better.• Students must not have taken Malay or Higher Malay at PSLE.• Offered at Zonal Centres.
	Chinese (Special Prog)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Students must get a PSLE Score of 24 or better.• Students must not have taken Chinese or Higher Chinese at PSLE.• Offered at Zonal Centres.
2	Arabic	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Students must get a PSLE Score of 24 or better.• For Bahasa Indonesia, students must not have taken ML/HML as their MTL at PSLE.• You or your child must be a Singapore Citizen or Permanent Resident.• Offered only at MOE Language Centre(Bishan).
	Bahasa Indonesia	
3	French	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Students must obtain a PSLE Score of 8 or better.• For Japanese, students must have taken Chinese/Higher Chinese in PLSE
	German	
	Japanese	

	Spanish	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You or your child must be a Singapore Citizen or Permanent Resident. <u>MOE Language Centre (Bishan)</u> for French, Japanese and German <u>MOE Language Centre (Newton)</u> for French, Japanese and Spanish
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Please take note:

- All third languages are examinable subjects leading to the Singapore-Cambridge Secondary Education Certificate (SEC) examination.
- If number of applicants more than vacancies, applicants are selected based on PSLE results.
- Students who have been assigned M(SP) / C(SP) Zonal Centres must register online at the respective Zonal Centres websites to accept the offer. Students who have been offered a Foreign Language must register with MOELC to accept the offer.
- Students, who are successful in their application, will receive PG notification from school that they qualify for specific 3rd Language and registration matters. Parents/guardians are reminded to give consent via PG by **5 January 2026 (Monday)**.

For further enquiries, please contact Ms Li Ping at li_ping@schools.gov.sg.

6. School Hours

Reporting Time: 7.15 am

Dismissal Time: According to class timetable

The first day of school for 2026 is 2 January (Friday). Students will be dismissed at 1.15 pm on that day.

Secondary 1 students are to report in GMS(S) school uniform. They are to report in primary school uniform if they are not able to purchase the GMS(S) school uniform by the first day of school. Shoes should be white-based with white shoe laces.

There is a silent reading programme every day from 7.15 am to 7.30 am at the assembly ground / classroom. Students should bring an English storybook to school for this. Students will be considered late if they are not at the assembly ground / classroom by 7.25 am.

7. Secondary 1 Programme and 2-Day Non-Residential Orientation Camp

The Secondary 1 Orientation Programme will be held from **2 to 6 January 2026 (Friday to Tuesday)**. Students are **not required** to bring curriculum books during the orientation period. They will only need to bring an English storybook for silent reading in the morning.

Your child's/ward's individualised timetable will be distributed by the end of the first week of school. Your child will only need to bring his/her curriculum books and learning materials for lessons from 7 January onwards.

The theme of the Orientation camp is "Laying a Strong Foundation" with an emphasis on building good relationships with their classmates and developing their interpersonal and leadership skills.

Date: 5 and 6 January 2026 (Monday and Tuesday)

Venue: Geylang Methodist School (Secondary)

Time: 7.15 am – 3.30 pm (Monday) and 7.15 am – 8.30 pm (Tuesday)

Cost: \$30 (estimated)

For Singaporean students with authorised Edusave Enrichment Programme Standing Order (EPSO), the co-payment amount will be deducted from your child/ward's Edusave account. If there are insufficient funds in your child's/ward's Edusave account, the shortfall can be settled using GIRO if you have established standing order for payment of Enrichment Programme. Otherwise, kindly make payment via AXS station/AXS Mobile App.

For non-Singaporean students and students without Edusave EPSO, if you have established GIRO Standing Order for payment of Enrichment Programme, kindly maintain the sufficient fund in your bank account for GIRO deduction. Otherwise, kindly make payment via AXS station/AXS Mobile App.

8. **Secondary 1 Parents Dialogue Session**

Talks by Principal and Key Personnel, followed by Sec 1 Orientation Camp finale.

Date: 6 January 2026 (Tuesday)
Venue: Wesley Hall, Geylang Methodist School (Secondary)
Time: 6.30 pm – 8.30 pm

A light refreshment is provided by the PSG at 5.45 pm in the canteen. Please be seated in the Wesley Hall at 6.20 pm for the Dialogue Session.

9. **Photograph-Taking**

The school will arrange for a photographer to be present on **29 January 2026 (Thursday)**, during curriculum or after school hours. It is compulsory for photographs to be taken by the school to facilitate school administration matters. Students will have to be in full school uniform on the day of the photo-taking.

10. **Secondary 1 CCA Fair cum Trials**

Date	Day	Time
14 January 2026	Wednesday	3.00 pm – 5.30 pm
16 January 2026	Friday	2.30 pm – 5.30 pm

Attire: PE attire
Attendance is compulsory.

11. **National Digital Literacy Programme (NDLP) and the PLD Initiative**

NDLP was launched in 2020 to make digital learning inclusive by equipping students with digital skills to be future-ready. Every secondary school student will own a school-prescribed personal learning device (PLD) and they may use funds from their Edusave Account to pay for it. The use of the PLD for teaching and learning will:

- i. support the development of digital literacy in our students
- ii. support self-directed and collaborative learning and
- iii. enhance teaching and learning

You may refer to our school website for resources to support your child as they learn with their PLD: <https://www.geylangmethodistsec.moe.edu.sg/parents/PDLP/>

Our school has chosen the Chromebook (Lenovo 500E Gen 4S Enhanced) as the students' PLD. This will come with a 4-year insurance and warranty and cost about **\$676.80**. Students can tap on their Edusave to pay for the PLD. More information on the procurement will be shared via Parents Gateway.

Parents/Guardians can access the **Parental Consent for the Purchase of Personal Learning Device (PLD)** via a Parents Gateway (PG) notification that will be sent to you on **22 December 2025, Monday**.

Parents/Guardians who want to use Edusave funds for the PLD (for Singapore Citizens students only), please access: <https://go.gov.sg/edusaveformsgso> by **23 December 2025, Tuesday** to set up a **PDLP Standing Order** as this was not applicable during primary school.

Parents are to indicate their consent for purchase of the PLD and their preferred choice of Device Management Application (DMA) via the PG form by **6 January 2026, Tuesday**.