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Dear Student,

Expections of Students on Home-based Learning (HBL) Days

Objectives of HBL days

Through regular HBL, the school aims to develop you into self-directed and independent learners, as well as nurture you into passionate and intrinsically motivated individuals. To this end, lessons on HBL days will be self-paced – the teachers provide you the resources, you plan and complete the work assigned in your own time.

Features of HBL

You can expect the following features of a HBL day:

- Learning will take place from home
- Asynchronous lesson. Your subject teachers for that day will assign you learning tasks
 online, and you can decide on the sequence of completing them. Your teachers will also
 recommend the duration of time you should spend on the learning tasks so as to help you
 better plan your learning schedule for the day.
- You will be completing your learning tasks via different modes that include both online (eg. watching a video on YouTube) & offline (eg. completing a worksheet) activities so as to ensure that there is no excessive screen time.
- Your teachers will monitor your learning and provide feedback so as to better guide your learning.

Structure of HBL days

Time & Activity	Remarks		
0735 - 0800	You are to log into Student Learning Space (SLS) and join the Form Teacher's Zoom meeting through the link provided in their		
Form Teacher Check-In	SLS lesson for FT Check-In.		
	With effect from 2022, it is compulsory for you to log in to Zoom using your Student iCON accounts.		
	Instructions for setting up a Zoom account using Student iCON accounts can be found at https://go.gov.sg/zoom-onboarding-guide .		
0800 - 1230	SLS will be the main platform on which you will receive instructions from your subject teachers for the scheduled lessons. The		
Commencement of Lessons	instructions will include the recommended time for easubject/task.		
	Teachers will monitor students' learning and provide feedback for the assignments given.		

Time & Activity	Remarks		
1330 onwards	This is a dedicated time and space set aside for you to pursue		
	your own interests and learn beyond the curriculum.		
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Initiated	The school has curated learning packages with the following		
Learning (SIL)	themes for you in the respective levels and the curated learning		
	packages can be accessed via https://go.gov.sg/pcss-sil.		
	Sec 1	Digital Literacies	
	Sec 2 & 3	General Interests	
	Sec 4 & 5	Education and Career Guidance	
	For SIL, you may choose to:		
	a. participate in the school-curated learning packages		
	or		
	b. submit a SIL learning plan to your Form teachers if you would		
	like to pursue other areas of interests		

Expectations of Students

Readiness for Learning

You should ensure that you are ready for learning at the start of the day by:

- Being appropriately dressed (you do not need to be in school uniform).
- Personal learning devices (PLDs) should be fully charged or plugged in.
- Being seated as you would be in the classroom, i.e. not in bed, reclining on the sofa, etc.
- Logging into SLS and checking the announcements and assigned lessons for the day.
- Reading the lesson description for each assigned SLS lesson carefully.

Start of HBL day

HBL day commences at 7.35am with you checking in with your Form Teacher(s) via Zoom. If you are late for FT Check-In, you should contact your Form Teacher(s) and inform them.

If you are going to be absent for HBL day, you should let your Form Teacher(s) know. All absences must be supported by appropriate documentation (eg. Medical Certificate (MC)). Absence from HBL day without any valid reasons will be considered as truancy.

HBL Lessons and Student-Initiated Learning (SIL)

Subjects featured on HBL day are the same as the timetable for that day. Subject Teachers will assign SLS lessons containing instructions for the day's learning tasks before FT Check-In in the morning.

In order to have a fruitful HBL day, you should ensure that:

- You have all the learning materials (eg. textbook, notes and writing materials) required before you start the lesson.
- You read the SLS lesson's 'Lesson Description' carefully before starting.
- You use the expected duration stated in each lesson to plan a schedule for the day.
- You stay focused during the 4.5-hour timeslot (8am to 12.30pm) to complete the learning tasks assigned for the day.

- You reach out to your teachers if you face difficulties in completing the tasks assigned.
- You spend at least 60 mins on their chosen Student-Initiated Learning (SIL) task and complete your SIL Reflection.

End of HBL day

All lessons and work assigned must be completed and submitted (if necessary) by 6pm. If you face difficulties and require an extension of time for the completion of lessons or work assigned, you should reach out to and seek permission for time extension from your Subject Teachers.

Attitudes and Qualities to Adopt

HBL days and the learning tasks are designed to encourage self-directedness in you. The following are some positive attitudes and qualities that you should adopt:

- Be an independent learner and disciplined in completing your learning tasks.
- Collaborate and learn with classmates.
- Keep trying until successful.
- Extend a helping hand towards classmates who are having difficulties.

General Rules for HBL

Code of Conduct (Cyber Etiquette)

You should <u>refer to and abide by</u> the guidelines for Cyber Etiquette as laid out in Peicai Secondary School's Code of Conduct (CoC).

Submission and Completion of Work

Completion and submission of work will be closely monitored and tracked by your subject teachers. Wilful neglect of your HBL work will not be tolerated and you will be taken to task in accordance with the consequence plan laid out in the school's CoC:

- 1. Form Teachers and Subject Teachers follow up.
- 2. Parents will be informed and you will have to complete the work by the next deadline set by teacher <u>or</u> you will stay back the next day to complete your work in school.

If you are unable to complete work due to extenuating circumstances, you should inform your teachers immediately.