



# South View Primary School

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Dear Parents,

The first week of school has passed quite quickly and we would like to thank all staff, parents and pupils for the smooth week. Our pupils spent the full first four days of school on the Welcome Back to School Programme. During the programme, our pupils went through activities to understand the changes in their new level and embrace these changes positively, find out more about the school, and build good rapport with their teachers and classmates. We hope that the four-day programme has helped the pupils with the transition and better prepare them for the year.

We were pleased to see that our Primary 1 pupils were excited about starting primary school and well-prepared for school. We would like to thank parents and staff for ensuring a smooth start for the children.

We would like express our appreciation to parents who took time off from their busy schedules to attend the P2-P6 Parents' Briefing and CCA Briefing last Friday. Schools can work well for the children only if parents and teachers have a meaningful partnership where both work hand in hand for the best interests of the child. We hope that the briefing sessions provided the opportunity for parents to learn about the directions and programmes of the school, to get to know your child's form teachers and CCA teachers and most importantly, how you can partner the school for your child's growth. The slides and handouts presented at the briefing will be available on MCOOnline by the end of Term 1 Week 2.

In our recent interactions with parents, several parents had raised concerns about the quality of food in our school canteen. Some have asked if the food we sell comply with Health Promotion Board (HPB) regulations. We are glad that parents are as concerned about the health of our children as the school. To encourage healthier eating habits for all, the school supports and participates in the Healthy Meals in Schools Programme by HPB. The food served in the canteen do comply with the following HPB requirements to provide a balanced meal:

1. Maximum 7% sugar content in all drinks.
2. Minimum 2 heaped dessert spoon servings of greens and ½ serving of fruit in the meals.
3. No deep-fried, pre-fried and fatty food.
4. Adding whole-grains into meals, such as 20% brown rice to white rice and 20% brown rice bee hoon to white bee hoon.

The school will be forming a new Canteen Committee in 2018. From this year onwards, the committee will not only comprise school staff but will include parent representatives and pupil representatives. They will help to not only give feedback but also assist in assessing the quality of the food in the canteen. We would like to assure parents that the school would continue to look further into providing healthy meals for our pupils. We would like to urge parents to encourage your children to eat vegetables and fruits. Based on our observation last week, many pupils threw away their vegetables and fruits.



Safety of our staff and pupils is also a key concern of the school. Most parents have been cooperating with the school when dropping off and picking up your children and we express our appreciation to them. However, we would like to reiterate the importance of adhering to the safety reminders listed in the later part of this letter so that our staff, pupils and parents are safe.

This week, we have started formal lessons and after-school activities. We would like to encourage parents to continue to ask your child to share about his/her experiences in school daily. Do also spend some quality time doing things together.

Thank you.

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Ms Achary Gopalan Shiyamala  
Vice Principal, Acad

1) **Event Calendar (Term 1 Week 3 : 15 January to 19 January 2018)**

Date	Day	Time	Target Group	Description
17 Jan	Wed	2.00 pm to 5.30 pm	P3.1 & P3.2 Pupils	NE LJ to Land Transport Gallery

2) **Curriculum – Assessment Matters**

To better partner parents in the year's learning ahead, we have prepared the Level Assessment Plans for P1 to P6 and they can be found on MCOonline. It contains details on the different assessment tasks and their respective weighting through the four terms. For non-instructional programmes, we have listed the set of knowledge and skills to be covered by the semester. We hope the information will be useful in guiding you as you work with your child.

Do also look out for the Term 1 Assessment Letter for P2 to P6 that will be distributed in hardcopy next week. It contains information on the scope and structure of the respective subject papers that the pupils will be taking in Term 1.

3) **Curriculum – MCOonline Learning Management System**

Our school will continue to adopt Marshall Cavendish's MCOonline Learning Management System (LMS) as our chosen e-learning portal to promote self-directed, online interactive learning. Through this e-learning portal, your child/ward will have access to digital learning courseware for the respective subjects to supplement his/her learning in the classroom. Subscription to the e-learning portal is fully subsidised by the school. The school will be using this platform for Home-Based Learning (HBL) exercises scheduled throughout the year. Furthermore, teachers will also make use of the Social Learning Wall feature within MCOonline to post homework reminders, notices and additional content that are specifically catered to the classes and subjects that they teach.

To access the LMS portal, your child/ward will need to use his/her own login ID and password. Please refer to Annex A for a step-by-step guide.

4) **Curriculum – Revised P4 After-School Activities Schedule**

There has been some minor changes to the after-school activities schedule for Term 2 for Primary 4 pupils. The revised After-School Activities Schedule for P4 can be found in Annex B which is printed in hardcopy only for P4 pupils. Do contact your child's form teachers if you need further clarifications.

**5) The Co-Curriculum – P3 National Education Learning Journey to Land Transport (LT) Gallery**

Our Primary 3 pupils will be going on a National Education Learning Journey to the LT Gallery on the following dates:

Date	Day	Time	Class
17 Jan	Wed	2.00 pm to 5.30 pm	P3.1 & P3.2
24 Jan			P3.3 & P3.4
31 Jan			P3.5 & P3.6
7 Feb			P3.7

The objective of the learning journey is to learn about Singapore’s mode of public transportation through the years, its evolution of road networks and the future of our public transport. It allows pupils to appreciate and understand the progress and challenges of public transportation in Singapore.

More details of the learning journey will be given by your child’s form teachers. As the learning journey will end after 4 pm, please make the necessary transport arrangements for your child on that day.

**6) Student Well – Being Pupils’ Particulars Update**

For parents/guardians of P2-P6 pupils, your child/ward has been given two forms: the Individual Student Details Report for Year 2018 and the Pupil Profile Form 2018, for updating of particulars. As we need to ensure that the information is accurate and up to date, we would appreciate if you could do the following:

- Verify and update the details in the Individual Student Details Report for Year 2018,
- Complete the Pupil Profile Form 2018, and submit both forms (with relevant documents where required) to your child’s form teachers by Monday, 15 January 2018.

Please pay special attention to contact numbers and medical records. Please also provide us with supporting documents from the doctor if your child/ward has a medical condition. This will help us better manage in times of emergency. If there is any change of name, please provide us with supporting documents. For change of address, please collect and complete the “Request Form for Updating of Student’s Official Address” from the General Office, attach a photocopy of the parents’ NRIC (which reflects the updated address) and submit them to your child’s form teachers.

**7) Student Well-Being – Use of Photographs and Videos for School Publicity**

During the course of your child’s/ward’s time in our school, photographs, and/or recordings of you or your child/ward may be captured during our various school events, programmes or activities. These photographs and/or recordings are invaluable to our school’s effort to make teaching and learning more effective and for publicity purposes. Some of these materials will be shared with all our stakeholders as they help to showcase our school’s vibrant learning environment and share

our Southviens' journey. The photographs and/or recordings may be published on our school website, publications, social media channels and other communication modes. Do inform us via letter or email if you do not wish for any photographs and/or recordings of you or your child/ward to be used.

#### **8) Student Well-Being – Students' Accident Protection Scheme 2018**

The school has arranged for Students' Accident Protection Scheme 2018 to insure your child / ward against accidents. A summary of the Policy Coverage & Benefits is enclosed for your reference and retention. Parents may contact NTUC Income Insurance Co-operative Limited, at 63321133 for enquiries on policy coverage and claims.

#### **9) Partnership – Experience ASEAN!**

*Experience ASEAN* will be held from 12 to 14 January 2018 (Fri – Sat) at Bishan Park's Ficus Green. This is a wonderful learning opportunity for pupils to know more about ASEAN countries as their respective embassies in Singapore will be setting up stalls featuring traditional and authentic local food and craft items. It is also an authentic experience for pupils to immerse in the vibrant cultural diversity leading up to International Friendship Day in April. For more information, you can visit <https://www.facebook.com/events/1990553517934326/>

#### **10) Partnership – SVPA Konnection 2018**

The South View Parents' Association (SVPA) cordially invites its members, spouses and child(ren) to SVPA Konnection 2018 on **Saturday, 27 January 2018** from 8.30 am to 11.30 am at South View Primary School.

Highlights of this event include:

- Conversation with Principal and Key Personnel
- Opportunity for networking and fellowship with other parents and EXCO Members
- Activities and snacks at Kids' Corner for the children

For further enquiries or to sign up for SVPA membership, please send an email to [members\\_svpa@googlegroups.com](mailto:members_svpa@googlegroups.com).

#### **11) Administration and Operations – Safety & Operations**

We would like to seek parents' cooperation with regard to the following matters when dropping off or picking up your children:

1. Morning driving into school to drop off children  
Please refrain from taking too long to drop off your children when it is your turn. We have observed parents changing seats, getting down from their vehicles to carry the bags for their children and giving pocket money to their children while the rest of the vehicles are waiting behind to drop off their children. If you must get down from your vehicle, please park your car in the nearby car parks and walk your child to school.

2. Afternoon dismissal at Gate 1

We would like to appeal to parents not to congregate in front of Gate 1 as you are obstructing the path of the pupils exiting the gate. If you are waiting for your child at Gate 1, especially if your child is in Primary 1 or 2, please arrange for a meeting point away from the gate. The school has put up class signs along the sheltered walkaway. Please wait at the allocated spot for your child's class. For older pupils, please wait further along the sheltered walkway outside Gate 1 or the HDB void deck opposite Gate 1. Please also remind your child to use the pedestrian crossing to get across the road. Do make the necessary pick-up point arrangements with your child.

3. Parents visiting the bookshop, purchasing uniform and requiring other services

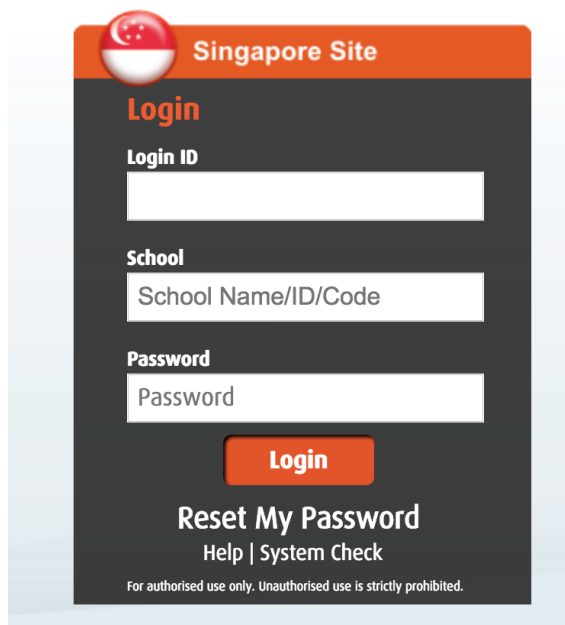
We appeal to parents to avoid coming into school during the dismissal time for purchase of books, uniforms or making enquiries at the General Office. Our priority is to ensure that our pupils leave the school safely with their parents/caretakers. Please refrain from entering the school half an hour before and after dismissal at 1.30 pm.

**12) Administration and Operations – Online Weekly Notification**

We would like to inform parents that from Term 1 Week 3 onwards, the school will issue the weekly notification letters electronically to keep you informed of upcoming school events and announcements. Parents should access and read the weekly notification online (<http://southviewpri.moe.edu.sg/useful-information/weekly-notification>). The weekly notification will be available from 12 noon every Thursday during the school term. Should a public or school holiday fall on a Thursday during school term, the weekly notification will be posted on the school website by noon on the school day before the holiday. For parents who have indicated that you have no internet access, we will make arrangements for you to get printed copies of the notification.

**Step-by-step login guide for MCOOnline**

1. Go to MCOOnline by entering the web address [www.mconline.sg](http://www.mconline.sg) in the browser.
2. In the login panel on the right, enter the login ID, school and password.



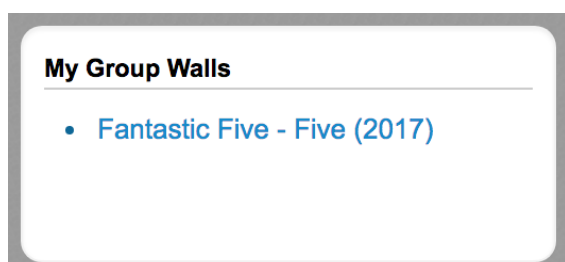
For all pupils, the login details are as follows:

Login ID : svps + last 5 digits of BC no. + alphabet (e.g. svps56789a)  
 School : svps  
 Password : svps2018t1

For all parents, the login details are as follows:

Login ID : psvps + last 5 digits of BC no. + alphabet (e.g. psvps56789a)  
 School : svps  
 Password : svps2018t1

3. Once you have successfully logged in, you will be able to see content specific only to your child's/ward's level of study.
4. To access the Social Learning Wall of your child's/ward's class, locate the "Social Learning Wall" panel on the left navigation bar.



## ANNEX B

### After School Activities for Primary 4

The school has planned a variety of activities and programmes for the pupils. Below is the after school activity schedule for your retention. For pupils taking the school buses, transport is available for later pick-up at 4.15 pm on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. For activities ending later than that, kindly make your own transport arrangements. For other transport arrangements, do take note of the dismissal times of the different programmes and activities. If your child has opted out of the activity, he/she does not need to attend the after-school sessions.

#### Term 1

Week	Time	Primary 4.1 – Primary 4.7	
		Monday	Wednesday
1	-	No After School Activities	
2	2 pm – 4 pm	Speak Up Speak Out 1	P4 Project Work 1
3	2 pm – 4 pm	Speak Up Speak Out 2	P4 Project Work 2
4	2 pm – 4 pm	Speak Up Speak Out 3	P4 Project Work 3
5	2 pm – 4 pm	Speak Up Speak Out 4	P4 Project Work 4
6	2 pm – 4 pm	P4 - P6 SV Spelling Bee	P4 Project Work 5
7	2 pm – 4 pm	Speak Up Speak Out 5	P4.3 – P4.7
		P4 Art & NE Learning Journey to National Museum (2 pm – 5.30 pm)	P4.1 & P4.2
8	2 pm – 4 pm	School Holiday (Chinese New Year)	P4 Project Work 7
9	-	No After School Activities	
10	2 pm – 4 pm	No After School Activities	P4 Project Work 8
March Holidays		No Activities	

#### Term 2

Week	Time	Primary 4.1 – Primary 4.7	
		Monday	Wednesday
1	2 pm – 4 pm	Speak Up Speak Out 5	P4.1 & P4.2
		Speak Up Speak Out 6	P4.3 – P4.7
2	2 pm – 4 pm	Speak Up Speak Out 6	P4.1 & P4.2
		<b>Speak Up Speak Out 7</b>	<b>P4.5 – P4.7</b>
3	2 pm – 4 pm	P4 Art & NE Learning Journey to National Museum (2 pm – 5.30 pm)	P4.3 & P4.4
		<b>Speak Up Speak Out 7</b>	<b>P4.1 – P4.4</b>
3	2 pm – 4 pm	<b>Speak Up Speak Out 8</b>	<b>P4.7</b>
		P4 Art & NE Learning Journey to National Museum (2 pm – 5.30 pm)	P4.5 & P4.6
4	2 pm – 4 pm	<b>Speak Up Speak Out 8</b>	<b>P4.1 – P4.6</b>



Week	Time	Primary 4.1 – Primary 4.7	
		Monday	Wednesday
		P4 Art & NE Learning Journey to National Museum (2 pm – 5.30 pm)	P4.7
5	2 pm – 4 pm	No After School Activities	P4 SA1 MT Oral Examination ^^
6	2 pm – 4 pm	P4 SA1 EL Oral Examination ^^	No After School Activities
7	-	No After School Activities	
8			
9	2 pm – 4 pm	No After School Activities	P4 Project Work 13
10	-	No After School Activities	
June Holidays		No Activities	

^ The teachers will inform parents of pupils who have been selected for these activities.

^^ SA1 English and Mother Tongue Oral Examination Schedule and instructions will be issued separately closer to the date.

For CCA (if any), please refer to the CCA schedule.

The schedule is still subject to changes. We will inform you of the changes if any.