



WELCOME TO THE GESS FAMILY

Principal's Address

Sec 1 Meet-Parent-Session 2022

GAN ENG SENG SCHOOL



Our School is Home & Family



Vice-Principals

Mr Glynn Tan



Mrs Selva





Mr Teo Peng Kee
Year Head

Mr Clarence Loh
Year Head



Sec 1 Gatekeepers



**Mr Brandon
Albert Lim**
HOD / ICT



Mr Paul Lee
HOD / Character &
Citizenship Education (CCE)



Mr Sim Kwang Mong
Senior School Counsellor

Mrs Yap Hwee Ting
AED / LBS



Form Teachers?

Get to know them during zoom
session later



Sec 1 Gessian Experiences aligned to Learning for Life Programme (LLP)

Focus: Equipping Gessians to

- **D**iscover themselves,
- **D**evelop good habits for success, and
- **D**esign their world

Platforms used for LLP include Sec 1 orientation and Sec 1 Camp.



VISION



Gessians of
Excellence
Standing &
Significance





MISSION

Nurturing the
best in each &
**Striving ever
onward**

VALUES



Integrity

I

Compassion

Can

Resilience

Really

Discipline

Do

Respect

what's **R**ight



MOTTO

ONWARD!



THE GESSIAN PORTRAIT



PRINCIPLED LEADER

Demonstrates integrity and moral courage in word and deed

ENGAGED LEARNER

Constructs knowledge using both self-directed and collaborative means



REFLECTIVE & INNOVATIVE THINKER

Manages complexities and innovates for a better future



ACTIVE CITIZEN

Thinks globally and makes a positive impact on the community





Transition Phase

Real Challenges



- Long days
- Many subjects
- New classmates
- Full Subject-Based Banding
- New CCAs/
instructors.coaches
- New Teachers
- New environment

GESS Assessment Plan

	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
Sec 1	WA 10	WA 15	MYE 15	WA 10 (AA) 50

- No Mid-year exam
- Alternative Assessments (AA) is given by all subjects.
- WA dates will be given by subject teachers.
- Fewer assessments and every assessment is important.



S.A.F.E. Tips



SUPPORT

- Find out how your child's preferences are changing. Show interest by asking open-ended questions.

AFFIRM

- Make a habit of chatting at a fixed time each day.
- Remember your child's strengths. Build his/her self-esteem in those areas.
- Praise and affirm efforts in the front of relatives and friends.

FAMILIARISE

- Find out what secondary school life is like for the students these days.
- Excite him/her about new experiences secondary school students can have.
- Encourage him/her to pick up a new hobby or hone skills.

EMPATHISE

- Acknowledge your child's varying emotions.
- Encourage your child to share thoughts and feeling about the new school.
- Priorities sufficient sleep.



Parent Toolkit



Parent Kit: Easing Into Secondary School Life!



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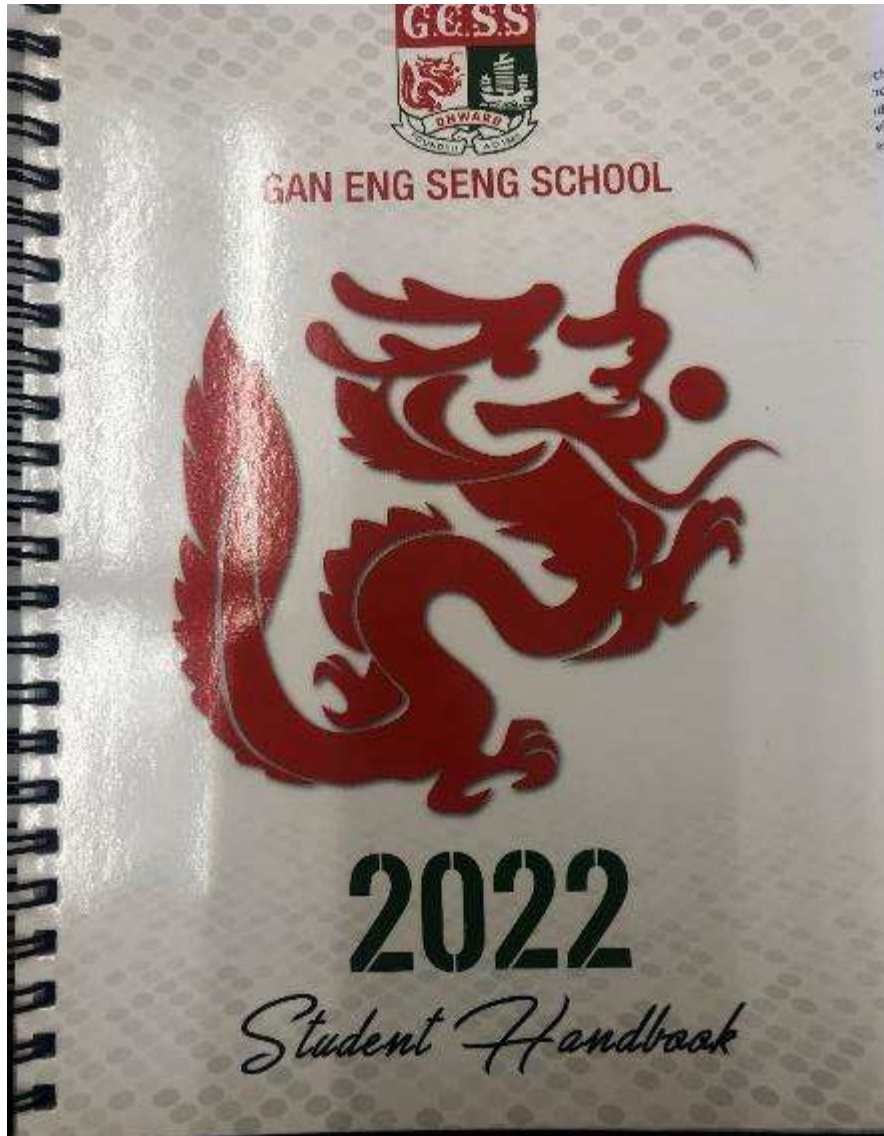
Connecting, sharing, celebrating, and growing together

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Channels of Communication (Reaching out to school)



- Parents Gateway
- Term Letter to parents
- Email addresses of staff on school website
- General Office telephone line
- School website***
(goes to SLs)

Communication with teachers

- Teachers are contactable during office hours on weekdays (*school will leave a note to teacher to return call*)
- To email the teacher with a request/question, kindly allow 3 working days for a reply
- In making an appointment with a teacher, kindly allow advance notice



Teacher-parent collaboration

Encourage your child to

- Make informed choices;
- Persevere and don't give up easily;
- Look for alternative solutions to a problem;
- Accept the consequences of their informed decision

Give your child time to rest after school.

Trust our teachers to do the necessary in good time.



Growing responsible students

- Students should be taught and encouraged to pack their bags and remember to bring required items to school.
- They should take responsibility if they have forgotten to bring the item and not expect that their parents would bring the item to school for them.





Pong Jia Qing, Joshua

- Leader in BB (BB Blaze Gold Award)
- Active in ViA
- Academically good

The Lee Kuan Yew Award For All Round Excellence (SEC) 2021

To recognise well-rounded students who have excelled in both academic and non-academic spheres, and who exemplify the qualities articulated in the desired outcomes of education

In summary

Sunlight – the
right amount

Water –
according to
what can be
absorbed



Time –
growth
takes time

Space – to grow
and flourish

Thank you

**The main thing is to keep the
main thing the main thing.**

Stephen Covey

Help your child to learn self-management skills, take responsibility and grow in resilience

