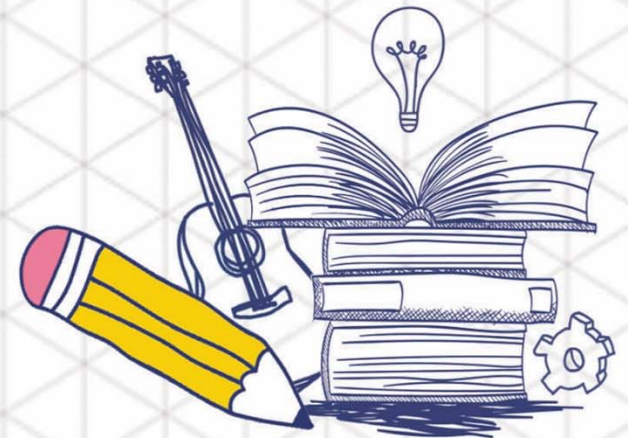




Subject-Based Banding (SBB)

Information for Parents



What is Subject-Based Banding (SBB)?

- Every student is unique and possesses different strengths. Taking subjects at a higher academic level can help students **nurture their strengths** and give them **more opportunities** throughout their educational journey, so that they are **more engaged in learning.**



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Providing Greater
Flexibility with Subject-
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Miss Donna Koh of CHIJ St Theresa's Convent shares about the importance of working in partnership with parents to provide opportunities for students to cope academically and emotionally.

What are the possible benefits of taking higher-level subjects?

- SBB allows the students to challenge themselves and experience joy of learning in a subject they have interest in.
- A strong foundation in literacy, numeracy and reasoning, would ensure students are better prepared for various post-secondary progression pathways (e.g. to ITE and Polytechnic).



Eligibility Criteria

- Eligible N(A) and N(T) students should have received an application form during Secondary 1 Registration, based on the following criteria:

Course	PSLE Standard Grade	PSLE Foundation Grade	Option to offer subject at
N(A)	A*, A	-	Express
N(T)	A*, A	-	Express/ N(A)
	B, C	1	N(A)

- Each student should take no more than 3 higher-level subjects so as to ensure that he/she can cope with the overall academic demands.



Other Opportunities to Take Higher-Level Subjects

- Beyond the start of Sec 1, students who do well in school-based examinations may be considered to take higher-level subjects if found suitable to do so by our school.
 - Eligible N(A) and N(T) students will receive an application form after the Sec 1 mid-year or year-end examinations.
- At the end of Sec 2, existing SBB students' eligibility to take higher level subjects at Sec 3 will be reviewed based on their results, progress and their ability to cope with the demands of the subject.



Thank you



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