

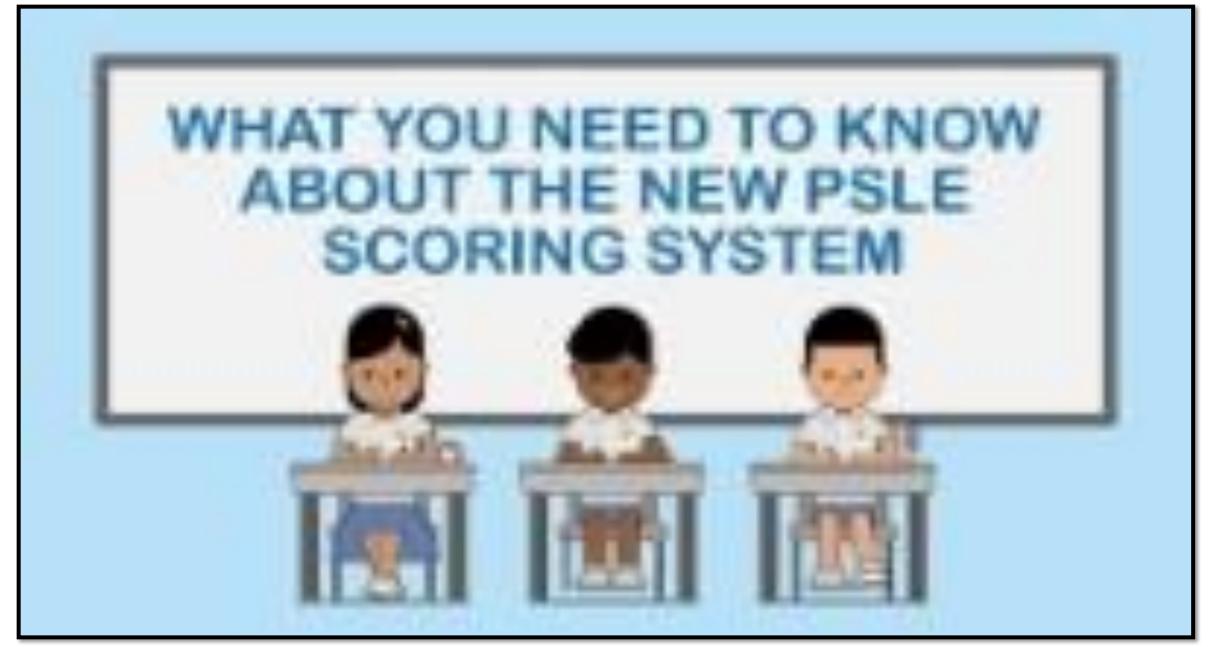
## **Meet-the-Parents Session**

### 16 January 2025



A PRESENTATION BY BUKIT TIMAH PRIMARY SCHOOL

### **COMPARISON OF PSLE SCORING**



## WHAT IS THE INTENT OF THE PSLE

A useful checkpoint at the end of primary school

A fair way to determine secondary school posting

Over the years, we have been changing the education system to help our students discover and develop their strengths and interests, while moving away from an over-emphasis on academic results. Our PSLE Scoring changes reduce an over-emphasis on academic results by:

Reducing fine differentiation of students' examination results at a young age.

PSLE

Recognising a student's level of achievement, regardless of how his/her peers have done. Encouraging families to choose secondary schools holistically based on students' strengths, interests and abilities.

# HOW THE PSLE SCORING SYSTEM WORKS

## **FROM T-SCORE TO SCORING BANDS**

Reduces fine differentiation of students' examination results at a young age

Students with similar scores in each subject are grouped into wider scoring bands measured in 8 ALs.

Reflects a student's individual level of achievement

Students' ALs for each subject reflect their level of achievement, rather than how they have performed relative to their peers.

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AL	RAW MARK RANGE		
1	≥ 90		
2	85 – 89		
3	80 – 84		
4	75 – 79		
5	65 – 74		
6	45 – 64		
7	20 – 44		
8	< 20		

### **GRADING OF FOUNDATION SUBJECT GRADES**

- Foundation subject grades are graded in scoring bands from <u>AL A to C</u>.
- To derive a student's overall PSLE Score for S1 Posting, AL A to AL C for Foundation level subjects are mapped to AL 6 to AL 8 of Standard level subjects respectively.
- Similar to the PSLE T-score system, this mapping is based on the learning and assessment load of the subjects, and informs students of how ready they are for the curriculum in secondary school.

FOUNDATION LEVEL AL	FOUNDATION RAW MARK RANGE	EQUIVALENT STANDARD LEVEL AL	
Α	75 – 100	6	
В	30 – 74	7	
С	< 30	8	

### SUBJECT-BASED BANDING (SECONDARY) [SBB (SEC)] ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- SBB (Sec) provides with **greater flexibility** to take various subjects at a more demanding level based on their subject-specific strengths.
- Under the new PSLE Scoring System, the SBB (Sec) eligibility criteria is as follows:

PSLE SUBJECT GRADE	<b>OPTION TO TAKE SUBJECT AT</b>	
AL 5 or better in a Standard level subject	G3	6
AL 6 or better in a Standard level subject		
<u>OR</u>	G2	
AL A in a Foundation level subject		

 As students progress in secondary school, they continue to have opportunities at various junctures to take subjects at more demanding levels based on their performance in school.

# USE OF HIGHER CHINESE LANGUAGE (HCL) FOR ADMISSION INTO SPECIAL ASSISTANCE PLAN (SAP) SCHOOLS



### HCL POSTING ADVANTAGE FOR ENTRY TO SAP SCHOOLS WILL CONTINUE

Students who obtained a Distinction/Merit/Pass for HCL at the PSLE and an overall PSLE Score of 14 or better will receive a posting advantage when applying to SAP schools. Students will be considered for admission to SAP schools in the following order: Students with better PSLE Scores will be NO HCL 1st posted first, even if they did not take HCL 8 DISTINCTION 2nd 8 MERIT 3rd Amonast students with the same PSLE Score, those with better HCL grades will 8 be posted first 4th PASS 8 NO HCL 5th 9 6th DISTINCTION

- Students' HCL results are denoted as 'D' (Distinction), 'M' (Merit) or 'P' (Pass).
- Students who obtain (i) a
   Distinction / Merit / Pass in HCL
   and (ii) a PSLE Score of 14 or
   better are eligible for posting
   advantage to SAP schools.
- Students are ranked taking into account their performance in HCL.
- This posting advantage applies before the tie-breakers for S1 Posting.

# CHOOSING SUITABLE SECONDARY SCHOOLS WITH YOUR CHILD

## SCHOOL CHOICE JOURNEY



- The PSLE Score ranges are a **useful reference point** for parents and students to consider secondary schools.
- Use this information, together with other **important factors** such as the secondary schools' distinctive programmes, CCAs, ethos and cultures, to shortlist schools that would best fit the educational needs of the student.
- If your child has specific talents and strengths beyond the PSLE (e.g. areas such as sports, performing arts and leadership), consider the Direct School Admission-Secondary (DSA-Sec) as an alternative admission pathway to access secondary schools that have talent development programmes in these areas.



- DSA-Sec Exercise introduced in 2004 as part of MOE's move towards creating more flexibility and options.
- To encourage schools to recognise talents.
  - Participating schools will decide on their own admission criteria.



### INFORMATION ON PSLE SCORING AND FSBB IN SECONDARY SCHOOLS

• PSLE Scoring System (moe.gov.sg)



<u>Direct School Admission for secondary schools</u>
 (DSA-Sec) | MOE





### **2024 BTPS PSLE OUTCOMES**

% Eligible for Secondary School	100%
% Successful DSA	19.5%
% Posting Group 3	77.0%
Number of PSLE Outstanding	21 students
Achievers (AL8 and below)	

• DSA

**Areas of Concern** 

- Excessive pressure and expectations from parents and self
- Mental and physical well-being



#### Supporting our Primary 5s... Develop Forming positive learning Practise selfa support habits management Take responsibility system for own learning Managing expectations **Practise time** (self and others) Learning is an management ongoing journey of growth.

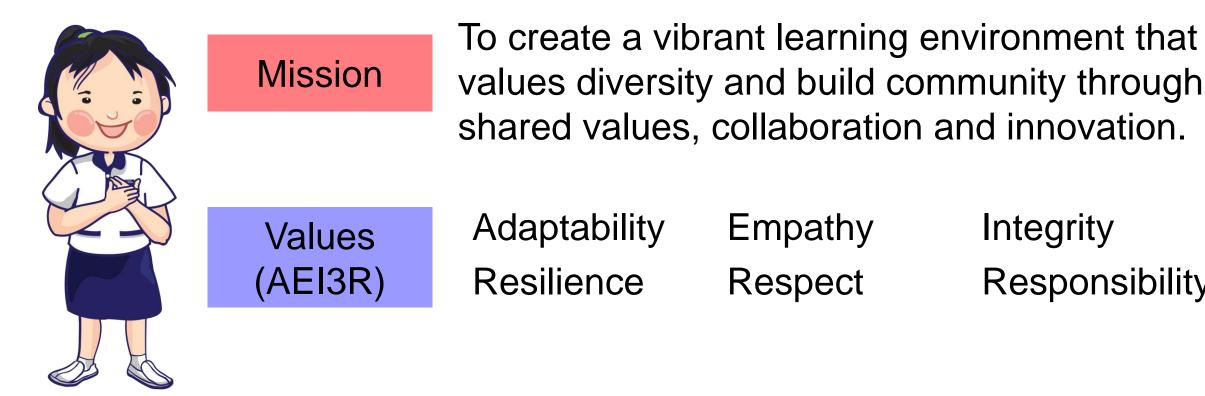
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## **VISION . MISSION . VALUES**

Vision

An Adaptive Learner, Empathetic Leader and Future-Ready Citizen



Integrity Responsibility

**Generation Together** Our children do best when schools and parents work Respectful Communication hand in hand to Foster kind words and actions between parents and educators support them. 88 **Role Models** Show our children the skills and values they need for life **Real Connections**  $( \mathbf{r} )$ Cultivate strong relationships and healthy habits in this digital age Learning -about 2 3 8Ra a

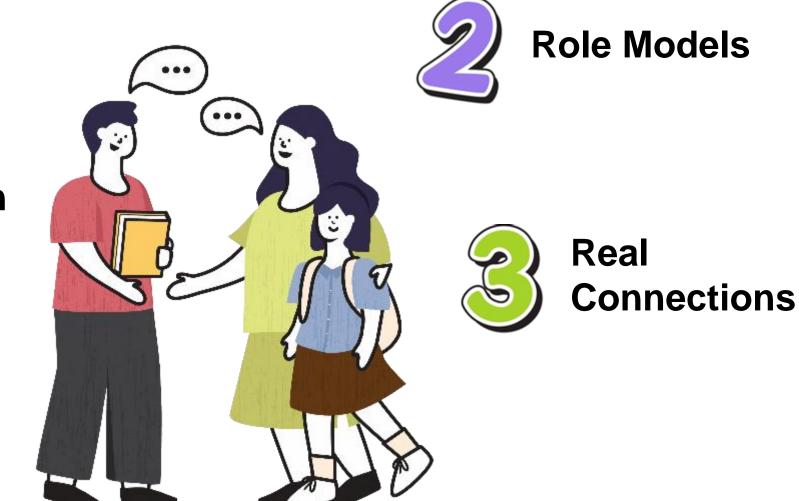
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**Guidelines for School-Home Partnership** 

### **Raising a Happy, Confident, and Kind**

### **3 AREAS WE CAN WORK TOGETHER ON TO FOSTER SCHOOL-HOME PARTNERSHIP**

Respectful Communication



### **RESPECTFUL COMMUNICATION**

Foster kind words and actions between schools and educators



Listen to and understand each other's perspectives and concerns regarding each child.



Communicate kindly using official channels. Teachers are not required to share their personal mobile numbers.

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Respect each other's time by communicating during working hours.

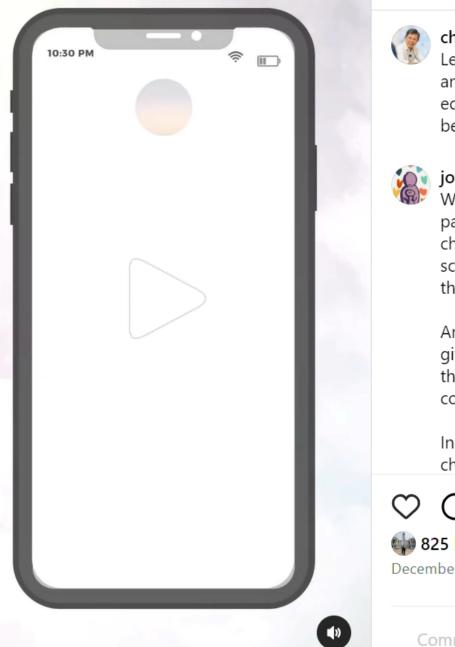
### **CONNECTING WITH THE SCHOOL**

- Email addresses of all teachers and Key Personnel, including School Leaders, are on the school website.
- Teachers will not be sharing their personal numbers with parents.
- Best person to approach regarding day-to-day matters would be your child's Form Teacher.
- You can choose to email or call the school general office who will pass the message for the teacher to return call.
- Please give our teachers time to return your call.
- Do keep communication to between 7a.m. to 5p.m. on weekdays.
- We will use Parents Gateway (PG) and email as the main mode of communication, supplemented by phone calls.



### CONNECTING WITH THE SCHOOL





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chanchunsing.sg 2w Let's treat our educators with respect and consideration. At the heart of education lies a strong partnership between parents and teachers 💝

joyful.carol 2w Will share this reminder to parenting networks. Pls also let our children have protected time after school hours and avoid messaging them after school hours 🙏

Any instruction or reminder can be given during school hours and let the children learn to deal with consequences A

Indeed it take a village to raise a child. Have a great 2025 year

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December 26, 2024

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## **ROLE MODELS**

Show our children the skills and values they need for life



Find joy in everyday experiences with our children.



Instill confidence by encouraging responsibility and believing in our children's abilities.



Model good values in words and actions.



Check out this video on MOE YouTube for tips on how parents can support the socialemotional learning of their children.



## **REAL CONNECTIONS**

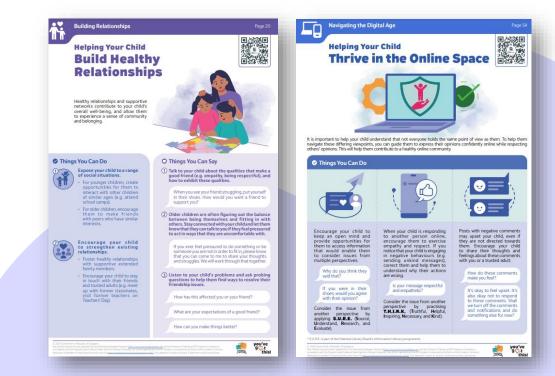
Cultivate strong relationships and healthy habits in this digital age

Establish good habits for our children to stay confident and in control of their technology use

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Build strong bonds through shared experiences and meaningful conversations

Provide a balanced mix of engaging online and offline activities, at school and at home





Check Parenting for Wellness Toolbox for conversation starters to facilitate meaningful conversations, and practical strategies on parenting in a digital age.

### **ENGAGEMENT CHARTER**

- The partnership between schools and parents is an essential one.
- By promoting mutual courtesy and respect in our interactions with each other, we can be good role models for our children and build authentic partnerships that will better benefit our children.





Our staff are committed to partner you with sincerity, integrity and professionalism.

By showing mutual courtesy and respect, we set a positive example for our children.

MOE values our staff and will take firm action to protect them against any unreasonable behaviour, harassment or abuse.

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## **Thank You**



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