### **Physical Well-Being** Dental & Health Information

#### On behalf of Ms Jubell Tee, School Dental Nurse



#### To support your child's well-being, the Health Promotion Board provides free health services, such as screening, immunisation and dental checks in schools.









Youth Preventive Dental Service | Primary School Orientation

https://youtu.be/7-FEntl6mJg?si=PFOqdJLPFhqERal-



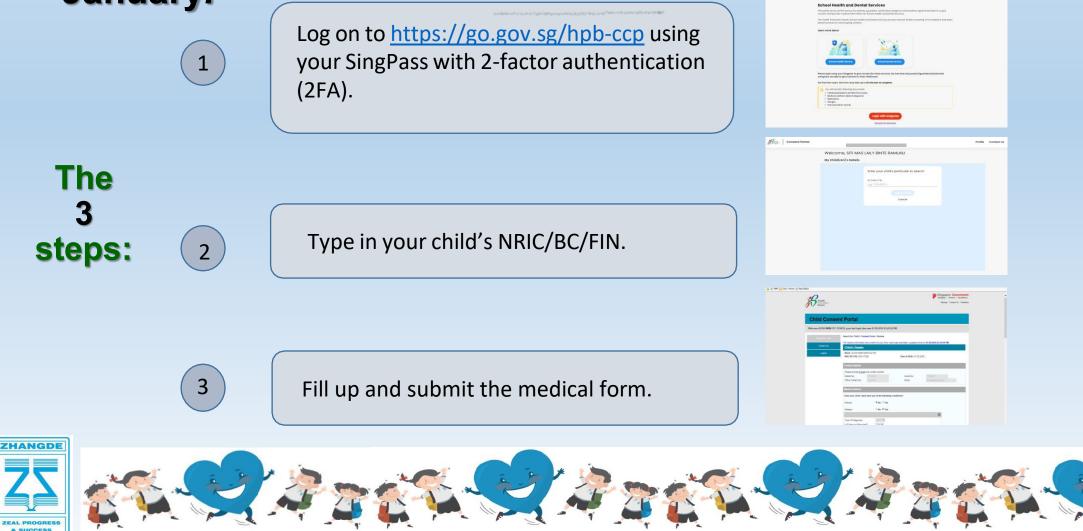
#### A digital letter will be sent via Parents Gateway Parents must give their consent before their children receive the services. Every year to date, 99% of the parents have done so.





#### Parents need to access the Child Consent Portal (https://go.gov.sg/hpb-ccp) to submit their consent online after the second week of January.





### For urgent treatment, students can either walk in to the dental clinic or parents to WhatsApp this number: 8940 0375



# P1 Settling Down in Zhangde Primary School

We are inclusive and embrace diversity as we recognise each student to be unique and honour their individual traits.



# P1 Transition from Kindergarten to Primary School

Mdm Gwendolyn Bava, Senior Special Educational Needs Officer



### **Smoothening the transition to Primary 1**

When your child enters primary school, their experience will include:



## What Is It Like In Primary School?

- Laying a strong foundation
- Nurturing well-rounded individuals and passionate lifelong learners
- Providing learning opportunities that recognise their strengths and develop their full potential
- Preparing our children for the future
- Providing a safe learning environment to support our children's well-being



## **Key Changes**

### Kindergarten

- Shorter school hours
- Smaller class size & compound
- More hand-holding from the teachers
- Exploration and learning through play in learning areas
- No/Little Homework
- Meals/Food provided

### **Primary School**

- Longer school hours
- Bigger class size & compound
- Learning to be independent
- Greater scope and rigour in curricular subjects
- Homework & assignments given
- Recess Need to choose, queue and buy own food



# How can you support your child?

#### **S**upport

your child and encourage them to overcome challenges with your care

#### <u>A</u>ffirm

your child by recognising small successes and praising their efforts

### **F**amiliarise

your child with new routines gradually and share your experiences in primary school

#### **E**mpathise

with and acknowledge your child's feelings









## **Special Educational Needs**

- A child entering Primary 1 may have Special Educational Needs if he/she finds it difficult to:
  - Write their name.
  - Follow a simple story when it is read aloud to them.
  - Communicate with others.
  - Make friends.
  - Stay focused to complete a task.
  - Access learning in school due to hearing, visual or physical impairments.
- Do work with your child's teachers if you suspect your child is facing one or more of these challenges.
- Providing early intervention aids your child's development during the most critical stage of development.



Extracted from: https://www.moe.gov.sg/special-educational-needs/understand





## **Inclusive Education**

- All mainstream primary schools are resourced to support students with mild to moderate special educational needs.
- The types of support given to the students would be from
  - Teachers trained in Special Needs (TSN)
  - Special Educational Needs (SEN) Officers



- Access Arrangements (Primary 3 onwards)
- To provide understanding of peers with special educational needs, school-based talks are done.
- For students that may need intervention or services provided outside school, the school works with the MOE Educational Psychologist to provide consultation and referrals.

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## **Inclusive Education**

- All classes will have students with varying abilities and needs.
- Some students may be active and exuberant, some sensitive to sounds and touches, some have difficulties controlling their emotions, thus resulting in outbursts.



- We will guide and support all students to the best of our ability while partnering their parents.
- We need all parents to be understanding and supportive. Setting the right message for the children, who are learning and developing, will help to shape a gracious and inclusive culture.
- Learning is better when there is diversity in the classroom. Being in such classes provide your child with the opportunity to learn about and accept individual differences. It also imparts the importance of empathy and respect.



# Building Home-School Partnership

We forge trusting partnerships with families and the community for the growth and well-being of each student.

Mr Thilak, I/C Partnership



### **School-Home Partnership**

Our children do best when schools and parents work hand in hand to support them.

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Guidelines for School-Home Partnership **Raising a Happy, Confident, and Kind Generation Together** 

> Respectful Communication Foster kind words and actions between parents and educators

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**Role Models** Show our children the skills and values they need for life

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#### Note for schools:

For more information that can be included in this section, please refer to the notes section.



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**Real Connections** 

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### **School-Home Partnership**

- Working Together with the School
- Parental Support
- Communication Channels
  - Parents Gateway
  - From The Principal's Desk (Termly)
  - Students' Calendar (Termly)
  - Zhangde Instagram: @Zhangdepri
  - School Website: <u>https://zhangdepri.moe.edu.sg/</u>



## What's Available On The Repository?





Fri, 23 September 2022

#### [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.

 Teach Your Child Social Emotional Skills

 BE READY FOR LEARNING

 What your child may learn in school

 Image: Construction of the school
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Mon, 18 October 2021

#### [PDF] Social skills to prepare your child for Primary 1

Click to download or view this resource to learn how you can help your child learn social skills.



Mon, 23 August 2021 Are you over-preparing your child for P1?

Learn how overpreparing your child may hinder learning.



Wed, 15 December 2021

[NLB] LearnX Reading - Primary Create fun experiences for your child to discover the joy of reading.

Find out what your child really needs for Primary 1. Help develop your child's social and emotional skills by referring to this infographic Are you over-preparing your child for primary school? How to cultivate the love for reading? Check out resources from the National Library Board.



### WE ARE HERE TO SUPPORT YOU!



#### **Parent Kit**



www.moe.gov.sg/parentkit Each Parent Kit issue contains bite-sized actionable tips with supporting resources for parents to help them support their child in their education journey.



#### Schoolbag.edu.sg

www.schoolbag.edu.sg

Through articles and multimedia content, Schoolbag provide parents and general public with information and insights related to education, tips for parent involvement and features on school programmes.



**SCHOOLBAG** 

THE EDUCATION NEWS SITE

## WE ARE HERE TO SUPPORT YOU!

### KEEPING CHILDREN HEALTHY – A GUIDE FOR PARENTS



#### Keeping Children Healthy

A GUIDE FOR PARENTS



Is your child transitioning to P1?

Unlike preschool where your child is served meals based on a fixed menu, they will have to start making more independent choices about what they want to eat in primary school.

This transition from being served to choosing for themselves can be daunting for children. Prepare them for it in the following ways:

a) Talk to your child about 'My Healthy Plate' and highlight the importance of different food groups in our diet. Teach them how to choose a combination of dishes using the 'quarter-quarter-half' method so they learn to incorporate all food groups in their meals.





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**Edition 1** 

Edition 2



**Edition 3** 

### WE ARE HERE TO SUPPORT YOU!

#### FAMILY VALUES CARD GAME Developed by Families for Life, in partnership with the Ministry of Education

- Designed for parent-child bonding and provide opportunities to discuss about family values as a family
- Families can learn how to play the game by scanning the QR code on the game box
- Parents are encouraged to make use of the conversation starters included in the rulebook to engage children in understanding and demonstrating the family values of love, care and concern, commitment and respect





### PARENT-CHILD ACTIVITY BOOK IS AVAILABLE ONLINE!

### PARENT-CHILD ACTIVITY BOOK (DIGITAL)

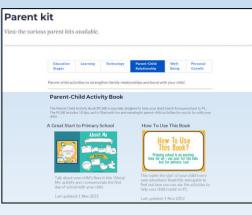
**10 TIPS FOR PARENTS** to help you navigate your child's first year in primary school.

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









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## Home-School Partnership

### Our children succeed when parents and school work hand in hand.

Work with the school to know and support your child

conversations with teachers in both academic and non-academic areas this will help you better guide your child's development.

 Check the teachers' preferred mode of communication - they are not required to share their mobile numbers.

 Understand that teachers may not be able to respond to your queries immediately.

#### Help your child relate to others

 Work with the teachers to help your child respect differences and resolve disagreements amicably.

 Let the school verify the facts in any incident before taking action to ensure a fair, objective outcome for all parties.

Help your child develop good habits

 Create a conducive home environment for your child to enjoy reading and to finish his/her homework by himself/herself.

 Encourage your child to live a healthy, balanced life with time for sleep and play.

#### Help your child manage himself/herself

Guide your child in managing his/her time.

Encourage your child to help out with household chores.

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# Zhangde Parent Support Group (PSG)

Mdm Joyce Low, PSG Chairperson

Mr Tang Hong Sing, PSG Vice Chairperson



### It takes a village to raise a child

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

Your child will tend to:

- show more positive attitudes
- exhibit higher aspirations and motivation towards school
- have better school attendance and complete homework more consistently
- be able to bridge the cultural gap between school and home
- be less anti-social and less prone to behavioural issues<sup>1</sup>
- Parent Support Group (PSG) comprises official PSG committee members or parent volunteers on ad-hoc basis (for events/programmes).



### It takes a village to raise a child

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#### THE STRAITS TIMES

SINGAPORE

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



Ms Joey Ching and her husband Mr David Ting Borg steeved checked shirt) with their five children. (back row from left) Ethan, 20, Solomon 19, (front row from left) Joshus, 15, Sophia, 16, 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.

#### THE STRAITS TIMES

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Students do better when their parents get involved in school activities

SINGAPORE



Civil servant Ganesan Maniam, with his wife Kanjana Lee, a customer service executive, and children Kavi Ganesan, 12, and Jayashree Ganesan, 13, or perior or or a service and the service of the service executive and children Kavi Ganesan, 12, and Jayashree



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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 volumeer when their child moves up to secondary school, said a National Institute of Education (NIE) survey of some 7, students from 37 schools.





## **PSG in Action**





### How can you contribute to the school?





#### Talent

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

Share your expertise, talents, individual interests or personal networks with the school



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



#### As a parent volunteer, you can join us in school-organized events ....

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International Friendship Day

Learning Journeys

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**Reading Programme** 



**Total Defence Day** 



#### As a PSG Committee, you can join us im....

Brainstorming ideas for activities



Bonding with other parents

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Co-organizing events with the school



### **Count Me In!**

### Sign up as a Parent Volunteer (ad-hoc events/programmes) or as PSG member. Together, we bring out the best in our students!





# Thank you!

### Please proceed to the breakout rooms on Level 2 for the Hands-on sessions & workshops.

