

Seng Kang Primary School

The History

Sengkang which means – Prosperous Harbour in Chinese is located between two rivers – Serangoon River and Punggol River in the northeast of Singapore. In the 1950s and 1960s, fishing villages, rubber, pepper and pineapple plantations flourished in the area. In 1994, the HDB started conceptualizing a new town in Sengkang. Seng Kang Primary School was established in 1997 as the first school in Sengkang. Therefore, Seng Kang Primary School's history is inextricably linked with the beginning of Sengkang as a modern residential town

The Beginning

On 3 January 1997, Seng Kang Primary School (SKPS) became the first school of Sengkang Town. **Mrs Chin Shin Wea (1997 to 2002)** was appointed as the first Principal. As the school building was still under construction, SKPS started operations at the premises of the former Hai Seng Girls' High along Upper Serangoon Road. The school had 327 students in 10 classes and 23 staff members. Mrs Chin promulgated the school's beliefs that *"Everyone is Special, Everyone can Learn, Everyone can Serve"*. On 12 December 1997, the school moved to her current location at 21, Compassvale Walk. The school occupied 1.8 hectares of land which consisted an administrative block and two four-storey teaching/classroom blocks.



Where it all began... The school started its operations in Jan 1997 at the site of the former Hai Sing Girls' High School along Upper Serangoon Road



The Pioneers of Seng Kang Primary School



Seng Kang Primary School Uniform from 1997 to 2004

The Growth

In 2003, ***Mrs Lew-Lim Lan Chin (2003 to 2009)*** became SKPS's second Principal. Through her leadership, the school attained numerous achievements in academic and co-curricular programmes. During this time, SKPS was known for her character development programmes and the teachers shared her Daily Physical Education Programme at 2006 MOE ExCEL Fest. The school persevered towards bringing out the best in every child and strengthen the heart ware and rootedness of her students to Singapore. In the pursuit of excellence, the school truly became "*A Community of Happy Learners*".



Seng Kang Primary School Uniform from 2005 to 2011



Construction of school building at a cost of nearly \$14 million on 1.8 hectares of land.

On 12 December 1997, the school moved to current location at 21 Compassvale Walk

The Transformation

Mrs Rabia Shahul (2010 to 2016) joined SKPS as Principal in 2010. Under her stewardship, SKPS went through PRIME and PERI – two major upgrading programmes. By 2013, the journey of SKPS as a 'good school' began. On the school grounds, stood new buildings with bigger, well-equipped classrooms, an Indoor Sports Hall, Science Labs and interactive learning spaces which made Environment the third teacher. In 2014, the school was recognised for two of its distinctive programmes, "*Enhanced Spoken English Programme (ALP)*" and "*Developing Values and Leadership through Sports Education (LLP)*". SKPS programmes and facilities played an important part in transforming the school into "*A Vibrant Community of World-Ready Learners*".



Seng Kang Primary School Uniform from 2012 to Present

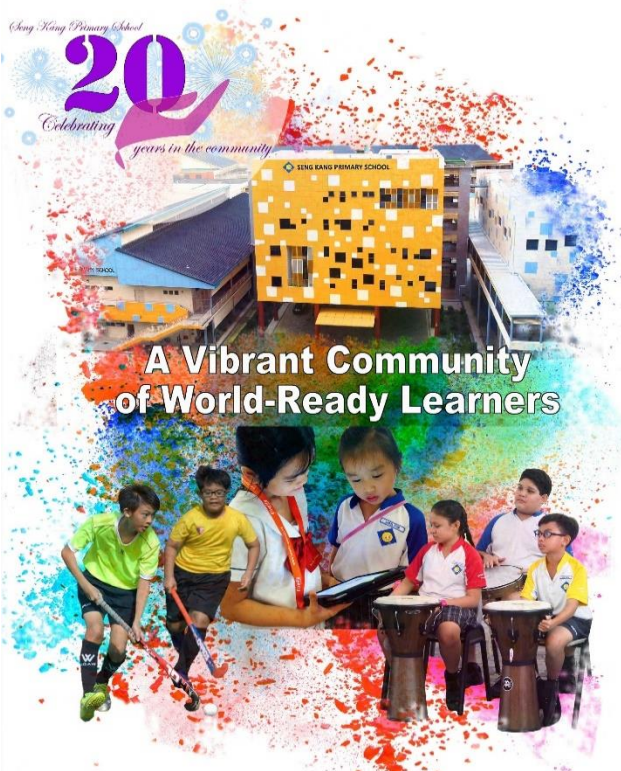




“Viva Esperienza – Let’s Build a School Together” celebrating the completion of upgrading projects in 2014

Forging New Frontiers...

In 2017, **Mrs Teo Whye Choo (2017 to current)** took over the school leadership as the fourth Principal. As the school moved into her 20th year, she embarked on the next lap of her journey in *“Nurturing self-directed learners with inquiring minds, anchored on moral values to lead, care and serve”*. With this as her mission, the school aspires that *“Every Seng Kang Primary student an Inventive Thinker, a Confident Leader and a Gracious Citizen”* who is anchored on the school values of *“Graciousness, Integrity, Confidence, and Resilience”* while holding on to her beliefs that *“Everyone is Special, Everyone can Learn, Everyone can Serve”*.



In 2017, Seng Kang Primary celebrated its 20th year in the community

Year	Key Event
1997	Started operation as the first school of Sengkang at the former building of Hai Seng Girls’ High along Upper Serangoon Road on 3 January.
1997	Moved to its permanent new building at 21 Compassvale Walk on 12 December.
1998	Celebrated 1 st Official Opening Ceremony
2004	Produced the National Top PSLE student, Foo Siang Peng with Aggregate Score of 285
2005	Started signature programme of Daily Physical Education
2007	Celebrated 10 th Anniversary of School Founding
2011	Underwent PRIME and PERI upgrading projects
2011	Embarked on PERI HA Journey
2013	Completion of PRIME and PERI upgrading projects
2014	Recognised for its distinctive programmes: “Applied Learning Programme – Enhanced Spoken English Programme” and “Learning for Life Programme – Developing Values and Leadership through Sports Education”
2014	“Viva Esperienza – Let’s Build a School Together” marking the completion of upgrading projects.
2017	Celebrated 20 years of Achievements in the Sengkang Community