

# Experiencing Blended Learning (BL) with Our Children!



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# **What could Blended Learning look like for your child? And how can you support them on their Home-Based Learning (HBL) days?**



# A Unique Blend of Learning

- In 2020, the pandemic showed us that it is important for our children to be adaptable learners as learning from home became a reality.
- One of the ways we will help our children achieve this is to introduce Blended Learning as a key part of the schooling experience for our Secondary School and JC/MI students.

**What do we hope to achieve through  
Blended Learning? We want to...**



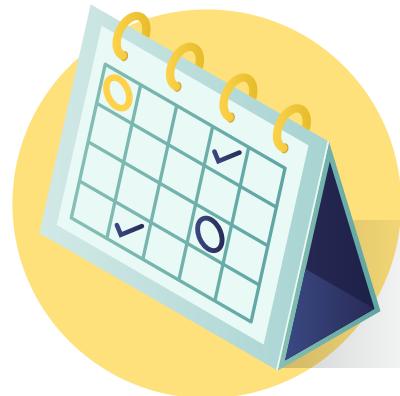
Nurture self-directed and independent learners



Develop passionate and intrinsically-motivated learners

- One key aspect of our Blended Learning approach is the integration of HBL Days as a regular feature of the schooling experience to complement teaching and learning in schools.

### **What will an HBL Day look like? In a nutshell, it will...**



Engage students in learning the curriculum using less structured approaches than a typical school day, to provide flexibility for students to practise self-directedness in planning and managing their learning.



Engage students in different modes of learning.



Provide about an hour of dedicated time and space for student-initiated learning (SIL), where students can explore their interests and learn outside the curriculum.

# Different Schools, Different Strokes

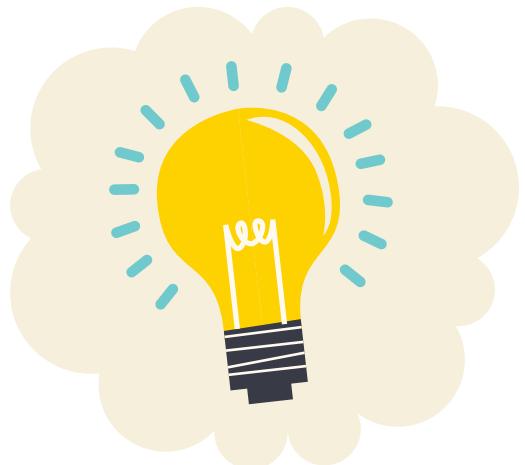


- Each school's Blended Learning plans may be different as schools have the flexibility to design learning experiences suited for their students' learning needs.
- Schools can decide on the day on which HBL is to be conducted, and the subjects and topics to be featured on each HBL Day.

# Showing your Support

You can support your child by encouraging them to be responsible for their learning and take note of what piques their curiosity!

## For a start,



Understand what Blended Learning will look like for your child in his/her school when the details are shared by the school.



Talk to your child about their learning on HBL Days, e.g., simply asking them questions like "What was the most exciting thing that you learnt today?"

or

"Which do you enjoy and want to learn more about?" can spark deeper conversations.



**Encourage your child to stay curious, stay focused and stay safe. They can seek out sources of information on their topics of interest and plan their HBL day schedules and check in with an adult (you or their teacher) when they want to try something new.**

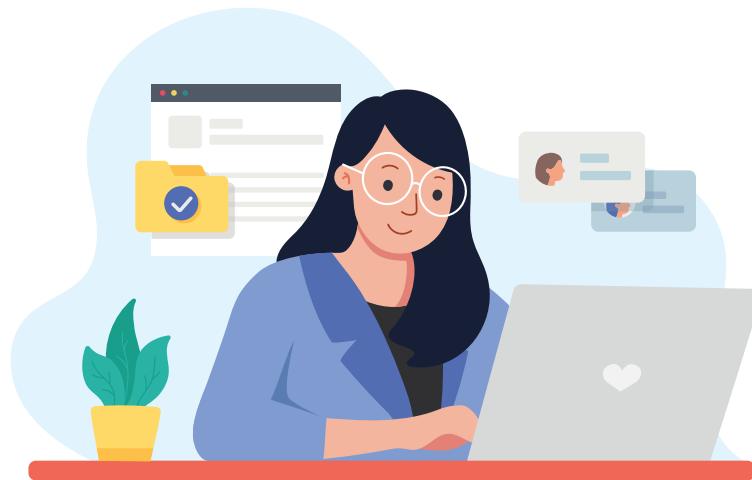


**Suggest/share topics that might interest your child if they don't know where to start for their student-initiated learning.**



**Share tips with other parents, e.g., how to provide a more conducive environment for your child or reducing distractions.**

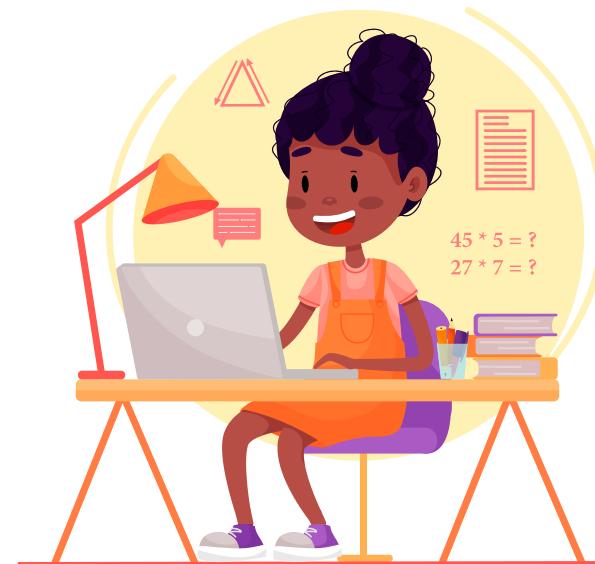
## **As you support your teenager on his/her Blended Learning journey, know that...**



You are not required to take leave or time off from work to be physically present to coach your child or to oversee his/her progress during HBL days.



HBL days are not meant for your child to take a break from learning, but instead to take a different approach to learning.



HBL days are not meant for more enrichment or tuition classes, but for your child to exercise self-directedness and self-discipline in his/her learning.

**While BL may seem to be another stay-home day for your child, it is a step towards adapting our education system to inculcate independence in him/her and igniting his/her curiosity in this digital age.**  
**It is time to reimagine what learning can look like!**

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