



# **RAFFLES GIRLS' PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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Dear Parents/Guardian

## **PARENT'S OPTION ON PUPIL'S SUBJECT COMBINATION AT PRIMARY 5, 2021**

1. Your child/ward will receive the Parent's Option Form together with her report book on 13 November 2020.
2. Please exercise your option and return the form to your child/ward's form teacher by Tuesday, 17 November 2020. If you have any queries about the option, please consult your child/ward's form teacher. **No change of option will be allowed after 17 November 2020.**
3. Pupils who achieve a Band 1 for P4 Mother Tongue (MT) will be recommended to take Higher Mother Tongue (HMT) in P5. Pupils who do not take HMT in P5 are not allowed to take HMT in P6.
4. At the end of P5, only pupils who have met the following criteria can continue to take HMT in P6:

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Results</b>
MT	At least Achievement Level 4 (75 marks and above)
HMT	Pass

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Yue Yoke Mun  
Principal  
(via Parents' Gateway)

## **Information on Higher Mother Tongue (HMT) for Primary 5 (2021)**

### **1. Textbooks and Workbooks**

HCL/HML:

- Pupils taking Higher Chinese Language (HCL) and Higher Malay Language (HML) will be using the HCL/HML textbook and workbook only.

HTL:

- Pupils taking Higher Tamil Language (HTL) will be using both the TL and HTL textbooks.

### **2. School Examinations**

- Pupils taking HMT will sit for both MT and HMT papers at Mid-Year Examination and End-of-Year Examination.

<b>MT Examination</b>		<b>HMT Examination</b>	
Components	Marks	Components	Marks
• Oral	50	• Composition	40
• Listening Comprehension	20	• Language Paper	60
• Composition	40		<b>Total: 100</b>
• Language Paper	90	<i>HMT results will be reflected in the report book as Grades (Distinction, Merit or Pass).</i>	
	<b>Total: 200</b>		

### **3. Additional Lessons for HMT**

HCL:

- HCL lessons will be conducted within curriculum time in 2021. There is no afternoon lesson needed for HCL lessons.

HML/HTL:

- Pupils who take HML and HTL will have to attend a weekly lesson outside curriculum hours that is conducted on a Monday afternoons. Kindly note that these lessons are **compulsory**. Parents/Guardians have to make their own transport arrangements for their children who are attending the weekly afternoon lesson.

4. **Withdrawal of HMT**

- Any application to withdraw from HMT will be considered on a case by case basis. Pupils may submit their application during the following periods:
  - a. Within 2 weeks after P5 Mid-Year Examination release of results in 2021
  - b. Within 2 weeks after P5 End-of-Year Examination release of results in 2021
- Please take note of the following withdrawal procedures:
  1. Pupils who wish to withdraw from HMT are to submit a letter to the Mother Tongue teacher from the Parent/Guardian to state their intent.
  2. The Mother Tongue Teacher will issue an official form for withdrawal to the pupil for Parent/Guardian to fill up.
  3. Pupils will return the completed form to the Mother Tongue teacher for submission to the Principal for approval. Parents will be informed of the outcome of the application.

5. **Admission to SAP schools**

- For more information on how HCL will affect admission to SAP schools, pls refer to MOE microsite: <https://www.moe.gov.sg/microsites/psle/FAQs/special-cases.html>.
- The list of 11 SAP schools and their information can be found in the following website: <https://sis.moe.gov.sg/Results.aspx>