



From the Principal's Office (January 2022)

A Happy New Year to you and a warm hello from Kranji Primary!

Nurturing Future-Ready Learners



Kranji Primary School is committed to provide a forward-looking learning experience in the school so that all our students can be future-ready at the end of their six years with us. The **EXCITE Learning Approach** (**EX**periential, **CH**aracter Focused, **I**nquiry Based, **T**echnology Mediated, **P**ositive **E**ducation Driven) outlines what our Kranjians experience here in Kranji Primary on a daily

basis, and is a consolidation of how learning is designed, curated and enacted in Kranji Primary School (KPS). You can read more about it on our dedicated webpage <https://kranjipri.moe.edu.sg/our-curriculum/excite-learning-approach>.

Central to EXCITE are our key programmes, including the **1:1 Learning Experience** that provides all our P4 & P5 students with an iPad for learning, our Applied Learning Programme (ALP) that focuses on **Nurturing Joyful Learners through Critical and Inventive Thinking**, as well as our Learning for Life Programme (LLP) that focuses on **Developing Champions in Life through Sports**. To build our teachers' competencies in the classroom, we took on *Differentiated Instruction* as a school-wide professional development endeavor, with the purpose to meet the diverse learning needs of all students in order to maximize their progress in learning. Last year too, dedicated groups of teachers also took on *e-Pedagogy* by creating new learning possibilities afforded by digital technologies. We continue our partnership with the National Healthcare Group for a second year, to inculcate positive health habits and increase motivation in our students, through the infusion of *Growth Mindset* key messages into our P1 to P4 lessons.

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All of the above, in our belief that Every Kranjian Matters and Deserves the Best, and our commitment to provide the best all-rounded education to your child that is in tune with the times.

In 2021, we continue our string of achievements in the student and staff domains. After the streak of national-level awards in 2020, my colleagues were again recognized with the National Day Awards Commendation Medal and Long Service Award, Fellow of Academy of Singapore Teachers Award, and 14 MOE Service Excellence Awards. In addition, they presented in at least 4 seminars and conferences in the areas of Math, Project Work, Malay Language and Chinese Language. This is testament to the quality educators that we have in our midst at Kranji Primary School.

25th Anniversary Celebration – Champions Celebrate

The school will be celebrating our 25th birthday with a big bang this year. As part of the celebration, the school will be launching a Heritage Wall, an e-book publication to capture our 25 years of history, year-long programmes to commemorate the occasion including dedicated School Assemblies and school events tying in the celebration theme. Finally, to cap the year-long celebration, we will be organising a Learning Carnival titled “EXCITE Fiesta! – Champions Celebrate”. If safe management measures permit by then, we will be inviting parents to join us that day. Look out for updates through my monthly Principal letters.



Partnering Parents

I would like to strongly encourage parents/guardians to follow us on Facebook and/or Instagram, where we update school happenings on a very regular basis. Keep in touch with us and keep abreast of what is happening in Kranji Primary. We have good parent support in the school, many of whom contribute regularly through our Parent Support Group. I strongly encourage you to play an active part in your child's educational journey with us, by being a part of the strong parent support in the school. In addition, all official correspondence from the school has been through Parents Gateway since 2020, and I will be updating you on a monthly basis on school happenings. Look out for Form Teachers' Start-of-Year letter, for communication channels with your child's teachers.

We will be holding a series of Parent Meetings with Form Teachers and Principal starting next week and letters have been shared through Parents Gateway yesterday. With the exception of P1 parents, whom I would have met on the first day of school, I will be looking forward to meeting P2 to P6 parents during the online sessions planned by the school. I will be sharing pertinent information related to your child's level at the Briefing, and the Form Teachers will be sharing useful tips on how to help your child, and their observations about the class.

Covid-19

As the Covid-19 situation in the country becomes endemic, I would like to strongly urge all parents to allow your child to be vaccinated. This is in the hope that the tightened school measures can be loosened in due time, when more of our children are vaccinated. Till then, the school measures like mask wearing, wiping down, keeping a safe distance, frequent washing of hands etc continue to be in place and strictly observed.

I thank all parents for giving Kranji Primary School the privilege of educating your child alongside you. Let's look forward to a safe and rewarding journey ahead together.

Mdm Goh Meei Yunn



JumpStart@Kranji 2022



In the 1st week of school, our students were supported with the various activities under our JumpStart@Kranji programme to help them transit into the new school year.

Through the activities, our students learnt more about the school's vision, mission and core values. They also learnt about the expected behaviour in school, familiarised themselves with the class routines and made new friends. Class bonding activities were conducted by the Form Teachers to build and strengthen teacher-student relationships as well as nurture friendships among the students. We have included Growth Mindset and goal setting sessions in efforts to inculcate resilience in our students.

In addition, our P1 students have embarked on a P1 Ignite experience, which is a three-week transition programme to ease students into a new school environment and learning structures. It also aims to equip students to be emotionally and socially ready for P1. We started the programme with activities that the students are familiar with and gradually weaved them into the primary school routine.



Embarking on a new adventure



STAFF MOVEMENT

We would like to bid farewell to the following colleagues who have left the school, and thank them for their contributions to the school.

- Mdm Kasthuri d/o Chandra Mohan (Teacher)
- Mdm Vivienne Yap (Subject Head/ICT)
- Mdm Jennifer Tan (Flexi-Adjunct Teacher)

The school would like to extend a warm welcome to the following staff:

- Mr Mohamad Fazlee Bin Sabari (Level Head/English)

CHINESE NEW YEAR CELEBRATION

The school will be celebrating Chinese New Year on Monday, 31 January 2022 from 7.30 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. Students are encouraged to come dressed in Chinese ethnic costumes with school shoes and socks (no headgear) for the day or the usual school uniform.

The celebration will last for 2 hours. The first hour of the celebration focuses on the tradition of Chinese New Year. Students will take part in art and craft activity related to Chinese New Year. They will also spring clean and decorate the classrooms to gain a deeper understanding of the Spring Festival. The second half of the celebration, which is the virtual concert, will start at 8.30 a.m. and end by 9.30 a.m. Students will watch the performance and take part in quizzes to win prizes. School will be dismissed at 9.30 a.m. There will be no after-school activities on 31 January 2022.

We would like to invite all parents to join us for the online concert from 8.30 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. We are sure that your presence will add to the festivities as we celebrate the occasion together as one big family. Please see the details of the virtual concert below:

- Link: <https://youtu.be/ji8awj6bss0>
- Kindly log onto this link by 8.20 a.m. Do not worry if you see a grey screen. We will be LIVE at 8.29 a.m. sharp. Once the Livestreaming starts, please refrain from pressing the pause button.

Please note that Tuesday, 1 February 2022 and Wednesday, 2 February 2022 are Public Holidays. School will resume on Thursday, 3 February 2022.





Gifted Education Programme (GEP) Screening and Selection Exercise

The GEP Identification Exercise aims to identify pupils with high intellectual potential who will benefit from the enriched curriculum. Below is the tentative schedule for the exercise in 2022. More details and consent forms will be issued via Parents' Gateway nearer to the date of the exercise.

Stage	Date	Participants
GEP Screening Exercise	17 August 2022 (Wednesday)	Primary 3 pupils enrolled in government and government-aided schools
GEP Selection Exercise	18 & 19 October [^] 2022 (Tuesday & Wednesday) [^] Week of PSLE Marking Exercise	Primary 3 pupils shortlisted after the GEP Screening Exercise

Commencement of CCA

In-person co-curricular activities (CCA) will resume for all P3 to P6 students during curriculum hours on Fridays, 7.30 a.m. to 9.00 a.m. Students will be informed of their allocated CCA through their form teacher in Term 1 Week 3 before the commencement of CCA on 21 Jan, Friday. Students who have been selected for the National School Games (NSG) and the Singapore Youth Festival (SYF) will be informed of their additional trainings held after school by their CCA teachers later. A separate schedule will be provided for these selected students if the NSG and SYF resumes later in the year.



INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR STUDENTS

MOE has purchased a Group Personal Accident (GPA) Insurance coverage for all students. A copy of the insurance product information sheet from the insurer, NTUC Income, with details on the policy coverage, benefits and claim procedures is attached in **Annex A** for your information and retention.

A group personal accident plan for primary school, secondary school and junior college students.



Information on claims, FAQs and other details pertaining to the GPA Insurance Plan for students can be found on NTUC Income's website at <https://www.income.com.sg/studentgpa>.



Cycling path

Student Safety—Cycling to School

Given the hazards that cyclists may encounter, the school is concerned about the safety of students who cycle to school. It is thus important for you to remind your child/ward to take the necessary safety precautions, including but not limited to the following:

- a. Make sure that the bicycle is in good working condition. Bicycles should ideally be fitted with front and rear lights and a bell. You or your child should ensure that the bicycle's brakes, chains, tyres, lights and bell are well-maintained and are in good working order.
- b. Your child/ward should always wear protective gear, such as a helmet, and proper shoes (if there are shoelaces, they should be properly tied) to protect against injury.
- c. Your child/ward should be reminded not to use his or her mobile phone, even with an in-ear attachment, or listen to music through earphones while cycling.
- d. Cycle along bicycle track instead of on the road.
- e. Give hand signal early and clearly.
- f. Obey all traffic rules at all times.

Your child/ward is advised to secure his or her bicycle at the bicycle racks located on the school premises. The school will not be responsible for the loss of, or any damage to, your child's bicycle.

For safety reasons, students (especially lower primary students) are not encouraged to ride their bikes to and from school as they may not know the traffic rules well and possess sufficient skills to ride on roads where the risk of fatal accidents is higher.

COVID-19 VACCINATION



If your child has recently taken a COVID-19 vaccination, please ask your child to inform his/her PE teachers and CCA teachers so that your child can be exempted from strenuous physical activities for two weeks. Parents are required to submit the vaccination appointment dates to the school via this link <https://go.gov.sg/kpsvaccine>.

UPDATING OF STUDENT PARTICULARS (INDIVIDUAL STUDENT DETAILS REPORT FOR YEAR 2022)

The updating of student details, including emergency contact and medical information, is conducted annually at the beginning of the school year to ensure that the school has the most recent contact details and medical information of your child/ward.

Please verify the information on the pre-printed Individual Student Details Report ("ISDR") for Year 2022 to be issued to your child and complete the Medical Declaration on the reverse side. The completed form is to be submitted to your child's/ward's Form Teacher by Monday, 10 January 2022.



2022 MOE Kindergarten Virtual Open House

Sign up for the MOE Kindergarten Virtual Open House taking place from 9.30am to 12.30pm on **Saturday, 29 January** to find out how MK is the quality preschool choice for children and how we ignite the joy of learning in them!

Visit our [Virtual Open House](#) page to find out more!



Is your child
turning
5 years old
in 2023?



2022 MOE KINDERGARTEN OPEN HOUSE VIRTUAL EVENT

MOE will be conducting the 2022 MK Open House Virtual Event on 29 Jan 2022 (Saturday), 9.30am to 11.00am. Interested parents may visit the website (<http://moe.gov.sg/mk>) to find out more details and sign up for the event.



SCHOOL'S CONTACT DETAILS

Please take note of the school's contact details as follows:

General Office : 6763-4812
Email : kranji_ps@moe.edu.sg

Please be informed our teachers will also be calling parents using an alternative number. The caller number **6995-2465** will be displayed on your mobile phone. Please note that this is not a spam call. If you missed the call, please call the school at the usual GO's number at tel: 6763-4812. Do not return call to 6995-2465 as your call will not be directed to the school.

PHOTOGRAPHY/VIDEOGRAPHY

Photographs or video images of students/parents taken at all school activities and events such as classroom lessons, CCA, school camps or school performances may be published on the school's official media platforms (e.g. school publications, school's website, social media channels or other communication channels) and used for briefings, workshops, publicity and other educational purposes.

The school may publish photographs, videos and student's works/achievements together with the names of the students and/or class information from time to time. Please notify the school in writing if you do not wish to grant such permission.

Parents, students and visitors are not allowed to take photos/videos within the school unless approval is granted by an authorized school staff.

SNACK BREAK

Studies have shown that what students eat during the day has an impact on mental alertness, energy, and overall performance. Since 2016, the schools has provided all students with a 10-minute snack break at 12pm daily. We seek your cooperation to pack healthy snacks for your child/ward. Snacks can be a fruit, a cereal bar or even a packet of milk if your child is not too hungry.

Recommended Snacks : Fruits, wholemeal bread with spread, cereal, muesli bar

Non-Recommended Snacks : Potato chips, chocolate bars, donuts, cream biscuits, fried food



KEEPING CHILDREN HEALTHY – HPB’S GUIDE FOR PARENTS

We would like to share with you the Parents Newsletter **Annex B** from the Health Promotion Board to keep your child/ward healthy. The first edition (in the series of 3) addresses the following questions:

- What types of healthy food are sold in my child’s school?
- How can I continue preparing healthy food at home for my child?
- Embark on the “One-Week Eat Healthy’ Challenge with your children!
- Does my child school provide any programmes to help my children with stress?
- Vaping: What is it?
- How do I keep safe, hygiene and clean at home?

This resource aims to share with parents programmes for their children in schools, and how you can continue building healthy habits at home.



Public Holidays and Major School Events

We are proud to share with you the school calendar for 2022.

The event dates below are subject to change. Parents are advised to take note of any changes and updates in the monthly Principal's letter to parents.

Date / Time	Event	Remarks
TERM 1		
4 Jan (Tues)	P1 Parents' Briefing	-
12 Jan to 14 Jan (Wed to Fri) & 21 Jan (Fri)	Parent-Teaching Meeting #1 (P1 to P6)	Please refer to the letter issued on 6 Jan 2022
17 Jan (Mon)	Commencement of After-School Programme (ASP)	-
21 Jan (Fri)	Commencement of in-person co-curricular activities (CCA)	-
31 Jan, 7.30 am to 9.30 am	Chinese New Year Celebration	Students will be dismissed at 9.30 am
1 & 2 Feb (Tues & Wed)	Public Holiday (CNY)	No school for all levels
14 Feb (Mon)	Total Defence Day Commemoration	-
22 Feb (Tues)	P1 & P6 Photo-Taking for Student Smart Card	-
9 Mar (Wed)	Level Learning Journeys	-
12 Mar (Sat) to 20 Mar (Sun)	TERM 1 SCHOOL HOLIDAYS	No school for all levels
TERM 2		
15 Apr (Fri)	Public Holiday (Good Friday)	No school for all levels
2 May (Mon)	Public Holiday (Labour Day in-lieu)	No school for all levels
3 May (Tues)	Public Holiday (Hari Raya Puasa)	No school for all levels
16 May (Mon)	Public Holiday (Vesak Day in-lieu)	No school for all levels
25 May (Wed)	Level Learning Journeys P6 Sports & Adventure Camp	-
28 May (Sat) to 26 Jun (Sun)	TERM 2 SCHOOL HOLIDAYS	No school for all levels

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Date / Time	Event	Remarks
TERM 3		
4 Jul (Mon)	Scheduled School Holiday (Youth Day in-lieu)	No school for all levels
11 Jul (Mon)	Public Holiday (Hari Raya Haji in-lieu)	No school for all levels
8 Aug (Mon)	National Day Celebration	Students will be dismissed at 9.30 am
9 & 10 Aug (Tues & Wed)	Public Holiday (National Day) & Scheduled School Holiday	No school for all levels
31 Aug (Wed)	Level Learning Journeys	-
1 Sep (Thurs)	Teacher's Day Celebration	Students will be dismissed at 9.30 am
2 Sep (Fri)	Teachers' Day	No school for all levels
3 Sep (Sat) to 11 Sep (Sun)	TERM 3 SCHOOL HOLIDAYS	No school for all levels
TERM 4		
6 Oct (Thurs)	Children's Day Celebration	-
7 Oct (Fri)	Children's Day	No school for all levels
24 Oct (Mon)	Public Holiday (Deepavali)	No school for all levels
14 Nov to 18 Nov (Mon-Fri)	EXCITE Fiesta & Prize Giving/ Graduation Day	Exact dates to be confirmed
19 Nov (Sat) to 31 Dec (Sat)	END OF YEAR SCHOOL HOLIDAYS	No school for all levels