



6 January 2021

Dear Parents/Guardian

SECONDARY 1 LEVEL PROGRAMMES 2021

On behalf of the teachers from the Secondary 1 level, I would like to extend a warm welcome to your child/ward. This letter outlines key events and programme in the first few weeks of school for your information.

1. **Transitional Workshop:** The school has organised a 3-part Transitional Workshop for all Secondary 1 students.

The objectives of the workshop are as follows:

- To prepare students with skills to manage changes and transition from primary to secondary school
- To cultivate in students a positive attitude towards learning
- To enable students to understand that teamwork can contribute to individual success

The 3-part workshop will be conducted in school as follows:

Workshop	Date	Time
Part I	5 January 2021, Tuesday	2.00 pm to 3.30 pm
Part II	6 January 2021, Wednesday	2.00 pm to 3.30 pm
Part III	14 January 2021, Thursday	2.30 pm to 4.30 pm

We seek your understanding and support in ensuring that your child/ward attends the workshop so that he/she will be able to benefit from it. Attendance is compulsory for all students.

2. **Parent-Teacher Meeting (PTM):** In BMSS, we believe that it takes a village to raise a child and would like to work closely with you to support and develop your child holistically. As such, we are organising a virtual PTM on 16 January 2021, Saturday, to share with you more about our level outcomes and programmes. It is also a good opportunity for you to meet with your child's/ward's Form Teachers. The programme for the virtual PTM is as follows:

- 9.00 am : Sharing of Level Programmes by Year Head
Sharing of Personalised Digital Learning Programme by HOD/ICT
- 9.40 am : Question and Answer Session
- 9.50 am : Interaction with Form Teachers as a class
- 10.30 am : End of session

Please indicate your attendance of the virtual PTM in Parents Gateway. Should you not have access to Parents Gateway, please complete the hardcopy form as attached.



3. **Applied Learning Programme (ALP) Semester 1:** As part of the effort to enrich your child's/ward's learning, the school has embarked on conducting our STEM-based Applied Learning Programme, titled "Creative Robotics and Engineering" which allows all students of BMSS to experience a two-year programme that infuses the Design Thinking (DT) methodology and problem-based learning. This ALP programme aims to ignite the inventiveness of students and develop their critical thinking skills. The programme is designed to be user-centric, focusing on the applications of robotics and engineering in solving real world problems.

As such, your child / ward will be required to attend the 10-sessions, once weekly programme in Semester 1. The details for the ALP sessions are as follows:

Sessions	Venues	Mondays (1N1, 1N2 & 1T1) Time: 2.00 pm – 3.30 pm	Thursdays (1E1, 1E2 & 1E3) Time: 2.00 pm – 3.30 pm
1	Various Computer Labs (refer to the Individual Class Timetable)	25 January 2021	21 January 2021
2		1 February 2021	28 January 2021
3		8 February 2021	4 February 2021
4		22 February 2021	18 February 2021
5		1 March 2021	11 March 2021
6		8 March 2021	25 March 2021
7		22 March 2021	1 April 2021
8		29 March 2021	8 April 2021
9		5 April 2021	15 April 2021
10		12 April 2021	22 April 2021

Please be informed that there will be a briefing for all Secondary 1 students regarding the ALP programme on 18 January 2021, Monday, which will be carried out concurrently with their photo-taking. All Sec 1 N(A) and N(T) classes will have their briefing and photo-taking from 2.00 pm to 3.30 pm. All Sec 1 Express classes will have their briefing and photo-taking from 2.30 pm – 4.00 pm after their lunch break.

As the ALP is compulsory and structured into the timetable, we seek your understanding in ensuring that your child/ward to be present for all the sessions as stated above.

4. If you need further clarifications, do feel free to contact us at 6474 8934 or email us at the following email addresses.
- Ms Stella Toh: toh_yongmei_stella@schools.gov.sg
 - Mr Ken Hu: hu_jinyuan@schools.gov.sg
5. We look forward to an enriching year and a great collaboration ahead!

Yours sincerely

Ms Stella Toh
Sec 1 Year Head

cc. Principal

Reg. Number

REPLY SLIP FOR PARENT-TEACHER MEETING

I, (name of parent / guardian) of

..... (name of child / ward), Sec 1.....:

will be / will not be* (please circle accordingly) able to attend the Parent-Teacher Meeting on
16 January 2021, Saturday.

Parent's / Guardian's Signature:

Parent's / Guardian's Contact No.:

*Please return this reply slip to your child's/ward's Form Teacher by **13 January 2021, Wednesday.***