

# PRIMARY 4 PARENTS' BRIEFING 2022

Please take note that some of the photographs used in the following slides were taken before the implementation of COVID-19 safety measures.



#### TODAY'S BRIEFING

- Introduction to teachers in the P4 level
- Distinctive School Programmes
- Level Programmes
- Home-school Partnership
- P4 Subject-based banding briefing





#### **Teacher Mentors**

- Every teacher a mentor to students
  - Every child will have at least 2 teacher mentors – Form teacher and CCA teacher.
  - To deepen virtues and habits.
  - To build positive teacherstudent relationship.
  - Being a Coach, Counsellor and Cheerleader.





#### **Teacher Mentors**

- Morning conversations
  - To speak the language of virtues and facilitate discussion on the virtues.
  - To recognise teachable moments and set boundaries.
  - To offer companioning and honour the spirit.
  - Takes place before morning assembly from 7 am.

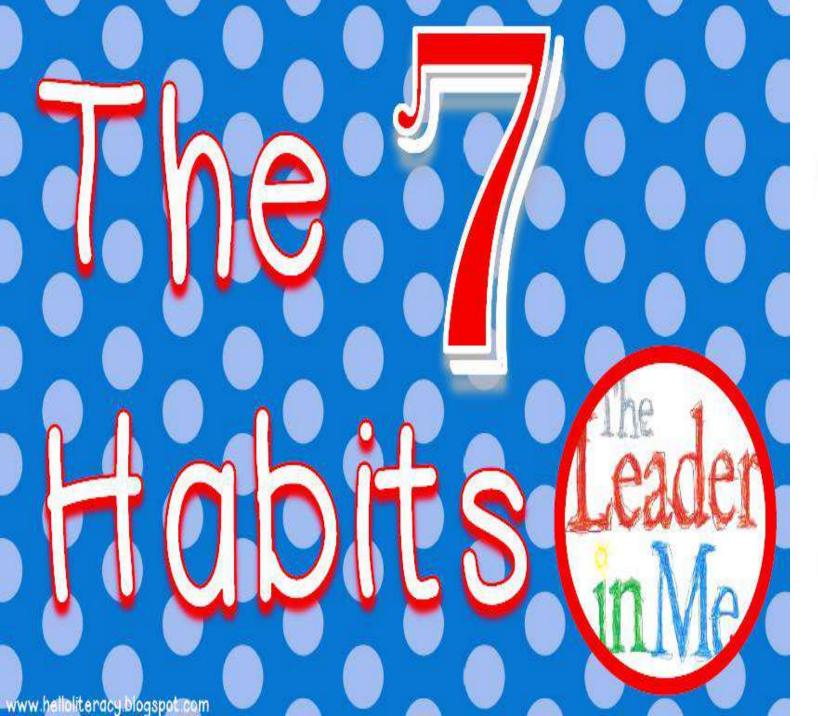


#### **Teacher Mentors**

- Virtues Challenge Board
  - Visible display of Virtues in class
  - Students are encouraged to display the virtues that they have learnt through their behaviour.
  - Teachers will affirm students for the good effort put in to improve and achieve success.

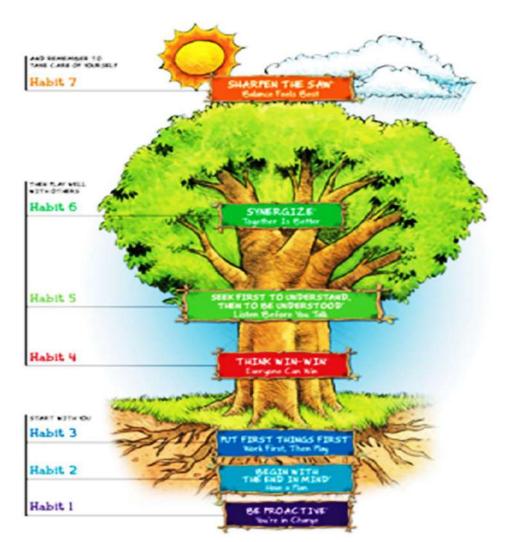








#### LEADER IN ME



Students will be learning leadership skills throughout the year using The Leader in Me programme.

Part of The Leader in Me involves learning about The 7 Habits of Happy Kids.



Build upon the school's curriculum on Environmental Education, *Leader for Life*.

Enables students to acquire and demonstrate important life-skills by focusing on **building strong** values and social emotional competencies.

Anchors on environmental education as a platform for students' community service and leadership.



- Recycling efforts
- Reduce: paper, water and electricity
- Reuse: art curriculum (creating craft)
- Recycle: paper, bottle
- Recycle: rainwater





- Outreach Programs: Recycling Drives
- School collaborates with South West CDC and SembWaste. Students collect recyclables for different organisations in exchange for groceries for needy residents.
- Promote recycling and raise awareness of the importance of caring for and protecting the environment.



- Blooming Garden
- Adopts a value-based approach to inculcate virtues such as care, respect and responsibility to create a lasting impact on the students' growth.

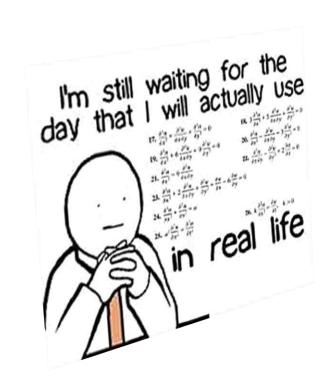








#### APPLIED LEARNING PROGRAMME (ALP)



Connects classroom learning with reallife applications and encourages students to creatively apply concepts to solve authentic problems.

It focuses on evoking curiosity in learning, developing inventive thinking and encouraging a dare-to-try spirit.

# Robotics (MATH)

Design, build and program robots. (guided projects)



# Engineering Design Learning Activities (SCIENCE)

**Environmental Engineering** 





#### HOUSE PRACTICE

Deepen students' holistic development through a structured, after-school modular CCA.













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#### **HOUSE PRACTICE**

Programme: Supervised Study Programme; Sports and Games

Time: 2pm to 4.30pm

Date: Wednesday or Friday





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Viewpoints taps on department programmes from the English Language Department, Mother Tongue Language Department, and Young Photographers programme to enhance language skills and deliver an authentic learning experience for all students through Print, Broadcast, and Photo journalism.

As part of Viewpoints, Young Photographers is a platform to build up students' photography skills from P2 and P3 and advance to DSLR photography. It aims to equip the P4 students with basic skills to handle the DSLR, shooting techniques (Rule of Thirds) and picture composition.



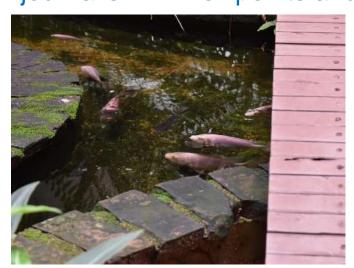






This is carried out in a Blended Learning approach, whereby students will learn composition techniques through video tutorials, apply knowledge through formative assessment activities in Student Learning Space (SLS). In the SLS, they will also use the Thinking Routine – See Think Wonder to analyse photographs and to deepen their understanding of the topic.

They will then apply knowledge gleaned through hands-on activities in school and outdoor shoot. If outdoor shoots are not possible, students will remain in school for their hands-on practice. The theme will be on Water which will provide students with the authentic resources for photo journalism in Viewpoints and application of Science concepts.









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# CREATIVE PHOTOGRAPHY WITH PROPS





#### **VIEWPOINTS**

#### Water Conservation



Water is very precious, so we need to conserve it.

Here is an example of how to conserve water. When brushing your teeth, do not leave the tap on.





There are so many more ways to conserve water, so try them at home!



#### LEVEL INTEREST

 Helps our students to enjoy their schooling experience, develop skills and forge strong bonds / relationships.









#### TRAFFIC GAMES

 Students will learn road safety tips and how to be a responsible road-user.







#### P4 DISCOVERY CAMP

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# The Accelerated Programme to Enhance students' experience (APEX)

APEX aims to stretch the academic potential of our students and nurture their leadership skills.

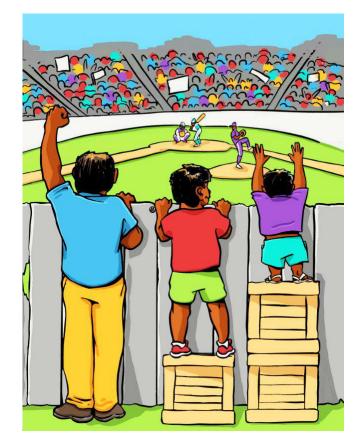
English	Mathematics and Science	Mother Tongue Language
<ul><li>Debate</li><li>Writing</li><li>Scrabble</li><li>English</li><li>Competitions</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Math and Science Olympiad (P4)</li> <li>STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) projects</li> <li>Excellence 2000 (E2K) Math and Science (P4)</li> <li>Math and Science Competitions</li> <li>Design Thinking Workshop (P4)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Chinese Junior Reporters (P4)</li> <li>MTL Competitions</li> </ul>





#### **SUPPORT PROGRAMMES**

- Banded classes for small group teaching
- Subject Remediation
- Reading Remediation Programme (RRP)
- School-based Dyslexia Programme (SDR)





#### **ASSESSMENT PLAN**

 Refer to level letter dated 13 January for details of topics for each subject to be covered in the year.

 Students will sit for Mid-Year Examinations (30%) and End-of-Year Examinations (70%) for each subject.



#### Awards and Recognition $\sum$



7 Habits and Virtues



**GEM Student** 



**GOTCHA** 



## Cards of affirmation, appreciation

and encouragement (\*\*)







#### **HOME-SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP**

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### Help your child succeed in life

Our children succeed when parents and schools work hand in hand.







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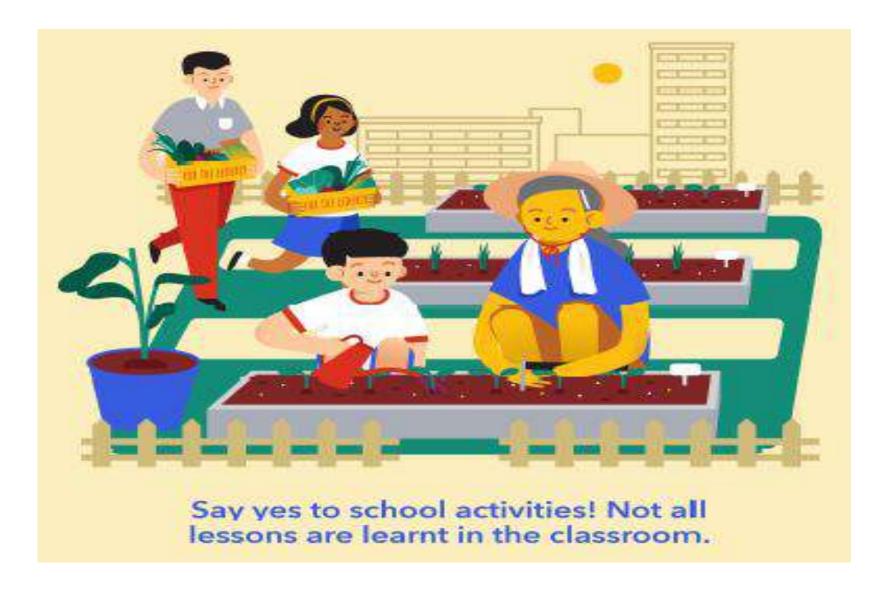








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#### P4 SUBJECT-BASED BANDING

To allow greater flexibility for students to take subjects at different levels depending on their proficiency and aptitude in these subjects.





Every child has a different learning style and pace. Each child is unique, not only capable of learning but also capable of succeeding.

Robert John Meehan



#### ULTIMATE GOAL

#### Bringing Out The Best In Each Child.





#### P4 SUBJECT-BASED BANDING

- School-based examinations at P4 (MYE 30% and EYE 70%)
- School-based recommendations
- Parental choice at the end of P4
- Final decision by schools at the end of P5



#### END OF P4

If the student (for P4 Exam)	The student may be recommended to take
Passes all 4 subjects and performs very well in MTL	<ul> <li>4 standard subjects + Higher Mother Tongue Language</li> </ul>
Passes all 4 subjects	4 standard subjects
Passes less than 4 subjects	<ul> <li>May be offered a combination of standard and foundation subjects</li> </ul>



## SUBJECT-BASED BANDING AND SECONDARY SCHOOL ADMISSION: HOW ARE THEY RELATED?

Progression to secondary level depends on the student's PSLE score. The different expectations of standard and foundation subjects will be taken into account when the student's PSLE score is calculated.



Offering subjects at the foundation level is **NOT** a disadvantage to the student. It enables the student to focus on building up strong fundamentals in these subjects and better prepares him / her for progression to secondary school.



#### OFFERING HIGHER MOTHER TONGUE

#### 1. School's recommendation

- Based on the student's potential and consistency in his/ her mother tongue language
- Performance and ability to cope in other subjects (English, Mathematics and Science)

#### 2. Parents' option

 Higher Mother Tongue is <u>not</u> included in the Computation of the PSLE score.







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