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P4 Parent Engagement

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P4 Academic Slides

English, Mathematics, Mother Tongue & Science



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English Language

Empathetic Communicator, Creative Inquirer, Discerning Reader

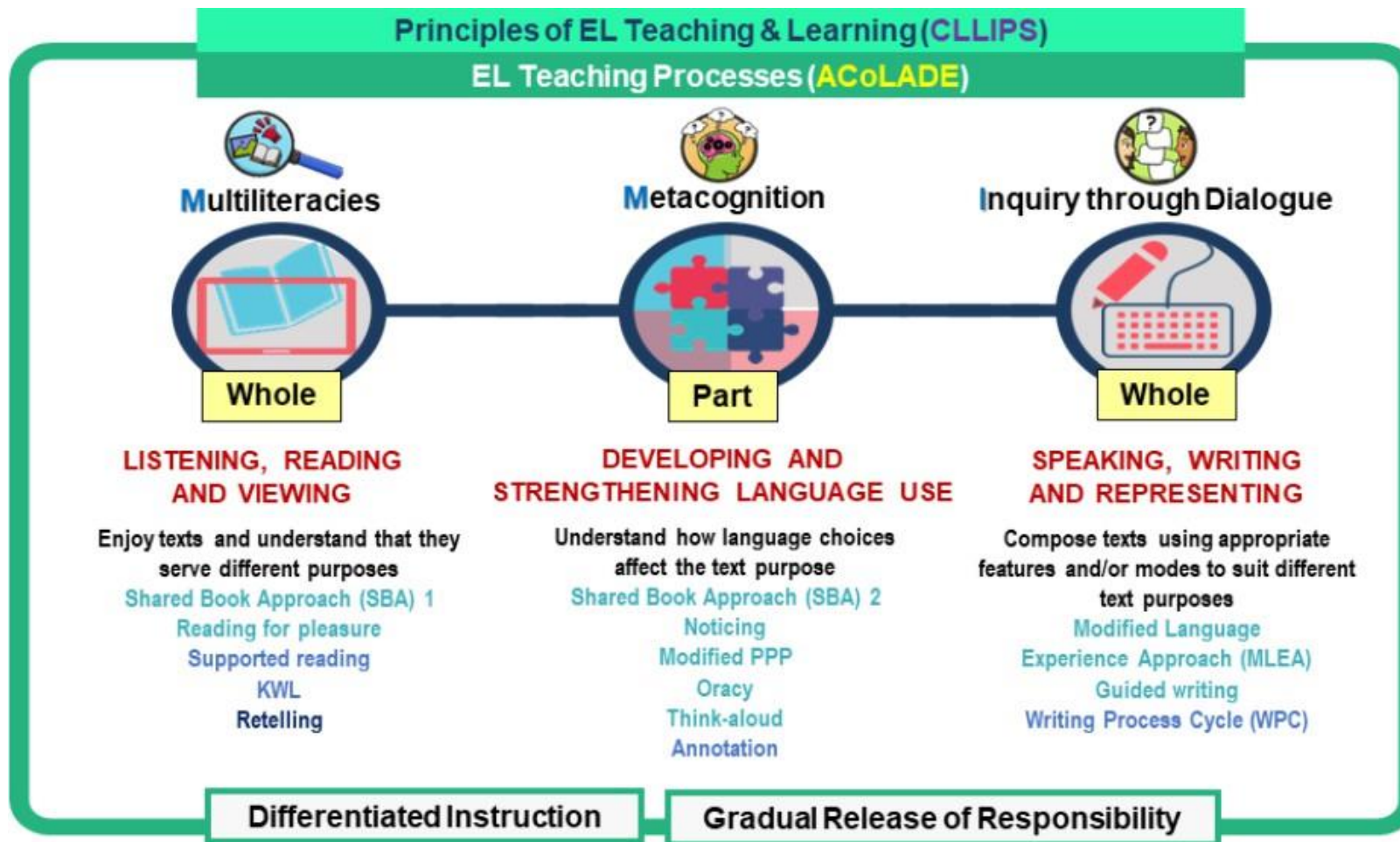


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Curriculum Framework



Guided by
ELS 2020:

Principles of EL
Teaching & Learning
(CLLIPS)

EL Teaching
Processes
(ACoLADE)

Pedagogical
Emphases (MMI)

Strategies first
introduced at these
levels:

- Lower Primary
- Middle Primary
- Upper Primary



Content

Term	Titles	Text Purpose
1	Making Ice Cream	Texts that recount
	Life of a Vet ⁺	
	<i>A Nasty Accident (Supplementary)*</i>	
2	The Paralympic Games ⁺	Texts that describe and inform
	The World Beyond Us ⁺	
3	Ruby's Sunflower	Texts that entertain
	Dinosaurs Exist!	
4	Heartbeats in the Dark	Texts that explain
	All the Buzz About Honey	
	What Happens When You Laugh	
	<i>Rats' Nests (Supplementary)**</i>	Text that entertains

Strategies in

LANGUAGE AREA

STRATEGY

Reading &
Viewing

- Explicit instruction of Reading Comprehension, Annotation, Supported Reading, KWL, Reading for Pleasure through Extensive Reading

Writing &
Representing

- Writing Process Cycle (expanding repertoire of writer's craft, strengthening awareness of PACC)

Oracy

- Weaved in areas of language learning , Explicit Instruction

Vocabulary

- Taught in context

Grammar

- Explicit instruction through Noticing and Modified PPP (Presentation – Practice – Production)

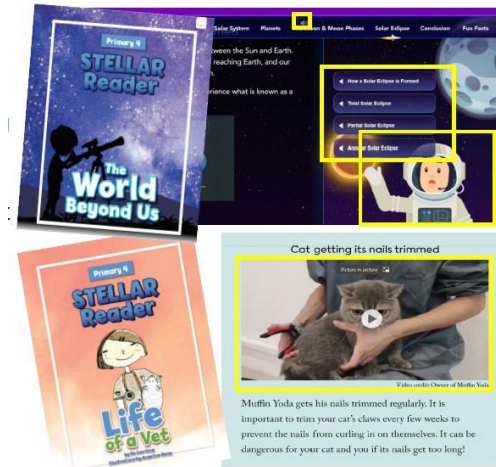
Think Aloud

Learning Resources

STELLAR Readers



P4 Digital Texts



- Learning Sheets (By Unit)
- Supplementary Worksheets
- Online Platforms e.g. SLS, Padlet, Google Classroom etc

Learning Experiences

Read @ ZPS

- ❖ Subscription to Little Red Dot
- ❖ Provision of Class Library Books
- ❖ Visit to the School Library
- ❖ Sustained Silent Reading during DEAR

Beyond the classroom

- ❖ ZPS Paralympic Games



Assessment

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No Weighted Assessment	Weighted Assessment 1 (15%)	Weighted Assessment 2 (15%)	End-of-year Examination (70%)
	Language Use and Comprehension	Language Use and Comprehension	Paper 1: Writing Paper 2: Language Use and Comprehension Paper 3: Listening Comprehension Paper 4: Oral Communication

Parental Support

- Encourage your child to:
 - Read widely and extensively
 - Use standard English in speech and writing.
 - Use the EL strategies
 - Write neatly and legibly
 - Use a dictionary to learn meanings, pronunciation and proper usage of new words
 - Learn spelling / dictation well

Role models – Read with them, write notes and messages to your child as much as possible



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Mathematics



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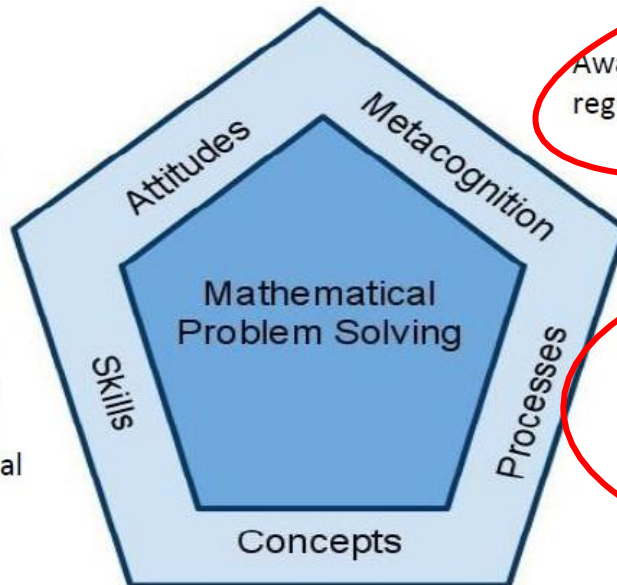


Curriculum Framework

Mathematics Curriculum Framework

Belief, appreciation,
confidence, motivation,
interest and perseverance

Proficiency in carrying out
operations and algorithms,
visualising space, handling
data and using mathematical
tools



Awareness, monitoring and
regulation of thought processes

Competencies in abstracting
and reasoning, representing
and communicating,
applying and modelling

Understanding of the properties and
relationships, operations and
algorithms

Key Focus Areas of the 2021 Primary Mathematics Syllabus

- Continued emphasis of **mathematical processes** such as reasoning, communication and connections that support the development of 21st century competencies (21CC)
- awareness of the **big ideas in mathematics** that will deepen students' understanding and appreciation of mathematics; and
- Greater attention to development of **metacognition** to promote self-directed learning and reflection

Content

Primary 3

Numbers & Algebra

Whole Numbers

Fractions

Money

Measurement & Geometry

Length, Mass & Volume

Time

Area & Perimeter

Angles

Perpendicular & Parallel Lines

Statistics

Bar Graphs

Primary 4

Numbers & Algebra

Whole Numbers

Fractions

Decimals

Measurement & Geometry

Area & Perimeter

Angles

Squares & Rectangles

Nets

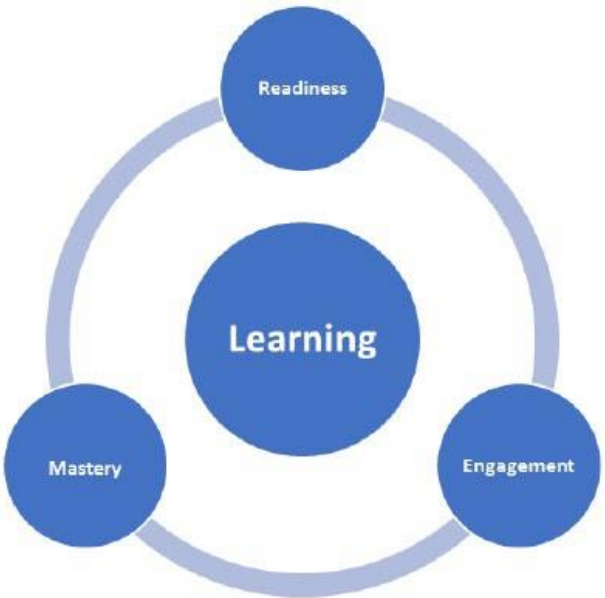
Symmetry

Statistics

Tables & Line Graphs




Pie Charts

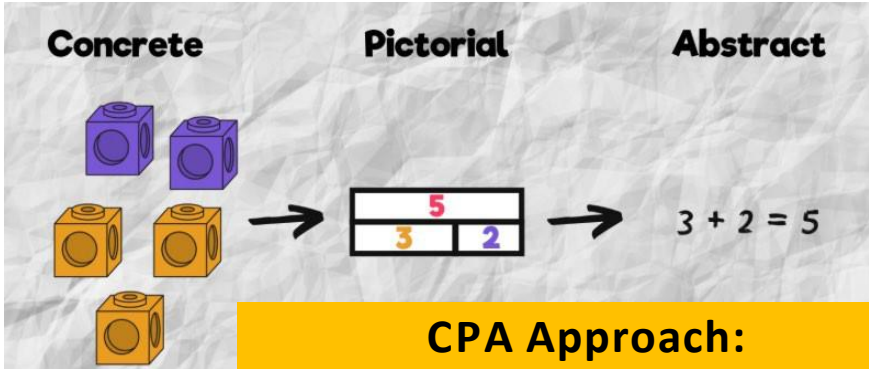
Strategies



Phases of Learning

Heuristics & UPDC Framework

Understand 	Have I highlighted the given information?
	Have I identified the hidden information?
	What am I supposed to find in the problem?
Plan 	Which heuristic can I use to solve the problem? <input type="checkbox"/> Draw a model/diagram <input type="checkbox"/> Work backwards <input type="checkbox"/> Look for a pattern <input type="checkbox"/> Make a systematic list <input type="checkbox"/> Guess & Check <input type="checkbox"/> Restate the problem What remains the same? <input type="checkbox"/> Difference <input type="checkbox"/> Total <input type="checkbox"/> One Quantity
	Did I write my equations ?
	Did I use the "=" correctly?
Check (NT.U.C) 	Are the numbers transferred accurately?
	Did I write the correct unit for the final answer?
	Did I check my calculations ?
	Does my answer make sense ?



CPA Approach:
Direct Instruction &
Activity Based Learning

- **Making Thinking Visible**
- E.g. What makes you say so
- **Math Talk Moves**
- Revoicing, Adding On...
- **Inquiry Based Learning**
- **EdTech as an Enabler**

Learning Resources

Topical
Learning
Materials

Problem
Solving
Heuristics

Practice
Papers

Online
platforms:
SLS/
Koobits
(<https://www.koobits.com/>)

Textbook & Practice Book

Learning Experiences

- ❖ Active and experiential learning, e.g. Math Activities, Math Trail
- ❖ Solving word problems using different heuristics
- ❖ Mathematical reasoning practice

Assessment

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	Format: Section A: MCQ Section B: Short-Answer Section C: Structured / Long-Answer Questions		

Differences between P3 and P4 Mathematics Examination Format

Primary 3	Primary 4
Section A (MCQ): 13 marks Section B (Short-Answer): 25 marks Section C (Structured / Long-Answer Questions): 12 marks Total : <u>50 marks</u> Duration: 1 h 15 min	Section A (MCQ): 30 marks Section B (Short-Answer): 50 marks Section C (Structured / Long-Answer Questions): 20 marks Total : <u>100 marks</u> Duration: 1 h 45 min

Marking Matters

- Marks are awarded for relevant method even if the final answer is wrong.

- **Method Marks**

- Marks are awarded for correct methods.
- Marks will be given even if the answers are wrong.

- **Answer Marks**

- Marks are awarded for correct answers.
- Marks will not be given if the method is incorrect.

It is important to show mathematical thinking clearly (by writing equations, diagrams etc)

- Marks are deducted for:

- **Omission of units or wrong use of units**

Area of rectangle = 28 cm

5000 = 5 km

- **Mathematically incorrect statements e.g. wrong use of equal sign**

20 - 5 = 15 + 3 = 18 x 2 = 36

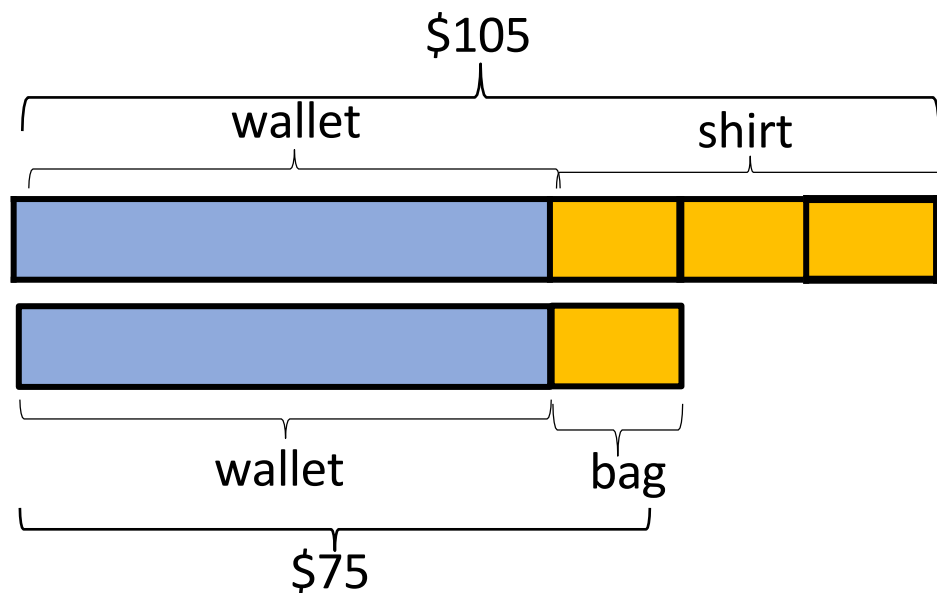


40 + 1.50 = \$1.90



Example

The total cost of a wallet and a shirt was \$105. The total cost of the wallet and a bag was \$75. The shirt cost 3 times as much as the bag. How much did the wallet cost?



For a SQ/LAQ, a student can still score marks for the **correct methods shown** even though his/her final answer is incorrect.

Step 1 : Find the difference between the cost of the shirt and the cost of the bag

$$\$105 - \$75 = \$30 \text{ (Method Mark)}$$

Step 2: Find the cost of the bag.

$$2 \text{ units} = \$30$$

$$1 \text{ unit} = \$30 \div 2 \text{ (Method mark)}$$
$$= \$10 \text{ (wrong answer)}$$

Step 3 : Find the cost of the wallet.

$$\$75 - \$10 \text{ (Method mark)}$$
$$= \$65 \text{ (wrong answer)}$$

$$\text{Ans: } \$65 \text{ (No answer mark)}$$

Important to write **clear** and **systematic** solutions

Parental Support

Monitor

- Ensure homework is completed
- Establish regular and consistent practice
- Be aware of progress and challenges

Encourage

- Cultivate a positive learning attitude & growth mindset
- Show applications and connections of mathematics in everyday life
 - Shopping/Budgeting (Estimation/Decimals)
 - Advertisements/receipts (Whole Numbers/Decimals)
 - Recipe (Measurement)
 - TV programme schedules (Time/Duration)
- Ask them to explain their thinking

Partner

- Use correct mathematical language – e.g. numerator, denominator, digits
- Explore alternative strategies and solutions
- Use Polya's problem solving approach (Understand-Plan-Do-Check)
- Ensure clear mathematical presentation and notation is used
- Practise factual fluency

Mother Tongue Languages (MTL)



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Curriculum Framework

ACTIVE LEARNERS, PROFICIENT USERS

3 BROAD OBJECTIVES

IN THE TEACHING AND LEARNING OF MTL TO DEVELOP PROFICIENT LANGUAGE USERS

The key is to help students to like, learn and use their **MTL as a living language**, and produce proficient users who can communicate effectively in a variety of real-life settings.

Communication

- Valuable skill for life and work
- In addition to their mastery of the EL, proficiency and ability to communicate in MTL gives Singaporeans a competitive edge

Culture

- Learning MTL enables our students to understand and develop their unique identity through a deeper appreciation of culture, traditions and literature and history
- Critical base to preserve the transmission of cultural values and traditions associated with each MTL in our society.

Connection

- Proficiency in MTL enables our students to connect with communities across Asia and the world who speak that language or share that culture.

Civic Literacy &
Cultural Awareness

Language Skills

General Ability



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Content

6 Language Skills

Integrated Use of Language Skills



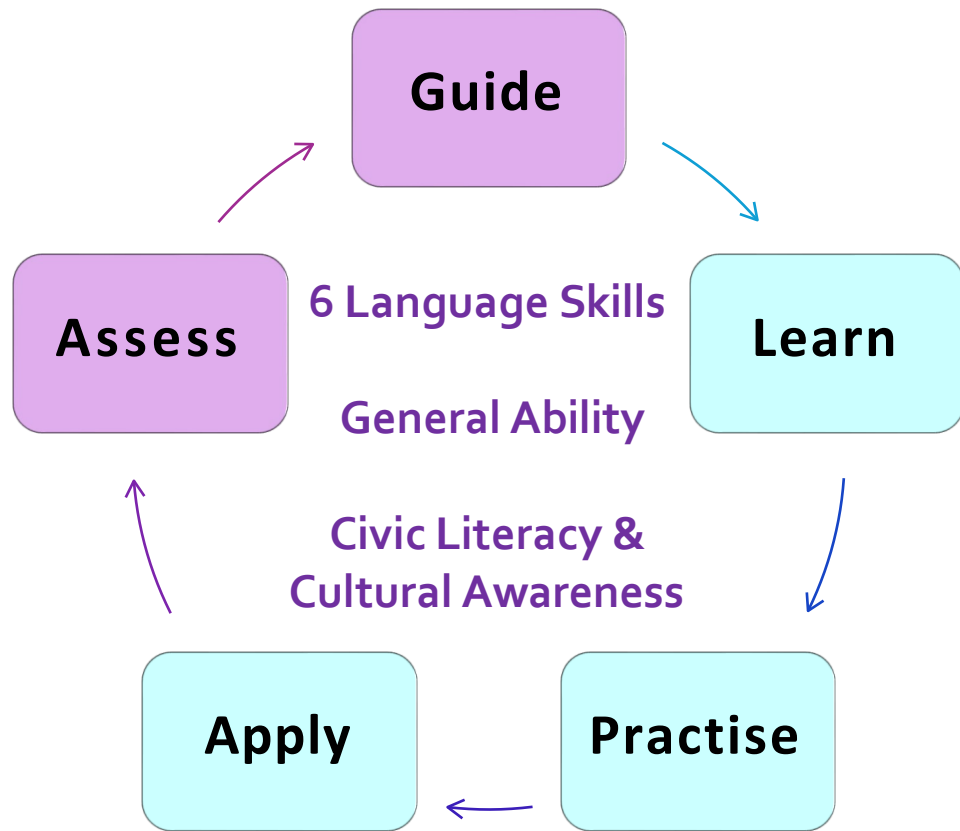
Civic Literacy & Cultural Awareness

Values
Culture
Local Culture
Cross Culture

General Ability

Thinking Skills
Learning Skills
Social Emotional Learning
Communication, Collaboration &
Information Skills

Strategies



- Dialogic Teaching
- Differentiated Instruction
- E-Pedagogy (EdTech)
- Making Thinking Visible
- Language Specific Pedagogies (Explicit Teaching and Skills integration)

Learning Resources

Teaching & Learning in classroom

Printed Materials

Textbooks, Activity Books, Reading Cards, Picture Cards, Learning Sheets, Supplementary Reading Materials

ICT Resources

Multimedia Learning Resources (Video, Audio Songs, etc), Digital Learning Platforms (SLS, Ezhishi) (Games, Learning Tasks, Reading Materials)

Games Tool Kit

Board Games, Grammar Cards, Picture Cards

Teaching & Learning at home

Printed Materials

Activity Books, Small Readers, Learning Sheets

ICT Resources

Digital Learning Platforms (SLS, Ezhishi) (Games, Learning Tasks, Reading Materials)

Learning Experiences Language & Cultural Exposure

Mother Tongue Fortnight

Promotes cultural awareness and appreciation of Mother Tongue languages and culture through fun and engaging activities.



Conversational Chinese and Malay (CCM)

Promotes cross-cultural understanding, encourages students to develop conversational skills in a third language, prepares young Singaporeans for a globalised future and strengthen Singapore's identity as an open, diverse and cohesive society



Reading Programme

Promotes the love for reading and improve literacy skills

- ✓ Class Reading period
- ✓ Supplementary Readings



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Parental Support

Supporting your child in MTL Learning



Cultivate the love of reading MTL books, e.g. visit the library or borrow e-books



Encourage them to take small steps in learning MTL, e.g. read signs, listen to music



Do fun activities in MTL together, e.g. watch a film or performance



Provide a conducive environment for learning MTL, e.g. access to MTL music and books



Science

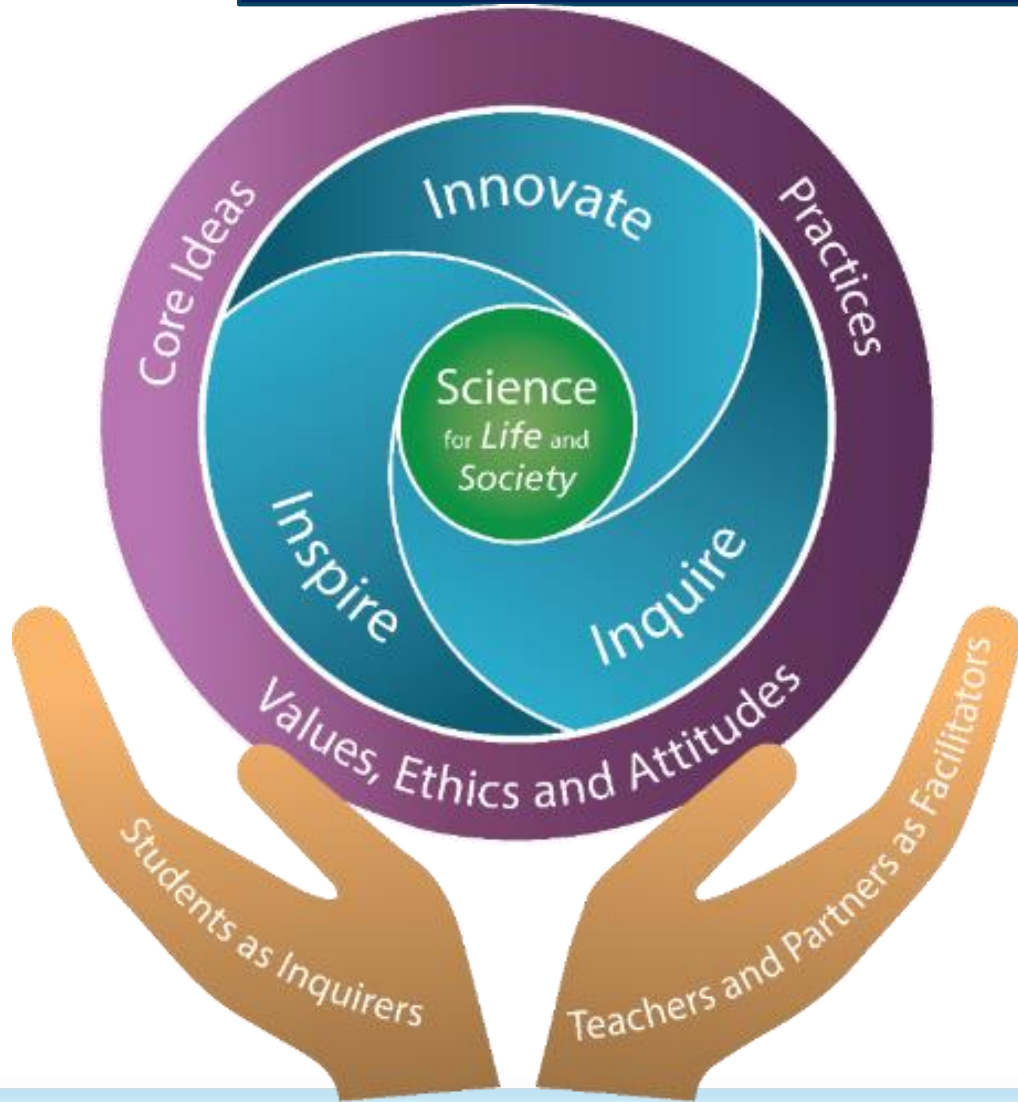


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Science Curriculum Framework - 2023



Goals

Science for Life and Society

Vision - 3Ins

Inspire

Inquire

Innovate

Three Domains

Core Ideas

Practices

Values, Ethics and Attitudes

Stakeholders

Students as Inquirers

Teachers & Partners as Facilitators

Content

- Topics / Skills

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
<u>Chap 1:</u> Plant Systems	<u>Chap 3:</u> Matter	<u>Chap 4:</u> Light	<u>Chap 7</u> Effects of Heat
<u>Chap 2:</u> Human Systems		<u>Chap 5:</u> Shadows	Revision
		<u>Chapter 6:</u> Heat	

Syllabus Content (Practices)

Practices of Science

Set of established procedures and processes associated with scientific inquiry

How scientific knowledge is generated and established

Demonstrating WOTD

Investigating	Evaluating and Reasoning	Developing Explanations and Solutions
Posing questions and defining problems	Communicating, evaluating and defending ideas with evidence	Using and developing models
Designing investigations	Making informed decisions and taking responsible actions	Constructing explanations and designing solutions
Conducting experiments and testing solutions		
Analysing and interpreting data		

Understanding NOS

Science is an evidence-based, model-building enterprise to understand the real world.

Science assumes natural causes, order and consistency in natural systems.

Scientific knowledge is generated through established procedures and critical debate.

Scientific knowledge is reliable, durable, open to change in light of new evidence.



Relating STSE

There are risks and benefits associated with the applications of Science in society.

Applications of Science often have ethical, social, economic and environmental implications.

Application of new scientific discoveries often drive technological advancement while advances in technology enable scientists to make new or deeper inquiry.

Application of Science in society

Strategies

Set of established procedures and processes associated with scientific inquiry

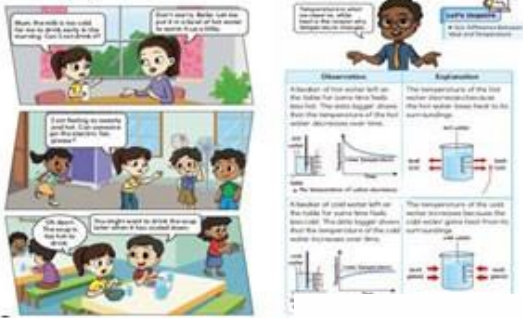
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Learning Resources

Textbook

through multimodal representations and applications to daily life



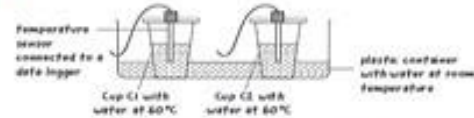
Activity Book

through hands-on learning

Let's Inquire

Part A: In which cup would hot water remain hot for a longer time?

1. Prepare the set-up as shown below.



Be careful when handling hot objects.

2. Predict in which cup, C1 or C2, the hot water will stay hot for a longer time.

3. Observe the temperatures of the water in cups C1 and C2 over 15 minutes. Record your observations in the table below.

Time (min)	Temperature of the water in cup C1 (°C)	Temperature of the water in cup C2 (°C)
0		
5		
10		
15		

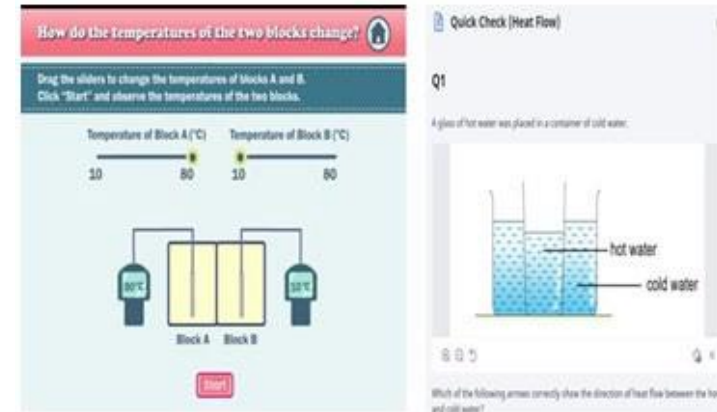
SPARKLE Kits

through manipulatives and game



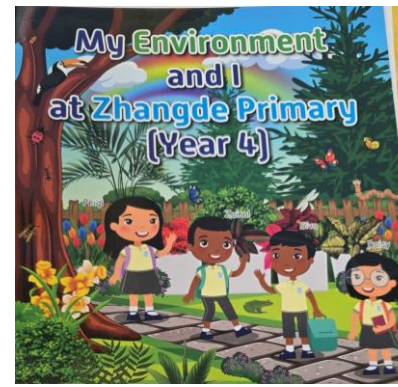
SLS

through videos, interactives and quick checks



Learning Experiences

P4 My Environment and I Curriculum



P4 Hydroponics



Science Centre Learning Journey



Assessment

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	<u>Format:</u> MCQ and Open-ended Questions		
	Human Systems Matter	Matter Light & Shadows	All topics learnt both in P3 and P4

Parental Support

- **Trigger** curiosity in the things around children by **asking them questions**
- Connect/Relate Science to the things around us
- Visit different places to **experience & observe** living & non-living things
- e.g. Botanical Gardens, Mount Faber, Science Centre, SEA Aquarium, Hort Park.
- Encourage children to read Science Books.

Environment Education @ Zhangde

- Zhangde – aims to inculcate a love for the Environment in all our students. We also want our students to care for the Environment.
- Some highlights
 - ❖ Setting up an Environment Corner
 - ❖ P4 My Environment and I Curriculum
 - ❖ Practising recycling Paper and Plastic bottles
 - ❖ Commemorating International Biodiversity Day
- ❖ We seek our Parents' support in all these initiatives.

Stretch Programme

For selected students :

English Language

- ❖ Literature programme

Mathematics

- ❖ Math E2K programme
- ❖ Math Olympiad Training

Science

- ❖ Science Olympiad Training
- ❖ Science E2K Lessons

Mother Tongue Languages

- ❖ Higher Mother Tongue Programme

Learning Support Programme

For selected students :

English Language

- ❖ School-based Dyslexia Remediation (SDR)
- ❖ Reading Remediation Programme (RRP)

Mathematics

- ❖ Learning Support for Mathematics (LSM) programme
 - Specialised early intervention to students who need more support in acquiring basic numeracy skills.

Mother Tongue Languages

- ❖ Mother Tongue Support Programme (MTSP)
 - Specialised early intervention programme to build stronger foundation in students' oracy and literacy skills



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Thank you!

