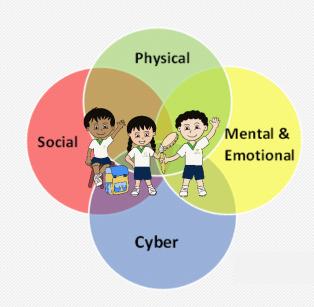
# Becoming a Future-Ready Learner – Promoting Holistic Health



# Sengkang Green Primary School

Primary 3
Parent Engagement Session 2024
2 February 2024





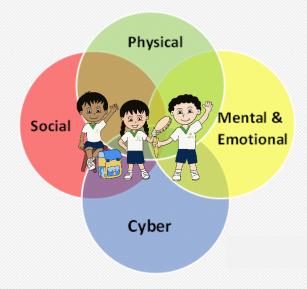
# Scope of Sharing

- School Leader's Address
- Transition from P2 to P4
- Key Programme for the year
- Curriculum Matters

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# School Leader's Time





## Happy New Year 2024





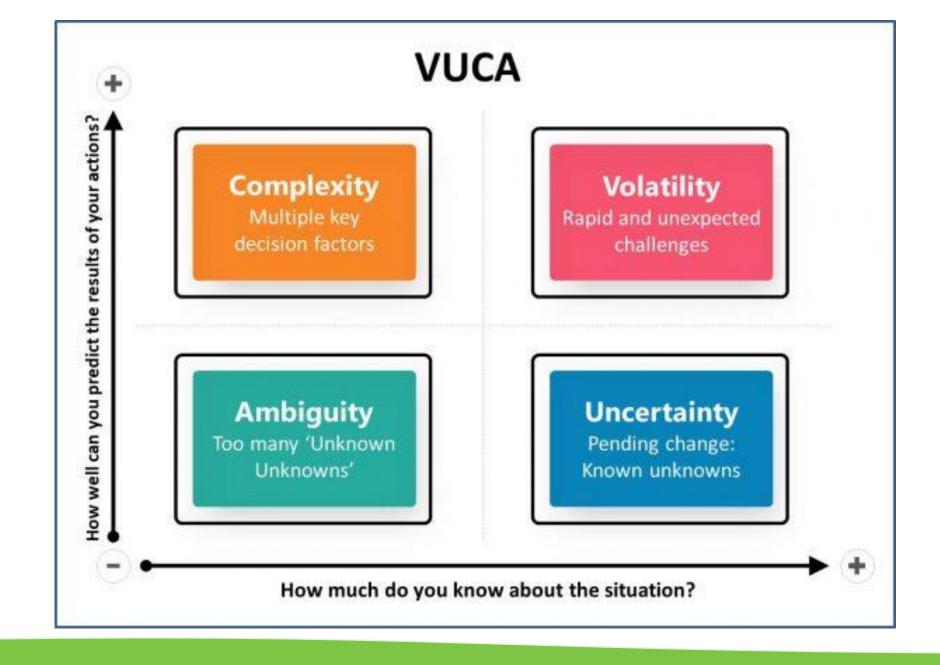
# Desired Outcomes of Education

Students who are

- Confident
- Self-directed
- Active contributors
- Concerned citizens











# ACCELERATING SPEED OF TECHNOLOGICAL ADVANCEMENT AND DISRUPTION

Singaporeans need to keep pace with changes and seize opportunities



## STRESS AND OVER-EMPHASIS ON ACADEMIC GRADES

Emphasis on academic grades still entrenched in society; other stressors exacerbated by digital technology and social media



## INCREASINGLY FRAGMENTED, POLARISED WORLD

Singapore must maintain relevance as a connector

Challenges for the next phase of education & society



#### **CLIMATE CHANGE**

Education should create awareness on importance of sustainability and opportunities students can tap on



#### **EVOLVING SOCIAL FABRIC**

Changing demographics
Society must remain cohesive yet open



# ENSURING CONTINUED SOCIAL MOBILITY AND MITIGATING SOCIAL INEQUALITY

Education should continue to provide equal opportunities for all



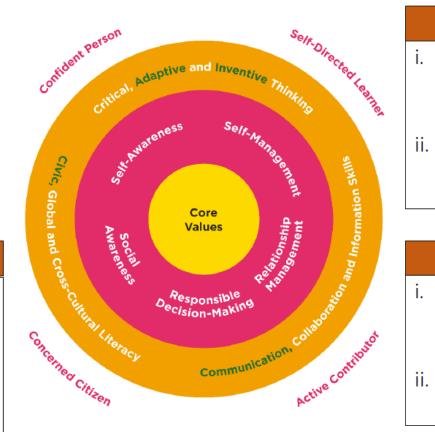
# 21 Century Competencies Laying the strong foundations for them to thrive & achieve success in a VUCA world

#### **Adaptive Thinking**

- i. Assesses different contexts and situations in order to make connections and draw new insights
- ii. Manages complexities and ambiguities by adjusting one's perspective and strategies

#### **Civic Literacy**

- Demonstrates understanding of values, ideals and issues of personal, community and national significance
- ii. Plays active and constructive roles to improve the school, community and nation



#### **Inventive Thinking**

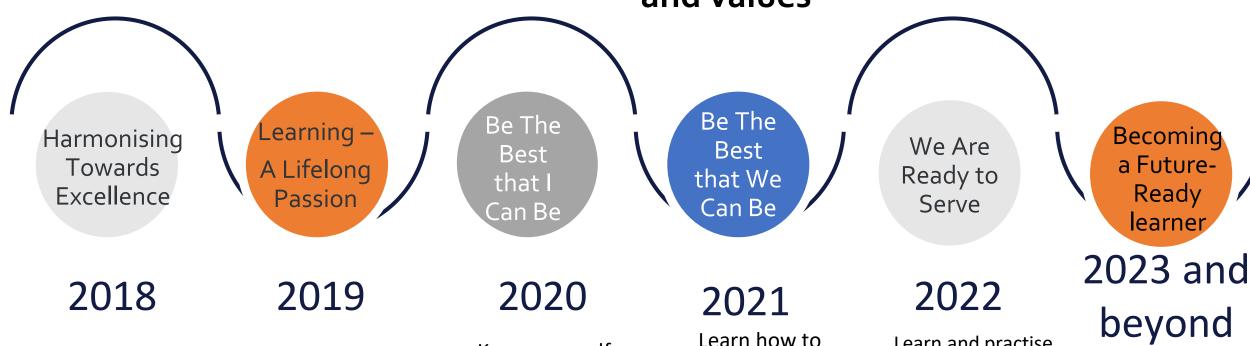
- i. Explores possibilities and generates novel and useful ideas
- ii. Evaluates and refines ideas to formulate novel and useful solutions

#### Communication

- i. Effectively communicates information and coconstructs meaning
- ii. Engages empathetically with diverse perspectives



Our school themes have been carefully selected to develop the character of each SKGian, guided by the school's vision, mission and values



Develop Yourselves Holistically Develop Mindsets and Attitudes, Learn Habits and Skills that help you to learn for life Know yourself,
Manage yourself,
Exercise Personal
Leadership,
Develop Self
Agency

Learn how to make friends, accept that others can be different from us, learn with others

Learn and practise empathy, be kind and encouraging in thoughts, words and acts, help others in need, and put others before .



# School theme 2024 Becoming a Future- Ready Learner Promoting Holistic Health





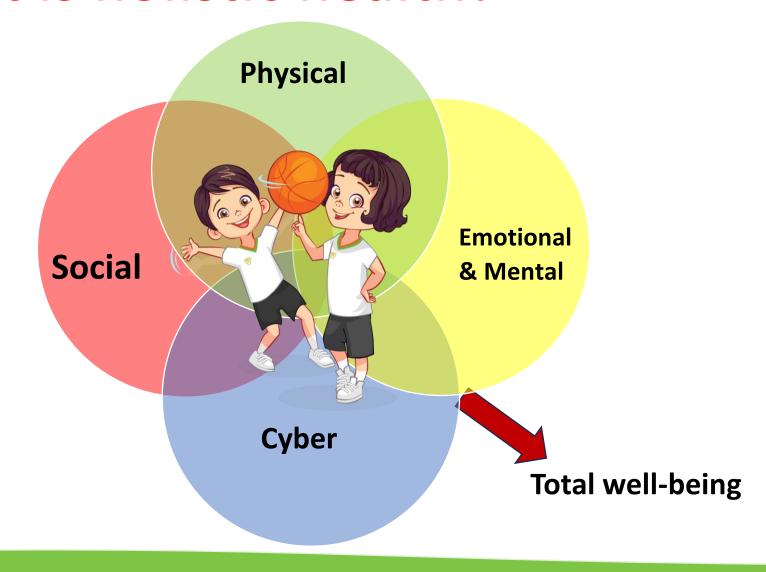
## **School Mission**

To nurture
healthy and happy
individuals with
strength of character,
ready to serve,
ready for the future





# What is holistic health?





# Physical Health

## This includes

- food and nutrition
- physical exercise
- rest
- good hygiene practices.



# A balanced diet

- Manage a healthy weight
- Support a strong immune system
- Increases energy levels
- Improve Mental Health and Well-being
- Enhance Mental Focus





Be Active and Exercise Regularly



# The Importance of sleep for children.



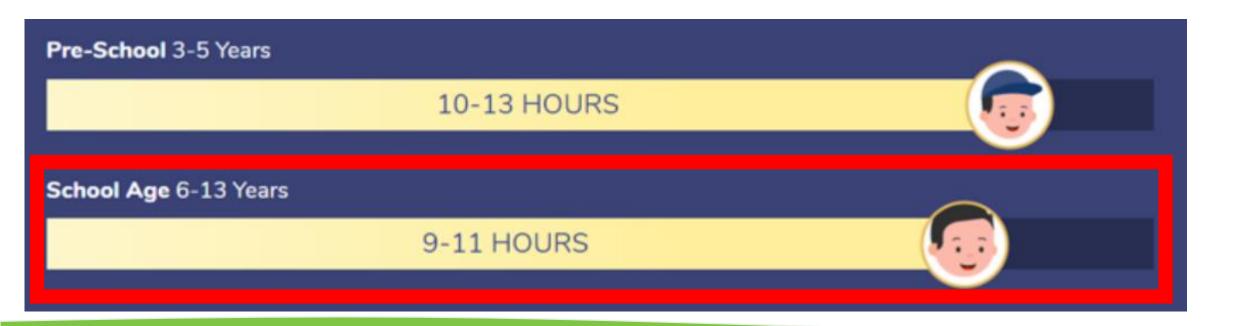
Children who regularly get an adequate amount of sleep have improved attention, behavior, learning, memory, and overall mental and physical health.



# Getting adequate sleep

#### Recommended

At least 9 hours of sleep for children aged 6-13 years old





## **Emotional and Mental Health**

#### The Happy SKGians

- SKGians find a clear purpose in their role as students, foster a sense of fulfillment and well-being
- Understanding how our minds process information (learn), handle emotions, and develop a positive and resilient mindset, becoming confident.
- How do SKGians develop emotional and mental health?
  - ✓ positive self-talk,
  - ✓ continuous learning,
  - ✓ adopting a growth mindset, and
  - ✓ Having empathy and showing gratitude

Self-Awareness Self-Management



# Social Awareness Relationship Management

- Building good relationships with others.
- Good communication
- Being part of a community and understanding our responsibility to others.



# **Cyber Wellness**

- Teaching our SKGians to use technology purposefully for learning
- Balancing offline and online activities
- Being responsible digital citizens.



#### Students: Digitally-empowered, future-ready learners and innovators

#### Digitally-empowered 21st century learners who are:

- Self-directed in setting goals and managing their learning using a range of digital tools and resources.
- Collaborative and connected in using digital tools to co-construct and share knowledge with others.

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- Apply digital literacy and technological skills to "distil and discern" through the effective use of technology.
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# Why Holistic Health?



## Holistic Health

**Physical** Mental & Social **Emotional** Cyber **Total well-being** 

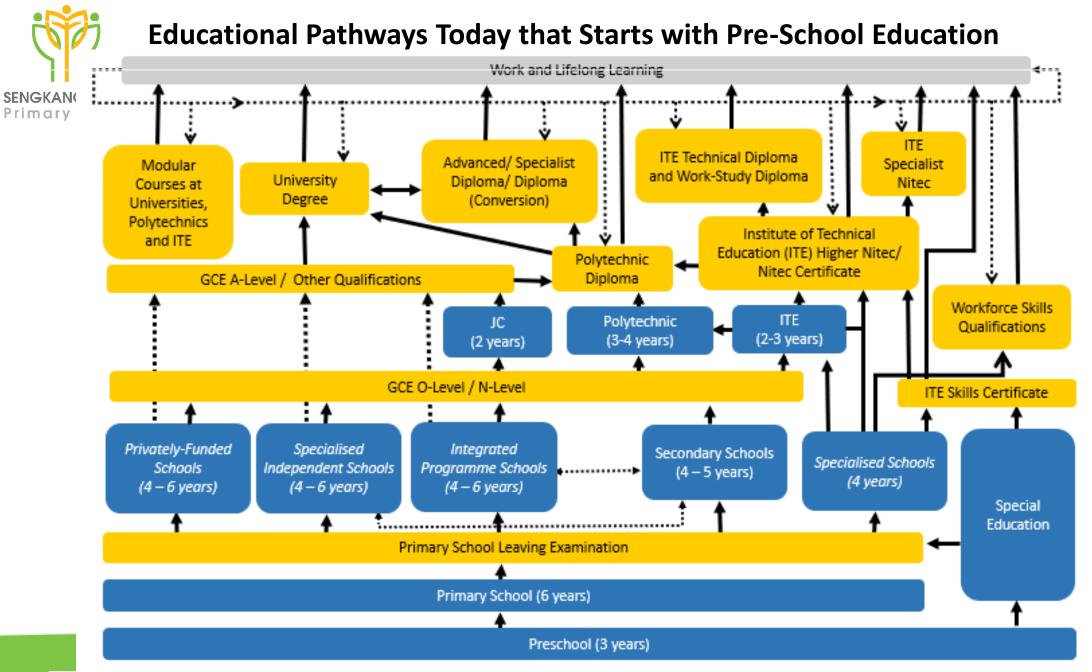
There is a meaningful link between holistic health and preparing our SKGians for the future



# We believe that SKGians are capable of

- Taking responsibility for their own health and well-being.
- Developing the knowledge, skills and attitudes to live healthily.
- Building motivation to sustain a healthy lifestyle in school and in life.
- Becoming future ready to take on the challenges of life.

We Can Be



A vi And there are multiple pathways to success need



- Develop diverse strengths and interests of our students,
- Nurture an intrinsic motivation to learn
- Ensure every child has a good start in life, and can access opportunities at every stage of their lives



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# Year Head's Sharing

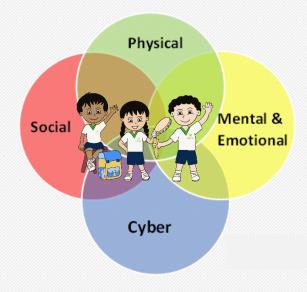






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# Transition to Primary 3

- Bigger class size
- Making new friends
- Learning a new subject Science
- Increase in the rigor of academic learning





# **Transition to Primary 3**

- Greater opportunities for collaborative learning and fostering teamwork (eg project work)
- Developing and honing leadership skills through class and outside class opportunities
- Involvement in CCA and enhanced curriculum on Thursday



# How we support our students





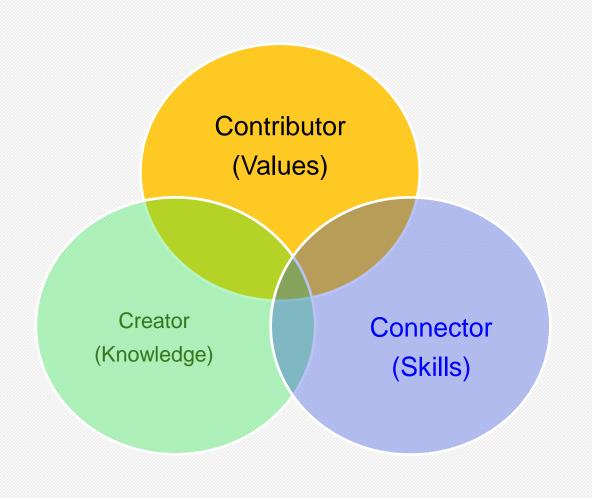
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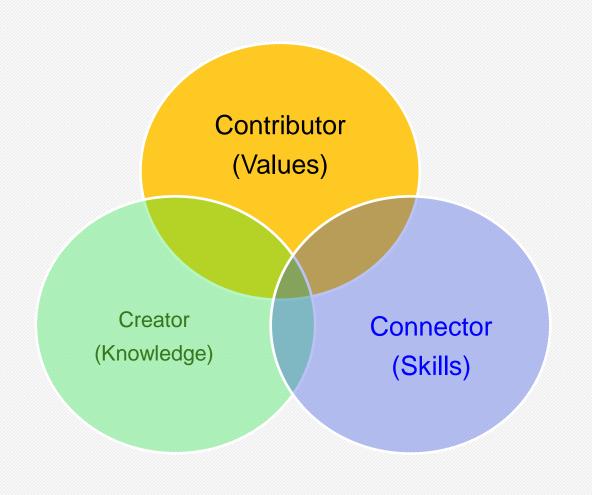




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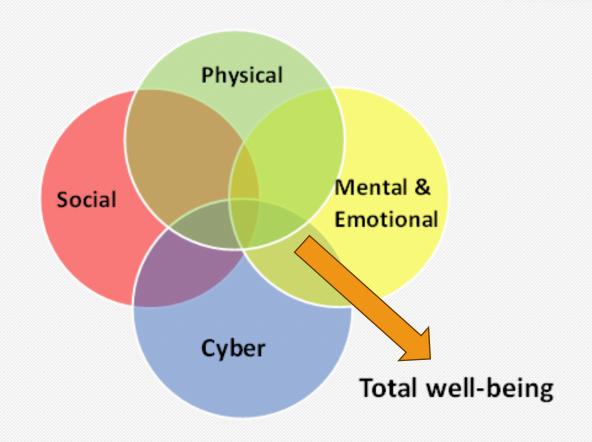


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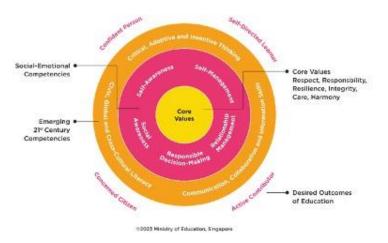








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# Becoming a Future Ready Learner – Promoting Holistic Health

Using acquired knowledge to create something new to distinguish themselves

Contributor (Values)

Respect the diversity of Singapore and be ready to serve by contributing back to society.

Collaboration with others through sharpening 21st CC skills

Creator (Knowledge)

Connector (Skills)

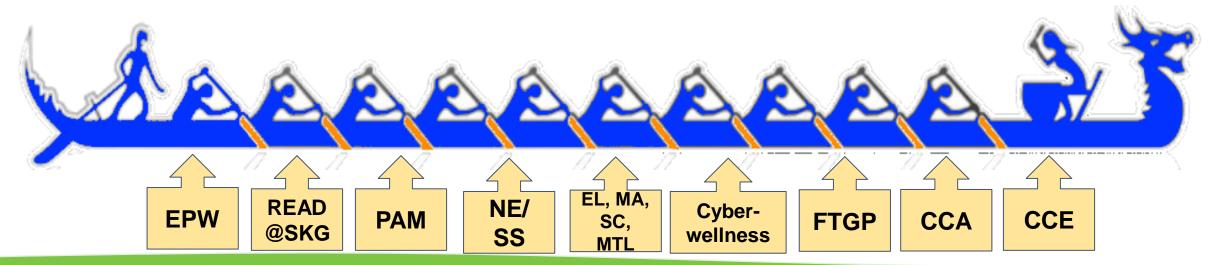


# **School-Wide Support**

Together
Every SKGian
Achieves
More holistically

Lifelong Learners Ready to serve

Ready for the future





# P3 Key Programmes

### **Applied Learning Programme (ALP) - Experiential Project Work (EPW)**

- Helps students to appreciate the relevance and value of what they are learning in the academic curriculum to the real world
- application of future ready skills and integrating knowledge across different subjects
- stretching the imagination and applying these in real-world settings in society

- Exploration of the School Green Corridor
- Project Work



#### Co-Curricular Activities (CCAs)

- CCAs are a key component of students' holistic education.
   Through CCAs, students discover their interests and talents.
- CCAs also provide platforms for students to develop their character, learn values, social emotional competencies and other relevant skills to prepare them for future challenges.
- CCAs bring students from diverse backgrounds together. By learning and interacting with one another, students develop friendships and deepen their sense of belonging to the school and community.



#### **P3 CCA Selection Process**

eCCA Discovery
Day
(Term 4, 2023)

Submission of CCA choices (Term 4 2023)

Commencement of CCA (Term 3, 2024)



### Well-being and Emotional Support

#### **Care Team**

- Form Teachers
- Subject Teachers
- School-based Counsellors
- Student Development Team (inclusive of YH & SLs)

#### **Peer Support Structure**

Every student a peer supporter







### How we support our students



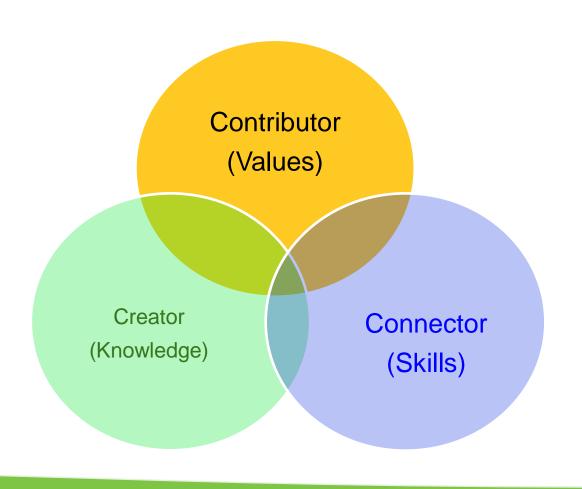
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### Support by FTs & Subject Teachers

# Focus: Develop a supportive and empowering experience for our students

- Create a learning environment that increases self-motivation
- Support students' efforts in learning increase self-ownership and improve self-regulation
- Provide opportunity for students to practice active selfmanagement and student agency
- Work closely in partnership with parents to bring out the best in our students



#### ACTIVE SELF-MANAGEMENT

#### **STUDENT AGENCY**

#### **Personal Effectiveness**

- Self-regulation
- Beginning with the End in Mind
  - Putting First Things First
    - Active learning

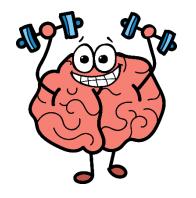
#### **Leading Self**

- Developing strengths
  - Growth Mindset
- Contributing actively
- Continuous improvement



# Refreshed Morning Assembly

- To allow students to have a more conducive learning experience in the classrooms for reading and focused class-based conversations
- To strengthen Teacher-students relationship and Peer Support Relationship



#### **Turn In Tuesday**

Gratitude Wednesday





Terrific Thursday



#### Development of two critical sets of skills

# Social Emotional Competencies

- Self-Awareness
- Self-Management
- Responsible Decision-Making
- Social Awareness
- Relationship Management

#### 21st Century Competencies

- Civic Literacy, Global Awareness and Cross-Cultural Skills
- Critical and Inventive Thinking
- Communication, Collaboration and
- Information Skills



# Supporting students

#### Students need to:

- Stay confident in the face of challenges
- Be disciplined and stay focused over a longer time span
- Develop social emotional competencies to deal with the challenges
- Develop a Growth Mindset
- Being a responsible digital citizen (cyber wellness)



# How we support our students





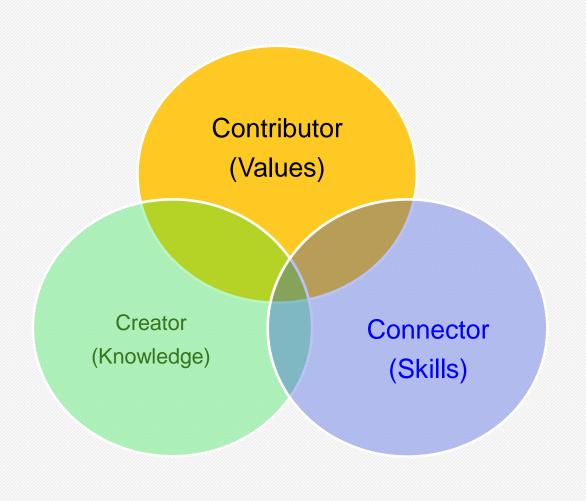
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#### Home Support





- Commitment to work together to develop your child with positive habits and routines.
- Collaboration between teachers and parents to support your child in learning.
- Regular communication between parents and teachers to ensure consistency in nurturing your child.

# **Development of Personal Leadership**

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We need your partnership

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#### **Building Daily Routines and Habits**

- 1. Regular school attendance
- 2. Punctuality
- 3. Submission of work punctually
- 4. Do their best
- 5. Monitor their online activities

# Cyber

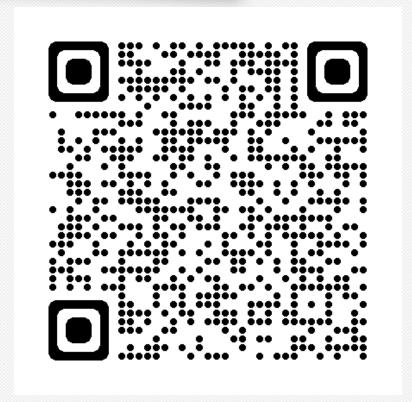
#### 1 in 2 parents reported that their children has Wellness viewed inappropriate content online



Protect your children from inappropriate content. Talk to them about it.



May have adverse effects on a young person's health and wellbeing, leading to feeling upset and confused



Digital Wellness (imda.gov.sg)



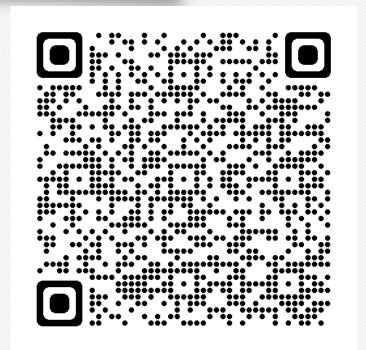
# Gaming addiction on the rise among children in S'pore amid pandemic



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Affects brain development that focus on rational thinking, pausing and self-reflection

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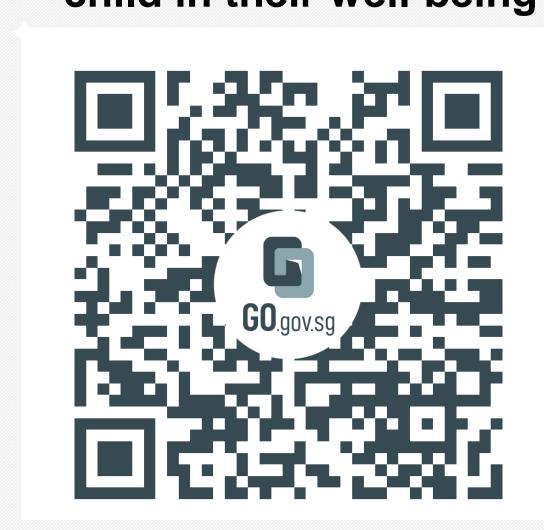
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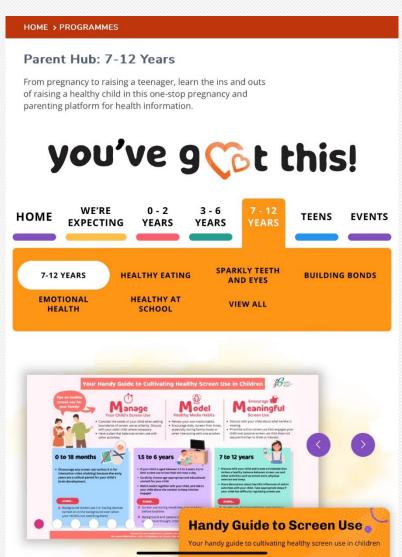


# Managing children's online and gaming activities

- Be mindful of underlying issues that may lead children to online activities as a coping mechanism.
- Regular communication in bringing topic on age limit on social medial platform and online games
- Have family time and children developing other hobbies to promote better social interactions
- Structure time that set positive habits and routines for schoolwork, play and other online activities

Scan the QR code to find out more information on supporting your child in their well-being









### Gifted Education Programme (GEP) Screening

- The GEP programme caters for the needs of intellectually gifted students.
- P3 students are identified through a 2-stage exercise.
- Selected students will be placed on the programme at P4.



#### Goals of GEP

- Develop intellectual depth and higher level thinking.
- Nurture productive creativity.
- Develop attitudes for self-directed lifelong learning.
- Enhance aspirations for individual excellence and fulfilment.
- Develop a strong social conscience and commitment to serve society and the nation.
- Develop moral values and qualities for responsible leadership



#### **GEP Screening**

- As students develop at different rates, we should allow them to blossom at their own pace.
- Parents should <u>not</u> enrol their children in test-preparation activities for the identification exercise.
- Students who are not ready to handle the intellectual rigour and demands of the GEP will struggle to cope with the enriched curriculum and not benefit fully from it. This would put undue stress on the students, and may even cause them to lose confidence and impact their self-esteem.



## Timeline for GEP Screening

| Stage                        | Date                       | Participants  | Paper                                     |
|------------------------------|----------------------------|---|---|
| GEP<br>Screening<br>Exercise | 15 August<br>2024          | All P3 students enrolled in government and government-aided schools | English<br>Mathematics                    |
| GEP<br>Selection<br>Exercise | 15 & 15<br>October<br>2024 | Primary 3 students shortlisted after the GEP Screening Exercise     | English<br>Mathematics<br>General Ability |

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# Partnering Parents through Regular Communication



| Sessions   | Date   |
|--|--|
| P4 Parent Engagement Session (PES)                           | Fri, 2 Feb 2024  |
| Parent-Child-Teacher Conference (PCTC) for selected students | Mon, 4 Mar to Wed,<br>6 Mar 2024                         |
| Parent-Teacher-Child Conference (PTCC) for all students      | Tue, 21 May 2024<br>Thu, 23 May 2024<br>Fri, 24 May 2024 |
| Parent-Teacher-Child Conference (PTCC) for all students      | Thu, 14 Nov 2024<br>Fri, 15 Nov 2024                     |

Parents are also encouraged to communicate regularly with your child's teachers through emails or phone calls to address any concerns.



#### **School-Parent Communication**

# Our common interest: The Best for the Child

Mutual Respect - Build Trust Seek Clarify Build good relationship with teachers





