



TAMPINES SECONDARY SCHOOL

A CARING COMMUNITY OF LEARNERS, THINKERS AND LEADERS

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Secondary One Orientation

Welcome to Tampines Secondary School (TPSS)! We are delighted to have your child/ward join us as they begin their first year of secondary school. This marks the beginning of an important phase in their education, and we look forward to partnering with you to support their growth and development. To help with this transition, we have included key details about the orientation programme in this letter.

1. First Day of School

All Secondary One students will report on 2 January 2025.

Reporting Time & Venue	Attire	Dismissal Time	Things to bring
7.30am @ School Hall	*TPSS PE T-shirt with school shorts/skirt	4.00pm	- TPSS PE shorts - Writing materials (pen & notebook) - Money for lunch in canteen - Water bottle

** In the unfortunate event that TPSS uniform and PE attire are out of stock, Secondary One students can wear their primary school uniform and PE attire for the first week of school.*

Student Leaders will be present at the school foyer to guide the Secondary One students to the school hall.

2. Sec One Orientation Programme (2 January, 3 January & 6 January)

To support the transition of the incoming Secondary One students, a 3-day orientation programme (see **Annex A**) has been planned to

- orientate students to the school campus, vision, mission, values and heritage,
- foster in students a sense of belonging to the school,
- promote intra-class bonding and a class identity.

As your child/ward participates in the orientation activities, should he have any medical conditions we need to take note of, please indicate clearly in the response questions in Parent Gateway (PG).

3. Secondary One Parent Engagement Session cum Tampinesian Investiture Ceremony (3 January)

The engagement session will take place in the evening of 3 January, from **5.00pm – 7.30pm**. The first part of the session includes a meeting with the form teachers of your child/ward in the classroom. Thereafter, you will proceed to the hall for the Principal's Welcome Address, sharings and to witness the Tampinesian Investiture Ceremony of your child/ward.

Please refer to **Annex B** for the programme. Do indicate via PG if you would be attending the Parent Engagement Session.

4. Lesson Timetable

The students will receive their Semester One timetable by 6 January. Lessons will commence on 7 January.

With the increase in the number of subjects from primary to secondary school, we kindly encourage parents to guide their child, especially in the beginning, to pack only the necessary materials for the subjects scheduled for the next day. Lockers will be provided for the students. You will receive more information on this in our Term One Circular.

Thank you for taking time to read this letter. We look forward to a close partnership with you.

Yours faithfully,

Winnie Koh (Mdm)
Year Head (Sec 1)

Focus of the Day: "On Your Mark..."

2 Jan 2025 Thursday

Classes	7.30am to 8.00am	8.00am to 8.20am	8.20am to 8.50am	8.50am to 9.10am	9.10am to 4.00pm	Remarks
Sec 1-1 Sec 1-2 Sec 1-3 Sec 1-4 Sec 1-5 Sec 1-6 Sec 1-7 Sec 1-8	Flag Raising Ceremony + Principal's Address @ Hall		Welcome to TPSS by YH & SC @ AVA/Music Room	Time with FTs @ Classroom	Sec 1 Orientation (9.10am - 4.00pm) (Recess: 9.45am - 10.20am; Lunch: 12.55pm - 1.30pm) [Dismissal at 4.00pm]	1. Reporting Attire: PE T-shirt with school shorts/skirt. 2. To pack in a small bag -PE shorts -writing materials -money for lunch in canteen - water bottle 3. Snacks will be provided during recess.

Focus of the Day: "...Get Set ..."

3 Jan 2025 Friday

Classes	7.30am to 7.50am	7.50am to 8.25am	8.25am to 7.30pm	Remarks
Sec 1-1 Sec 1-2 Sec 1-3 Sec 1-4 Sec 1-5 Sec 1-6 Sec 1-7 Sec 1-8	Morning Assembly + Briefing on Use of Lockers + Safety Briefing by OM @ Hall		Sec 1 Orientation <i>**</i>(8.25am - 6.40pm) (20-min Recess between 9am - 9.50am; Lunch: 12.20pm - 1.05pm; Dinner: 5pm - 5.45pm) + Sec 1 Investiture (6.40pm - 7.30pm) [Dismissal at 7.30pm] <i>**Muslim boys will leave for prayers at 12.20pm, and return thereafter to school</i>	1. Reporting Attire: PE T-shirt with school shorts/skirt. 2. To pack in a small bag -PE shorts + school uniform shirt/blouse for Investiture -writing materials -money for lunch in canteen - water bottle 3. Snacks will be provided during recess; Dinner will be provided before Investiture

Focus of the Day: "...Go!"

6 Jan 2025 Monday

Classes	7.30am to 8.00am	8.00am to 8.35am	8.35am to 9.10am	9.10am to 9.45am	9.45am to 4.00pm	Remarks
Sec 1-1 Sec 1-2 Sec 1-3 Sec 1-4 Sec 1-5 Sec 1-6 Sec 1-7 Sec 1-8	Morning Assembly @ Classroom	Emergency Exercise (NB: To assemble @ Hall after Exercise)	Assembly Talk: Get it RIGHT by HOD/SM @ Hall	Sec 1 Orientation (9.45am - 4.00pm) (Recess: 9.50am - 10.25am; Lunch: 12.45pm - 1.20pm) [Dismissal at 4.00pm]	1. Reporting Attire: PE T-shirt with school shorts/skirt. 2. To pack in a small bag -PE shorts -writing materials -money for lunch in canteen - water bottle 3. Snacks will be provided during recess.	

Sec 1 Parent Engagement Session (3 January 2025, Friday)

Time	Activity	Venue
5.00pm – 5.30pm	Interaction with Form Teachers (FTs)	Respective Classrooms*
5.40pm – 6.40pm	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Principal's Address 2. Sharing by Year Head – <i>Support Structures in TPSS</i> 3. Sharing by a member of TPSS Parents as Partners Network (PPN) 4. Sharing by HOD (PE & CCA) – <i>CCA Selection and Allocation</i> 5. Sharing by SH (Ed Tech) - <i>Updates on Personalised Digital Learning Programme</i> 	School Hall
6.40pm – 7.30pm	Sec 1 Investiture Ceremony	School Hall
7.30pm	End of Parent Engagement Session and Dismissal of Sec 1 students	School Hall

* Please proceed to the school foyer upon arrival. You would be directed to your child's/ward's classroom for the Interaction with Form Teachers. During this time, your child/ward would not be able to join you as he would be participating in their Sec 1 Orientation activities until 6.30pm.