English curriculum @Sze Yap

The English curriculum at our school boasts several shining points that contribute to students' language proficiency and overall development.

Build a solid foundation

On top of the purchased textbooks and workbooks, students in our school are provided with the **Grammar Pack**, **Speaking Pack** and **Writing Pack** to systematically and purposefully develop the essential skills in English. We aim to facilitate well-rounded language acquisition of the students.

Learning to read

Learning to read is a fundamental skill that enables individuals to comprehend written language. It involves recognising and decoding letters, words, and sentences. There are several methods to learn reading, including phonics, whole language, and sight words.

Phonics Book

It provides an intuitive guide for enhancing students' **phonemic awareness** and **pronunciation skills**. Phonics is a method that teaches children to read by correlating sounds with letters or groups of letters. **Sight words** are words that are frequently used and are recognized by sight rather than sounding them out.

Reading Pack

It provides a **theme-based** reading comprehension exercise in line with units of the textbook, helping students consolidate and practice **reading comprehension skills**. It emphasizes the meaning of words and sentences rather than individual letters.

Reading to learn

Reading to learn is the process of reading to gain knowledge and understanding of a particular subject or topic. It is a method of reading that emphasizes the comprehension of written language. Students are provided with the **LaC** booklet in Primary 3-6 to promote **learning** across the curriculum and project-based learning. A collection of fiction, non-fiction and stories about famous Chinese figures are selected for Primary 1-2 students to explore Chinese culture and traditions in different ways.

Moreover, we embrace innovative teaching methods, such as implementing a **flipped classroom** approach. This approach provides students with QR codes to access learning materials at home, enabling **self-paced** learning.

Language-rich learning environment

Learning takes place in and beyond classrooms. Mottos, sayings of wisdom, and students' good work are displayed in classrooms and corridors. Christmas, Chinese New Year, English Fun Day, and other extra/cross-curricular activities create a language-rich environment for English learning.