

HOME-BASED LEARNING

The school leverages on a variety of learning modes to support Home-Based Learning (HBL). HBL is holistic and covers academic and student development domains (such as CCE) for both examinable and non-examinable subjects.

HBL does not pertain to e-learning only. HBL can be in the form of e-learning via Student Learning Space (SLS), which is a key platform for accessing the learning resources and assignments. It also includes readings or assignments (textbooks, workbooks and worksheets) to be carried out offline. The recommended number of hours per day for HBL is 4 hours for primary students with a maximum of 2 hours of online learning.

Students should not go to school on HBL days unless special permission/arrangements has been granted from the school.

During HBL Days

During HBL days, your child will be provided with instructions on how to access HBL materials by his/her teachers. He/she is to follow the HBL schedule which will be posted through the Parents Gateway or on the school website. He/She is also expected to complete all given assignments at home. Parents will be kept updated through the Parents Gateway / Class Dojo on the work assigned.

Should your child encounter any difficulty in accessing the SLS platform, including login and password issues, please contact the Form teacher or visit:
<https://zhangdepri.moe.edu.sg/students-hub/useful-links-and-helpdesk>

Support for Students' Well-Being

During HBL days, students are assured of support from the school. Students who need support from teachers on academic studies or for social-emotional issues, could communicate via emails to the teachers. Our teachers will get back to them on the same day. Our school counsellor is also available for counselling during office hours.

Expectations of Students during HBL

HBL activities are designed to allow students to complete the assigned work independently. We encourage our students to live up to the school's mission of 'self-directed thinking individual and passionate learner' and approach teachers to seek clarifications as they engage in HBL activities.

Students would have to bring back their textbooks, workbooks and worksheets for HBL Days. Before the online HBL begins for the day, students are expected to be ready at their computer with the relevant textbooks, workbooks and notes as required by the teachers.

Parents' Support for HBL

We encourage parents to support your child by providing a conducive environment at home. You could do this by:

- Setting up an area conducive for learning, such as at the dining table or study desk.
- Working out a daily schedule with your child and guiding your child in setting goals and scheduling tasks. For further tips on guiding your child in setting goals, refer to the Resilience Boosters at <https://go.gov.sg/selresforparents>.
- Working out a routine for your child as parents may not always be present to supervise your child. The routine could comprise study, meal, rest times and recreational activities.
- Establishing an agreement with your child on managing screen time. For further tips and guides on reinforcing your child's cyber wellness, please refer to: <https://ictconnection.moe.edu.sg/cyber-wellness/for-parents>.
- Encouraging your child to maintain an optimistic and positive outlook while accepting the changes and emotions that he/she has had to face as part of going through HBL.