

Q&A For Sec 1 Registration Webinar on 19 Dec 2024

School Experience

Q: What does 'done well' at the end of S1 mean in terms of progression to higher-level subjects?

A: The criteria will be outlined in the student handbook, which will be given out to students in Term 1.

Q: How are classes allocated, and what is the proportion of G1, G2, and G3 students?

A: In general, each class will have approximately 37 or 38 students. The proportion will include around 20 G3 students, 11 G2 students, and 6 G1 students. We wish to nurture an inclusive class environment with positive class interactions.

Q: Are there religious activities during school time? For non-Christians, will there be different arrangements?

A: Non-catholics will not need to participate in religious activities. Instead, they will be requested to remain silent during these activities. We respect every student's religion and would like to teach our Theresian girls how to be part of an inclusive society.

School Operations and Facilities

Q: What time do the gates open in the morning for vehicle drop-off?

A: The gates open at 6:30am.

Q: What time do the back gate open?

A: The back gate will be opened daily from 6.30 - 7.30am and 1.30 - 2.30pm during dismissal time.

Q: Can parents park in the school on 3 January?

A: Due to limited parking lots in the school, parents are encouraged to park at nearby HDB car parks.

Q: Is there a tennis court in the school?

A: No, we do not have a tennis court.

Q: Can I check the regular school hours?

A: For normal school days, school starts at 7.30am in the Hall, and all students should reach the Hall in good time. Generally for Sec 1, the last period of the day will be at 1.30/ 2/ 2.30pm depending on the subject levels (G1/ G2/ G3) of the subjects that your child takes .

Uniforms and Booklists

Q: When will we receive the booklist?

A: The booklist can be found on the school website at the following link:
[School Bookshop and Uniform Information](#).

Q: When will we know which booklist (G1/G2/G3) do we buy for our daughter?

A: You would have been informed of your posting groups, PG1, 2 or 3. You can buy the books according to these Posting groups, PG1 for G1, PG2 for G2 and PG3 for G3. If you are offered subjects at a more demanding level (MDL), you would have already been informed via Parents Gateway. If you accept the offer to take the MDL subject, please buy the books according to the level you accepted.

Q: Do students need to purchase e-books?

A: E-books are optional. You may purchase them if you wish to have both e-copy and print versions.

Q: Can we buy uniforms and books on-site?

A: Yes, both uniforms and books can be purchased on-site. For non-online purchases, you may book an appointment and visit the school at the allocated time.

Q: How many sets of uniforms and PE attire should we purchase?

A: It is recommended to purchase 2–3 sets of uniforms, 2 sets of PE attire, and 1 house T-shirt. House t-shirts can be purchased at a later date, at the school bookshop.

Q: Can we purchase the House t-shirt later?

A: Yes, house t-shirts can be purchased after the students know which house they are allocated to. The house t-shirts may be purchased from the school bookshop.

Q: Are there specific requirements for school shoes?

A: Students should wear white school shoes.

Q: Must students wear the pinafore all day?

A: Yes, students are expected to be in their pinafore during school hours.

Q: On days with PE/CCA, are students allowed to wear their PE attire all day?

A: Students are expected to wear their IJ Blue uniform to school and change into their PE attire for PE lessons, then change back afterward. During CCA, they may wear their CCA T-shirts after school hours.

Higher Mother Tongue Languages

Q: Where can I accept the offer to take Higher Mother Tongue (HMT)?

A: You can respond via Parents Gateway by 26 December 2024.

Q: How do I find out if my child is eligible to take Higher Mother Tongue (HMT)?

A: If your child is offered HMTL, you will be notified via Parents Gateway. You need to respond to accept the offer by 26 Dec 2024.

Special Programmes and Portfolios

Q: Is the student guided in preparing her art portfolio for the Art Elective Programme (AEP)?

A: Students need to prepare their artwork and show it to the art teachers, who will provide advice. Selection is conducted by the MOE Arts Education Branch.

Q: Does my child need a portfolio for the Music Elective Programme (MEP)?

A: Yes, a recorded video of under five minutes featuring your child playing an instrument or singing is required. This audition file will be submitted online, and details will be sent via Parents Gateway.

Q: Does STC offer the Malay Special Programme (MSP)?

A: Students who are offered MSP have to take it at Zhonghua Secondary School.

Payments and Logistics

Q: Does the canteen accept cashless payments?

A: Yes, the canteen accepts cashless payments for food purchases.

Q: Are there any school bus providers available?

A: There is no official school bus provider, but there are some bus companies that pick up students. The list of two companies can be found in the Sec 1 Registration PowerPoint slides on the school website.

Orientation Programme

Q: Why is dismissal at 6:45 PM on 3 January?

A: The Parent Information Night will take place on 3 January from 4:30 PM to 6:30 PM. Students will be part of a short presentation during the session, leading to a later dismissal time.

Q: Is my child supposed to wear sch uniform during the orientation?

A: Your child should report in school uniform and bring a set of PE attire.