

# Seng Kang Primary School



## 2023 Primary One Orientation Booklet



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## School Vision

Every Seng Kang  
Primary student  
an Inventive Thinker,  
a Confident Leader  
and a Gracious Citizen

## School Mission

Nurturing self-directed  
learners with inquiring  
minds, anchored on  
moral values to lead,  
care and serve

## School Values

Graciousness  
Integrity  
Resilience  
Confidence



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# OUR COR<sup>2</sup>E LEARNING DISPOSITIONS

There are 5 key learning dispositions that we seek to develop in every student: Curiosity, Open-mindedness, Responsibility, Resilience and Enthusiasm (COR<sup>2</sup>E). These Learning dispositions are positive behaviours and attitudes towards learning which we strive to imbue in our children. They are important for the children in their journey as life-long learners.



**C O R R E**

Ask questions to deepen understanding

Respond to issues by providing ideas or solutions

Receptive to ideas shared by peers

Cooperate with peers and teachers

Act on feedback and use it to improve performance

Complete assigned tasks to the best of one's ability

Keep trying when faced with difficulties

Be prepared for learning

Be punctual for school and submit work on time

Be safe and respectful online

Listen attentively

Participate actively in lessons



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## GENERAL INFORMATION

### SCHOOL HOURS

Day	Start Time	Dismissal Time
Monday to Friday	7.30 a.m.	Primary 1 and 2: 1.25 p.m. Primary 3 to 6: 1.30 p.m.

You may visit our school website for more details on School Hours:

<https://sengkangpri.moe.edu.sg/about-us/general-information/school-hours>



### ARRIVAL PROCEDURES FOR P1 STUDENTS

Students arrive <b>before</b> 7.15 a.m.	Assemble at the basketball court
Students arrive <b>after</b> 7.15 a.m.	Proceed to their respective classrooms

All students should report to school **by 7.25 a.m.** National Anthem will start at 7.30 a.m. Students are considered late after 7.30 a.m.

P1 students can only enter the school via **Gate 2A** during orientation days (**from 3 January to 6 January 2023**).



GATE 2A

Opening Hours:

6.45 a.m. – 7.25 a.m. (Mon-Fri)

Refer to [page 12](#) for map

Students will measure their temperature using their personal thermometers daily upon arrival in the classroom. **Your child will be given a thermometer at the beginning of the year. Please label your child's name on the thermometer.** Thermometer must be brought to school every day. If your child loses the thermometer, please purchase a new one for him/her.

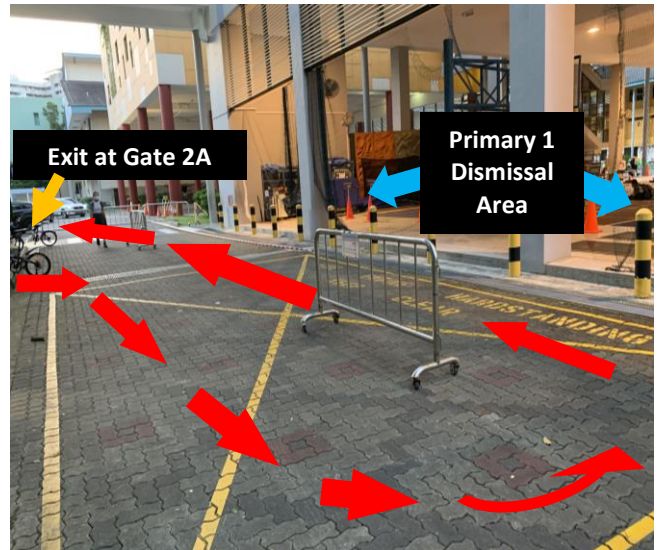
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## DISMISSAL PROCEDURES FOR P1 STUDENTS

	School Dismissal Time
School dismissal during orientation days <b>from 3 January to 6 January 2023</b>	<b>At 1.00 p.m.</b> <b>(from the basketball court)</b>
Daily school dismissal time <b>from 9 January onwards</b>	<b>At 1.25 p.m. daily</b> <b>(from the basketball court)</b>

### **(a) Students picked up by parents or caregivers**

Parents or caregivers will pick their child / ward up ONLY at the **basketball court** and exit via **Gate 2A**. If parents / caregivers are late in picking their child / ward, the child will wait in the General Office.



*Parents / caregivers to pick your child / ward from the areas indicated by the blue circles*

### **(b) Students taking school bus**

School bus will leave the school after 1.40 p.m.

### **(c) Students going home with siblings**

Your P1 child / ward will wait at the basketball court for his/her elder sibling.

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## **RECESS**

Recess for P1 students will be from **9.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m.**

If your child prefers to buy food from the canteen stalls, we recommend giving your child **about \$2.50** on a daily basis to help him/her manage his/her spending.

## **SNACK BREAK**

Students will have a 10-minute Snack Break between 11.30 a.m. and 12.30 p.m.

Please note that only dry healthy food (e.g., biscuits, bread and fruits such as an apple) is allowed. Students are encouraged to pack their snack in a lunch box. Do note that students will not be allowed to go to the canteen during Snack Break.

## **SMALL BAG FOR RECESS**

Students are encouraged to have a small bag for recess so as to carry the following items with ease and to reduce the possibilities of misplacing them.

Items to bring for recess:

- Ziploc bag with spare masks
- tissue paper
- wet wipes
- hand sanitiser
- water bottle
- recess items (food container/food)
- storybook

All personal items should be **labelled with your child's full name and class**. Your child's wallet should be placed in his/her pocket at all times.

## **HAND TOWEL**

All Primary 1 students are encouraged to bring a small hand towel to wipe themselves after PE. The hand towel should be washed and changed daily.

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## **COMMUNICATIONS**

### **HOME-SCHOOL COMMUNICATION**

The main mode of communication between school and parents will be via the Parents Gateway (PG) mobile app. Notifications on school programmes and activities will be made via PG. General announcements from MOE will also be sent to parents via PG. The app allows parents to perform a range of administrative functions including giving consent for school programmes and activities, as well as declaration of travel plans.

To perform a simple one-time onboarding process, click on the link below for the step-by-step guide.

<https://sengkangpri.moe.edu.sg/quick-links/parents/parents-gateway>



Our school website is one platform for you to stay updated on our school's events and programmes. There is also a list of parents' resources which may be helpful for you. Click on the link below to access the resources.

<https://sengkangpri.moe.edu.sg/quick-links/parents>



### **COMMUNICATION WITH TEACHERS**

Our children do best when schools and parents work hand in hand to support them. Having regular conversations with teachers in both academic and non-academic areas will help you better guide your child's development. The following are various ways you can communicate with the teachers:

- Write in your child's Student Handbook
- Email the teacher
- Call the school and leave a message for the teacher to return your call
- Fix an appointment with the teacher if you want a face-to-face meeting

In view of work-life harmony, our teachers are not expected to give their personal mobile number to parents. We seek your understanding that teachers are not expected to return calls or meet parents after 5.00 p.m.



## **OFF TO SKPS! PRIMARY ONE ORIENTATION 2023**

This session aims to connect with parents and share about home-school partnership in SKPS.

Date: 3 January 2023 (Tue)

Time: 8.00 a.m.

Venue: Seng Kang Primary School

*More details will be released nearer the event. Please keep this day available.*

## **STUDENTS' USAGE OF SMART WATCHES AND PHONES**

Students are not allowed to bring handphones and smart watches to school. They are to use the public phones in the school if they need to contact their parents. Your child / ward is encouraged to bring coins in the event he/she needs to use the public phone.

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## PREPARING FOR SCHOOL

Write your child's name and class legibly in **ink on the cover of each textbook, workbook, exercise book, worksheets and file**. Use this format when writing your child's particulars. **Label all your child's stationery and items too.**

<b>E.g. 1</b> <b>Lee Meng Wee</b> <b>1 Faith</b>	<b>E.g. 2</b> <b>Siti Natasha</b> <b>1 Joy</b>	<b>E.g. 3</b> <b>Darenjit Singh</b> <b>1 Courage</b>	<b>E.g. 4</b> <b>Jasmine Lau Xin Yi</b> <b>1 Confidence</b>
<p><b><u>Things to bring every day</u></b></p> <p>pencil case with 3 sharpened pencils, an eraser and a ruler  a box of coloured pencils  a thermometer  a storybook  SKPS Communication &amp; Homework File  Mini Whiteboard and marker</p>			
<b>Day 1 (3 January, Tue)</b>		<b>Day 2 (4 January, Wed)</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> SKPS P1 STELLAR Worksheets (2023) <input type="checkbox"/> Primary Mathematics Practice Book 1A <input type="checkbox"/> SKPS Maths Topical Worksheets <input type="checkbox"/> Base-Ten Card ( <i>if you have received it</i> )		<input type="checkbox"/> CL/ML/TL Activity Book 1A <input type="checkbox"/> CL/TL Penmanship Book 1A <input type="checkbox"/> Character and Citizenship Education (CL/ML/TL) <input type="checkbox"/> Social Studies Activity Book <input type="checkbox"/> My FTGP Journal <input type="checkbox"/> SKPS Report Book <input type="checkbox"/> 3 SKPS A5 Broad Line Exercise Books	
<p>From 5 January onwards, students to pack their school bags according to the timetable given by their form teachers.</p>			

Please ensure your child wears his temporary name tag with lanyard daily. Once your child receives his/her name tags, please iron them on each of his/her uniforms and PE T-shirts as shown below.





# Tips For Parents

in preparing your child for primary school

Entering primary school is a big step in a child's life, and one that may be daunting.

**Transition is a process and not a one-off event. It is the beginning of a partnership between parents and the school to provide a positive learning experience for our children.**



## Changes your child should expect

There are several key changes that your child will experience as they move on to primary school from kindergarten.

Longer school hours

Bigger classes

Larger school compound

Holistic assessments

## Independence

Your child will have to be more independent in primary school. This includes becoming a more independent learner. Your child will also need to learn to buy his / her own food from the canteen.



## Here are some tips to prepare you and your child for Primary One school life:

### *Tip 1: Talk to Your Child*

You can create excitement and eagerness by engaging your child in conversations about school life. Ask open-ended questions; not just about homework.

### *Tip 2: Familiarise Your Child*

Bring your child to the school to have a look. This would help them mentally prepare themselves. You can also visit the school website to explore.

### *Tip 3: Keep Line of Communication Open*

Giving the teachers and allied educators as much information about your child can go a long way in helping your child adjust to life in primary school. When listening to your child's concern, always confer the information with your child's form teacher to have a balanced view.



### *Tip 4: Read with Your Child*

Reading is beneficial. It sparks your child's imagination and stimulates curiosity. The ability to read independently gives your child the confidence and motivation in learning. For a start, you can read with your child. It not only allows you to bond with him / her but also helps nurture his / her habit of reading.

### *Tip 5: Manage Your Child's Screen Time*

Real-time interactions with family members and others are much better for your child's development in social and communication skills which comes in handy in his / her primary school endeavours. Such interactions beat facing mobile devices which may do more harm than good. It is important to manage your child's screen time for the benefit of his / her well-being.

## Tip 6: Encourage Independence

### A) **Understand the Class Timetable**

Help your child understand the longer school hours and new routines.

### B) **Concept of Money**

You would be giving an allowance to your child - this is a good time to teach your child the concept of money.

### C) **Packing and Organising**

Coach your child in packing his / her schoolbag on his / her own according to the timetable. Your child should always have the essential stationery in his / her pencil case. Your child is discouraged from using a trolley-school bag for safety reasons. Teaching responsibility from the first day sends a positive message to your child. (We appeal to parents not to bring forgotten items for your child but to let him / her take responsibility for his / her actions.)

### D) **Communicating Messages**

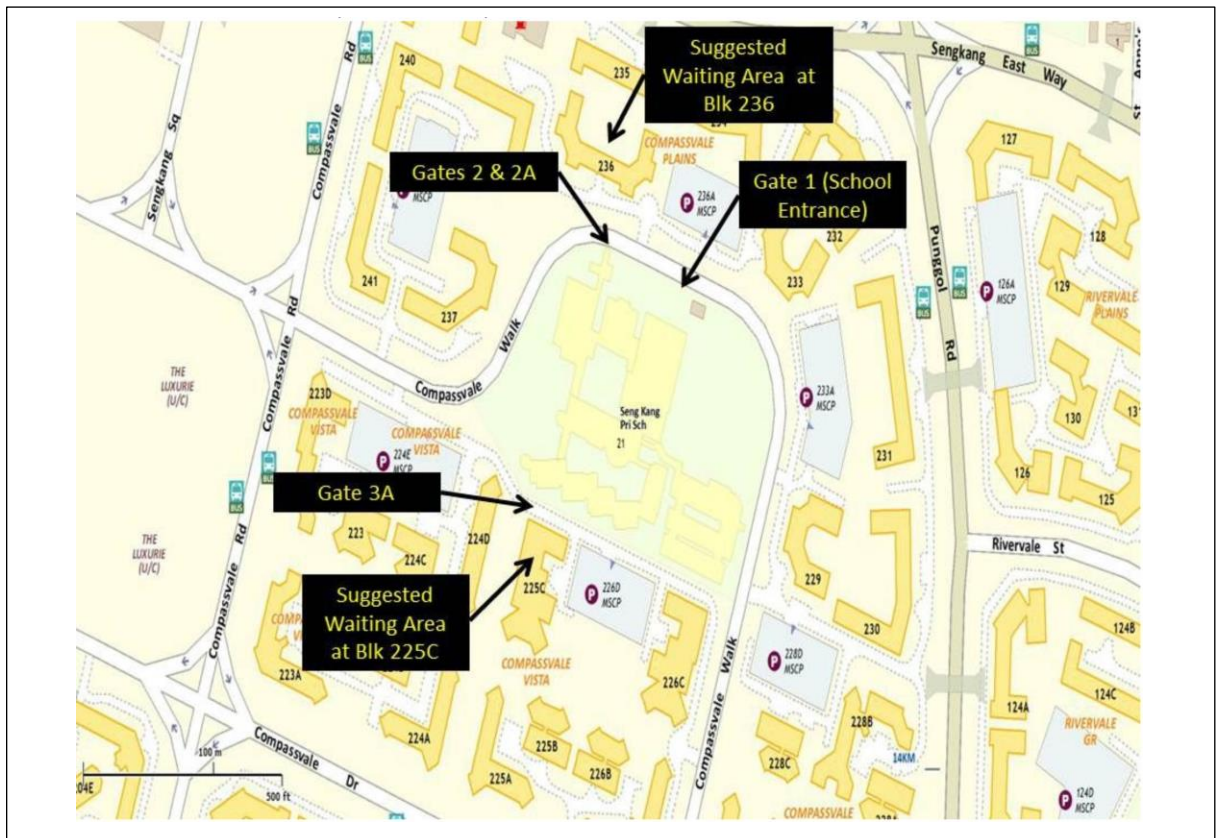
As school circulars would be distributed from time to time to your child, please turn on notifications and check Parents Gateway to get the latest updates.

For more tips on helping your child transit to Primary One smoothly, please refer to Ministry of Education's "Parent-Child Activity Book - Tips & Activities for a Great Start to Primary School".

## SCHOOL GATES OPERATING HOURS

<b><i>Pedestrians</i></b>	
Gate 2A & 3A	6.45 a.m. to 7.25 a.m.
<b><i>Vehicles</i></b>	
Gate 1	6.30 a.m. to 7.25 a.m.
<b>Gate 2A</b>	
<b>*P1 students will be dismissed <u>only</u> at Gate 2A</b>	
Tuesday – Friday (3 January – 6 January)	1.00 p.m. to 2.00 p.m.
Monday – Friday (from 9 January onwards)	1.30 p.m. to 2.00 p.m.

For more details and photo illustrations, please visit our school website:  
<https://sengkangpri.moe.edu.sg/about-us/general-information/school-gate>



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## SCHOOL UNIFORM AND PE ATTIRE

	Recommended number of sets to purchase
School uniform	1 <i>Note: For Girls, it is recommended to purchase 2 skirts.</i>
PE attire	3 Colour of PE attire should be in accordance to the house colour assigned to your child

Name tags	To be purchased from the school bookshop Must be sewn/ironed onto each uniform and PE shirt
School socks	Must be black with SKPS printed on them
School shoes	Must be all black

### Uniform Supplier: Jeep Sing Fashion

Blk 4012 Ang Mo Kio Ave 10, Techplace 1 #01-09, Singapore 569628

Tel: 6456 3198

### Online Purchase

<https://jeepsinguniform.com/collections/seng-kang-primary-school>



### Walk-in Purchase at Retail Outlet

- Strictly by Appointment only through booking of time slots via this link <https://jeepsinguniform.com/pages/appointment-booking> (from 15 Oct 2022)
- Mode of payment: Cash, Nets, PayNow or DBS Paylah!
- Operating hours: Monday - Friday : 10.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.  
(Lunch break and sanitisation of store: 1.00pm to 2.00pm)  
Saturday: 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.  
Closed on Sunday and Public Holidays

### Purchase in School

- Booking of appointment is required via this link: <https://bit.ly/3nuDWOR>
- Dates: 24, 25, 26, 29 and 30 Nov 2022  
2, 3, 5, 15, 16, 17 and 19 Dec 2022
- Time: 9.00am to 3.00pm (Lunch break from 12.00noon to 1.00pm)
- Mode of payment: Cash, PayNow or DBS Paylah!

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## **SCHOOL TEXTBOOKS & STATIONERY**

Purchase of textbooks and stationery can only be made online. Our school bookshop is open for self-collection on the stipulated dates given on the website.

School textbooks and uniform will also be available for sale in the school on the following dates and time during **the first two weeks of 2023**.

Date	Time
4, 5, 6, 11, 12 and 13 Jan 2023	2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

**After 13 January 2023**, purchasing of books will be available only on **Wednesdays** at Seng Kang Primary bookshop from **2.00 p.m. to 3.30 p.m.** while purchasing of uniform will be from the outlet or online.

**Please note that all books should be purchased before term starts.**

For safety reasons, students are not encouraged to use trolley bags.

**Pacific Bookstores Pte Ltd**

**Tel No. : 6875 4294**

**Email: [sales@pacificbookstores.com](mailto:sales@pacificbookstores.com)**

**Online purchase: <https://www.pacificbookstores.com/>**



## **SCHOOL BUS SERVICES**

If you require school bus services, you may make arrangements with the school bus provider, Mr Ng.

**K.H. Ng Bus Transport Pte Ltd**

**Tel No. : 6281 9003**

**Hp No. : 9665 9003**

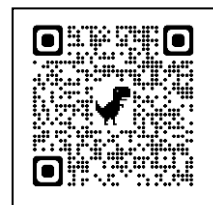
## **YMCA STUDENT CARE CENTRE (YMCA SCC)**

If you require Student Care services, you may make arrangements with the YMCA SCC

**Tel No. : 9151 3590**

**Email: [sksc@ymca.edu.sg](mailto:sksc@ymca.edu.sg)**

**Website: <https://www.ymca.org.sg/education/ymca-education-services/>**



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