



P1 Orientation for 2023 P1 Cohort



Fern Green



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Briefing by

PRIMARY 1 2023

YEAR HEAD (LOWER PRIMARY)



Overview

- **About Fern Green Primary School**
- **Orientation of Classroom**
- **Brief Description of Primary 1 Curriculum**
- **Preparation for 1st Day of School**
- **FAQs**



Knowing Every Child, Growing Every Child

The Form Teacher as Life Coach

Each P1 Class will have two Form Teachers.

| Facilitator of Learning | First -Line Character-Builder |
| First -Line Disciplinarian | First -Line Counsellor |
| Contact Point for Parents |



Values-Based Naming of 8 P1 Classes

- **R**espect
- **R**esponsibility
- **R**esilience
- **I**ntegrity
- **C**are
- **H**armony
- **D**iscipline
- **M**otivation

Class Distribution
by Gender
Ethnic Group



P1/P2 Subject Learning

- English Language
- Mother Tongue Language
- Mathematics
- Physical and Health Education
- Art
- Music
- Social Studies
- Character and Citizenship Education (in MTL)
- Note: Science from P3 onwards



P1/P2 Curriculum Time Allocation

Primary 1 Curriculum

Subjects	Curriculum Time (Per Week)
English Language	7h 30min
CL/ML/TL	6h
CCE in CL/ML/TL	1h
Mathematics	4h 30min
Social Studies	30min
Music	1h
Art	1h
Physical Health	2h
Assembly	1h
FTGP	1h
PAL	2h
Recess	2h 30min
TOTAL	30h



Non Weighted Assessments at P1/P2

- Ensuring a smoother transition from K2 to P1
- Reducing anxiety and stress
- Enhancing the joy of learning
- Nurturing greater intrinsic motivation to learn
- Focusing on building a strong foundation of skills and values
- Providing information on learning progress
- Providing richer feedback on and a complete picture of the child's development

Currently	From 2019	From 2020 or 2021
Adjusting School-based Assessment Structures		
P1 <ul style="list-style-type: none">No examination, but weighted assessments are conducted throughout the year P2 <ul style="list-style-type: none">Weighted assessments throughout the year and year-end exam P3-P6 <ul style="list-style-type: none">Mid-Year Exam (MYE) and year-end exam. In addition to weighted assessments throughout the year Secondary level <ul style="list-style-type: none">Most schools conduct Mid-Year Exam (MYE) and year-end exam. In addition to other weighted assessments throughout the year	P1 & P2 <ul style="list-style-type: none">Removal of all weighted assessments (including P2 year-end exam) S1 <ul style="list-style-type: none">Removal of Mid-Year Exam (MYE) From P3 to S4/5 <ul style="list-style-type: none">Schools to conduct no more than one weighted assessment per subject per school year. This is in addition to Mid-Year Exam (MYE) and year-end exam at levels where this is applicable	P3, P5, S3 <ul style="list-style-type: none">Removal of Mid-Year Exam (MYE) 
Refreshing the Holistic Development Profile (HDP)		
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Use of academic indicators to report students' learning in all subjects and non-academic indicators (e.g. physical fitness, involvement in community-based and co-curricular activities etc.)	P1 & P2 <ul style="list-style-type: none">Use qualitative descriptors to report students' learning in all subjects. Non-academic indicators will be included All other levels <ul style="list-style-type: none">Academic indicators adjusted for HDP. Non-academic indicators will be included	
Revising criteria for the EduSave Merit Bursary (EMB) for P1 and P2 and EduSave Good Progress Award (GPA) for P2 and P3		
EMB for P1 & P2 <ul style="list-style-type: none">Singapore CitizenTop 25% of school's level and course in terms of academic performanceGood conductMonthly household income does not exceed \$5,500 for per capita income does not exceed \$1,725 GPA for P2 & P3 <ul style="list-style-type: none">Singapore CitizenTop 10% of school's level and course in terms of improvement in academic performanceGood conduct	EMB for P1 & P2 <ul style="list-style-type: none">Singapore CitizenEMB will be adjusted to award students who consistently demonstrate good learning achievementGood conduct will continue to be a criterionMonthly household income does not exceed \$5,500 for per capita income does not exceed \$1,725 GPA for P2 & P3 <ul style="list-style-type: none">Singapore CitizenGPA will be awarded to students who do not qualify for EMB, but have shown improvement in learning orientations within the yearGood conduct will continue to be a criterion	



FGPS Curriculum Practices at P1

- No pen-and-paper spelling test in Term 1
- No academic support lessons in the afternoons
- Minimising homework load and encouraging reading after school
- Promoting the reading habit
- Urging parents to READ TO the child and READ WITH the child

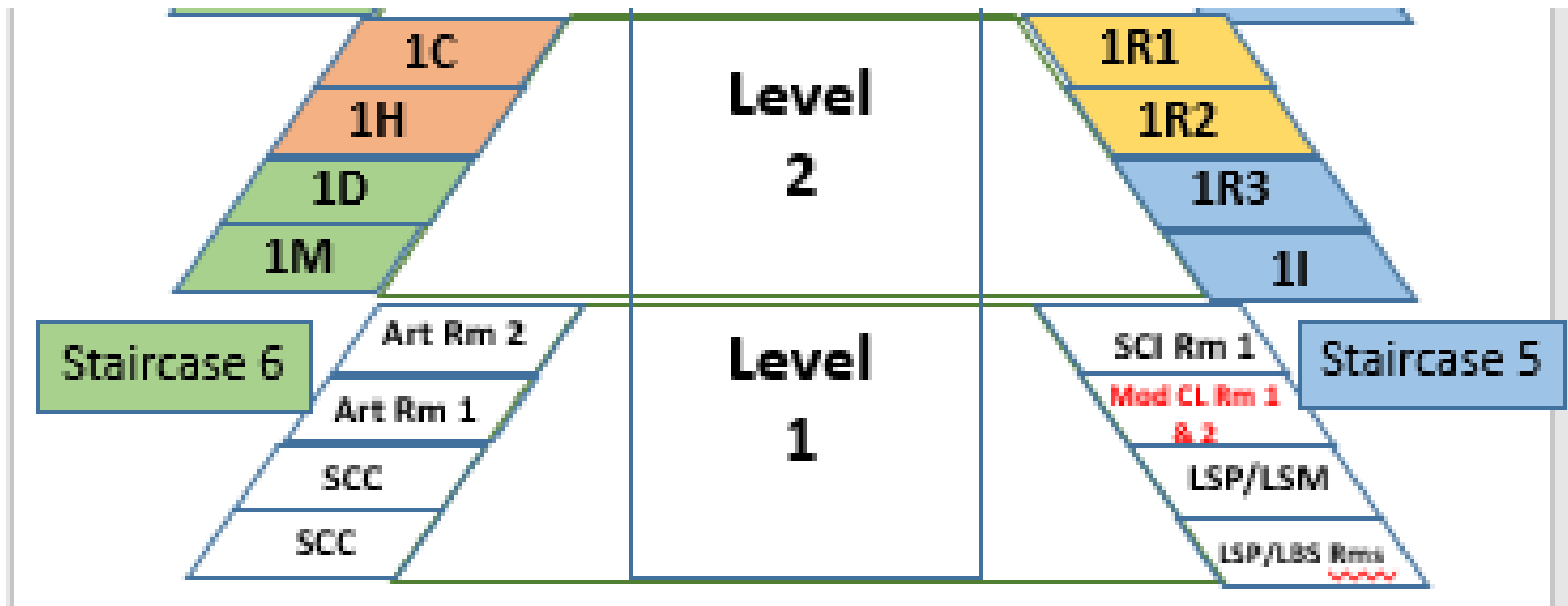


FGPS Curriculum Practices at P1

- Experiential, hands-on activities
- Class discussions and sharing of views
- Extension activities (e.g. after a Learning Journey) to deepen learning
- Learning with technology
- Self-assessment and peer-assessment opportunities



Orientation of Classroom



Class Tag Colour

PI 2023

Fern Green Primary School
Name : _____
Class : 1 R1 ()
Dietary Preference: Halal / Non-Halal / Vegetarian

Dismissal Arrangement (✓)		
Gate	School Bus	School SCC
No	No	SCC Class

Fern Green Primary School
Name : _____
Class : 1 R2 ()
Dietary Preference: Halal / Non-Halal / Vegetarian

Dismissal Arrangement (✓)		
Gate	School Bus	School SCC
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Fern Green Primary School
Name : _____
Class : 1 R3 ()
Dietary Preference: Halal / Non-Halal / Vegetarian

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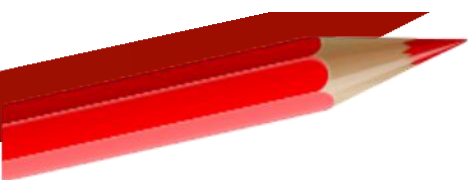
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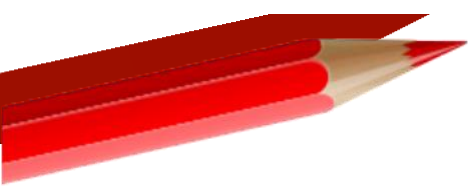
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1st Day of School



P1 Induction Programme

- Getting to Know the Teachers and Classmates
- Getting to Know the School
- National Anthem, National Pledge and School Song
- School Routines and Rules
- Class Routines and Rules
- Lifeskills
- Library Orientation
- Safety Briefings (e.g. Use of Canteen, Playground, Library and Special Rooms; and Road Safety)
- Issue of Student's Handbook
- Learning Session on Temperature Taking (One-off issue of Oral Digital Thermometer to P1 students)

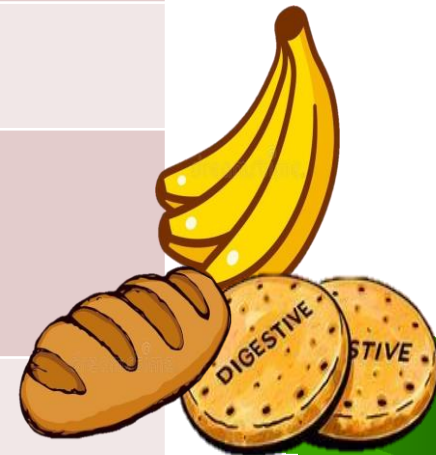




Snack Break in Class

- ▶ **Daily 10-minute snack break during curriculum time (in addition to Recess break) when students will be allowed to consume snacks in class.**

Suggested healthy snacks	Unhealthy Snacks to avoid
Bun, Sandwich	Sweet drinks
Biscuits	Chips
Whole fruit – apple, pear, banana, grapes, berries	Crackers
Cereal bar	Chocolate bar



Things to bring

3 Jan 2023 & Everyday	4 Jan 2023	5 Jan 2023	6 Jan 2023
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Health Booklet - Pencil case - Colour pencils - Snacks - Water bottle - Pocket money (when necessary) - Thermometer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -1 Blue file -1 broad line exercise book -FTGP and Health Education Book -Music Book -Social Studies (WB) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Shaping Mathematics Textbook 1A - Shaping Mathematics Workbook 1A - 1 Red File 	<p>CL:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yellow ring file, • Writing book (习字本) 1A & Activity book (活动本) 1A • Textbook 1A & 1 Big square exercise book <p>ML:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yellow Ring file • Activity book 1A • Textbook 1A & 1 Exercise book <p>TL:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yellow Ring file • Activity book 1A • Textbook 1A & Writing book 1A



Food Items	Price Range
Noodles, mee soto, pasta, mixed veg rice, chicken rice, etc	\$1.70 - \$2.00
Sandwiches, buns, muffins	\$0.80 - \$2.00
Packet drinks (milo, milk, vitagen)	\$0.80 - \$1.00

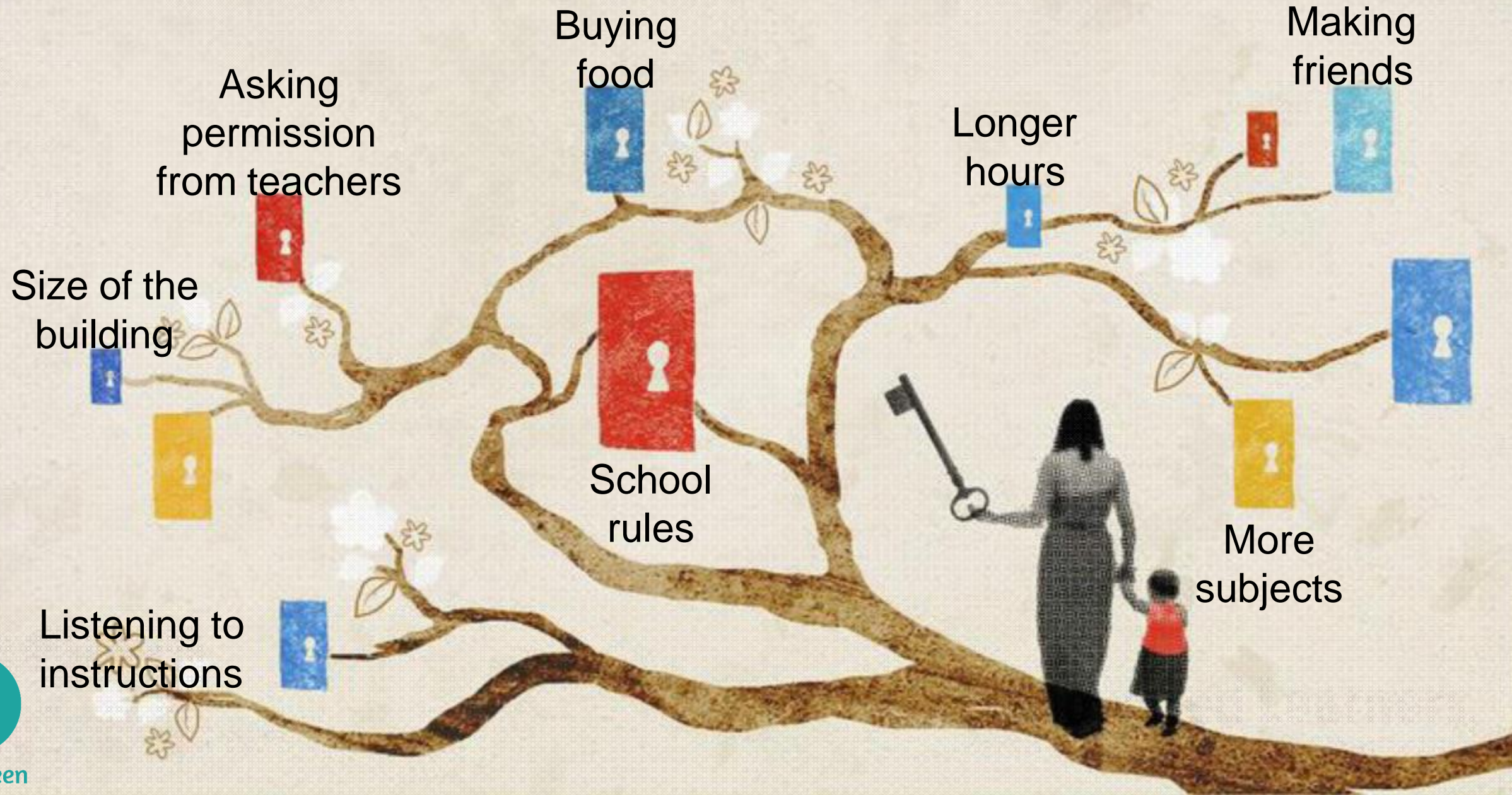


P1 Buddy Programme

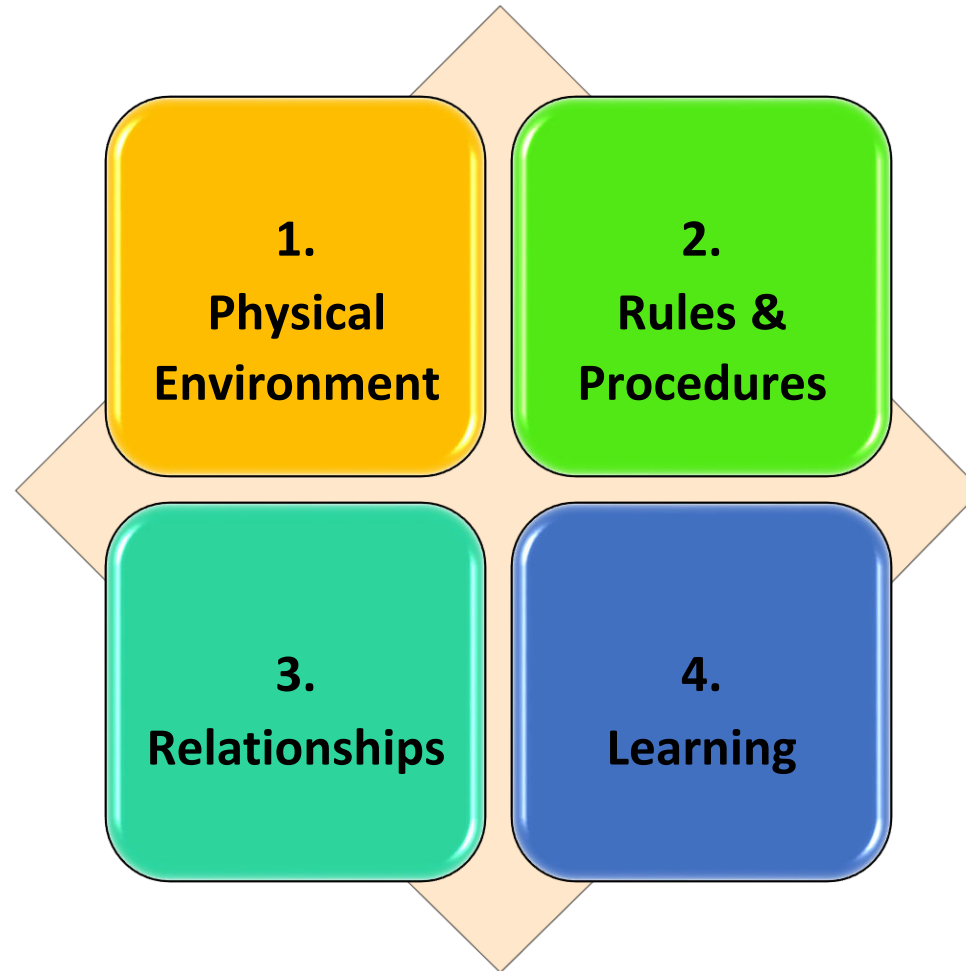
- Buddy programme be for 2 days from 4 January to 5 January 2023.
- P4 students will be assigned to orientate P1 students during their recess
- Their duties are to :
 - Teach the P1s how and where to queue for food at the canteen
 - Guide their buddies to their respective benches/seats according to their classes
 - Direct their buddies to the toilets nearest to the canteen
 - To ensure that their P1 buddies are happy in school and to check on how they have been coping in the new environment
- P1 students will go for their recesses on their own starting from 6 January 2023



Adjustments to be made



The Key Changes for Your Child



TRANSITION TO PRIMARY 1

When your child enters primary school, they will experience:

**New friends
and teachers**



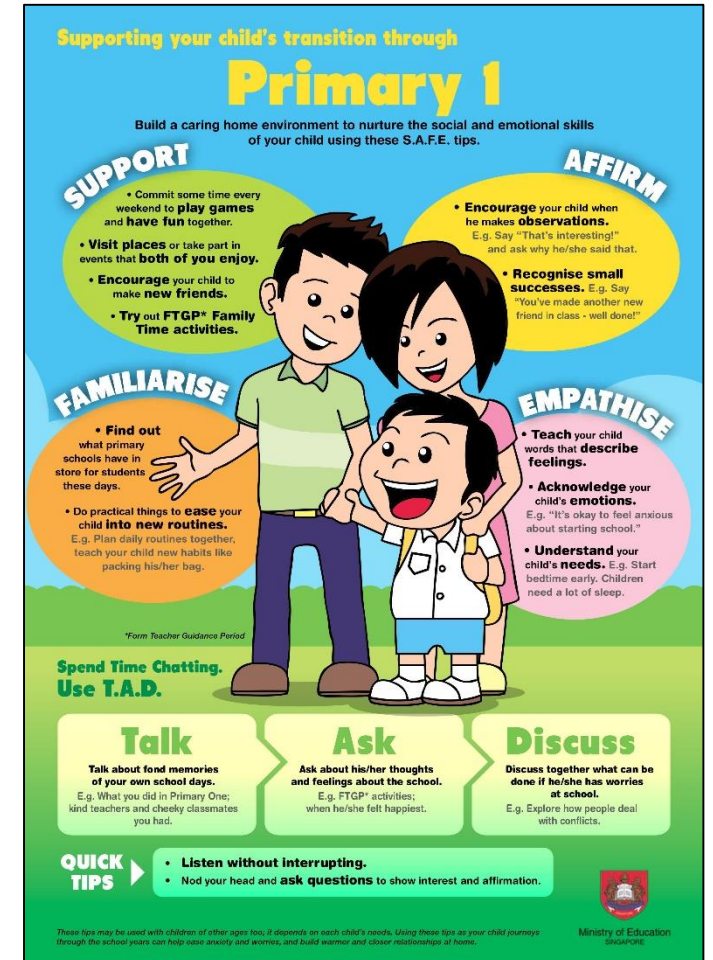
New routines

New learning environment



HOW CAN I SUPPORT MY CHILD DURING THIS TRANSITION?

- Support your child and encourage them to overcome challenges with you
- Affirm your child by recognising small successes and praising their efforts
- Familiarise your child by easing them into new routines and sharing with them your experiences in primary school
- Empathise and acknowledge your child's feelings



How can I help my child adjust better?

- Packing his/her own bag
- Dressing himself/herself
- Eating well during recess
- Regulating toilet habits
- Alighting with bag from vehicle
- Being ready for Student Care



How can I help my child adjust better?

- Highlighting letters/messages from the school/teachers
- Showing your note in the Student's Handbook to the teacher
- Approaching the teachers or the General Office staff



Common Misunderstanding between Students

- Rough play or behaviour
- Name-calling and teasing
- Queue-jumping
- Broken or spoilt items
- Loss of items



ADVISORY TO PARENTS

Should there be a disagreement between your child and another student, bring it to the attention of your child's Form Teacher and the school will look into the matter.



Common Misunderstanding between Students

- Exchange of items in school
- Taking things without permission
- Disorderly behaviour on the school bus
- Unintentional accidents or safety hazards



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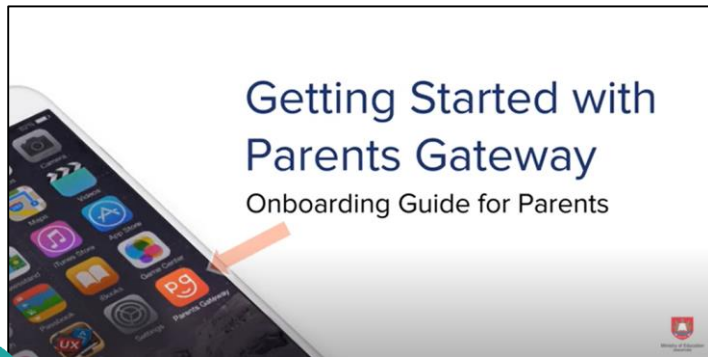


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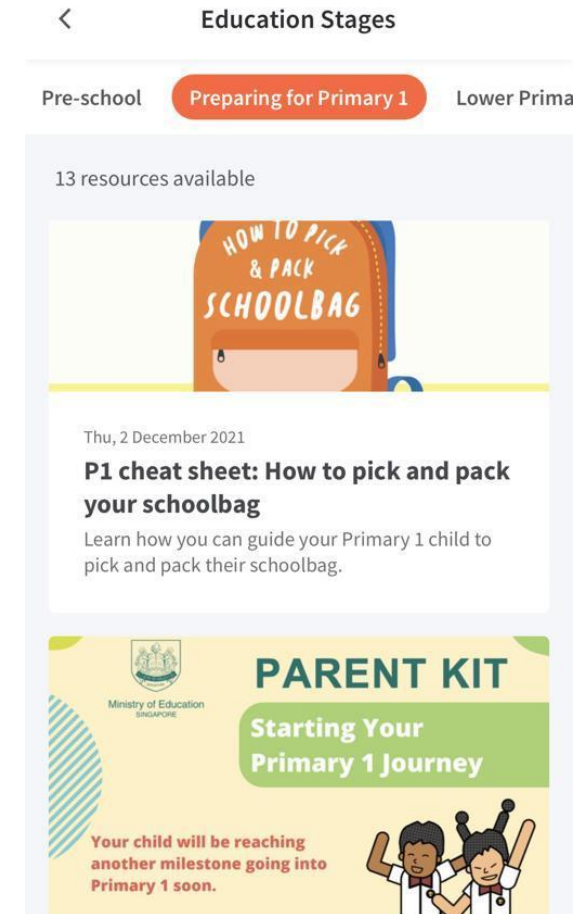
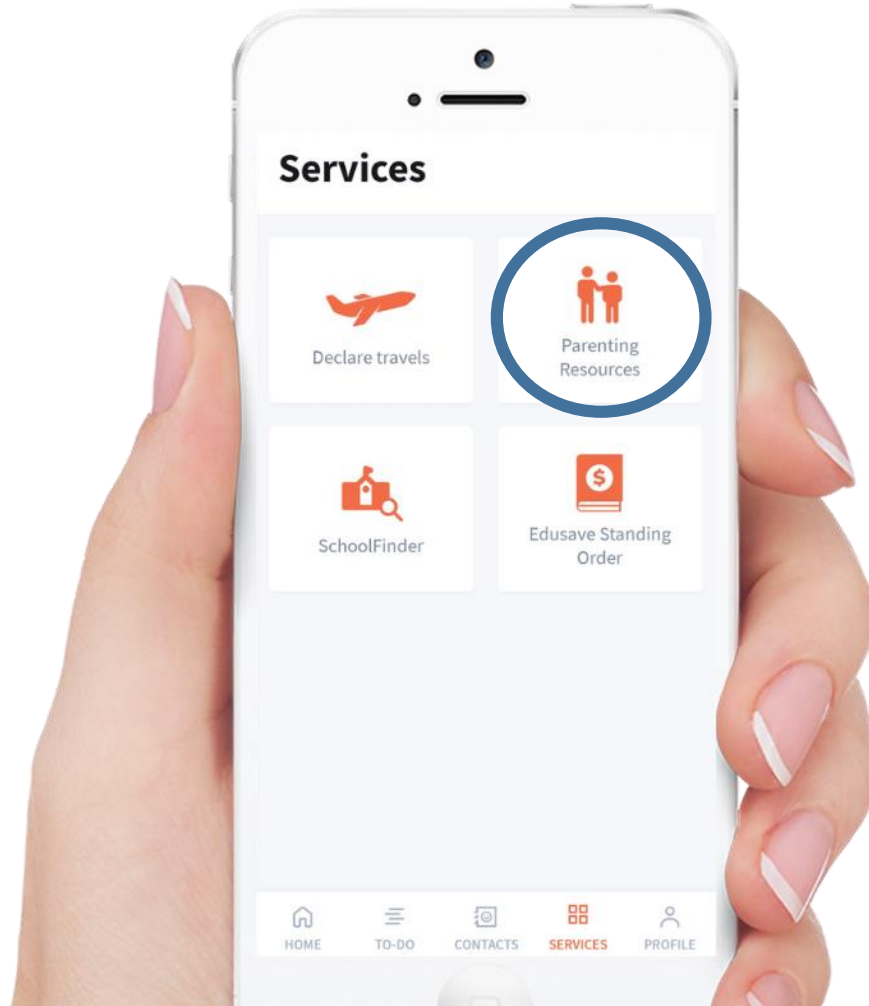
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A repository for parents to browse resources on topics such as preparing for Primary 1, forging parent-child relationships and education pathways.



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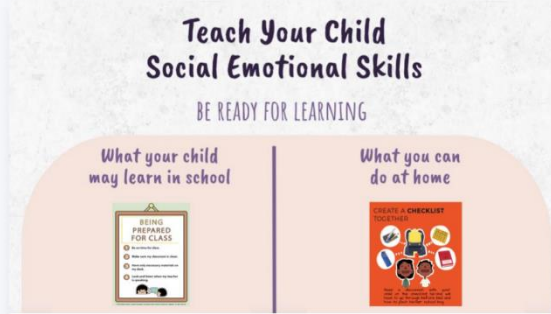
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[Preparing for P1 - PDF] Supporting Your Child Through the Primary 1 Journey

Click to download or view this issue on preparing your child for P1.



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Are you over-preparing your child for P1?

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Create fun experiences for your child to discover the joy of reading.

Find out what your child really needs for Primary 1.

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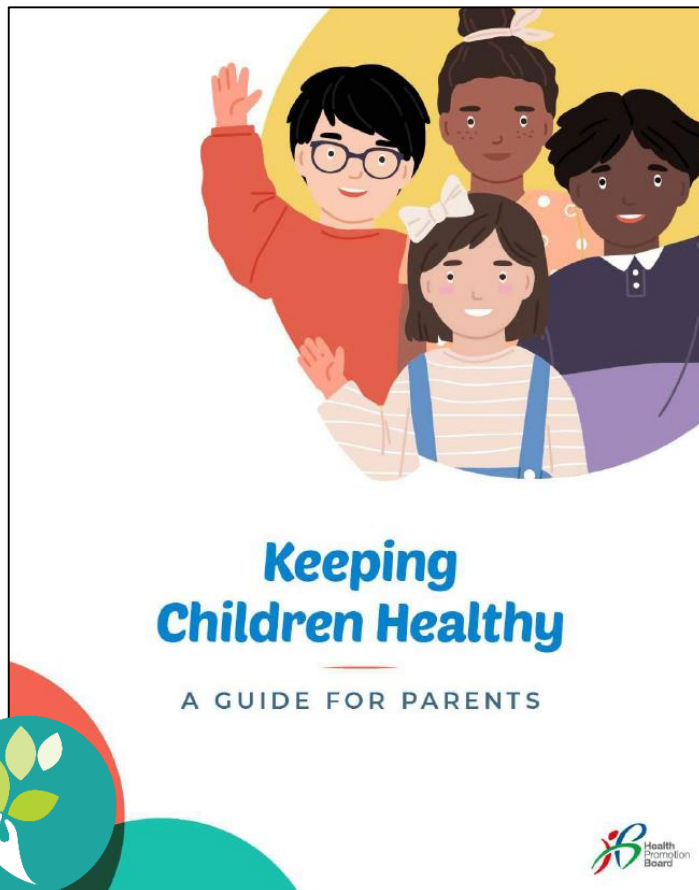


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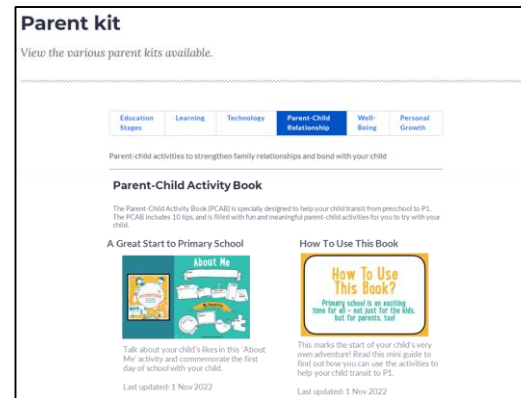
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10 TIPS FOR PARENTS to help you navigate your child's first year in primary school.

Chat with your child
Boost their confidence
Practise various scenarios
Create something interesting
Ask others for their help
Work together to do things together



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How To Use This Book?

Primary school is an exciting
time for all – not just for the kids,
but for parents, too!

In this book, you'll find **10 tips for parents** – to help you and your child adjust smoothly to primary-school life. Each tip includes activities which you can do together.

As this is an e-version, you may want to download this and print it, and let your child write or draw on paper. If you prefer an environmental-friendly way, screenshot the pages, or download it and use a mobile application for your child to doodle on it.

With your child, pick the activities that you'd like to do. You don't have to do them all!



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Use an application and allow your child to doodle on it!

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Activities Inside Include:

Pledge

Make promises and keep them



Every child needs
encouragement



Show gratitude.
It's a great habit



Make something
awesome together



Get familiar with
new routines



Keep that
conversation flowing

This will be a year of making great memories,
together. Have fun learning with your child!

Your adventure begins on the next page.

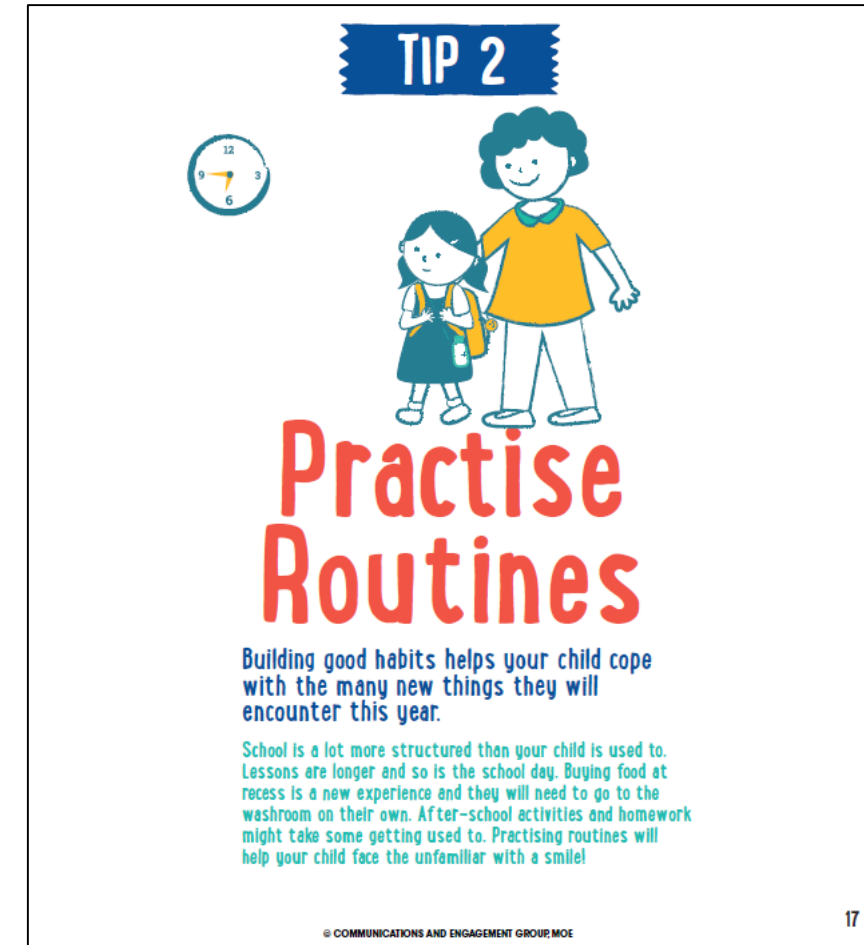
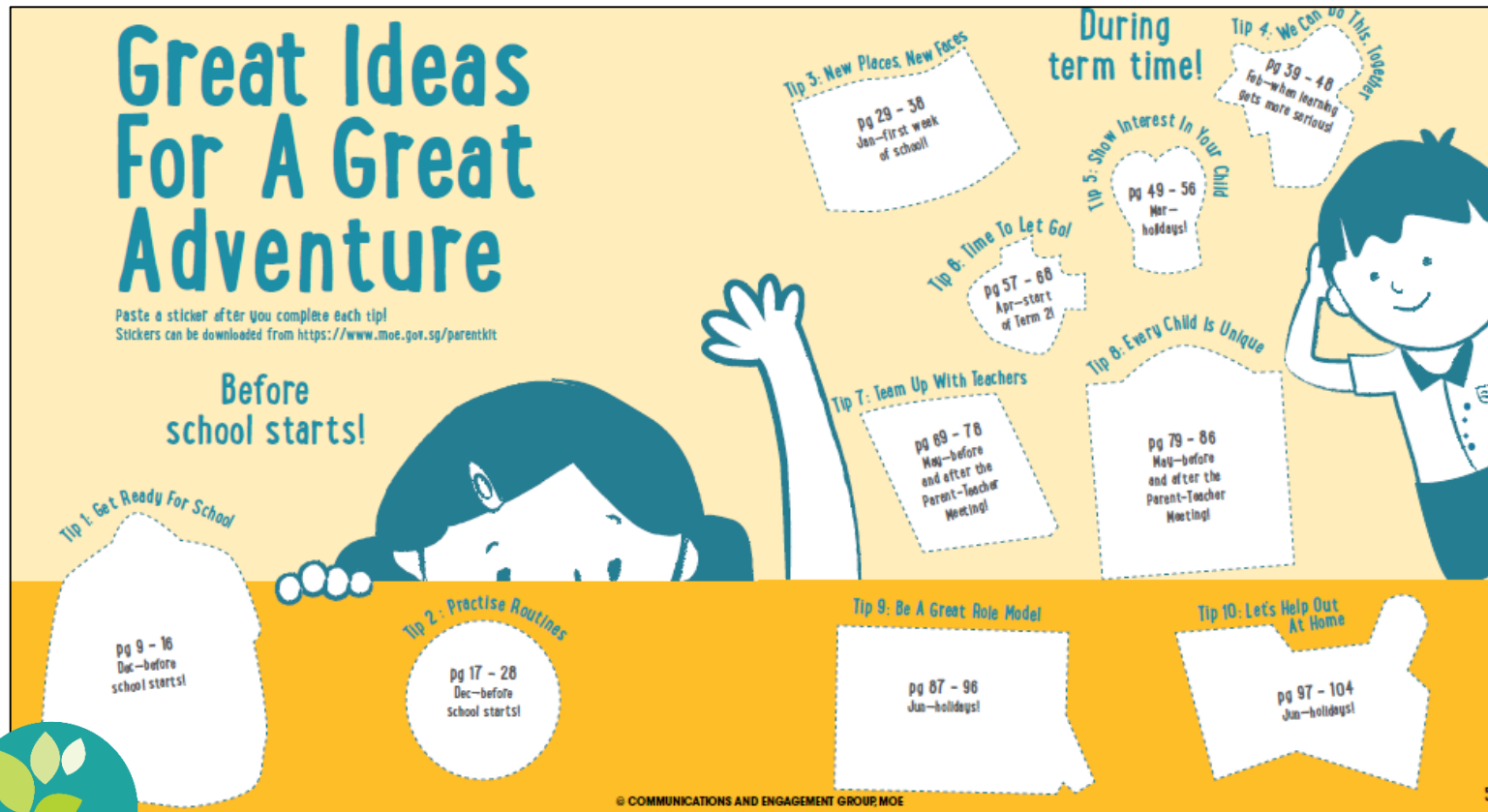


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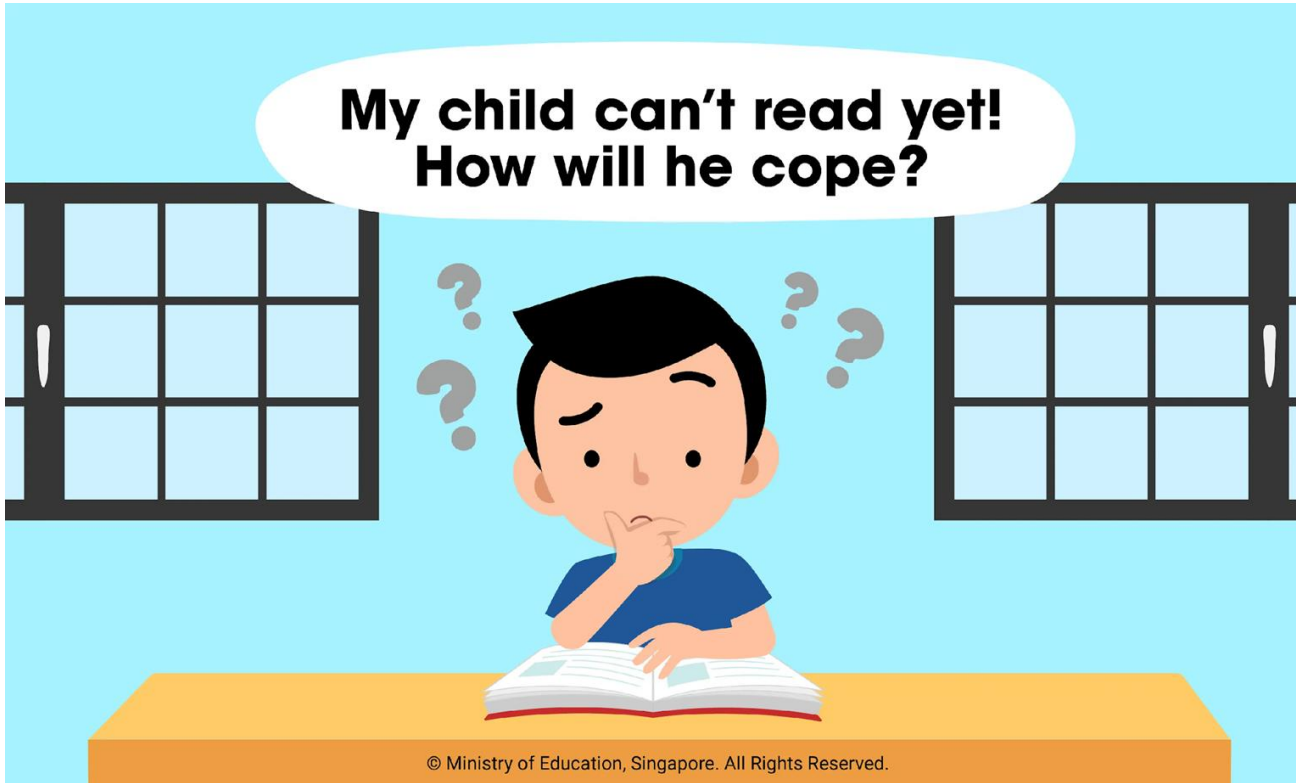
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SOME QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE...



Reading is a habit that we can build.

Interest your child in reading

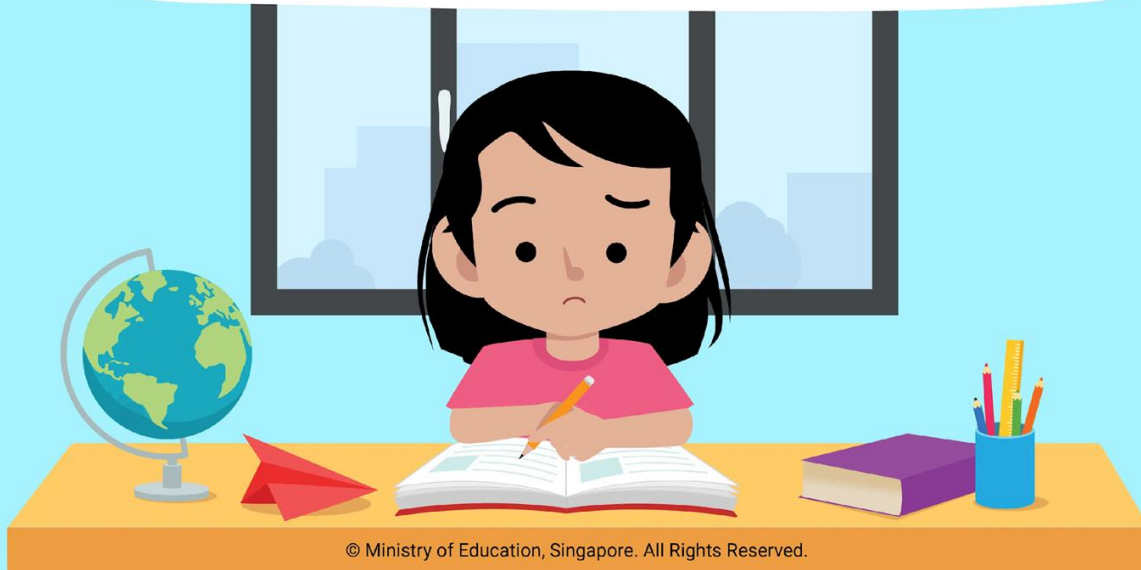
- It is never too late to start getting your child interested in books
- Take your child to the library, expose them to various picture books and read together for a start
- Students will be introduced to various genres of books, and be taught how to blend letter sounds through games or craft work



You can encourage your child for any effort in learning to read. Most importantly, reading should be a fun learning process.

SOME QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE...

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



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Children pick up time management at a different pace and can improve with help.

Support your child in time management

- Parents can model this with your child at home with small tasks and everyday activities
- If you find your child struggling with completing their tasks or homework within a given time, it could also mean that they are not sure how to go about completing them
- If you notice any learning issues, do reach out to the school early

Be specific about how much time they should spend on the work, and what time they should complete the work.

SOME QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE...



Asking for help may not seem obvious to a child.

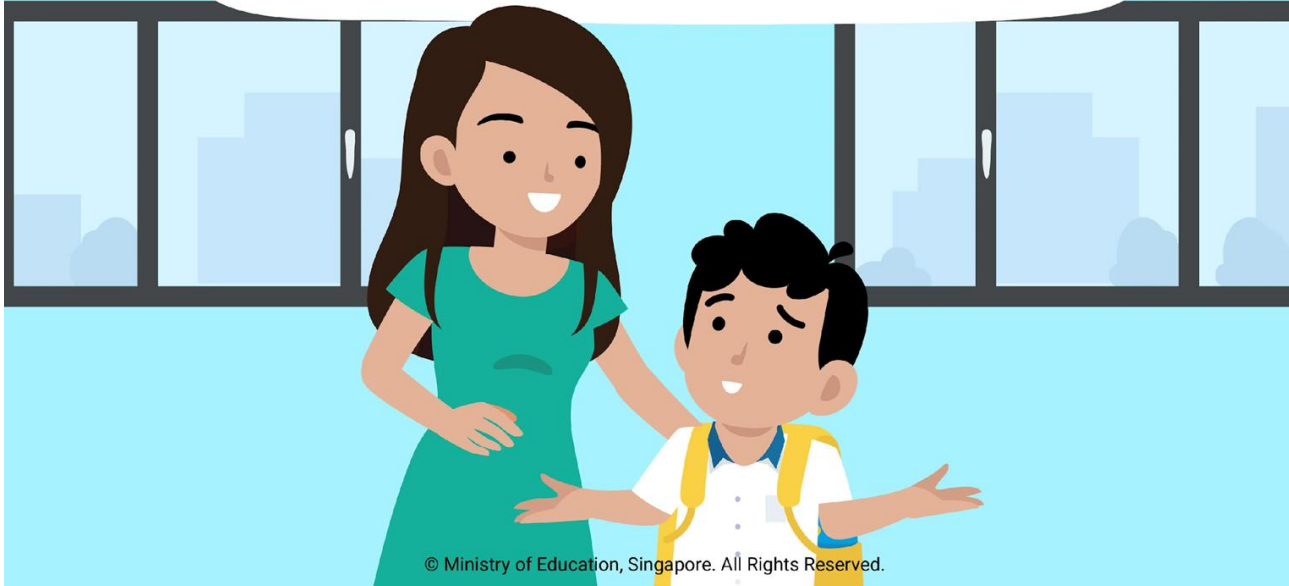
Teach your child how to ask for help

- Here are some steps you may teach your child:
 - **Step 1:** Look for someone who can help
 - **Step 2:** Check if that person has the time to help; if not, look for another suitable person
 - **Step 3:** Share what the problem is and how they feel
 - **Step 4:** Listen carefully to the advice given
 - **Step 5:** Thank the person for the help

Practise with your child at home how to ask for help. Remember to praise them for their efforts.

SOME QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE...

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



Students may enjoy recess so much that they forget to eat. Some students may not be eating because they are shy about ordering food.

Encourage your child to eat during recess

- Let your child practise ordering food and making payment when out with the family
- If they need more time to build their confidence or observe how it is done by other students, you may pack a lunch box in the meantime, so they will always have something to eat
- If you worry that your child is not eating at all, discuss with your child's teacher

Remind your child that eating during recess is important as it helps them learn better in class.

PARENT SUPPORT GROUP

Join the Parent Support Group (PSG)!

- The PSG consists of a group of dedicated parents who partner the school to support fellow parents in nurturing their children
- It is a platform for parents to network, share, learn and support each other in this parenting journey
- Some of the initiatives of the PSG include:
 - Parenting Workshops
 - Career Talks for P5 and P6 students



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I believe that children are our future.

**Teach them well and let them
lead the way.**



**Show them all the beauty
they possess inside.**

Extract from song
“The Greatest Love of All”
by Whitney Houston





Learning is their journey

Let them navigate

Push them to explore

Watch them discover

Encourage them to question

Allow them to struggle

Support their thinking





LET THEM FLY!



We are on the same team!

- Keep the communication channels open.
- Give feedback directly to the teachers and the school.
- Be assured that we will never compromise health, safety and learning.
- Give the school the permission to care and discipline.
- Be patient, as education is often a slow and long process.





See you on the
first day of school.



Have a Happy New Year!



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THANK
YOU