

Cedar Primary School
2026 P4 Parent Engagement Webinar
Frequently Asked Questions

1. What is the school's Applied Learning Programme (ALP)?

Cedar Primary's Applied Learning Programme (ALP) is the Creative and Inventive Thinking (CIT) programme. It aims to nurture students to become creative and confident problem-solvers by developing their ability to think innovatively, analyse problems and generate ideas that can make a positive difference to their community.

Through weekly CIT lessons, students learn and apply a creative problem-solving process where they explore real-life issues, generate and evaluate ideas, and design possible solutions. Learning is hands-on and experiential, allowing students to experiment, build simple prototypes and test their ideas.

Students may work with materials such as LEGO, Strawbees, and recycled items to design and create solutions. The programme also provides opportunities for students to share their innovations during school platforms such as Creativity Fest.

For instance, P4 students will learn about the importance of recycling and repurposing. They will discuss how everyday materials can be reused creatively and how these practices help reduce waste and care for the environment.

Students who show strong interest and aptitude may be selected for the Future Innovators' Programme, a Co-Curricular Activity (CCA), where they receive further exposure and opportunities to deepen their creative and inventive thinking skills.

You may refer to our school website for more information:

<https://www.cedarpri.moe.edu.sg/school-programmes/alp/>

2. Why do teachers use Artificial Intelligence (AI) in oral practice?

An AI tool within the Student Learning Space (SLS) platform is used in oral practice at times to support teachers in providing timely feedback on students' speaking skills. The tool analyses aspects such as pronunciation, fluency and clarity, and provides additional data points to support students' learning.

However, the AI tool may not always capture pronunciation accurately and does not replace a teacher's professional judgement. Our teachers remain highly involved in the process of supporting and providing feedback to our students.

3. If a student takes Higher Mother Tongue Language, does he/she need to also take Mother Tongue Language at the Standard level?

Higher Mother Tongue Language (HMTL) is an examinable subject at the PSLE. Hence, if a student offers HMTL, it means that he/she will have to attend curricular lessons for five examinable subjects and sit for five examination papers instead of four. In deciding whether to take HMTL, it is therefore important to consider whether the student will be able to cope with the increased curricular and assessment load.

4. How can parents find out about English Language-related competitions?

Information about various subject-related competitions that are relevant to students will be shared by their teachers closer to the corresponding dates. As most competitions allow only a limited number of entries per school, interested students may be asked to submit their work to their teachers, who will then select the best entries to participate in external competitions.

As an example, the Step Up, Speak Up Competition will take place in Term 3. More details will be shared with students through the Student Learning Space (SLS). The preliminary round will be conducted through SLS, where students will submit their entries online. Selected finalists will then move on to the final round, which will be conducted through a live telecast.

5. How will Higher Mother Tongue Language (HMTL) be graded at Primary 3 and Primary 4?

HMTL at P3 and P4 will not be examinable. Instead, a student's progress in HMTL will be reflected in their Holistic Development Profile at the end of the academic year. Students will sit for HMTL class tests/examinations at P5 and P6. Grading for P5HMTL and P6HMTL is as follows:

Distinction	80 marks and above
Merit	65 to 79 marks
Pass	50 to 64 marks

6. Do students need to stay back after school for Higher Chinese (HCL) lessons?

Students offering P3HCL and P4HCL need not stay back after school for HCL lessons. However, P5 and P6 students offering HCL will need to stay back for 1 hour on a weekly basis to complete the curriculum.

7. Will there be physical meetings in future?

There will be a Parent-Teacher Conference at the end of Term 2, on 29 May (Friday). Please look out for more details on Parents Gateway nearer to the date.