

TIPS TO EASE YOUR CHILD INTO PRIMARY SCHOOL



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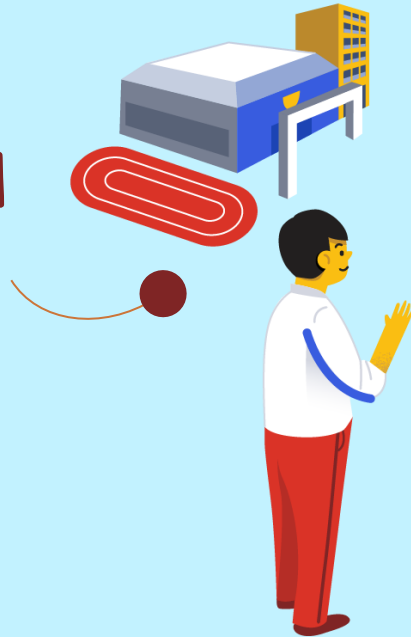


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TRANSITION TO PRIMARY ONE...

When your child enters primary school, they will experience...

New friends and
teachers



New learning environment



New routines

WHAT DOES MY CHILD NEED AT PRIMARY 1?

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Mastering the ABCs is well and good but having seen 29 years of children enter primary school through her doors, Mrs Marjorie Seek of CHij Katong Primary observes that these six soft skills are even more essential in preparing students for primary school.

Entering Primary 1 can be a big step for a child — and the parents. While parents often consider



WHAT DOES YOUR CHILD NEED AT PRIMARY 1?

- Time Management
- Self-Control
- Focus
- Flexible Thinking
- Social Interaction
- Perseverance



WHAT DOES MY CHILD NEED AT PRIMARY 1?



- Every child **develops at a different pace.**
- Some children learn things earlier, others need more time.
- Allowing them to learn at their own pace helps them **enjoy** the learning process!



WHAT DOES MY CHILD NEED AT PRIMARY 1?



- Developing good habits
- Relating to others
- Nurturing positive learning attitudes



PARENT-CHILD ACTIVITY BOOK IS AVAILABLE ONLINE!

PARENT-CHILD ACTIVITY BOOK (DIGITAL)

**10 TIPS FOR
PARENTS** to help you
navigate your child's first
year in primary school.

- Chat with your child**
- Boost their confidence**
- Practise various scenarios**
- Create something interesting**
- Thank others for their help**
- Pledge to do things together**



PARENT-CHILD ACTIVITY BOOK

Great Ideas For A Great Adventure

Paste a sticker after you complete each tip!
Stickers can be downloaded from <https://www.moe.gov.sg/parentkit>

Before school starts!

During term time!



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Dec-before school starts!

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Get more serious!

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Mar-holidays!

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Jan-holidays!

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TIP 2



Practise Routines

Building good habits helps your child cope with the many new things they will encounter this year.

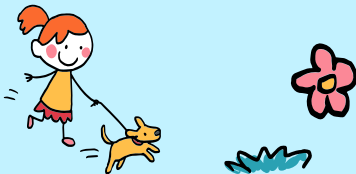
School is a lot more structured than your child is used to. Lessons are longer and so is the school day. Buying food at washroom on their own. After-school activities and homework might take some getting used to. Practising routines will help your child face the unfamiliar with a smile!

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#1. GETTING READY FOR SCHOOL

[POSITIVE SCHOOL EXPERIENCE STARTS FROM HOME]

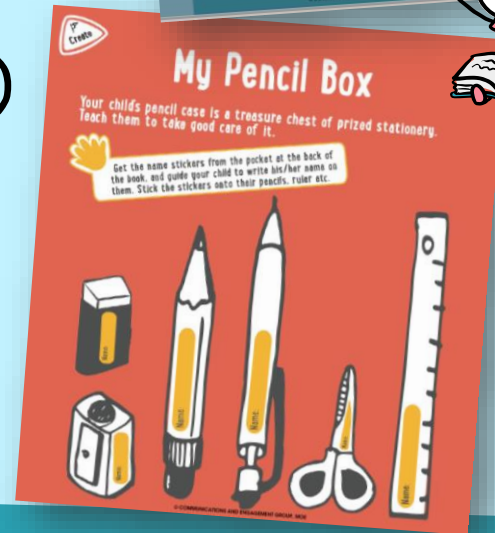
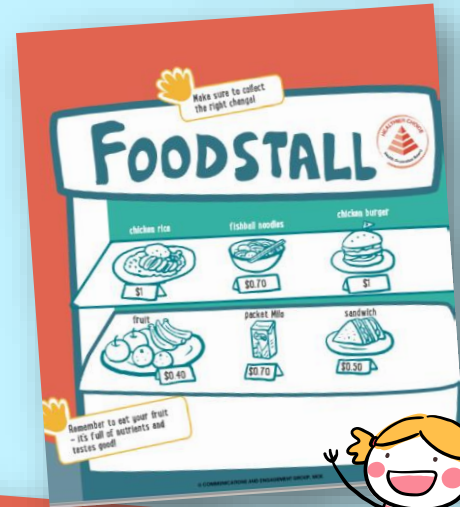
- ✓ PREPARATION STARTS FROM THE NIGHT BEFORE
- ✓ TALK THROUGH THE CHILD'S SCHEDULE FOR THE NEXT MORNING
- ✓ ENSURE YOUR CHILD HAS AT LEAST 9 HOURS OF SLEEP



#2. PRACTISE ROUTINES

[CULTIVATE GOOD HABITS]

- ✓ PRIMARY SCHOOL EDUCATION IS MORE STRUCTURED AS COMPARED TO PRE-SCHOOL
- ✓ NEW EXPERIENCES.
(E.G. BUYING OF FOOD, HAVING HOMEWORK, MOVING TO VARIOUS VENUES FOR DIFFERENT ACTIVITIES/LESSONS)
- ✓ PACKING SCHOOL BAG. START SMALL.
(E.G. PENCIL CASE, CHAMPIONS HANDBOOK)



#3. NEW PLACES, NEW FACES

[RESILIENCE]

- ✓ HAVE CONVERSATIONS WITH YOUR CHILD
- ✓ TEACH YOUR CHILD HOW TO MAKE NEW FRIENDS
- ✓ CELEBRATE SMALL SUCCESSES



#4. WE CAN DO THIS TOGETHER

[ENCOURAGEMENT]

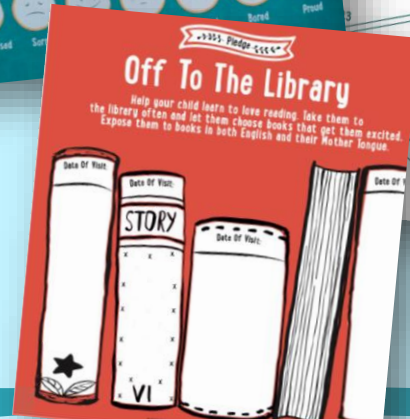
- ✓ CONFIDENCE AND A HEALTHY SELF-ESTEEM
- ✓ SUPPORT THEM IN MANY FORMS
- ✓ SET SMALL GOALS



#5. SHOW INTEREST IN YOUR CHILD

[CHANGE AND NEW EXPERIENCES CAN BE A GOOD THING]

- ✓ LEARN TOGETHER WITH YOUR CHILD
- ✓ TRACK THEIR FEELINGS. FOCUS ON THE PROCESS
- ✓ HELP YOUR CHILD TO LOVE READING



#6. TIME TO LET GO

[ALLOW MISTAKES AND GROW A PROBLEM SOLVER]

- ✓ LET YOUR CHILD DISCOVER HOW TO MAKE THEIR OWN WAY TO SUCCESS
- ✓ ALLOW MISTAKES
- ✓ LET THEM TRY ON THEIR OWN
- ✓ TEACH THEM TO ASK FOR HELP



#7. TEAM UP WITH TEACHERS

[PARTNERSHIP]

- ✓ TAKE NOTE OF THE VARIOUS MODES OF COMMUNICATION. EG. SCHOOL PHONE NUMBER, EMAIL, CLASSDOJO ETC
- ✓ COMBINED SUPPORT FOR YOUR CHILD IN SCHOOLWORK AND CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT
- ✓ SHARE YOUR CONCERNS WITH THE TEACHER AND BE OBJECTIVE WHEN THE TEACHER SHARES HIS/ HERS WITH YOU



#8. EVERY CHILD IS UNIQUE

[LOVE THEM FOR WHO THEY ARE]

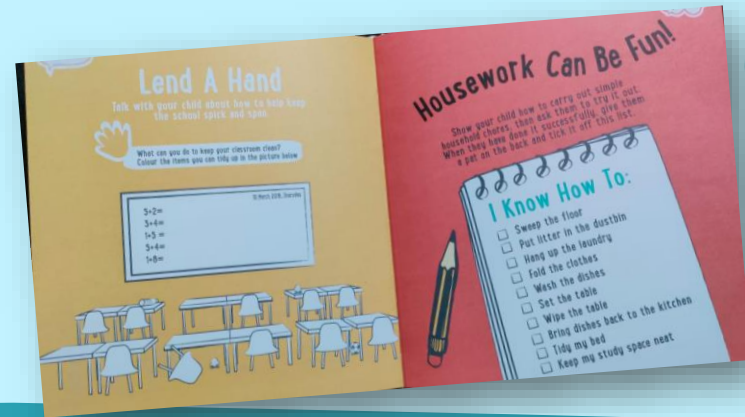
- ✓ EVERY CHILD HAS HIS/HER OWN STRENGTHS
- ✓ EVERY CHILD CAN LEARN, AT THEIR OWN PACE, WITH THE RIGHT SUPPORT AND ENVIRONMENT



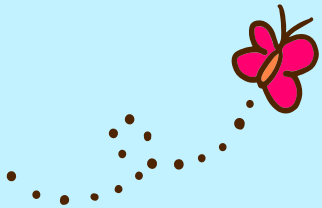
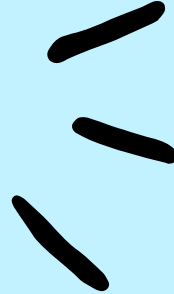
#10. LET'S HELP OUT AT HOME

[LEARNING TO TAKE CARE OF PEOPLE AND THINGS]

- ✓ LEARNING TO BE RESPONSIBLE
- ✓ MAY BE ASSIGNED CLASSROOM ROLES IN SCHOOL
- ✓ A SENSE OF BELONGING TO THE CLASS

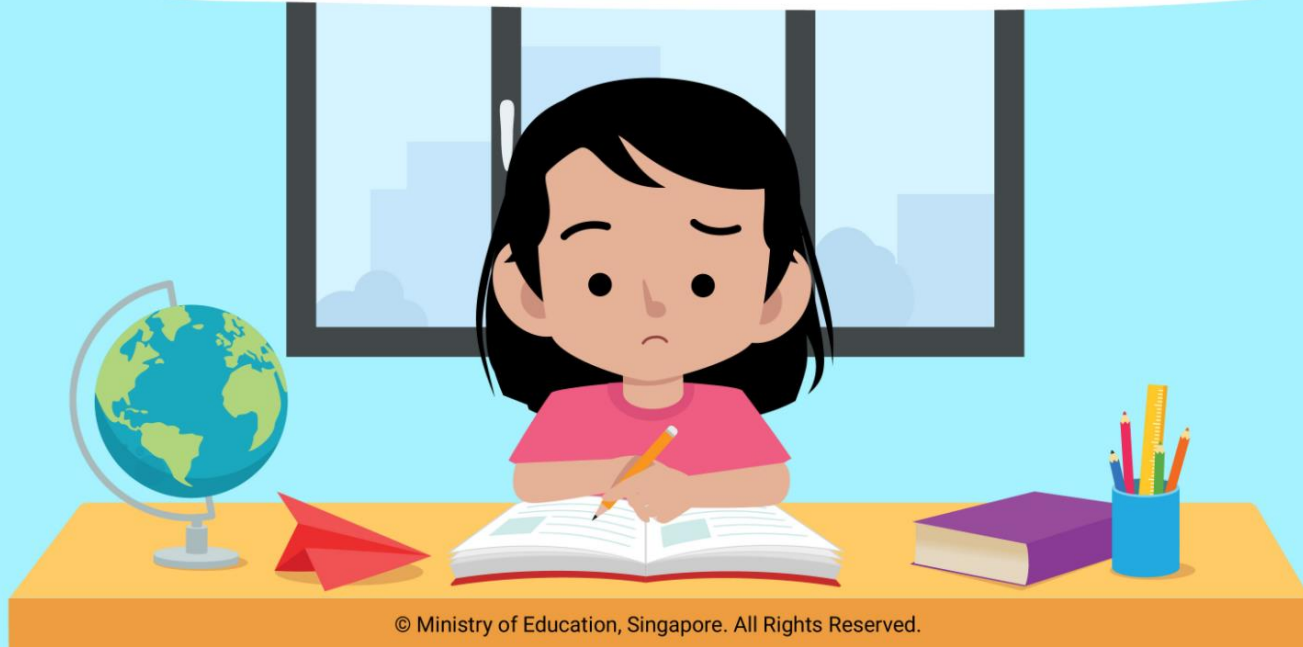


SOME FAQs YOU MAY HAVE





My child takes so long to complete her work. Will she fall behind?





**Help, my child doesn't
know how to ask for help!**





What happens when my child needs to use the toilet? Will someone accompany her?





I'm worried my child won't eat at recess. He'll go hungry!



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How can my child make healthier food choices at recess?



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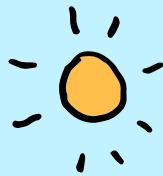


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THANK YOU!

