

# **Holiday Programmes**

November / December 2017

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Specially crafted for the learning needs of your child, our holiday programmes will engage students in challenging yet enjoyable ways.

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# MASTERING GRAMMAR I & II

## For Primary 1 and 2 in 2017

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Grammar is one of the building blocks of the English Language. However, it can often be a big stumbling block preventing your child from getting that A\*.

This fun-filled 5-day workshop will reinforce basic grammar rules to help your child use the language accurately, fluently, and appropriately for different purposes, audiences, contexts, and cultures.

Through speech and drama games, experiential learning activities, and co-operative strategies, this workshop will allow students to apply knowledge of grammatical rules at the word, phrase, and sentence level. All these will be conducted in a fun, safe, and interactive environment.

Topics covered will be taught in a hierarchical manner that is in line with the latest MOE English syllabus. This will help students achieve grammar proficiency and increased competence in tackling their English assessments. All students will be provided with a set of worksheets specially customised to challenge them and raise their grammatical competency to a higher level.

### Programme Objectives:

- ✓ Use tenses in the past and continuous form
- ✓ Use accurate question tags to form questions
- ✓ Use modals to express a variety of meanings
- ✓ Order adjectives in an accurate way
- ✓ Handle synthesis and transformation

Programme Fee	Date	Time
S\$380	20 Nov - 24 Nov	10:00 a.m – 12:00 p.m
		1:00 p.m – 3:00 p.m
	27 Nov - 1 Dec	10:00 a.m – 12:00 p.m
		1:00 p.m – 3:00 p.m

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# **\*NEW\* HEADSTART TO P3 SCIENCE**

## **For Primary 2 in 2017**

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Through a series of activities including kinaesthetic play, students will explore and learn Science from the world around them; developing their abilities to use scientific processes to experiment, create, and investigate.

At the end of this workshop, your child will have a better grasp of the essential process skills that are required as he/ she embarks on learning Science in Primary 3. A set of notes and worksheets will be given to each student during the workshop.

### **Programme Objectives:**

- ✓ Provide students with an opportunity to experience Science
- ✓ Expose students to scientific concepts so that they can better appreciate and relate to the world around them
- ✓ Help students develop essential critical thinking processes as stipulated in the MOE Science curriculum
- ✓ Train students to write answers in proper scientific language
- ✓ Instil appreciation and a sustained passion for Science so that students will be motivated to excel in the subject

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# EXCEL IN COMPREHENSION

## For Primary 5 in 2017

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The PSLE English Comprehension Paper 2 poses a challenge to students. There is a wide variety of question types, including a section on Visual Text Comprehension. To excel in the Comprehension Paper, students need to be equipped with a range of important skills.

In this course, students will master reading comprehension and viewing skills through the reading of literary, functional, and informational texts. They will be able to enhance their understanding of texts by applying comprehension skills at literal, inferential and, progressively, critical levels through fun and meaningful activities.

### Programme Objectives:

- ✓ Tackle different types of comprehension questions in the new PSLE format
- ✓ Construct meaning from different types of visual texts
- ✓ Ask a variety of questions at different levels about the texts read or viewed
- ✓ Make predictions based on contextual clues, patterns, and relationships of ideas (cause & effect, points of view)
- ✓ Identify the purpose and audience of texts read or viewed
- ✓ Identify and analyse techniques used in written and visual texts to achieve a variety of purposes
- ✓ Activate their prior knowledge and understand how language works in various contexts

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		1:00 p.m – 3:00 p.m
	27 Nov - 1 Dec	10:00 a.m – 12:00 p.m
		1:00 p.m – 3:00 p.m

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# EFFECTIVE ANALYSIS AND ANSWER OF SCIENCE QUESTIONS

For Primary 5 in 2017

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Students often have problems with process skills questions in the PSLE Science paper. They struggle to come up with answers that meet the full requirements of the questions, and only receive a portion of the allocated mark, if any at all. This programme introduces the **Asking Science Question (ASQ) Method** which guides students in dealing with such questions.

A set of notes and worksheets will be provided to each student during the workshop. Parents will also be given an analysis of their child's performance in the programme.

## Programme Objectives:

- ✓ Be cognizant of the defining characteristics of various question types
- ✓ Break down science questions systematically
- ✓ Analyse and decipher clues and critical information within different question categories
- ✓ Tackle unfamiliar questions by applying relevant process skills
- ✓ Answer questions in a clear and concise manner

Programme Fee	Date	Time
S\$400	21 Nov - 24 Nov	10:00 a.m - 12:00 p.m
	28 Nov - 1 Dec	

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# DIRECT SCHOOL ADMISSION (DSA) WORKSHOP

## For Primary 5 in 2017

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Direct School Admission (DSA) helps Primary 6 students secure a guaranteed place in the secondary school of his or her choice. If successful, your child's entry into secondary school will not depend solely on PSLE results, thus reducing the stress of this examination. The final stage of the DSA exercise is an interview, and for most Primary 6 students, this is the first serious panel interview they will experience.

Our DSA workshop prepares your child for that nerve-wrecking event. It aims to instil confidence in the child for both the interview as well as their oral examinations.

### Programme Objectives:

- ✓ Interview etiquettes: the Do's and Don'ts
- ✓ How to give an impressive self-introduction
- ✓ How to answer routine and non-routine questions impressively
- ✓ How to improve oral communication skills that will also help in oral examinations

### **Feedback from previous DSA Workshop attendees:**

*This workshop really benefitted me a lot by helping me become a more confident person. Ms Leah and Mr Chilcott are such great teachers!" – Chen Yi Fei*

*"I have learned how to answer the different types of interview questions tactfully. It also cleared my doubts about DSA interviews." – Yu Tong*

<b>Programme Fee</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>
S\$300	29 Nov - 1 Dec	1:00 p.m - 3:00 p.m

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# PUBLIC SPEAKING

## For Primary 1 to Primary 6 in 2017

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Public speaking and oral presentations are a natural way to market oneself and one's ideas. First impressions count. We aim therefore to make your child's first impressions last – for the right reasons, of course.

In this 3-day workshop, we will show your child how to present speeches effectively, overcome stage fright, and gain confidence in speaking before a live audience.

Your child will participate in a range of interactive speaking activities and receive a resource file of personal notes and ideas.

### Programme Objectives:

- ✓ Practical speaking skills - 'How To' and 'How Not To'
- ✓ How to make your butterflies fly in formation – 'Fear and nervousness, come out!'
- ✓ How to make your body speak - Gestures, Body Movements, Facial Expressions
- ✓ How to speak 'Off the Cuff' - to think on your feet and speak as you think

Programme Fee	Level	Date	Time
S\$380	P1 - P3	22 Nov - 24 Nov	1:30 p.m -5:00 p.m
	P4 - P6	27 Nov - 29 Nov	9:00 a.m - 12:30 p.m

## Our Teachers

Our teachers are qualified, competent, and dedicated professionals who take pride in adding value to their students' learning experiences. They are passionate about their craft and are committed to helping the students optimise their potential.

They include former Primary and Secondary School Teachers, Heads of Department, Assistant Supervisors, and Examiners of the PSLE (English). Most of them have Bachelors and Honours Degrees in areas like English, Literature, and Child Psychology. Several also hold Masters degrees in English and Education, and TESOL and TESL/TEFL certifications which are recognised worldwide.

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### About Our Public Speaking Programme Instructor

**Mr Ho-Tan Whai Aun** is a sought-after speaker with many entertaining stories to tell. He has spoken and taught in large companies, government organisations, hospitals, universities, junior colleges, and churches.

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