



WELCOME



2023 P1 Orientation E-Handbook

GETTING READY FOR SCHOOL



What can I do to help myself be better prepared for primary school?



For me, what helps me the most is to make sure that my bag is packed before I go to bed every night. I also make sure that I have at least 8 hours of sleep and eat a proper breakfast before going to school each morning.



GETTING READY FOR SCHOOL



- a) Packing my own bag for school
 - What to bring to school daily
 - Healthy snack break
- b) Putting on my school uniform
- c) Name Tag with lanyard
- d) Arriving at school
- e) Road safety reminders
- f) Other useful resources for my parents/guardians



GETTING READY FOR SCHOOL



- g) School Term & Vacation Dates
- h) School hours
- i) During School
- j) Dismissal gates and arrangement
- k) Digitised parent - child activity book

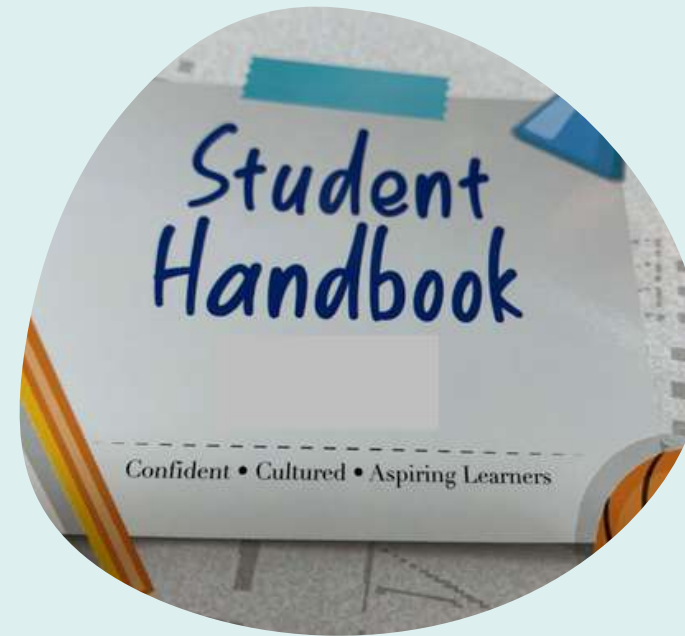
WHAT TO BRING TO SCHOOL DAILY



Thermometer



Name tag with lanyard



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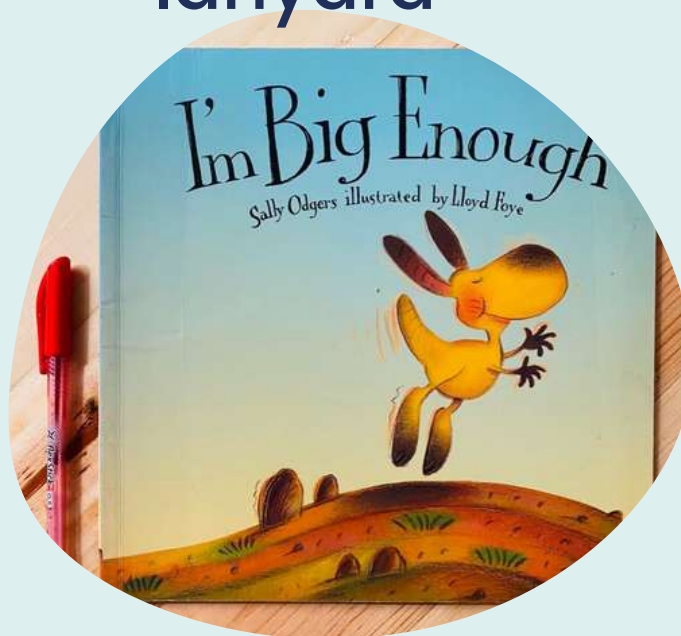
Pocket money in small wallet



1 mask (optional)



Water bottle



Story book



Stationery & coloured pencils



Healthy & light snacks

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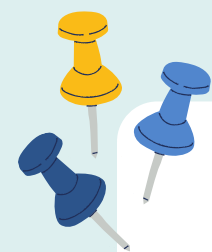
Complete the 'Personal Particulars' page in the GEMbeats (Student Handbook).

Bring your GEMbeats to school daily to record notes and homework.

Go through the school rules in the GEMbeats with your parent/guardian. The school rules are written to ensure the safety and well-being of you and your fellow schoolmates around you.

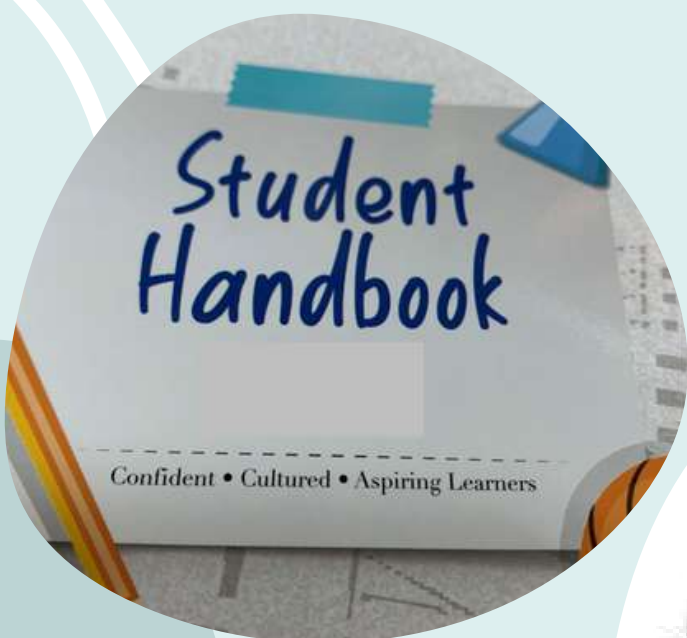
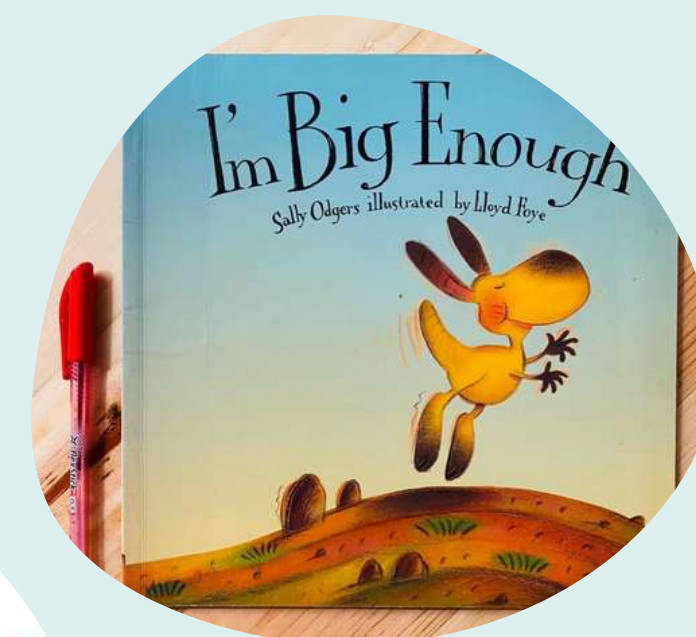
Therefore, be at your best and be mindful of what you should or should not do when in school. Together, we will make NSPS a happy learning school for all.





WHAT TO BRING ON FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

To make sure that your school bag is not too heavy, pack your bag with your parent/guardian using the guide on what to bring daily.





HEALTHY SNACK BREAK

You will have a 10-minute snack break daily,
between 11 am to 11.30 am.

Do pack some healthy, light snacks
that you can eat in the classroom.



PUTTING ON MY SCHOOL UNIFORM

We are allowed to put on the school's prescribed PE attire on days when there are PE or PAL lessons only.

On all other days, we are expected to be in our school prescribed full school uniform. For more details, refer to the school website for guidelines on school uniform.



PUTTING ON MY SCHOOL UNIFORM



Remember to put on your plastic name tag with the lanyard daily.

This is for the teachers and staff in school to easily identify and assist you upon arrival and during dismissal.

You can also purchase the name tag from bookshop if you lost or need replacement due to wear and tear.



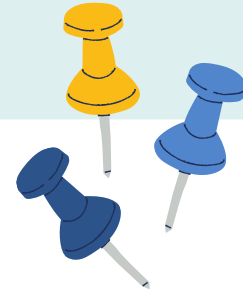
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ARRIVING AT SCHOOL



ARRIVAL GATES



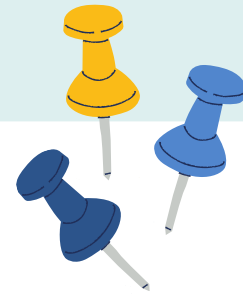
Gate B opening hours:
7 am – 7.25 am (Daily)



Gate B is located
in front of the school
where the traffic light crossing is.

ARRIVING AT SCHOOL

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Gate C opening hours:
7 am – 7 pm (Daily)

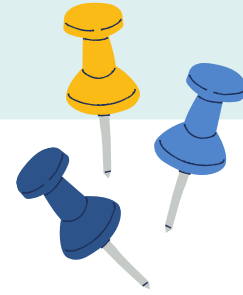


Gate C is where the security guard house is.

ARRIVING AT SCHOOL



ARRIVAL GATES



Gate F opening hours:

7 am – 7.25 am (Daily)



Gate F is gate that is located nearer to the bus-stop.

ROAD SAFETY REMINDERS



Notes to Parents/Guardians

For the safety of our pupils, unauthorised vehicles are not allowed into the school compound.

You are strongly encouraged to park your vehicles at the multi-storey car park directly opposite or next to the school. You could walk across to the school building using the pedestrian crossing when you fetch your child/ward home after dismissal.

Remind your child/ward to cross safely using the traffic lights/zebra crossing.

ROAD SAFETY REMINDERS



Notes to Parents/Guardians

In the event of inclement weather, parents/guardians can drive into the school compound to drop the child/ward off at the sheltered school foyer.

Please ensure that your child/ward has his/her school bag with him/her and is ready to alight in the shortest time possible.

Parents/guardians should refrain from alighting from your vehicles to hug or bid goodbye to your children or to take bags out from the car boot.

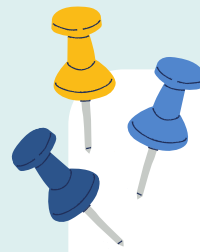
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Notes to Parents/Guardians

Please note that on rainy days, a massive traffic jam may occur outside and within the school's premises at peak hours. When you drive out of the school premises, kindly make a left turn only at the exit gate to facilitate a smooth flow of traffic during heavy traffic conditions.

Your cooperation is much appreciated to facilitate the smooth and safe arrival of all students to school during the busy hours in the morning. Please be safe and considerate to other road users.



OTHER USEFUL RESOURCES FOR MY PARENTS/GUARDIANS

Notes to Parents/Guardians

Our children do best when school staff and parents work cooperatively to support them.

We hope the following resources on school-home partnership will be a useful reference for parents in helping our children pick up self management skills, build resilience and take responsibility for and ownership of their learning.

<https://www.moe.gov.sg/parentkit>



School Term:

<i>Semester 1</i>	
<i>Term 1</i>	<i>Tuesday 3 Jan to Friday 10 Mar</i>
<i>Term 2</i>	<i>Monday 20 Mar to Friday 26 May</i>
<i>Semester 2</i>	
<i>Term 3</i>	<i>Monday 26 Jun to Friday 1 Sep</i>
<i>Term 4</i>	<i>Monday 11 Sep to Friday 17 Nov</i>

We attend school regularly and punctually so that we can learn with our classmates and achieve our full potential.

SCHOOL TERM & VACATION DATES

School Vacation:

<i>Between Terms 1 & 2</i>	<i>Sat 11 Mar to Sun 19 Mar</i>
<i>Between Semesters 1 & 2</i>	<i>Sat 27 May to Sun 25 Jun</i>
<i>Between Terms 3 & 4</i>	<i>Sat 2 Sep to Sun 10 Sep</i>
<i>At End of School Year</i>	<i>Sat 18 Nov to Sun 31 Dec</i>

✧✧ SCHOOL HOURS

The first school bell rings at 7.30 am to signal the start of the school day.

For primary 1 pupils, do arrive in school on time by 7.25 am and get ready for your first period to start the day's learning. Reporting time for Monday and Friday is at 7.55 am as the first period starts at 8 am.

✧✧ Pupils arriving after 7.25 am will be recorded as late-comers.

<i>Curriculum Hours</i>	
<i>Monday</i>	8 am – 1.30 pm
<i>Tuesday</i>	7.30 am – 1.30 pm
<i>Wednesday</i>	7.30 am – 1.30 pm
<i>Thursday</i>	7.30 am – 1.30 pm
<i>Friday</i>	8 am – 1.30 pm

DURING SCHOOL

What does my first day of school look like?



The first day of school for 2023 will be Tuesday 3 January 2023.

There will be orientation (including recess) activities for P1 pupils on that day. The P1 orientation programme will run from 7.45 am to 1.30 pm.



There will be more than 1 teacher assigned to each P1 class to ensure that all pupils are taken care of. The teachers will also help to orientate the P1 pupils to their new surrounding.

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In view of the limited seating capacity, we would like to request that at most 2 parents should accompany each child into the school compound on the first day of school, 3 January 2023 Tuesday.



Teachers will be ready to receive pupils and parents at the arrival gates and direct them to their classrooms. Parents/Guardians will be directed to the school hall after sending their children to the classrooms. The Year Head for Primary 1 and Heads of Department for the various subjects will be conducting a Parents' Talk in the hall at 8 am.

DURING SCHOOL

What time is recess ?



All P1s will have their recess from 9.15 am to 10 am (extra 15 mins for the first 3 days).

Parents/ guardians will only be able to enter the school premises during recess on Day 1 at designated areas.

Do not worry. Your caring Form Teachers will be there to guide you and ensure your safety during recess. The friendly aunties and uncles at the different food stalls will also help you.

DURING SCHOOL

Where do I go when the dismissal bell rings?



Dismissal time can be quite confusing for any pupil who is new to the school.

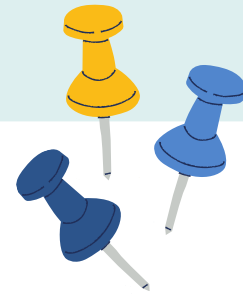
Talk to your parents/ guardians about where to go during dismissal.



Do not change the dismissal venue without informing your Form Teachers.

If you are unsure what to do and where to go, talk to your Form Teachers and ask for help.

DISMISSAL GATES



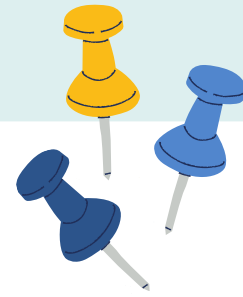
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1.30 pm – 2 pm



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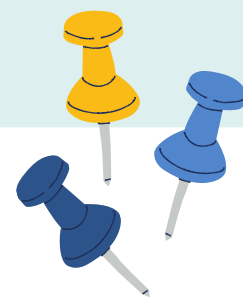


Gate C opening hours:
1.30 pm – 7 pm



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DISMISSAL GATES



Gate F opening hours:

1.30 pm – 2 pm



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✧✧ **DISMISSAL ARRANGEMENT**

Be familiar with how you are going home from school.

Write down your dismissal arrangement on your name tag and GEMbeats (Student handbook) so that your teachers can refer to it.

At dismissal, your class teacher will bring you to your dismissal point. ✧✧

DISMISSAL ARRANGEMENT



Taking school Bus

Assemble in the School Hall

Teachers will lead pupils to the foyer and hand them over to bus drivers.



Attending Student care Centre (SCC)

Assemble at back of the school hall.

SCC teachers will fetch pupils from school hall and usher them to SCC.



DISMISSAL ARRANGEMENT



Going home with older siblings studying in NSPS
Assemble at respective Gates B, C & F or canteen
Older siblings will fetch them from the respective
school gates or canteen and go home together.



DISMISSAL ARRANGEMENT

To be fetched by parents/ guardians

Assemble at respective Gates B, C & F

Inform your child/ward the specific gate that he/she will be fetched.

Teachers will accompany pupils to the respective gates for dismissal.

*Should your parents/guardian be late, please go to the Guard Post and make a call.



WHAT TO DO IF I AM UNWELL AND CANNOT ATTEND SCHOOL

If you are unwell and cannot attend school, your parents/ guardian will have to inform the General Office staff or your Form Teachers via Class Dojo.

When you return to school, submit your medical certificate (MC) or letter of excuse to your Form Teachers.

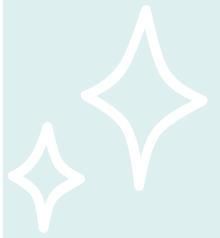




WHAT TO DO IF I AM UNWELL DURING LESSONS

If you feel unwell during lessons, please let your class teacher know immediately. Your teacher will advise you on what to do next.

You will need to be fetched home from school by your parents/guardians or an authorised adult. Your parents/guardian needs to fill up a form before leaving the school compound with you.





WHAT TO DO IF I HAVE FORGOTTEN TO BRING MY HOMEWORK/ POCKET MONEY/ LEARNING MATERIALS TO SCHOOL

If you have forgotten to bring an item that you need to submit or use in school, stay calm and inform your teachers in class. Your teacher will guide you on the next step to take.

Notes to Parents/ Guardians

We seek your cooperation in refraining from bringing money, water bottles, PE attire or books which your child/ward has forgotten to bring to school. We would like to instill RESPONSIBILITY in each child, not through punishment but devising ways with the child to help him/her remember. We will ensure that your child/ward gets to eat even if he/she forgets to bring pocket money to school and for all the above, we will use our GEMbeats as a tool of communication with you.





HOW CAN MY PARENTS/GUARDIANS COMMUNICATE WITH MY TEACHERS

We look forward to partnering parents/guardians closely to provide the best possible learning environment for you. There are several platforms for your parents/guardians to get in touch with the teachers. These platforms include:

- GEMbeats
- Class Dojo ~ Form Teachers will send an invite
- Parents Gateway
- Teacher's email address ~ available on school website
- School email address: nsps@moe.edu.sg
- General Office telephone number: 6881 6887
~~7 am to 5 pm





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Notes to Parents/ Guardians

We would also like to appeal to our parents to make an appointment with the teachers should they wish to meet them. Our teachers have packed schedules during curriculum hours and may not be able to meet our parents on a short notice. Our teachers will try to respond within 3 working days, unless the issue raised is urgent and requires immediate attention. We would also appreciate if you could also refrain from contacting teachers via mobile phone calls and SMS/WhatsApp messages after office hours. Office hours are from 7.30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekdays during term time.





BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

For the safety of your fellow classmates, especially those with food allergies and dietary restrictions, birthday cakes and food items are not allowed for birthday celebrations in school. If you wish to share the birthday goody bags, please pack stationery inside.

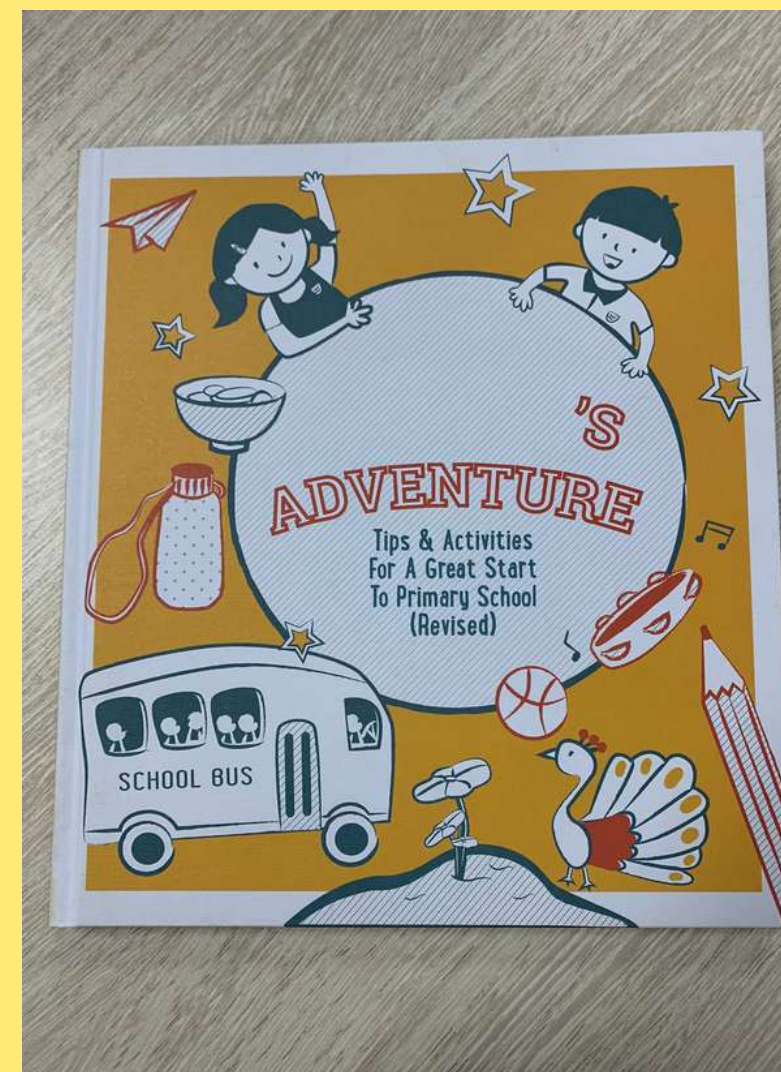


HOW CAN I BETTER PREPARED FOR SCHOOL?

Your parents/guardians could refer to the digitised version of the parent-child activity book. They would receive a physical copy when school reopens.

The book has useful tips as well as purposeful activities that you can both engage in to help prepare for your Primary 1 journey.

Have fun and see you on 3 January 2023



THANK YOU

