

Secondary 4 & 5 Principal-Meets-Parents

**31 January 2026
Principal's Address**



**HOUGANG
SECONDARY SCHOOL**

RESTRICTED/NON-SENSITIVE



School Vision

**Nurturing Empowered,
Future-Ready Hougeans of
Character and Purpose**





JANUARY

- GREAT Start Week
- Poly Open House Visits
- Student-Initiated Learning

MARCH

- Home Based Learning (HBL)
- CCA stand down
- Student-Initiated Learning
- National Exam Registration
- INSPIRE Series : ECG & VIA

FEBRUARY

- Home Based Learning (HBL)
- Student-Initiated Learning
- Mother Tongue Fortnight Activities



JUNE

- **GCE 'O' LEVEL MTL EXAMS**
- **Coursework Intensive**
- **Extended Curriculum Time**

MAY

- **Home Based Learning (HBL)**
- **Speech Day**
- **Sports Carnival**
- **4E Prelim EL Oral**
- **MT & Coursework Intensive**

APRIL

- **Home Based Learning (HBL)**
- **Interclass Games**
- **MTL Prelim**

Sec 4/5 Road Map 2026



OCTOBER/NOVEMBER

- GCE 'N' Level Written exams
- GCE 'O' Level Written exams
- GCE 'O' Level Science Practical exams
- Prom Night (tentative)

SEPTEMBER

- GCE 'N' Level Written exams
- Graduation Day

JULY/AUGUST

- EAE Interviews
- MTL Fortnight
- GCE 'N' & 'O' Level Oral exams
- School 'N' & 'O' Level Prelim exams

Top Concerns of Upper Sec Students

Areas of Concern

Exam Readiness

Time management

Career Guidance (Post-Secondary)

Conducive learning environment

Social-Emotional Support (School)

Safe Management Measures (SMM)

Financial

**Student
Ownership &
Mindset**

**Care &
Motivation**

**Diagnosis &
Targeted
Support**

**Supporting
Our
Graduating
Students**

**Technology-
Enhanced
Learning**

**Exam-Focused
Practice**

**Assessment
Feedback &
Reflection**



As Empowered Leaders of Self5 As @ HS

Attendance: Being present and punctual.

Attire: Being appropriately attired and groomed.

Attitude: Having the right learning attitude.

Activities: Ensuring a conducive learning environment, with the **right materials on the table**.
Being participative during lessons. **Submit quality homework on time**.

Attention : Being attentive during lessons.

CONDUCT OF TIMED PRACTICES

- **Timed Practices (TP)**, which begin in **Term 3 Week 1**, will provide teachers and students with feedback on students' overall learning and familiarise them with examination formats and conditions; taking into consideration students' learning needs, level of readiness and assessment load.
- **Sec 4 TP** will be scheduled by departments during curriculum and/or extended curriculum time slots; as a lead-in to the Preliminary and National Exams.
- **TP** may take the form of full-length paper(s) or truncated paper(s). Feedback will be given to students on their TP.

SCHOOL ASSESSMENTS



- Weighted Assessment 1 – **Term 1 Week 5 to 9**
- Weighted Assessment 2 – **Term 2 Week 4 to 8**
- 4E MTL / MTLB Preliminary Examination – **22 April**
- 4N Preliminary Examination (Written) – **12 to 21 Aug**
- 4E Preliminary Examination (Sci Prac) – **19 to 21 Aug**
- 4E Preliminary Examination (Written) – **24 Aug to 2 Sept**

GCE N LEVEL TIMELINES *(Tentative)*



- 'N' Level EL/MTL Syll A & T Oral Examination – **13 to 17 July**
- 'N' Level LC EL Syll A / N(T) BCL / BML – **15 Sept**
- 'N' Level LC EL Syll T / N(A) CL / ML – **16 Sept**
- 'N' Level CPA Practical Exam – **18 & 24 Sept**
- 'N' Level Written Exam – **14 to 24 Sept; 5 to 13 Oct**

GCE O LEVEL TIMELINES *(Tentative)*



- Mid-Year 'O' Level MTL / CLB / MLB Exam – **2 June**
- 'O' Level LC MTL – **7 July**
- 'O' Level EL / MTL Oral Examination – **13 to 17 July**
- 'O' Level Sci Practical – **30 Sept to 13 Oct**
- 'O' Level Computing Practical – **7 Oct**
- 'O' Level LC (EL & CLB/MLB) – **15 Oct**
- 'O' Level Written Exam – **19 Oct to 10 Nov**

COURSEWORK TIMELINES



Subject	Stream / Schedule
Art	4E – 23 Mar to 8 Jul, 5pm 4NA – 23 Mar to 8 Jul, 5pm 4NT – 23 Mar to 15 May, 5pm
D&T	4E – 23 Jan to 31 Jul, 5pm 4NA – 23 Jan to 17 Jul, 5pm 4NT – 23 Jan to 17 Jul, 5pm
NFS	4E – 23 Jan to 3 Aug, 5pm 4NA – 23 Jan to 13 Jul, 5pm 4NT – 23 Jan to 13 Jul, 5pm

SUPPORT FROM THE SCHOOL

- We have developed processes to monitor students' learning without MYE and leveraged the freed-up time and space to deepen students' learning.
- We will monitor students' learning progress; and give them feedback and guidance to improve their learning through regular interaction in class and assignments.
- We will continue to help our students focus on learning and mastery, and develop in them the intrinsic motivation, resilience and confidence to learn, which will enable them to learn for life.

How else do we support our students beyond the academic subjects?



Exposure through LJs to Poly in Jan, and Career talks and Sharing by Alumni in April 2025



Guidance in preparing for Aptitude-based Admission (EAE and DSA) and digital portfolio through talks and CCE lessons



Building Mental Fitness (building a wellness capsule and positive outlook of the future) through CCE lessons and assembly programmes throughout the year



Preparing Students for Aptitude Admissions Exercise (DSA – JC / EAE Poly/ITE)

NAME:



SIL-ECG PORTFOLIO

Charting my growth in HS

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PERSONAL

I play music

My Certificates

SCHOOL EXPERIENCES

CCA

VIA

ECG

Others

EXPLORATION

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Exploring ECG Pathways



Education & Career Guidance @ The Engagement Centre (Canteen)

**School Term Tues & Wed
(except PH) 8am to 5pm**

Book an appointment -
One to One or Group

<https://go.gov.sg/hss-ecgc>

Drop me an email:
Juan_peiling@schools.gov.sg

- Help students discover their strengths, interests and aspirations.
- Guide students in making informed plans for their education and career through individual and group guidance sessions or workshops.
- Support students in their applications to POLY EAE, ITE EAE, DSA-JC.

Booking link



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Our School Counsellor



Mrs Laila

Senior School Counsellor

Book appointment
face-to-face at the
counselling room

OR
via Character Coach

Communicating with Teachers

- In line with the Ministry of Education's Five-Day Work Week, parents are advised that **teachers can be contacted during weekdays between 7.30 am and 6 pm.**
- All teachers' email addresses are also available on the school website for parents' convenience.
- Parents can also contact the General Office at 6385 1990 for further assistance.