## **Curriculum Briefing**

Information and Communications Technology (ICT)

Primary 4





A Range of Digital Skills needed for Life and Work

(UNESCO, 2017)



Basic digital skills that enable students to access and make functional use of digital technologies

An intermediate range of generic digital skills that include the ability to understand, contextualise and critically evaluate how technologies are being employed

A set of highly technical skills, such as computer programming and data analysis, which are advanced and are not normally well developed or needed in ordinary users of technology

# How Technology Impacts Learning



Encourage active learning and participation



Make students' thinking visible



Facilitate formative assessment - teacher can provide timely, immediate feedback



Multimodal representation of concepts

Students learn with videos, interactives, games, simulations



Communication and collaboration with teachers and peers



Self-directed learning

Students can learn on their own or with others, anytime and anywhere

## Common Issues and how to Manage them

## Common Issue: Addiction to digital device







#### Look out for these signs of addiction:

- Lack of self-control and throwing tantrums when it comes to switching off of digital devices
- Irritability when not on the device
- Loss of sleep due to time spent on the device
- Health issues such as eye problems and back aches
- Drop in grades

#### Source:

https://www.betterinternet.sg/-/media/Resources/PDFs/Parents-Guides/Safe-and-Smart-Online-Parent-Guide.pdf

### How to manage:

### Tip: Guide your child on time spent online



Ask your child what he/she enjoys doing online.

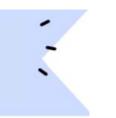
Through your conversations, you can decide together how much time he/she should spend online.

Set schedule consultation with you child on specific time periods that he or she can use the devices and for specific purposes.

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## Common Issues and how to Manage them



### Common Issue (2):

## Potential issues related to the use of Social Media



Most social media services and apps require users to be at least 13 years old. If your child is below 13, you should assess if he or she is prepared to deal with inappropriate content, contact with strangers or cyber-bullying.

If your child wants to use social media, discuss with him or her the pros and cons of doing so. You can consider setting the ground rules with your child.

### How to manage:

#### Tip: Teach your child to stay safe online



Remind your child not to chat with strangers online or share information (e.g. home addresses or names of family members) that can allow strangers to locate him/her.

Explain the need to set his/her account to 'private' and only accept requests from people that he or she knows well.

Highlight to your child that there will be people who claim to know his or her friends.

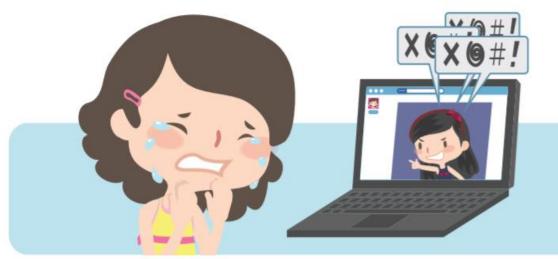
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## Common Issues and how to Manage them

## Common Issue (3): Cyberbullying



According to recent statistics, cyberbullying is on the rise.

### How to manage:

Tip: Look out for warning signs



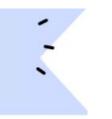
Look out for warning signs that your child might be bullied online such as failing grades, making excuses to avoid going to school, fear or worry about school, and stress-related health problems.

Regularly check with your child about the types of conversations that go on in their chat group or on social media to assess if they are being bullied online.

Teach them online etiquette and remind them about the appropriate use of language.

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## Common Issues and how to Manage them



### Common Issue (4): Fake news

#### An Introduction to the Rainbow Owl



The Rainbow Owl is a rare species hardwood forests in the wa parts of China. La the Rainbow ( o conservation en a significant population in northwestern Montana

Have regular conversations with your child about the online information he/she comes across. Encourage he/she to verify the information with fact-checking websites such as Snopes.com or FactCheck.org

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### How to manage:

#### Tip: Guide your child to behave responsibly online

#### CONSUMING INFORMATION ONLINE

- Encourage your child to verify information with multiple credible sources.
- Get them to check with you or a trusted adult when in doubt.

#### **POSTING** INFORMATION ONLINE

- Co-create guidelines with your child on what he/she can post online.
- Guide him/her to use the THINK framework when creating the guidelines:

Is it True, Helpful, Inspiring, **N**ecessary, **K**ind?

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## 5 Tips to Ensure Your Child Stays Safe & Happy Online





Set clear expectations together with your child.

Establish routines for device usage early.

Help your child develop good habits to ensure a healthy balance of online and offline activities.



Examples of good habits include:

- Stop use of devices during mealtimes.
- Stop use of devices I hour before bedtime.
- Set aside time to exercise daily.

## PAVING CONVERSATIONS

Have regular conversations, for example at mealtimes, with your child about his/her online activities.

This will help you be aware of your child's online activities and enable you to spot possible dangers early.

examples of conversation starters include:

- What do you enjoy most about your favourite apps or sites?
- What online activities can we do as a family?











Remind your child to check the credibility of the online information by using the acronym S.U.R.E.

- Is the SOURCE of information you found trustworthy?
- Based on your UNDERSTANDING, is the information an opinion or a fact?
- R Have you done your RESEARCH and compared with multiple sources?
- Have you EVALUATED / considered the information from different angles?



Highlight to your child indicators which show that a website is safe to visit.

Examples of indicators include:

- the website address begins with 'https'
- the address bar has a 'lock' icon

Teach your child what he/she can do if he/she comes across inappropriate content.

Examples of actions include:

- close the webpage immediately
- inform a trusted adult about it



Encourage your child to always be respectful when giving comments online.



Get your child to reflect If the comment he/she is about to post is:

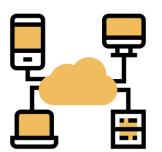
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## ICT Baseline Skills Programme @West Spring Primary School





Meaningful integration into subjects

## **Approach**



Teacher-facilitated lessons conducted in school

### **Process**

Teacher integrates
the digital skills
into the
curriculum.

Reinforce skills via meaningful lessons/ online assignments Assessment of skills via bite-sized informal assessment tasks in class

# Media Literacy Programme Primary 4 modules

| Primary 4 / Title of Module   | Term |
|-------------------------------|------|
| 401/                          | 1    |
| Google Docs (Intermediate)    |      |
| 402/                          | 1    |
| Introduction to Google Sheets |      |
| 403/                          | 3    |
| Google Slides (Intermediate)  |      |

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## **401: Google Docs (Intermediate)**

- how to organize Google Docs
- know the basic rules for editing and commenting when collaborating with others on a Google Doc

# Media Literacy Programme Primary 4 modules

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| 402/<br>Introduction to Google Sheets | 3    |



## **402: Introduction to Google Sheets**

- know how to create a spreadsheet and enter the data gathered into the spreadsheet
- how to generate a bar and line graph based on a set of data

# Media Literacy Programme Primary 4 modules

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| 403/ Google Slides (Intermediate) | 2    |
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## **402: Google Slides (Intermediate)**

- How to use the editing functions to edit Slides
- know the basic rules for editing and commenting when collaborating with others on Google Slides



## Purposeful use of technology to transform learning experiences



self-help password reset using security questions,

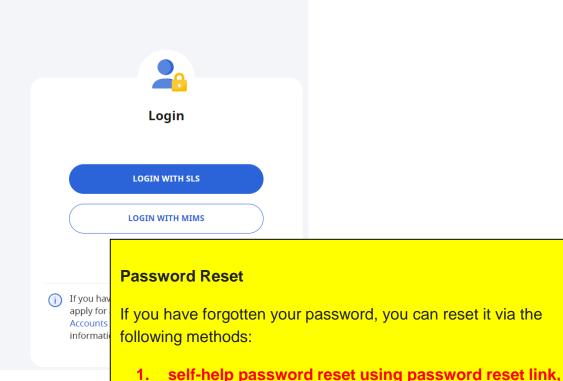
contact your School-based Helpdesk, or

contact the SLS Helpdesk.

## **Learning via SLS**

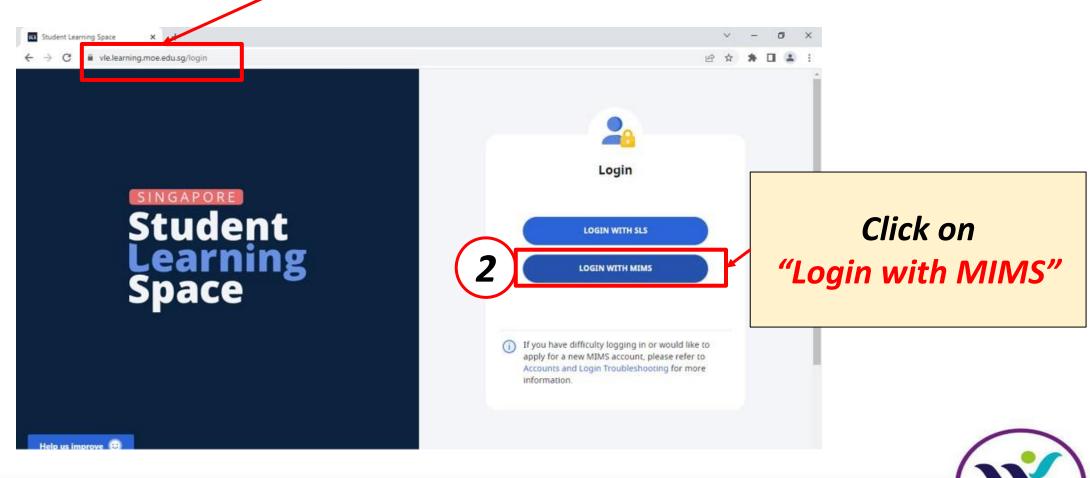
New interface





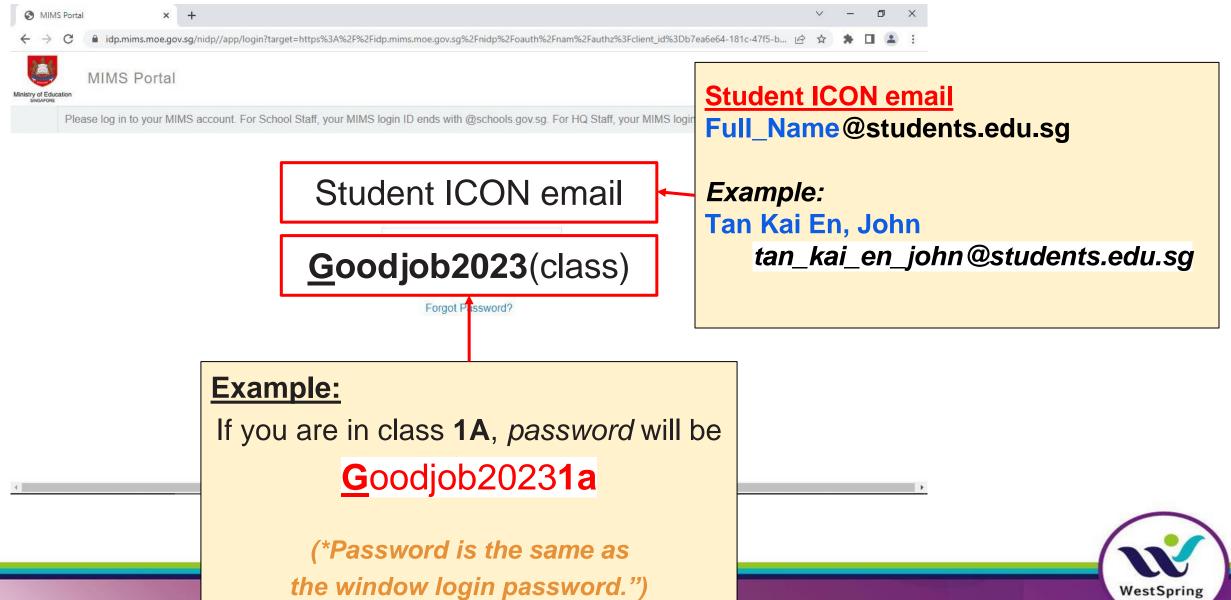
## Instructions for logging in to SLS

https://vle.learning.moe.edu.sg/login





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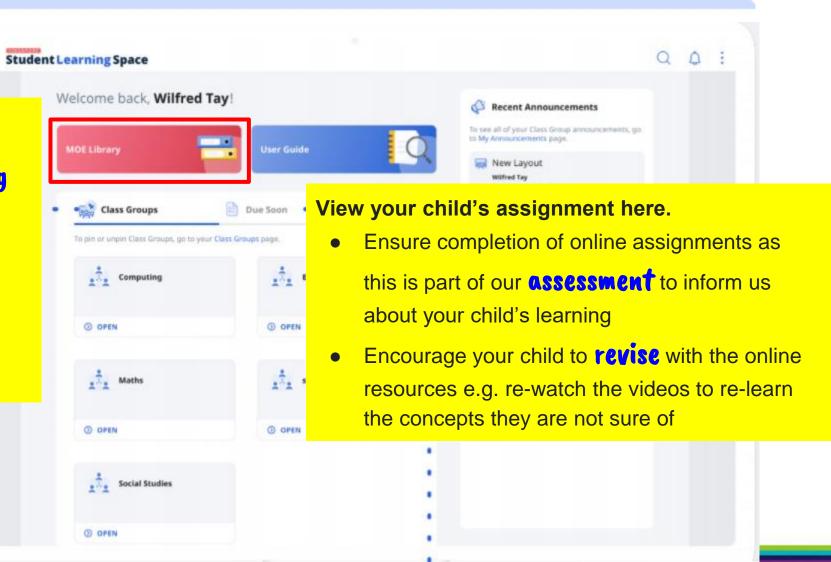
# How you can support your child's learning on SLS

## SLS supports your child's

- self-directed learning
- self-paced learning

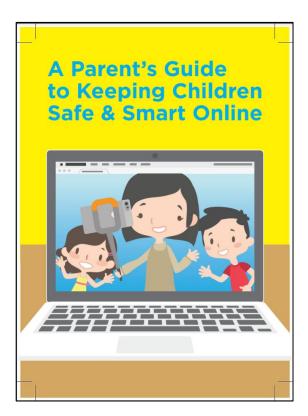
Your child can access quality curriculum-aligned resources:

- videos
- interactives
- quizzes



### **Useful Resources for Parents**





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https://www.schoolbag.edu.sg/story/quest-forcyber-wellness

#### From MOE

- Parents, the guardians of internet
- Guide for parents on setting parental controls
- Understanding cyber wellness
- Navigating the cyber world safely
- ICT in schools: To use or not to use?
- Play safe avoid online gaming addiction
- Safeguarding your child online
- Exploring online, safely and confidently

#### From external agencies

- Media Literacy Council
- National Crime Prevention Council
- S.U.R.E. by National Library Board
- Cyber Security Agency
- <u>Internetmatters</u>.org

