

# Mother Tongue Languages Information

Please refer to the link below for Frequently Asked Questions on the various Mother Tongue Languages:

<https://www.haisingcatholic.moe.edu.sg/join-hsc/faq/permalink/>

## Higher Mother Tongue Languages

Students with an overall PSLE score of 8 or better, or an overall PSLE score of 9 to 14 and attains AL1/AL2 in MTL or Distinction/ Merit in HMTL will be deemed by MOE to be eligible to take Higher Mother Tongue Language. He/She will receive an “Eligibility Form” from MOE via Parent’s Gateway upon entry to Secondary One.

### Higher Chinese Language

Hai Sing Catholic School has the autonomy to offer Higher Chinese to students with an AL1/AL2 in CL or Distinction/ Merit in HCL. Eligible students who meet the school criteria will receive a “Letter of Offer” for Higher Chinese upon entry to Secondary One.

Higher Chinese Language lessons will be held Hai Sing Catholic School during curriculum time.

### Higher Malay Language/ Higher Tamil Language

Eligible students who meet **MOE’s criteria** for Higher Malay Language and Higher Tamil Language will study the subject in an external language centre outside curriculum hours.

Designated Higher Malay Centre	<b>Tanjong Katong Secondary School</b> Lessons are held weekly on Tuesday, from 2.45pm to 5.45pm. Students will also have to attend EMAS workshops on selected Thursdays.
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<p>Designated Higher Tamil Centre*</p> <p>*Parents/Guardians may apply for admission to other TL Centre if you have valid reasons for doing so (e.g. ease of travel etc.).</p>	<p><b>Pasir Ris Crest Secondary School</b></p> <p>Lessons are held weekly on Monday or Tuesday or Thursday, from 3pm to 6pm.</p> <p>The detailed schedule will be sent via PG. All Tamil students are required to report to and complete their registration at the TL Centers of their choice during the afternoons of the first week of the school term. This is to facilitate the arrangement of TL classes and timetable.</p>
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## Tamil Language

Tamil students will study the subject in an external language centre outside curriculum hours.

<p>Designated Higher Tamil Centre*</p> <p>*Parents/Guardians may apply for admission to other TL Centre if you have valid reasons for doing so (e.g. ease of travel etc.).</p>	<p><b>Pasir Ris Crest Secondary School</b></p> <p>Lessons are held weekly on Monday or Tuesday or Thursday, from 3pm to 6pm.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; text-align: center;"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>G3</th> <th>G2</th> <th>G1</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Sec 1</td> <td>Mon</td> <td>Tue</td> <td>Thu</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sec 2</td> <td>Thu</td> <td>Thu</td> <td>Mon</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sec 3</td> <td>Tue</td> <td>Tue</td> <td>Tue</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sec 4</td> <td>Mon</td> <td>Mon</td> <td>Mon</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>All Tamil students are required to report to and complete their registration at the TL Centers of their choice between 2.30 pm and 5.30 pm from Thursday, 2 January 2025 to Friday, 3 January 2025. This is to facilitate the arrangement of TL classes and timetable.</p>		G3	G2	G1	Sec 1	Mon	Tue	Thu	Sec 2	Thu	Thu	Mon	Sec 3	Tue	Tue	Tue	Sec 4	Mon	Mon	Mon
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## Non-Tamil Languages In Lieu (Bengali, Hindi, Gujarati, Punjabi, Urdu)

Non-Tamil speaking students of Indian ethnicity can apply to study Non-Tamil Indian Language (Bengali, Gujarati, Hindi, Punjabi or Urdu). These language classes are not provided by MOE and are usually conducted outside of school premises and hours. Find out more information from the Board for the Teaching and Testing of South Asian Languages' website: <http://bttsal.com/index.php>

## Third Languages (French, German, Spanish, Japanese, Arabic, Bahasa Indonesia, MSP, CSP)

Secondary 1 students who have applied to read a Third Language will be informed of the outcome via Parents Gateway.

<p>Designated Language Centre for French, German, Spanish, Japanese, Arabic, Bahasa Indonesia</p>	<p><b>MOE Language Centre Bishan</b></p> <p>Lessons are held once a week.</p> <p>For more information on Third Languages, please click on the following link:</p> <p><a href="https://www.moelc.moe.edu.sg/informational-video/">https://www.moelc.moe.edu.sg/informational-video/</a></p> <p>Successful Applicants may check out this link to complete your registration:</p> <p><a href="https://www.moelc.moe.edu.sg/2020/12/22/secondary-1-online-registration/">https://www.moelc.moe.edu.sg/2020/12/22/secondary-1-online-registration/</a></p>								
<p>Designated Language Centre for Chinese Special Programme</p>	<p><b>Changkatchang Secondary School</b></p> <p>Lessons are held once a week from 3pm to 6pm.</p> <p>2025 Timetable:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="513 1117 1317 1241"> <tr> <td>Sec 1</td> <td>Sec 2</td> <td>Sec 3</td> <td>Sec 4</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Thursday</td> <td>Tuesday</td> <td>Monday</td> <td>Wednesday</td> </tr> </table> <p>Successful Applicants may check out the school's website to complete your registration:</p> <p><a href="https://www.changkatchangisec.moe.edu.sg/quick-links/csp/">https://www.changkatchangisec.moe.edu.sg/quick-links/csp/</a></p>	Sec 1	Sec 2	Sec 3	Sec 4	Thursday	Tuesday	Monday	Wednesday
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<p>Designated Language Centre for Malay Special Programme</p>	<p><b>Tampines Secondary School</b></p> <p>Lessons are held every Thursday, from 3pm to 6pm.</p> <p>Successful Applicants may check out the school's website to complete your registration:</p> <p><a href="https://www.tampinessec.moe.edu.sg/others/students/msp/">https://www.tampinessec.moe.edu.sg/others/students/msp/</a></p>								

## Foreign Languages In Lieu of Mother Tongue Language (French, German, Japanese, Arabic, Burmese, Thai)

For the learning of Foreign Languages and Asian Languages in lieu of an official MTL, you will need to make private study arrangements for your child and ensure that your private education provider can prepare your child for the GCE O-Level examinations at the end of secondary school. There will be MTL requirements for progression to the next level of study. Find out more about the requirements via this link:

<https://www.moe.gov.sg/post-secondary/admissions/jae/junior-colleges-and-millennia-institute>