



Term 1 2021 Issue

Jieminite Link

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Dear Parents/Guardians and Jieminites,

A very Happy New Year 2021! I hope that all our pupils, parents and staff had a good December break. 2020 has been challenging for everyone, and I am grateful to everyone for playing their part to ensure the safety of all in our school. We are starting a new year amidst unprecedented challenges at a global scale. While we are hopeful that the Covid-19 situation in Singapore will continue to be under control, we must remain vigilant and work together to protect one another. We will endeavor to help all our Jieminites to settle into the new academic year smoothly.

We will take guidance from MOE and relevant authorities to expand the scope of our activities in 2021. Our experiences in 2020 has shown us that our pupils are resilient, responsible, quick to adapt and demonstrate care to their fellow classmates. We will guide them to grow further, and together with your support, to live our mission of "Nurturing Hearts and Minds".

I would like to congratulate Jiemin's Vice-Principal, Mrs Christine Low on her appointment as Principal, Boon Lay Garden Primary School. Mrs Low officially assumed her new posting on 15 December 2020. A gentle, caring and dedicated educator, Mrs Low has touched the hearts of many pupils and staff at Jiemin Primary School. A stalwart leader, she has helped to guide Jiemin as we navigated the challenges of Covid-19. She has also made many contributions to both pupils and staff especially in supporting the well-being of Jieminites who are in need. We wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

I would like to welcome our new Vice-Principal, Ms Joy Wong who joined us on 15 December 2020. Ms Wong is a Physics teacher by training and was formerly a Head of Department of Science in Shuqun Secondary School. Ms Wong had served as a Curriculum Planning Officer with the Sciences Branch in MOE and her most recent posting, she was attached to the Singapore Examination and Assessment Board prior to her appointment to Jiemin Primary School.

Together with Ms Nur Fatimah, Ms Joy Wong, and all staff, we renew our commitment to our vision being 'Global Learners, Discerning Citizens'. In a spirit of collaboration with all our stakeholders, let us grow together as we strive to bring out the best in all our pupils.

Once again, wishing everyone a Happy New Year!

Andy Mickey Choong
Principal



Educating with Care - Well-Being for our Pupils

Thank you for your support and efforts in working with us to cultivate good sleeping habits and ensuring that your child reports to school on time. In continuation of our previous efforts, we would like to encourage the continued development of good sleeping habits. Being on time for school is important for our Jieminite's learning and development.

A consistent and regular bedtime routine would help your child know that it is time to sleep. A wind-down activity like reading a bedtime story would help them to better prepare them for restful sleep. The benefits of having enough sleep are numerous. It will help your child's learning, physical growth, mood and health. According to Health Promotion Board, a child of 6 - 13 years old should be getting at least 9 hours of sleep.

We would like to share this informative resource on good sleep by Health Promotion Board: <https://www.healthhub.sg/programmes/117/goodsleep>

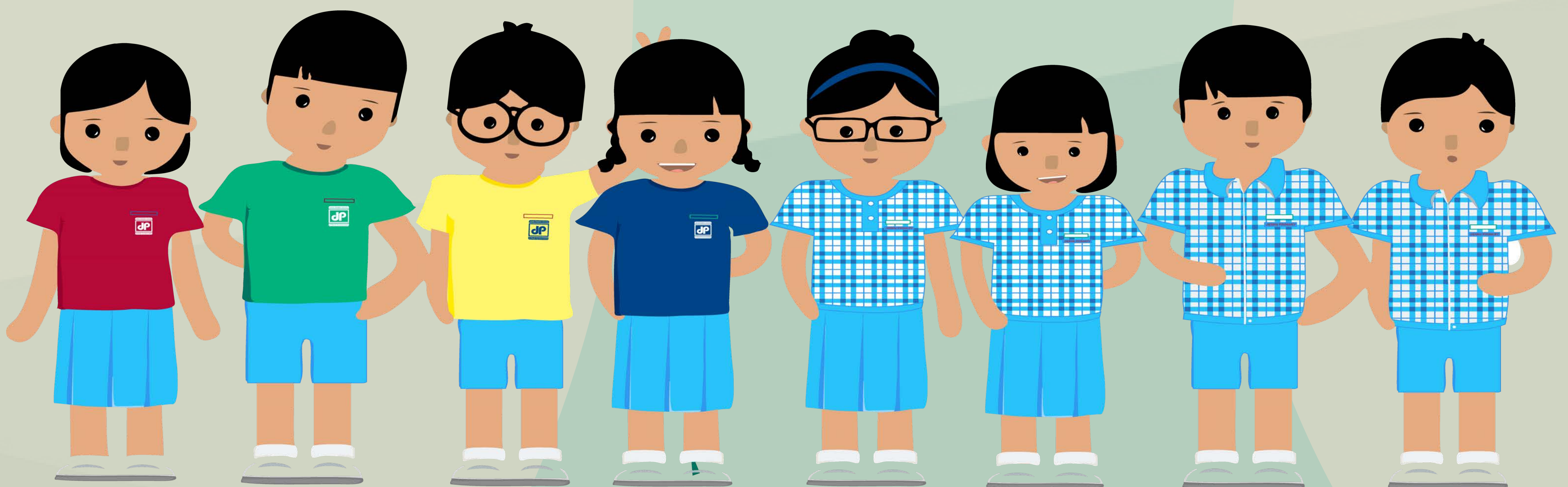
Safety for our Pupils

Traffic poses a serious threat to the safety of our pupils and other pedestrians. In Jiemin Primary School, we will always take an active approach to minimize risk.

With the start of the new school year, we would like to remind for all pupils and parents travelling to and from school to practise the 'kerb' drill at all times when crossing the roads.

We would like to take this opportunity to remind parents who drive their child/children to school to take note of the following:

- 1) Kindly co-operate with the road marshals in school at all times.
- 2) Please do not drop off / pick up your child along Yishun Street 71 and Yishun Ring Road. Please refrain from this as this increases unnecessary delay and safety risks for your child and other road users.
- 3) For parents who do not wish to drop off your child in school, you may choose any one of the nearby car parks near the school.



Welcoming Our Primary 1 Jieminites in 2021



Our Principal, Mr Choong, welcoming our eager Primary 1 students in the morning



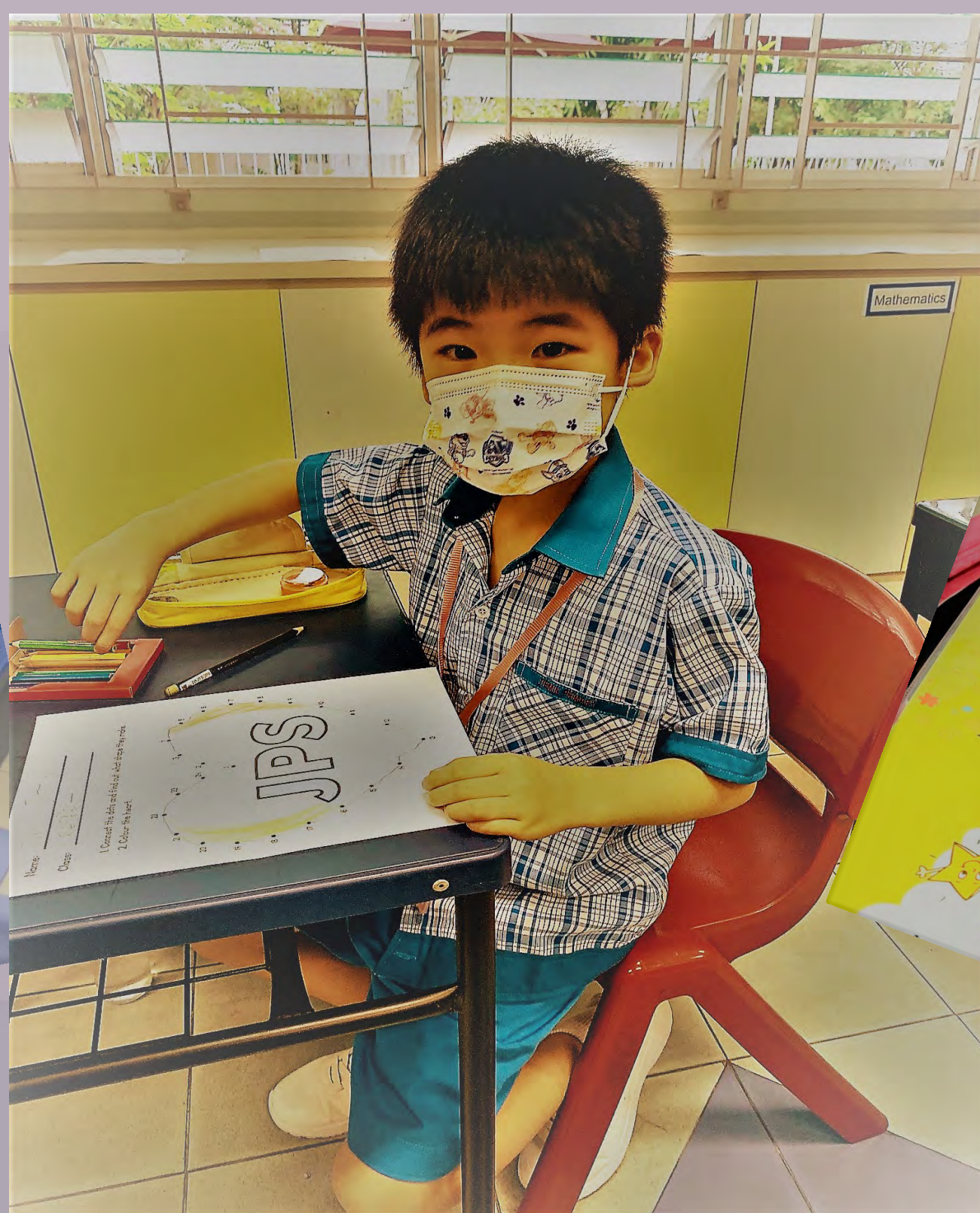
Health screening before reporting to class



Getting to know our 'newbie'



Settling down in the classroom



Getting to know my school, JPS!



Participating in fun activities



'Learning by Doing' selecting and buying food during recess at the school canteen



"My yummy and healthy noodles from the school canteen!"



Our teachers assisting our little Jieminites during recess on the first day

Our First Day of School

"I look forward to participating in all school events and celebrations..."



"I am very excited but a little nervous!"



"I am happy to meet my friends again!"



I feel very excited about coming back to school but a little nervous about the school examinations and my studies since I am now in Primary 5. I am looking forward to meeting my friends and teachers and the interesting things I'll be learning during my lessons and most of all, my P.E lessons.

- Jayakumar Nandhana (5 Care)

I am happy because I get to meet my friends again. I look forward to not having the coronavirus in Singapore.

- Victoria Seah (5 Care)

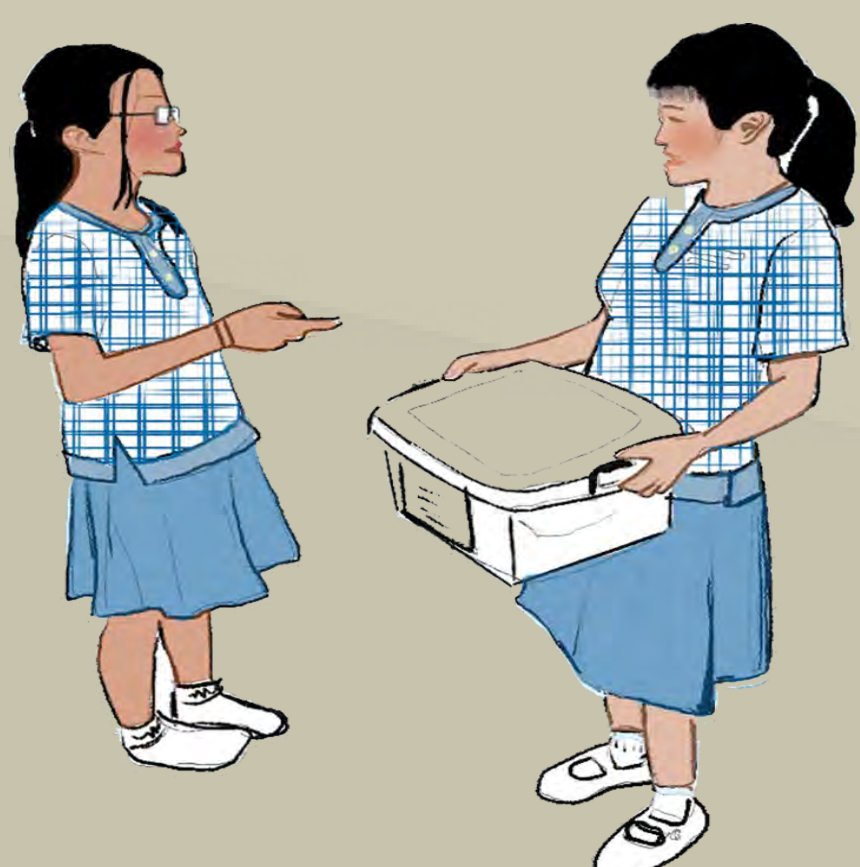
I was ecstatic and feel excited about coming back to school because I really missed my teachers a lot. They are kind and are always willing to help students in need. I am also glad that I get to see my friends again. Furthermore, I look forward to participating in all school events and celebrations. There would be no celebrations if not for the teachers who make it happen. Therefore, I would like to thank all the teachers for the hardwork!

- Tan Yeng Wen (4 Care)



We are excited about coming back to school as we will be able to catch up with our friends after the long holiday. We will do our best for our PSLE this year!

- Students from 6 Grace





School Calendar

Date	Activities/ Events
4 Jan (Mon)	Term 1 2021 starts (Primary 1 only)
5 Jan (Tue)	Term 1 2021 starts (All levels)
9 Jan (Sat)	Parent-Teacher Meeting (PTM) for P2
11 Jan (Mon)	Start of Co-Curriculum Activities (CCA)
16 Jan (Sat)	Parent-Teacher Meeting (PTM) for P3 & P4
20 Jan (Wed) to 29 Jan (Fri)	Health Screening P1 to P6
21 Jan (Thu)	Photo-taking for EZ-Link card for P1 & P6 pupils
23 Jan (Sat)	Parent-Teacher Meeting (PTM) for P5 & P6
11 Feb (Thu)	*Chinese New Year Celebration & Total Defence Day Commemoration * more information on early dismissal will be given in due course.
12 Feb (Fri)	Chinese New Year (Public Holiday)
15 Feb (Mon)	Chinese New Year off-in-lieu (School Holiday)
1 Mar (Mon) to 5 Mar (Fri)	P6 Weighted Assessment (WA) Week
13 Mar (Sat) to 21 Mar (Sun)	Term 1 School Holiday
22 Mar (Mon)	Start of Term 2

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