Yishun Secondary School

Sec 4 & 5 Breakfast meeting with parents
23 February 2022

Programme

0830 to 0930: Principal's Address

0930 to 1000: Chat with Form Teacher

1000 to 1030: Coming Back together as a Level

Back-to-School Programme (4 Jan – 6 Jan)

Social Etiquette Workshop

Back-to-School Programme (4 Jan – 6 Jan)

Videography Workshop

Student Well – Being

Students to approach any of the following school personnel if facing any issues or concerns

Academic Matters	Family Related & Personal Matters
Form Teachers Subject Teachers	Form Teachers Mr Hilmi (School Counsellor) Mr Sabir (School Counsellor) Mr Koh Yong Cheng (Year Head/Upper Sec) Mr Alvin Hoo (Assistant Year Head/Sec 4&5)

Do contact us if you have further queries:
General office: 6876 7129 (Office hours 8:00 am – 5:30 pm)
Email: yishun_ss@moe.edu.sg

Curriculum matters: Weighted Assessment

- Weighting for WA1, SA1 (MYE), WA2 and SA2 (Prelim) will be as follows:

WA1	-
SA1 (MYE)	100%
WA2	-
SA2 (Prelim)	100%

WA schedule can be found at

- https://yishunsec.moe.edu.sg/students/weighted-assessment-schedule/

Curriculum Matters can be found at

- https://yishunsec.moe.edu.sg/holistic-education/instructional-programme
- https://yishunsec.moe.edu.sg/parents/yss-assessment-policy

Academic Support for students:

YSS Consultation Schedule 2022

Level / Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Sec 1 & 2 Sec 3	Odd Week • Science Even Week • Humanities	• Mathematics • Mathematics • Add Mathematics • Pure Science	• English Lang • Literature	• Mother Tongue • Art • D&T • FCE • POA • ESS • RO • Music
Sec 4 Express & Sec 5 NA	• Art • D&T • F&N • Pure Science Odd Week • Pure Humanities Even Week • Maths / Science* ^	• English Lang • Literature	Odd Week • Mother Tongue Even Week • Mathematics • Add Mathematics	Odd Week • Science Even Week • Humanities
Sec 4NA & NT	Odd Week • Mathematics • Add Mathematics Even Week • Mother Tongue	• English Lang	• Art • D&T • POA • RO • Music	Odd Week • Humanities • CPA Even Week • Science

* for Sec 4E3 & 4E4 only
^ 1st even week Monday: Mathematics, 2nd even week Monday: Science

STUDENT e-PORTFOLIO

TIMELINE	ACTIVITY	DETAILS
TERM 1 WEEK 1	Introduction to e-portfolio creation	• Talk by PSG Volunteer (Trained Career Coach) on e-portfolio creation • Students attended the talk via Zoom
TERM 1 WEEK 1	Students create e-portfolio on MySkillsFuture portal	• Form Teachers guide students in e-portfolio creation in class during FTGP lesson
TERM 1 WEEK 9	Termly update on e-portfolio	• ECG team generates e-portfolio class reports from MySkillsFuture portal to monitor updates • Form Teachers continue to guide students in building their e-portfolio during FTGP lesson
TERM 2 WEEK 9 - 10	Termly update on e-portfolio	
TERM 3 WEEK 9 - 10	Termly update on e-portfolio	

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LEAPS 2.0 CCA Recognition System

Co-Curricular Attainment	Bonus Points	Criteria
Excellent	2	A student needs to attain minimum Level 3 in all 4 domains with at least a Level 4 in one domain
Good	1	A student needs to attain minimum Level 1 in all 4 domains with any one of the following:
		(i) At least Level 2 in three domains
		(ii) At least Level 2 in one domain and at least Level 3 in another domain
		(iii) At least Level 4 in one domain
Fair	No Bonus point	A Fair co-curricular attainment will not translate into any bonus points as the student has not met the minimum criteria for a Good co-curricular attainment

Note: The co-curricular attainment will be recognised according to the table above.

The co-curricular attainment will be translated to bonus point(s) which can be used for admission to Junior Colleges / Polytechnics / Institute of Technical Education (JC/Poly/ITE).

Please refer to the individual admission criteria of JC, Poly and ITE for specific details. Students' co-curricular attainments will continue to be converted into a CCA grade for admission into Millennia Institute (MI).

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LEAPS 2.0

Domain	
Leadership	Level 3: Class Chairperson / Prefect / Peer Support Leader / Committee for school-wide events/ Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson for student-initiated or student-led projects, approved by school (or equivalent), Upper Sec CCA Committee (or equivalent)
Achievement	Level 3: Represented school / external organization at local / international event and achieved the following (for 1 year): Top 4 (or equivalent) team placing , Top 8 (or equivalent) individual placing o Gold/Silver/ Bronze/Merit award / certification (or equivalent) SYF Arts Presentation
Participation	Level 3: Participated in any CCA for 3 years with at least 75% attendance for each year and demonstrating exemplary conduct and active contribution
Service	Level 4: Completed at least 24 hours of service and at least two VIA projects that impact the school or community

Class-based VIA

Theme	Level	Class-based VIA Project	Number of hours	Remarks
Family and School	Sec 1	Responsible Me! – tackling of food waste	6	School initiated
Environment	Sec 2	Environmentalist – tackling of textile waste	6	School initiated
Community	Sec 3	Virtual engagement with seniors from Intergenerational Learning Programme (ILP) and residents from rental blocks, supported by North West CDC	7	School initiated
Community and Nation	Sec 4 & 5	Total Defence (TD) Advocacy	7	School initiated

Sec 4&5 VIA Project

In groups of max 5 students, Sec 4&5 presented their projects (consists of PowerPoint slides and engagement activity) to Sec 1, 2 and 3 classes during the TD commemoration on 17 Feb. The focus was on various threats that Singapore faces and how everyone can play a part in the defence of our shared way of life.

School-based VIA

- Conducted by CCAs and Student Leaders
- through ALP, LLP, Student-initiated Learning (SIL) and YE@H programmes

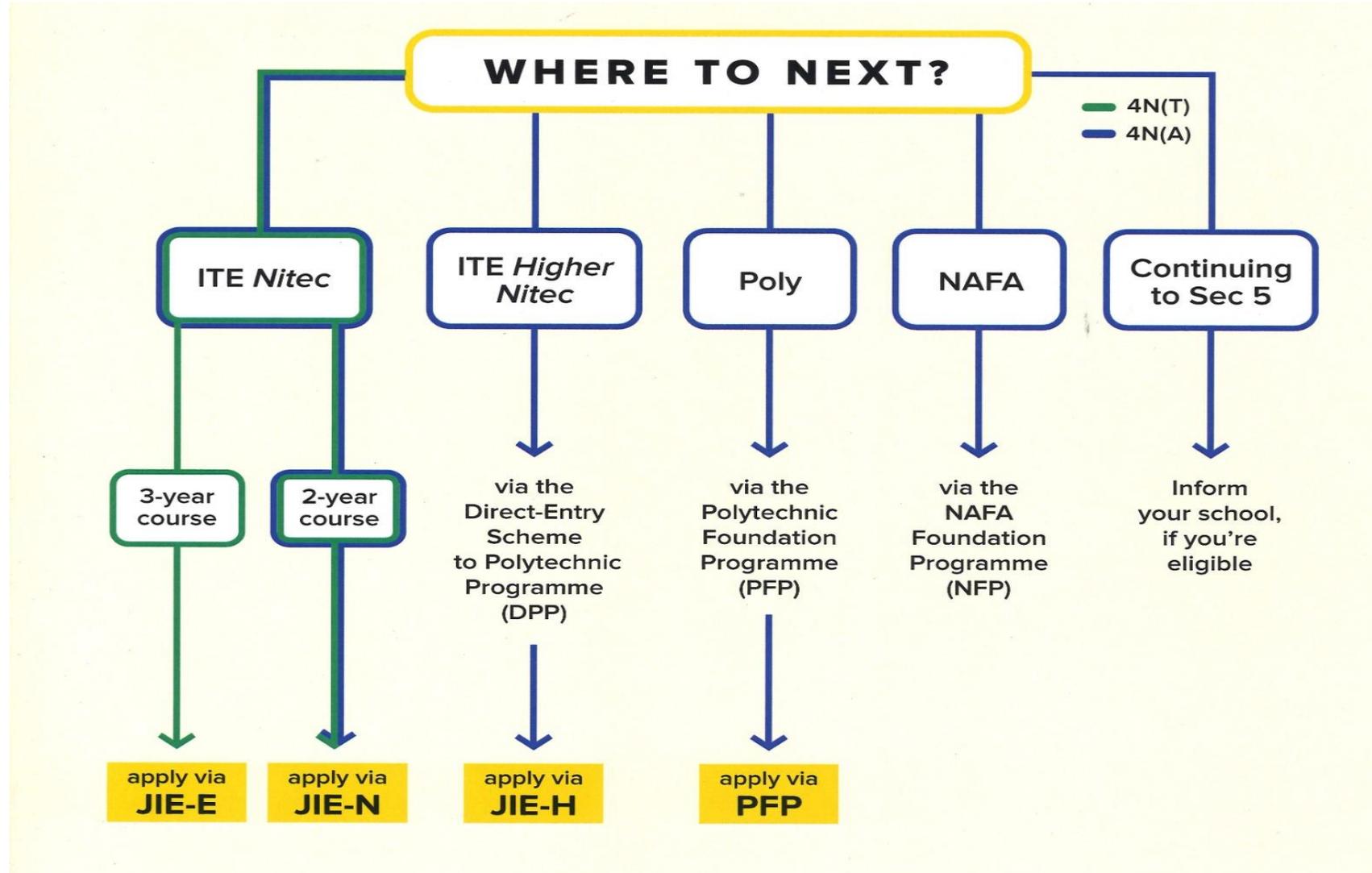## Levels of attainment for Service Domain

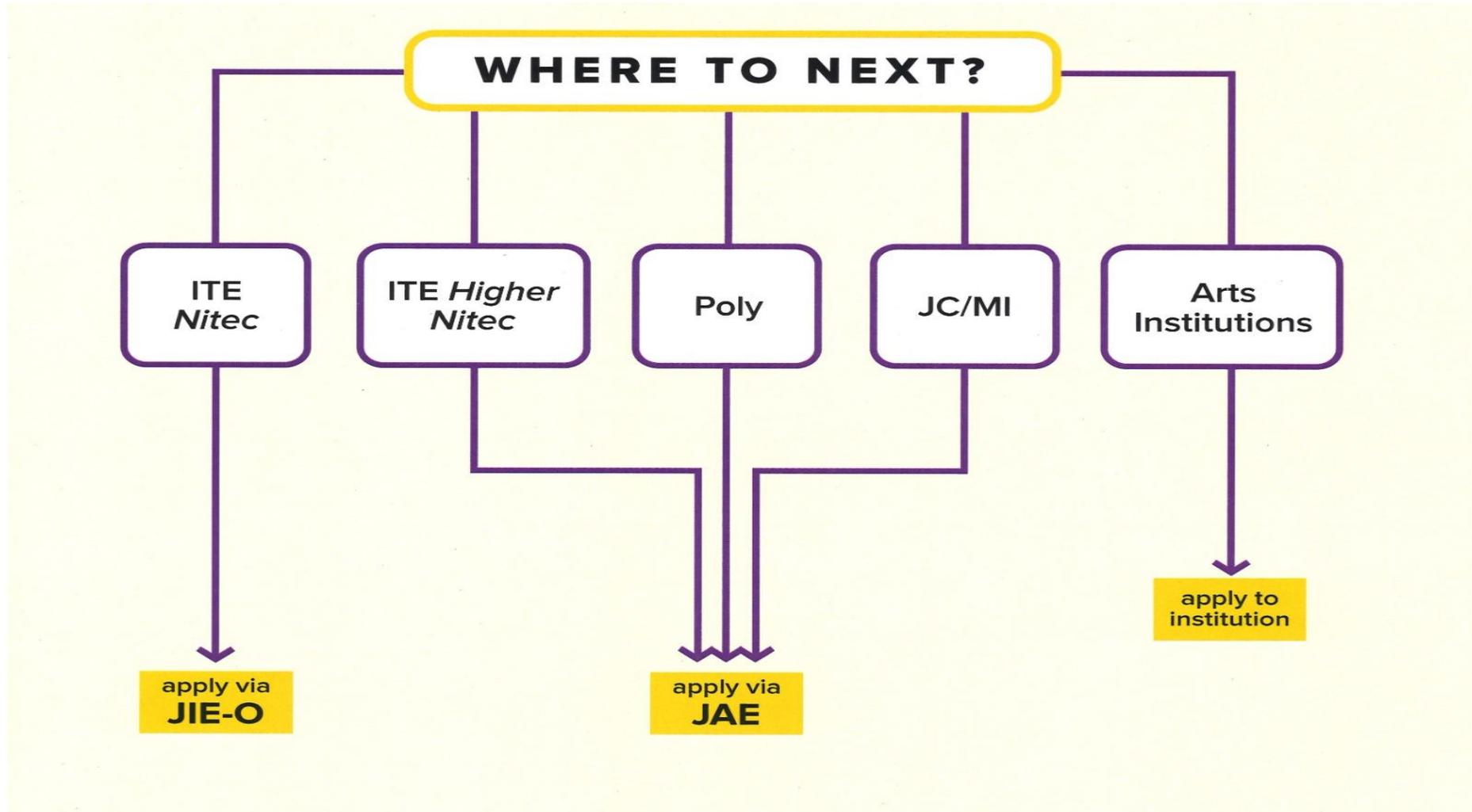| Level 4	Level 5
Target = 100%	Target = 15%
• Completed at least 24 hours of service and at least two VIA projects that impact the school or community	• Completed at least 24 hours of service and at least one student-initiated VIA project that impacts the community beyond the school and at least one other VIA project

Post Secondary Pathways for NT/NA

WHERE TO NEXT?

- ━ 4N(T)
- ━ 4N(A)

ITE *Nitec*	ITE *Higher Nitec*	Poly	NAFA	Continuing to Sec 5

- ITE *Nitec*
  - 3-year course → apply via **JIE-E**
  - 2-year course → apply via **JIE-N**
- ITE *Higher Nitec*: via the Direct-Entry Scheme to Polytechnic Programme (DPP) → apply via **JIE-H**
- Poly: via the Polytechnic Foundation Programme (PFP) → apply via **PFP**
- NAFA: via the NAFA Foundation Programme (NFP)
- Continuing to Sec 5: Inform your school, if you're eligible

Post Secondary Pathways for Express/5N

WHERE TO NEXT?

ITE *Nitec* — ITE *Higher Nitec* — Poly — JC/MI — Arts Institutions

apply via **JIE-O**

apply via **JAE**

apply to institution

Post Secondary Pathways Admission Criteria

Institution	Aggregate	
JC MI	L1R5 <= 20 L1R4 <= 20	• L1 represents English Language or Higher Mother Tongue Language • R represents Relevant subjects *For JC eligibility, student must achieve min grade of C6 for EL, D7 for Math and D7 for MTL
Polytechnic	ELR2B2 <=26	• EL represents English Language • R2 represents Relevant subjects; where first R commonly used will be Mathematics and the other R is subject relevant to the course applied • B2 represents Best 2 other subjects
PFP / DPP	EMB3 <= 12 EMB3 <= 19	• E represents English • M represents Mathematics • B3 represents Best 3 other subjects
ITE Nitec	4-subject	• English Language or Mathematics will usually constitute one of the four subjects

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Post Secondary Admission Criteria

- Please refer to the relevant sites for more information
  - https://yishunsec.moe.edu.sg/yss/school-handbook

  - https://www.moe.gov.sg/post-secondary/admissions

  - https://www.moe.gov.sg/post-secondary/admissions/dsa/jc-admission-eligibility

  - https://www.moe.gov.sg/post-secondary/admissions/jae

  - https://www.ite.edu.sg/admissions

Post Secondary Application Options

Stream	Scheme	Application period
Express	Direct School Admission to Junior College (DSA-JC)	June
	Early Admission Exercise to Polytechnics (EAE-Poly)	June
	Joint Admission Exercise (JAE)	After O-Level release
Normal (Academic)	Early Admission Exercise to ITE (EAE-ITE)	June
	Polytechnic Foundation Programme (PFP)	After N-Level release
	Direct-Entry-Scheme to Polytechnic Programme (DPP)	After N-Level release
	Joint Intake Exercise (JIE)	After N-Level release
Normal (Technical)	Early Admission Exercise to ITE (EAE-ITE)	June
	Joint Intake Exercise (JIE)	After N-Level release

DSA/EAE outcomes

| Scheme	Number of students	Institutions	Remarks
DSA-JC	2	Anderson Serangoon JC - 2	Via CCA & Academic
Poly-EAE	31	Ngee Ann Polytechnic (NP) – 7 Singapore Polytechnic (SP) – 4 Republic Polytechnic (RP) – 4 Temasek Polytechnic (TP) – 7 Nanyang Polytechnic (NYP) – 9	18 – Business 3 – Engineering 5 – Sciences 5 – Humanities and Social Sciences
17% of 4E5N cohort was offered			

Handphone Policy

- Students can only use their handphones after curriculum hours (i.e. after their last lesson of the day)

- Students are to store their handphones into the storage pouches in every room at the start of each lesson

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Handphone Policy

- If any student needs to contact parents/guardian during curriculum time, they can proceed to the general office to make their calls.

- iPads are available around the school(Library, chat room, outside HOD room, canteen, etc)
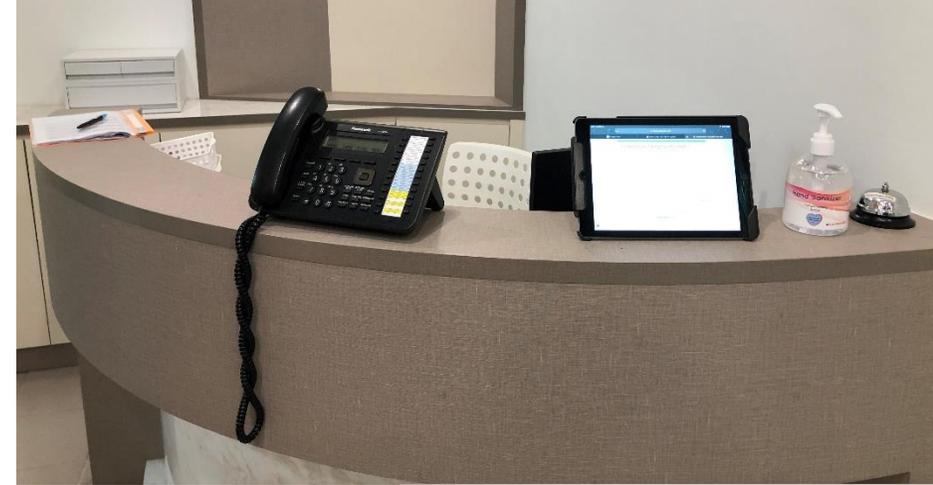
Upcoming events in Term 1 and 2

Date	Event
10 Mar	36th Speech & Prize Giving Day
11 Mar	CCA Stand down
14 – 17 Mar (Term 1 holidays)	Applied Learning Modules (ApLM@Poly) for selected 4E students
8 Apr	e-Arts Extravaganza
28 Apr – 13 May	Mid Year Exam
20 May	YSS Cross Country (TBC)
23 – 26 May	Elective Modules (EMs) for 4NT/NA students Mother Tongue Intensive Revision for 4E/5N students
27 May	e-PTM
30 – 31 May (am)	GCE O-Level Mother Tongue Written Examination

Percentage of students with 5 or more O-Level Passes

Level	2020 (Nat 85.4%)	2021 (Nat 85.6%)
Sec 4E	**82.0%**	**92.0%**
Sec 5NA	**58.8%**	**29.6%**

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Eligibility for Higher Institutions

Level / Institutions	2020	2021
4 Express Junior College or Pre U	66.9%	77.9%
4 Express Polytechnics	93.8%	94.5%
Sec 5 Normal Academic Polytechnics	82.4%	55.6%

Percentage of 4NA students eligible for promotion to 5NA

	2020	2021
School %	72.1	76.9

4NT EL, Math and Best 1 (EMB1) Aggregate

	2020	2021
School	**9.11***	**7.53***

*A lower EMB1 signifies an improvement in the school's overall results.

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Sec 4 Normal Technical (% Pass)

Subject	2020	2021
English Language	86.5	96.2
Basic Chinese Language	100	92.9
Basic Malay Language	100	100
Basic Tamil Language	75	100
Mathematics Syllabus T	73	86.8
Computer Applications	81.1	88.6

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Sec 4 Normal Technical (% Pass)

Subject	2020	2021
Science	75	92.1
Music	100	100
Retail Operations	100	100

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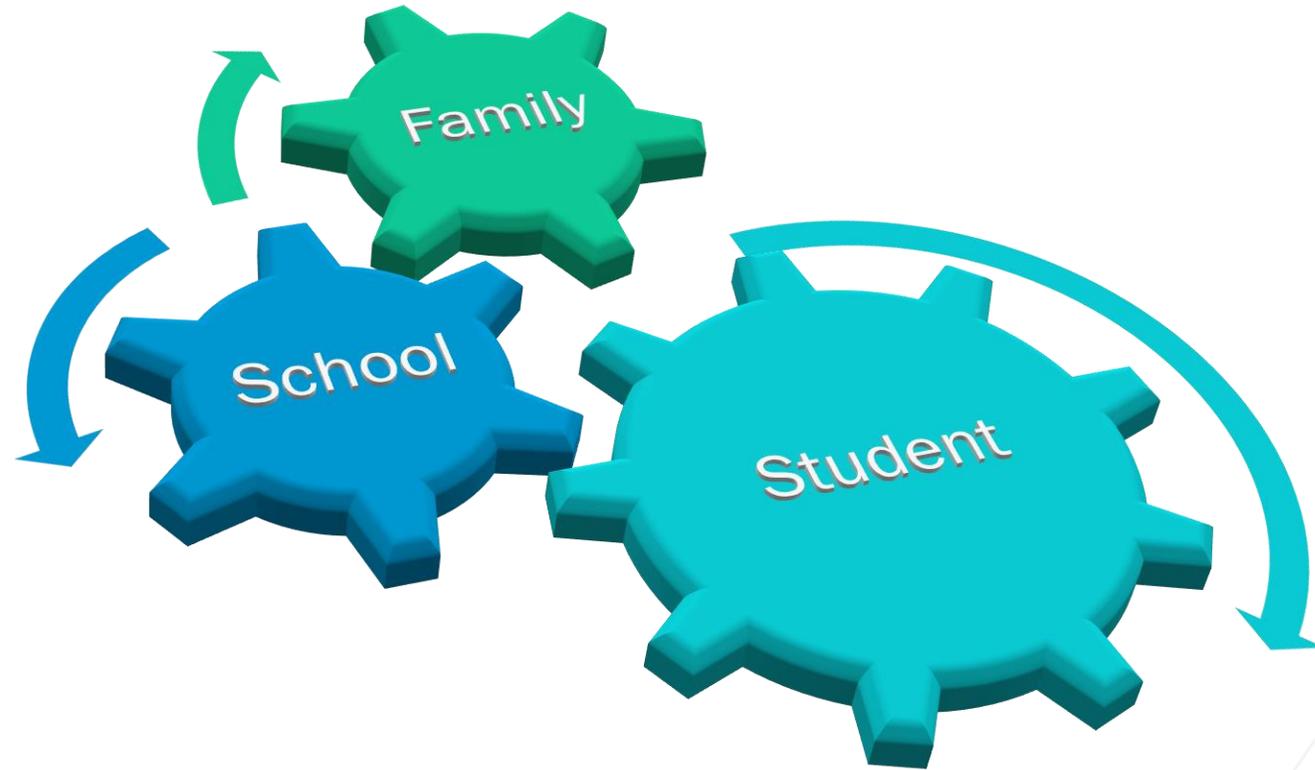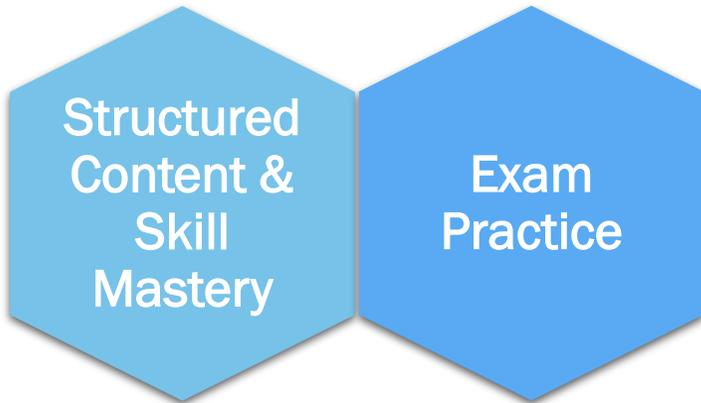
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In preparation for national examinations:

- After-school consultation for small groups of students has commenced.

- Stand down of CCA at the end of Term 1 on 11 March.

- Evening self-study in the school (i.e. library, etc) with extended operating hours from term 3 (TBC due to SMM).

School

Space & Time

Consultation & Study Session

Home & School Partnership

School

Structured Content & Skill Mastery

Exam Practice

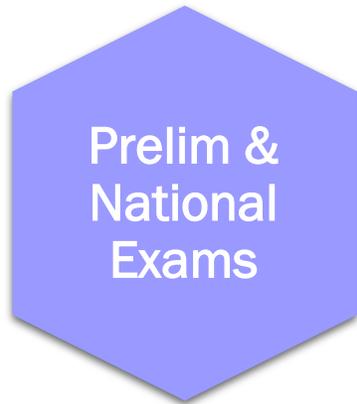In preparation for national examinations:

- Focused revision in Term 3 in preparation for prelim and national examinations.

- Past years' prelim papers practice, GCE O/N(A)/N(T) papers and timed assignment.

Home & School Partnership

School

Prelim &
National
Exams

- 2022 Mid-Year Exam 28 April to 13 May.

- GCE O-Level Mother Tongue written examinations on 30 & 31 May.

Submission deadline for 2022 national exam coursework

	GCE NT-Level	GCE NA-Level	GCE O-Level
Art	10 May	2 Aug	20 Sep
Design and Technology	NA	15 Jul	29 Jul
Music	11 Aug (TBC)	NA	NA

Your child/ward has been informed of the submission deadline by their respective teachers.

Internal deadline for 2022 national exam coursework

	GCE NT-Level	GCE NA-Level	GCE O-Level
Art	27 Apr	20 Jul	15 Aug
Design and Technology	NA	1 Jul	15 Jul
Music	15 Jul (TBC)	NA	NA

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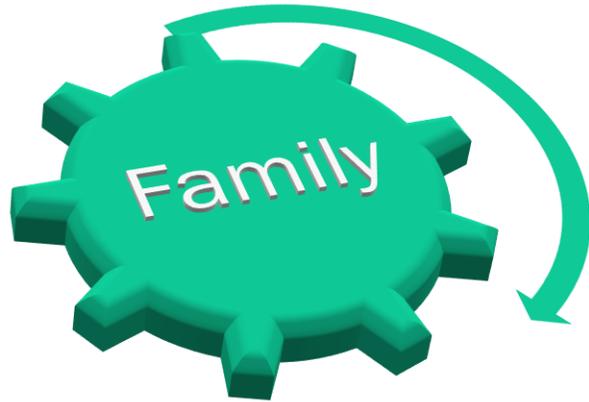
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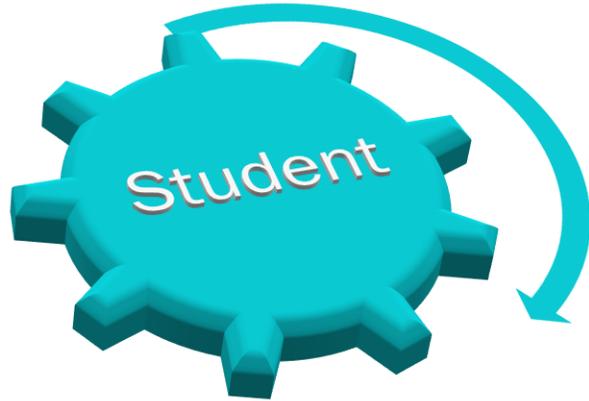
- **Be Proactive in Learning**
  - Be engaged during lessons
  - Ask questions and consult teachers

- **Be Focused and Prepared**
  - Set targets and work towards it with a plan
  - Take all assignments and assessments seriously
  - Support each other in learning

Home & School Partnership

- **Partnership with school**
  - Keep in touch with teachers

- **Monitor your child's/ward's progress**
  - Communicate with your child/ward regularly
  - Check their revision schedule

- **Motivate your child/ward**
  - Encourage them to persevere
  - Ensure they have sufficient rest

Other Important Dates (Tentative)

Examination	GCE NT-Level	GCE NA-Level
English (EL) Oral	12 – 18 Jul	12 – 18 Jul
Mother Tongue (MT) Oral	3 - 5 Aug	3 - 5 Aug
Preliminary	5 - 19 Aug	5 – 19 Aug
MT Listening Comprehension	13 Sep	13 Sep
EL Listening Comprehension	12 Sep	12 Sep
Computer Applications Practical	20 & 22 Sep	NA
Written Papers	14 – 21 Sep 3 - 13 Oct	14 – 21 Sep 3 - 13 Oct

Other Important Dates (Tentative)

Examination	GCE O-level
MT Listening Comprehension	5 Jul
Mother Tongue (MT) Oral	7 – 18 Jul
English (EL) Oral	21 Jul – 1 Aug
Higher MT Oral	15 – 19 Aug
Preliminary	19 Aug – 1 Sep
Foreign Language Oral	22 Sep – 3 Oct
Science Practical	3 – 13 Oct
EL Listening Comprehension	14 Oct
Written Papers	17 Oct – 14 Nov

Further Enquiries

- School website: https://yishunsec.moe.edu.sg/

- Telephone: 6876 7129

- Email: yishun_ss@moe.edu.sg

Gentle reminder:

Please refrain from calling or messaging our teachers after 7 p.m. unless it is an emergency.

Thank you for entrusting your child/ward with us.

Let's continue our partnership

in your child's/ward's secondary education.