

2024 Secondary 1 Information Kit



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OUR VISION

Champions of Mind, Leaders with Heart

JSS students possess mental grit, are cognitively flexible, confident, and persevere in the face of adversity.

JSS students are concerned citizens who take initiative and show genuine interest to actively contribute to the community, possessing the moral courage to be an advocate for society.

OUR MISSION

A close-knit school, in partnership with the community, nurturing students to be resilient in their pursuit of excellence

We are a collegial school that leverages close partnerships with the community to maximize the learning opportunities for our students. We endeavour to support our students in their pursuit of excellence in all that they do. We provide an environment where students are curious, engaged in learning, courageous and espouse our school values of Loyalty, Industry, Sincerity and Love.

OUR VALUES

Loyalty

The Jurong Secondary Student identifies with and is committed to his class, school and country. He takes pride in being a good ambassador and carries out his responsibilities faithfully.

Industry

The Jurong Secondary Student, in his pursuit of excellence, gives his best, demonstrating discipline and resilience in the face of challenges. An industrious individual, he perseveres to improve himself.

Sincerity

The Jurong Secondary Student is earnest and respectful in his interaction with others. He is an upright and just individual who carries himself with integrity.

Love

The Jurong Secondary Student is passionate in what he does. He is ready to champion a cause for the well-being of others, demonstrating compassion and concern.

SECONDARY 1 ORIENTATION PROGRAMME (2-3 JAN)

All Secondary 1 students will participate in a 2-day Orientation Programme from 2 to 3 January 2024. A summary of the activities is as follows:

DAY	DATE	Programme
1	2 Jan (Tues)	Student ushers will be at the school gates to guide Secondary 1 students to the Pulse Studio. Attire Report to school in half-uniform for the Orientation Programme. Half-uniform refers to the Primary school PE T-shirt (or any plain T-Shirt if Primary school T-Shirt is not available) and the JSS skirt (for girls) / short pants (for boys) Items to bring Pencil case, water bottle, snack (for snack break), a story book and PE shorts First Day of School [Reporting time: 7.30am, Dismissal time: 4.30pm] Principal's Address Level Head's Address School Tour Ice Breaker Activities Cohort Mass Dance Learning School Song
2	3 Jan (Wed)	 Attire Report to school in half-uniform for the Orientation Programme. Half-uniform refers to the JSS Orientation T-shirt and the JSS skirt (for girls) / short pants (for boys) Items to bring JSS uniform top (for photo taking), PE shorts, pencil case, water bottle, snack (for snack break) and a story book Second Day of School [Reporting time: 8.20am, Dismissal time: 4.30pm] Class Bonding Activities Inter-class Games Sports Trials* Photo Taking** CCA Talk

*Note: Sports Trials

Students selected during the 3 Jan Sports Trials will attend the final round of Sports Trials on the afternoon of 4 Jan.

**Note: Photo Taking

Students must change into full school uniform for the photo taking session. Students who wish to purchase 4 passport-sized photographs for \$4 are to make payment to the photographer directly.

2024 SCHOOL TERMS AND HOURS

The school terms for 2024 will be as follows:

	SCHOOL TERM	SCHOOL VACATION	
Semester I			
Term I	Tue 2 Jan to Fri 8 Mar	Sat 9 Mar to Sun 17 Mar	
Term II	Mon 18 Mar to Fri 24 May	Sat 25 May to Sun 23 Jun	
SEMESTER II			
Term III	Mon 24 Jun to Fri 30 Aug	Sat 31 Aug to Sun 8 Sep	
Term IV	Mon 9 Sep to *Fri 15 Nov	Sat 16 Nov to Tue 31 Dec	

* The last day of the final school term for Jurong Secondary School will be 25 October as the school will be used as an examination venue for the GCE O-Level written examinations.

The school hours for 2024 will be as follows:

PROGRAMME	TIMING		
Flag-raising Ceremony	 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 7.30am (Students are encouraged to report by 7.20am for morning silent reading programme) 		
	 Wednesday 8.20am (Students are encouraged to report by 8.10am for morning silent reading programme) 		
Curriculum	 Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 7.50am – 2.00pm/ 2.40pm (Lessons will end at 4.00pm on Mondays for students offering Higher Malay Language) 		
	Wednesday 8.30am – 2.00pm/ 2.40pm		
	 Friday 7.50am – 12.00pm/ 12.40pm (Lessons will end at 1.40pm on Fridays for students offering Higher Chinese Language) 		
Remedial (for selected students only)	Monday - Thursday • 3.00pm – 4.00pm		
CCA (where applicable)	Tuesday & Wednesday • 3.00pm – 6.00pm/ 6.30pm		
	Friday ■ 2.30pm – 5.30pm/ 6.00pm		

FINANCIAL MATTERS

A) MONTHLY SCHOOL FEES (TO BE PAID IN 2024)

	School Fee	Miscellaneous Fee	Total Payable
Singapore Citizens	\$5	\$20	\$25
Singapore PRs	\$560	\$20	\$580
ASEAN students	\$970	\$21.80*	\$991.80
Non- ASEAN students	\$1910	\$21.80*	\$1931.80

*Including 9% GST

Existing arrangements for payment of school fees through GIRO in primary school will be automatically transferred and continued at the secondary level. No further action is needed.

B) MOE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE SCHEME (MOE FAS)

The Ministry of Education provides financial assistance to needy Singapore Citizen students in Government or Government-aided schools so that all Singaporeans, regardless of their financial background, can benefit from the best opportunities in education.

- Eligibility based on gross monthly household income of \$3,000 or below or per capita income of \$750 or below
- Benefits under the MOE FAS are:

Item	Secondary Level
School Fees	Full waiver of \$5 per month
Miscellaneous Fees	Full waiver of \$20 per month
Textbooks	Free textbooks
School Attire	Free school attire
School Meal	Subsidy of \$7.00 per school day
Transport for students taking public transport	Transport subsidy of \$17 per month

For information regarding application for MOE FAS and financial assistance schemes provided by various organisations, please do not hesitate to contact Ms Pamela Wong at 6265 5980.

C) NATIONAL DIGITAL LITERACY PROGRAMME (NDLP)

Digital technology is widely used in schools, workplaces and society. The JSS NDLP, which started in 2020, develops among students important digital literacies and future-readiness. All secondary school students will receive a digital learning device and in our school, our teachers and students use the iPad for teaching and learning. The cost of the device can be paid using your child's Edusave account, after setting aside provision for miscellaneous fees. More information will be communicated when school reopens in 2024.

For details about JSS NDLP, please visit https://go.gov.sg/jssparentportal

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AND ROAD SAFETY ADVISORY

By Bus

- From Boon Lay MRT Station: 30, 98, 240, 246 (Alight at back gate, bus stop 82), 154 (Alight at front gate, bus stop 81)
- From Lakeside MRT Station: 49, 154 (Alight at front gate, bus stop 81)

By Mass Rapid Transit:

- Alight at Lakeside Station. Take bus service 98 or take bus service 154, 240 or 246 from the bus stop opposite the MRT station.
- Alight at Boon Lay Station and take bus service 30 or 154.
- Alight at Clementi Station and take bus service 154.
- Alight at Jurong East Station and take bus service 98.

By Car/ Taxi:

Use the AYE, Exit 15B, Jalan Ahmad Ibrahim



All students admitted to Secondary 1 in January 2024 can continue to use their Primary level School Smart Cards (SSCs) for concessionary travel till end-April 2024. They can purchase the Bus Concession Pass (BCP) using their Primary level SSCs to continue to enjoy the concessionary travel while waiting for their Secondary level SSCs to be ready. Do note that they must purchase the BCP for secondary school students.

ROAD SAFETY ADVISORY

In view of the heavy morning traffic conditions at Jurong Secondary School, please note the following:

- Parents who are driving, please use the main gate along Yuan Ching Road for your child to alight at the car porch area in front of the school's General Office before the reporting time at 7.30 am on Mon, Tue, Thu and Fri, and 8.20am on Wed.
- Parents to comply with traffic regulations, and for vehicles traveling south along Yuan Ching Road, to
 proceed further and only make the U-turn at the designated junction between Yuan Ching Road and
 Yung Ho Road.
- Students using the front gate are to enter the school by Gate 2 along Yuan Ching Road (near the traffic light) and not the main gate, which is for vehicular access only.
- Students using the back gate (Gate 5) along Corporation Drive, please note that it will be open from 6.30am to 7.30am, extended to 7.45am on wet weather days on Mon, Tue, Thu and Fri. On Wed, the back gate will be open from 6.30am to 8.20am, extended to 8.45am in the event of wet weather.

CONSENT FOR PHOTOGRAPHY AND VIDEOS

Photography and videography of students take place during school programmes, activities and events. The school uses these photos and videos on various platforms such as online media, reports, newsletters, other school events, and as publicity or outreach material.

We seek parents' understanding for students being involved in such photography and videography for the school's official use, as described above. Parents who do not consent to this should write in to the school at jurong_ss@moe.edu.sg to obtain the opt-out form.

ONLINE CONSENT FOR DENTAL SERVICES (SECONDARY SCHOOL DENTAL PROGRAMME)

To promote good oral health, the Health Promotion Board provides free dental checks and basic dental treatments (if required) at specified times during school hours in secondary schools.

Parents must give their consent by **15 February 2024** before their children can receive such services.

The Health Promotion Board has launched the Child Consent Portal for parents to submit consent online.

1. Log on to https://childconsent.hpb.gov.sg OR scan the QR code below to access the Child Consent Portal.



- 2. Login using your SingPass with 2-factor authentication (2FA). (You may register for SingPass by visiting https://www.singpass.gov.sg OR any SingPass counter. The location of SingPass counters and instructions for 2FA activation are available at https://www.singpass.gov.sg.)
- 3. Type in your child's UIN / BC / FIN number.
- 4. Fill in and submit the consent form.

The Health Promotion Board receives enrolment information progressively in batches. Should you be prompted at step 3 that HPB has not received your child's / ward's enrolment information, please provide HPB with your email address via the portal. You will be notified via email once HPB receives your child's / ward's enrolment information.

Hard copy consent forms will be distributed to students who are unable to submit their consent online.

LIST OF CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES (CCAs)

Co-curricular activities (CCAs) provide healthy recreation and instill self-discipline, teamwork and confidence in students. At the secondary level, all students must be involved in <u>at least one</u> core CCA.

The Secondary 1 Meet-the-parents Session as well as Co-Curricular Activities (CCA) Display Day will be held on 6 January 2023 (Saturday), 8:00 am to 12:30 pm at Jurong Secondary School. More details will be provided at a later date.

We encourage all parents to attend this event to learn more about our Secondary 1 programme as well as the requirements of the various CCAs offered in our school.

There will be a CCA Experiential Week between 15 January to 26 January 2024 and students will be given the opportunity to experience CCAs they are interested in before making their decision on which CCA to choose. Students will need to submit their CCA Option Form by 30 January 2024 (Tuesday).

The CCAs available in Jurong Secondary School are:

SPORTS & GAMES

- Badminton (Boys)
- Basketball
- Cross Country
- Dragon Boat (Boys)
- Volleyball (Girls)

Our sportsmen and sportswomen compete and excel in sports events at the zonal and national levels.

UNIFORMED GROUPS

- Girl Guides
- National Cadet Corps (Land/Boys)
- National Police Cadet Corps
- Red Cross Youth
- Scouts (Boys)

Uniformed groups provide students with opportunities for healthy group interactions and activities to develop their mental alertness, physical bearing, fitness, and discipline.

PERFORMING ARTS

- Concert Band
- Chinese Orchestra (Guzheng)
- Choir
- Modern Dance
- English Drama

Students in the Performing Arts CCAs acquire the relevant skills and showcase their creativity and talent.

CLUBS & SOCIETIES

- Media and Visual Arts Club
- Explorers

Clubs and Societies provide avenues for students to pursue their interests and render their services to the school, providing a platform to develop confidence and passion.

PARENT SUPPORT GROUP (PSG)



VISION

To foster a collaborative partnership with the school to nurture our children to be Champions of Mind, Leaders with Heart.

MISSION

To support the school programmes by tapping on parents' expertise and resources so that our children can achieve their fullest potential.

OBJECTIVES

- Facilitate and promote interaction among members
- Facilitate sharing of experiences by parents
- Facilitate communication between parents and school
- Provide support for school programmes

Would you like to join the PSG as a regular volunteer, who can assist on a regular basis?

Would you like to join PSG as a <u>project-based volunteer</u>, who can contribute for specific events and on a project basis?

Please register by going to: https://tinyurl.com/mtzuzxm2

Or, use the QR Code to access the sign up document:

