

Parent Support Group



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It takes a village to raise a child

- ❖ Parents are critical partners, both at home, and at school.
- ❖ The Parent Support Group (PSG) provides a great opportunity to support our children in their education journey.
- ❖ Benefits of joining PSG

CHILD



Boost Confidence

YOU



Glimpse into Their World

SCHOOL



Informed & Active

School Importance



Meet other Parents



School Support



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Parents get involved in school to have greater bonding with their children



Ms Joey Ching and her husband Mr David Ting (long sleeved checked shirt), with their five children: (back row from left) Ethan, 20, Solomon, 19, (front row from left) Joshua, 15, Sophia, 10, Emmanuel, 13. PHOTO: JOEY CHING



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SINGAPORE - When Ms Joey Ching's eldest son started school at Admiralty Secondary in 2015, she was so touched by the concern the teachers showed the students that she decided to sign up to be a parent volunteer so that she could give back to the school.

She liked the supportive environment where students who struggled academically were pulled aside for small group coaching sessions.

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Students do better when their parents get involved in school activities



Civil servant Ganesh Maniam, with his wife Kanjana Lee, a customer service executive, and children Kavil Ganeshan, 12, and Jayashree Ganeshan, 13. PHOTO: CHONG JUN LIANG



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SINGAPORE - Students are more engaged with school and enjoy it better when their parents take an interest in their school life by getting involved in activities, such as volunteering, parent-teacher meetings or school events, a new study has found.

A case can be made for continued school-family partnerships even though fewer parents volunteer when their child moves up to secondary school, said a National Institute of Education (NIE) survey of some 7,500 Primary 4 and Secondary 2 students from 37 schools.



How can you contribute?



Time

Volunteer your time to either support or conduct the school's programmes and events



Talent

Share your expertise, talents,
individual interests or
personal networks



Thoughts

Brainstorm and contribute ideas
to the school and PSG for
making school life more vibrant
and caring

Parent Volunteer

Choose how you would like to contribute

PSG EXCO Member

Ad-hoc Event Support e.g. Racial Harmony Day

Regular Event Support

e.g. EL / MTL Reading Programmes

Event Planning & Coordination



Count Me In!

**Sign up and indicate your preference.
Parent Volunteer / PSG EXCO Member or both!
Together, we bring out the best in our students!**



My Tech-Savvy Child

Information & Communication
Technology (ICT)
Sharing with Parents



IPW Programme for Primary 1

Aims:

- To equip children with basic computer skills such as touch-typing skills, creating presentations and learning with searches.
- To develop children's Emerging 21st Competencies skills (Design thinking, Critical and Creative thinking, Collaboration skills etc.)



Semester	Modules
Semester 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cyber-wellness• Basic Computer Operation• Touch-typing
Semester 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Introduction to coding (Osmo)• Lego – Creativity thinking• Multimedia/Word Presentation



Home-Based Learning (HBL)

- Parents will be informed of the HBL days.
- For the loan of digital devices or internet access, parents would need to indicate should they require them.
- A HBL schedule with instructions on how to access the HBL materials will be posted through Parents Gateway or on the school website.



Parent Support for HBL

- You can support your child by providing a conducive environment at home by:
 - Setting up an area conducive for learning, such as at the dining table or study desk.
 - Working out a routine for your child as you may not always be present to supervise him/her. The routine could comprise study, meal, rest times and recreational activities.
 - Establishing an agreement with your child on managing screen time.
 - Encouraging your child to maintain an optimistic and positive outlook while going through HBL.



Good practice sharing

What are some issues that parents faced during HBL?

What are some good practices or routines that we can use to help your child with HBL?



DigitalAccess@Home

DigitalAccess@Home provides subsidised broadband and laptops/tablets to lower-income households to support their lifestyle needs, including work and social activities.

You can check your eligibility and how to apply for this scheme on this website:

<https://www.imda.gov.sg/how-we-can-help/digital-access-at-home>



Important Online Learning Portals

1. Student iCON

2. Student Learning Space (SLS)

3. Virtual Online Meeting

(Microsoft Teams)



Student iCON

Student iCON – Collaboration Learning

- <https://idp.mims.moe.gov.sg/>

- Login ID will be**

- full name@students.edu.sg

- Password will be**

- Password and Login ID will be given to parents to activate the account.
 - Password and security questions to be set upon first time login

Bookmark for quick access



Refer to the school website for Information on SLS Helpdesk
- Resources -> Student's Hub - > Useful Links and Helpdesk

MIMS Portal - <https://idp.mims.moe.gov.sg/>

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MIMS Portal

Please login using your MIMS account. For Students, your MIMS login ID is <Full_Name>@students.edu.sg. For School Staff, your MIMS login ID ends with @schools.gov.sg. For HQ Staff, your MIMS login ID ends with @hq.moe.gov.sg. If you encounter difficulties logging in, please approach your teachers (for Students) or MIMS Administrators (for Staff).

Username i

Password o

[Forgot Password?](#)



Student Learning Space (SLS)

SLS – Online Learning Portal

□ vle.learning.moe.edu.sg

□ **Login ID will be**

- First 5 characters of name + last 5 characters of BC number

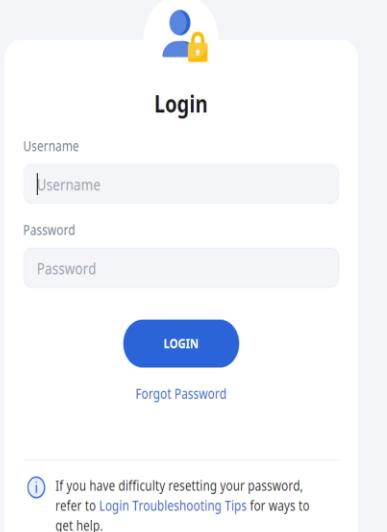
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□ **Password will be**

- Password and Login ID will be given to parents.
- Form teachers will be able to reset the children's passwords if they have forgotten them.

Students can login using MIMS, only after account has been activated.

Bookmark for quick access



Online Live (Synchronous) Lessons



A screenshot of the SINGAPORE Student Learning Space (SLS) interface. The top bar says "SINGAPORE Student Learning Space". Below it is a navigation menu with the following items:

- Home
- Announcements (highlighted with a blue oval)
- Planner
- Assignments
- Resources
- Class Groups

Look for the
Microsoft Teams
Information under
SLS
announcement.



Online Live (Synchronous) Lessons



**Refer to the school website for Guide to Join Microsoft Teams Meeting
- Resources -> Student's Hub -> Useful Links and Helpdesk**

3) Guide to Join Microsoft Teams Meeting

Starting in 2025, the school will be transitioning to Microsoft Teams for online meetings.

 [Click here for the Guide to Join Microsoft Teams Meeting](#)



Student Handbook

My Online Learning Portals

Student Learning Space
URL: <https://vle.learning.moe.edu.sg/login>

Login ID: _____
Password (Optional): _____

 What should you do if you have forgotten your SLS password?
Use the 'Forgot Password' function on SLS login page to reset your password.

What should you do if your SLS account is locked?
Contact your class Form Teacher or Subject Teacher. Your teacher will inform your school's SLS administrator, who is able to unlock your account.

Student Icon
URL: <http://workspace.google.com/dashboard>

Login ID: _____
Password (Optional): _____

Purpose of the Acceptable Use Policy (AUP)

Technology is an essential part of learning in today's world.

This Acceptable Use Policy (AUP) establishes guidelines on the appropriate use of EdTech resources to help you understand how to use these resources safely and responsibly, in line with efforts to develop your digital literacies and growth as digitally responsible citizens.

- Being responsible digital citizens
- Respecting copyright
- Using Artificial Intelligence (AI)
- Staying Safe and Secure Online
- Digital Wellbeing and Balance



Cyber Wellness Education



Did you know?

67% of children aged seven to nine in Singapore use smartphones every day, and are active on social media

DEVICES USED DAILY BY CHILDREN (%)				
Overall	Aged 7 to 9	Aged 10 to 12	Aged 13 to 16	
Smartphone	84	67	85	98
Personal laptop	32	13	30	51
Family laptop	36	44	37	27
Tablet/iPad	52	65	51	40
Others	15	7	5	5

Age when they started using social media				
Current age/ Starting age	Overall	Age 7 to 9 years old	Age 10 to 12 years old	Age 13 to 16 years old
3 years old or below	9%	17%	6%	4%
4-6 years old	25%	42%	24%	11%
7-9 years old	39%	41%	46%	31%
10-12 years old	22%	NA	24%	40%
13-16 years old	5%	NA	NA	14%



Source: The Straits Times, 7 Feb 2021



Parents may not be aware of the online risks

Parents might not be aware, but...

1 in 3 children has chatted with strangers online

1 in 3 children has been exposed to pornographic materials

1 in 4 children has overshared their personal information



Source: MLC-TOUCH Parent Child Poll Findings, 22 Aug 2023

What is Cyber Wellness?

- Cyber Wellness is about our students being able to navigate the cyber space safely.
- This is done through our curriculum which aims to
 - **equip students with the knowledge and skills** to harness the power of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) **for positive purposes**;
 - maintain a **positive presence in cyberspace**; and
 - be **safe and responsible users of ICT**.



What will our Pri 1 and 2 children learn about Cyber Wellness during CCE (FTGP) lessons?

During CCE(FTGP)* lessons, children will be taught:

- Basic online safety rules
- Importance of a balanced lifestyle in exercise, sleep and screen time for health and well-being
- Protecting Personal Information
- Cyber Contacts

Parents are encouraged to try the “Family Time” activities in the CCE (FTGP) Journal with your children to emphasise the different cyber wellness messages at home.



Family Time

Family Chat Time!
Share ‘My Online Safety Code’ with your parents/guardians, siblings and other family members.

I can...

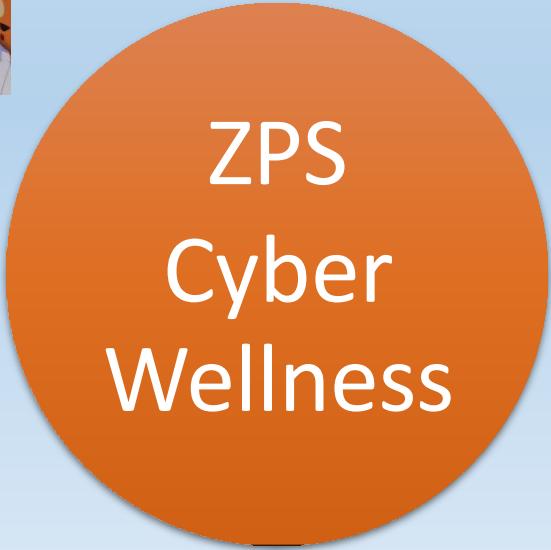
- share with my family members how I can be safe in the cyberworld.
- remind my family members to follow the safety rules together.

We did this together!

Parent’s / Guardian’s signature



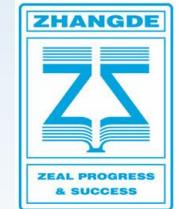
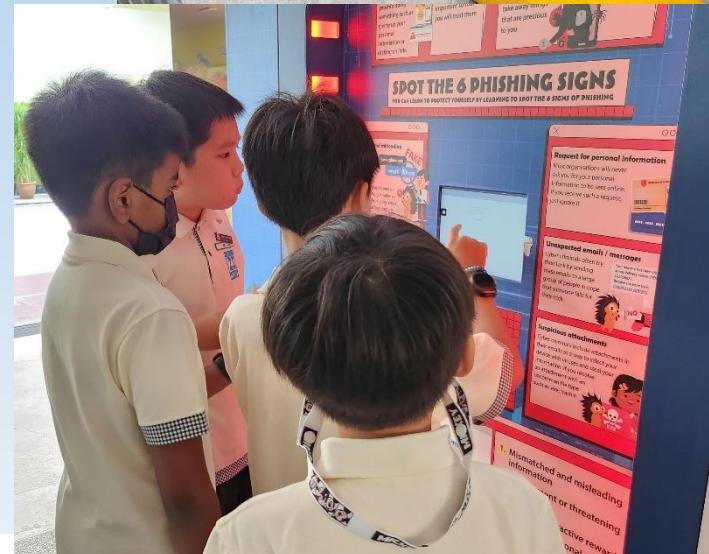
Cyber Wellness in Zhangde



FTGP (CCE)

IPW

Assembly
Programme



Cyber Wellness Tips for Parents

HOME / HOME / HOME BASED LEARNING (HBL) / HOME BASED LEARNING (HBL)

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Parent Kit



Home Based Learning (HBL)

In support of the school's effort
students at home through the HBL
P2, P3 and P5 students.

Home | Our Partners | Parents | Useful Guides and Resources | [Cyber Wellness Tips](#)

Cyber Wellness Tips

Parents and Guardians plays a crucial role in empowering and supporting children to use technology responsibly, respectfully and creatively, whether it is by having an open dialogue with their children in educating them the proper use of technology safely and positively, or by acting as digital role models.

Here are some useful tips for parents/guardians in keeping their children safe and smart online.

1) [Helping Your Children Be Discerning About Online Information](#)

2) Parent Kit - [Cyber Wellness for your Child](#)

3) Cyber Wellness Resources from [Media Literacy Council](#)

4) [MOE Cyber Wellness Resources for Parents](#)

5) [ZPS Cyber Wellness Tips for Parents](#)



Home-School Communication Channels

- **Parents Gateway** – Main communication channel for information and consent forms *(It is an app. Please download onto your mobile phone.)*



Have you downloaded the app? If not, let's download now and try accessing it.



Refer to the school website for Guide to install the PG app:
Our Partners → Parents → Useful Guides and Resources

Our Partners



Home | Our Partners | Parents | [Useful Guides and Resources](#)

Parent Support Group

Communication with Parents

Parent Engagement Sessions

[Useful Guides and Resources](#)

Useful Guides and Resources

[Guide for Parents Gateway Installation](#)



Getting started with PG-SCM Absence Notification

Service Rules

Parent is onboard PG	SC Mobile Absence Notification On	Remarks
Yes	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Parent <u>can submit reasons</u> and documents via PG.• Parent <u>will be notified</u> of student's absence via PG.
Yes	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Parent <u>can submit reasons</u> and documents via PG.
No	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Parent (Primary Contact) will be notified of student's absence via SMS (status quo).• Parent <u>will not</u> be able to submit reasons via PG.
No	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Parent <u>will not</u> be able to submit reasons via PG.

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Key Features for Parents

Notification System

- Parents **receive automatic notifications** via PG when their child is **absent (if notifications are enabled)**
- Parents can **submit absence reasons** and **upload supporting documents** directly through PG
- Self-initiated submissions are also possible through the PG Services page

Submission Management:

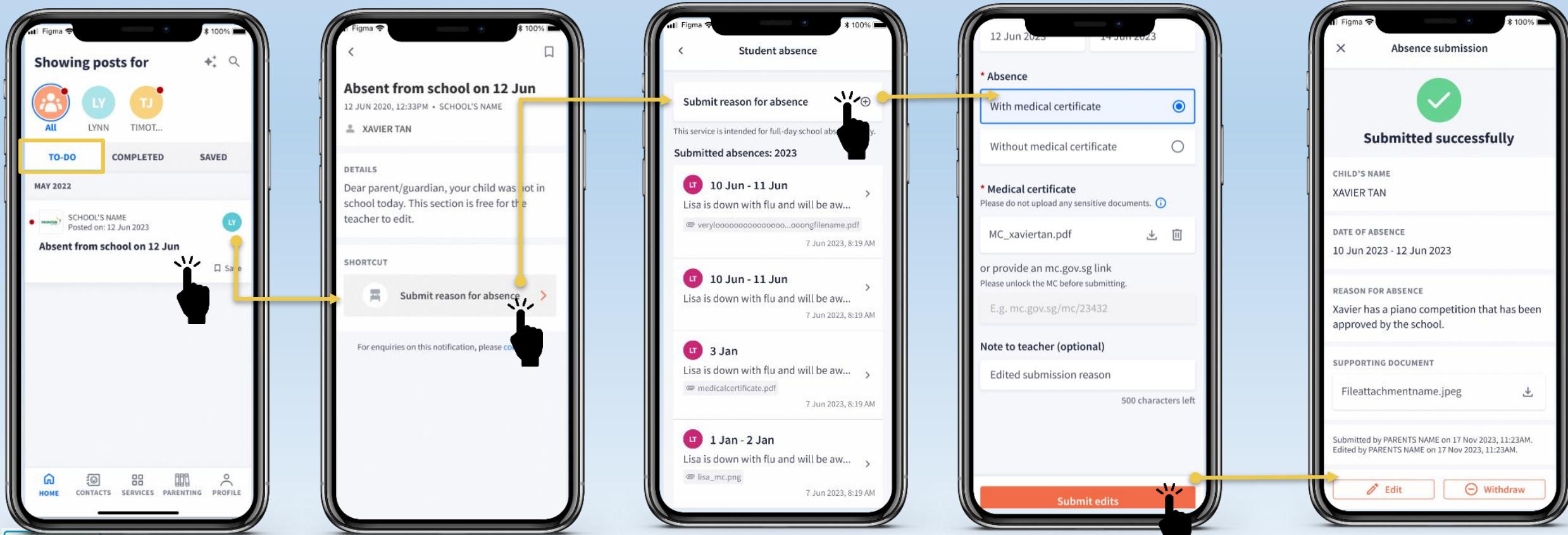
- Parents can **edit or withdraw** their submissions

Parents receive notifications when teachers make changes to their submissions



Parent's PG Notification Flow for student absence

Parents can now submit the reasons for absence when they are notified of their child's absence on their Parents Gateway app.



Parents access PG App: To-Do Page

Parent clicks and reads announcement

Submit reason on Parent submissions page

Parent fills in the reason for absence

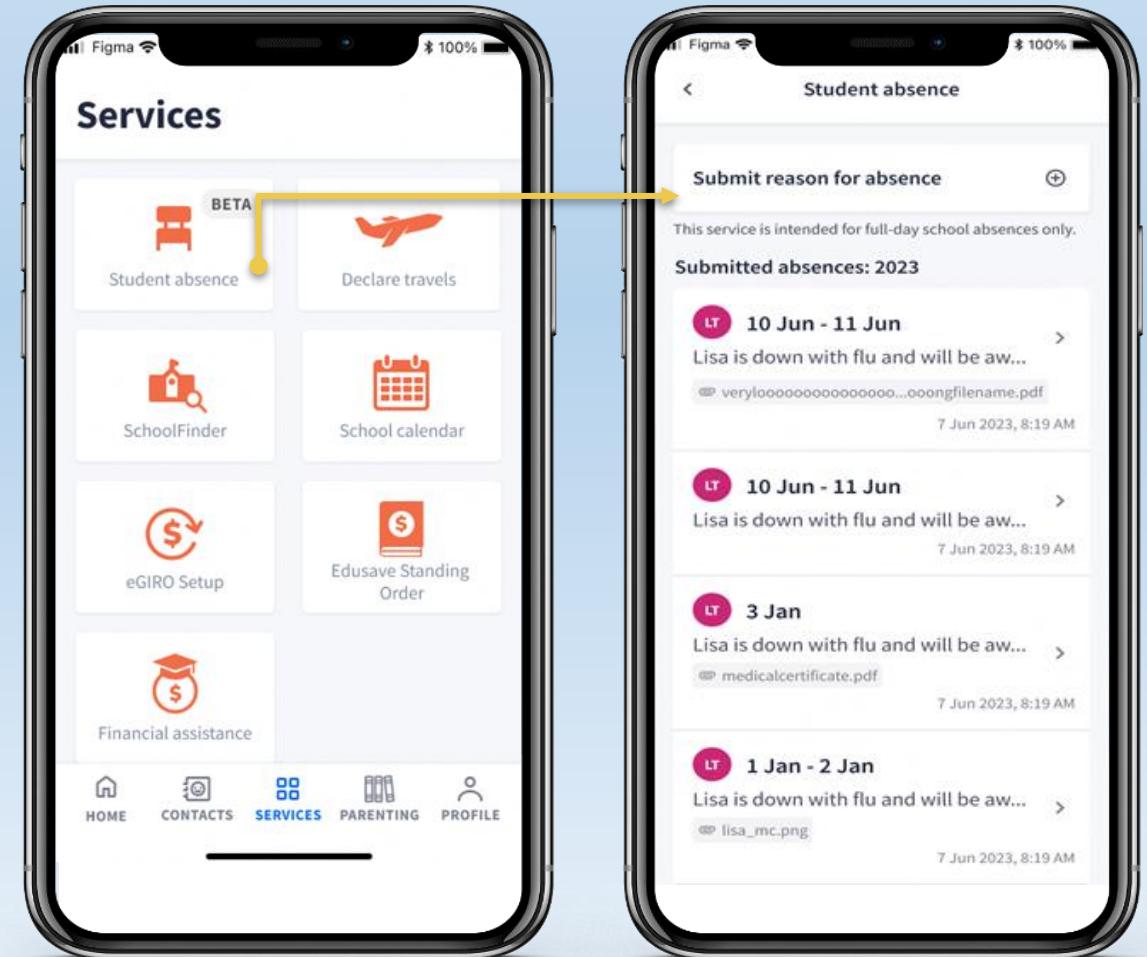
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PG App

Note: Parent can also self initiate child absence submissions via PG App*

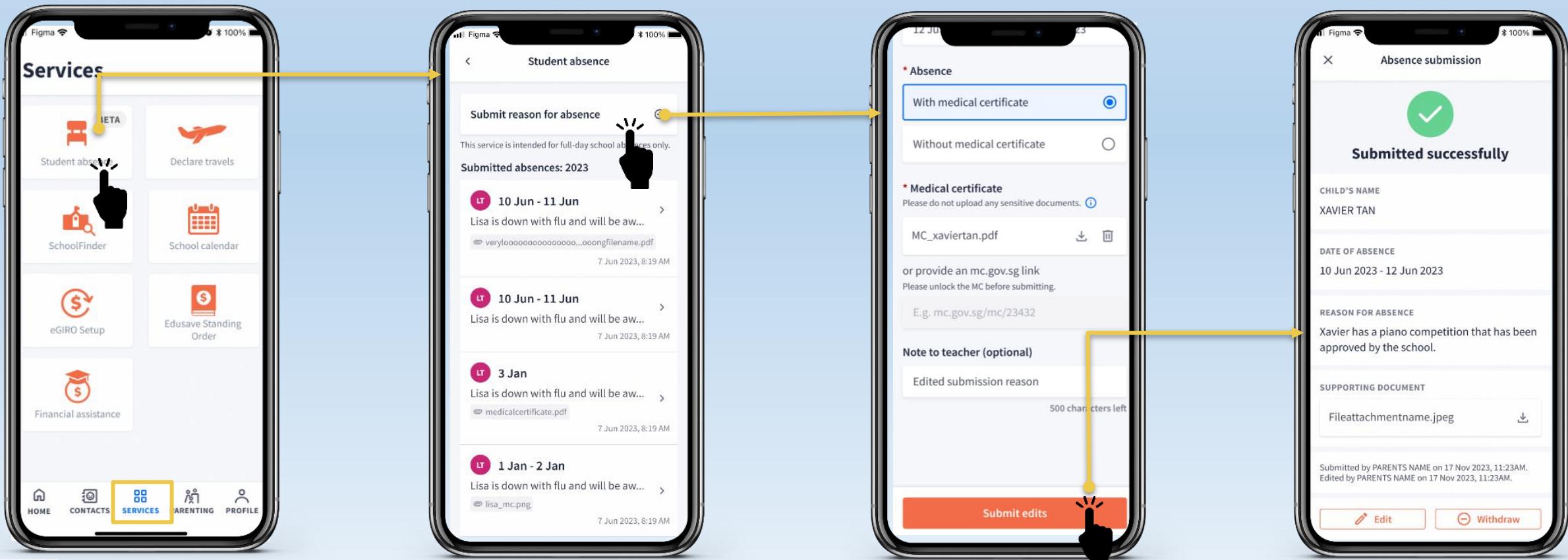
*When school is onboard both SC Mobile and PG app

- Even if notification settings to parents is turned off by the school, parents will still be able to notify teacher of child's absence under "Services".
- Submitted documents and information will be deleted at the end of each academic year (16th December).



Parent's PG self-initiated submission for student absence

Parents can submit the reasons for student absence before, after or on the date of absence via PG app.



Parents access PG App:
Services Page

Parent clicks on Submit
reason for absence on
parent submissions page

Parent fills in the
reason for absence

Successfully
submitted

Thank you!

If you need any assistance, please contact:

- Mr. Goh Han Sin, HOD Information Communication & Technology
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