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+ DAS Parents Support Group (PSG) is a private group on Facebook where DAS parents come together to share their experiences in the dyslexic community. In this forum, parents receive updates about DAS programmes, events and activities that serve the needs of DAS students and parents.

If you would like to join the DAS PSG,
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DAS Learning Centres

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Situated strategically across Singapore are 14 DAS Learning Centres that not only conduct dyslexia remedial classes but also provides essential services to parents of about more than 3500 students. DAS Learning Centres are at the forefront of the organisation in engaging parents, assisting them with queries and applications of programmes as well as supporting the Educational Therapists to ensure classes run smoothly.

DAS Learning Centres are manned by Centre Managers and Students Service Associates to serve parents, students and the local communities.



1. SMART LEARNING CENTRES

Since opening its first SMART Learning Centre in Serangoon in May 2018, DAS has progressively transformed its other Learning Centres into SMART Learning Centres by upgrading its Student Management System and installing “All-In-One” self-help kiosks in all centres. Parents are able to access DAS services such as applications for DAS programmes and bursaries, and making payments remotely and at their convenience.

2. STUDENT GRADUATION AND ACHIEVEMENTS AWARDS CEREMONY



DAS Learning Centres organised the Student Graduation and Achievement Awards Ceremony on 26 November 2019. The graduates that consisted of students from the DAS Main Literacy Programme (MLP). The ceremony also recognises the progress and achievements of students who have made outstanding progress in MLP, Preschool, Maths, Chinese, PREP 2 PSLE and Speech and Language Therapy programmes.

There were a total of 205 graduates and 164 achievement award recipients from MLP and the Specialised Educational Services programmes. The Guest of Honour was Mrs Lucy Toh, Divisional Director, Special Educational Needs Division from the Ministry of Education. The ceremony was also graced by our patron Mrs Goh Chok Tong and DAS EXCO members.



One of the highlights of day was the performance by 12 students from DAS Bishan Learning Centre’s Speech and Drama Arts programme. They performed an enchanting play which is an adaptation of Shakespeare’s *Midsummer’s Night’s Dream*. The Speech and Drama Arts programme has helped our children to develop and improve their communication, language and social-emotional skills.



DAS Student Graduation and Achievement Awards saw 205 graduated from the DAS Main Literacy Programme and 164 achievement award recipients from the Specialised Educational Services programmes at the SUTD Auditorium on 26 November 2019



Students from our DAS Speech and Drama Arts Programme performed an adaptation of Shakespeare's Midsummer's Night's Dream.



2019 Young Achiever Award recipient was Amelia Rae-Lene Chua.



2019 Special Achievement Award recipients were Nicholas Chu Young-Han and Mohammad Raziq.



Every year, we recognised the dedication and hard work by our Educational Therapists. 2019 MLP Educational Therapist of the Year Award winners were EDT Muzdalifah from DAS Seng Kang Learning Centre and EDT Soofrina from DAS Woodlands Learning Centre.



3. BURSARY ONLINE SESSIONS FOR DAS PARENTS

From late 2019 to February 2020, several onsite bursary support sessions at various DAS learning centres were conducted to guide and support parents to apply for their 2020 bursaries online.

DATE	LOCATION
30 Nov 2019	DAS Rex Learning Centre
18 Jan 2020	DAS Jurong Point Learning Centre
1 Feb 2020	DAS Tampines Learning Centre
8 Feb 2020	DAS Rex Learning Centre
16 Feb 2020	DAS Serangoon Learning Centre

On 30 November 2019, two bursary support sessions were held for 72 parents on a bursary. Many parents found the sessions informative and useful. as some parents did not have access to computers or had limited IT know-how to apply themselves. As such, staff from learning centres guided them personally, including conducting sessions in mandarin for mandarin speaking parents. The launch of the bursary application online by DAS is a significant step towards automation and streamlining from the manual process in the past.



Parents attending the Bursaries Online Session organised by Learning Centres and the DAS Parents' Support Group.

4. DAS PARENTS' SUPPORT GROUP (PSG)

The DAS PSG formed in March 2017 has since become the mouthpiece for parents and students as PSG continues to engage them with the various events and online sessions such as PAWS for Reading.



Parents and students with our volunteers attending PAWS for Reading event



Parents are encouraged to actively participate in the discussions on relevant topics in the DAS Facebook to bring like-minded parents together and benefiting them. From April 2019 till April 2020, the PSG had organised and conducted 24 events with about 515 attendees. With a variety of themes and guest speakers, face to face and online events, the PSG hopes to offer more relevant events that will benefit all parents.

GET TO KNOW MLP

COMPULSORY PARENTS' ORIENTATION



THIS ORIENTATION WILL HELP YOU TO UNDERSTAND HOW

- ♦ The DAS Main Literacy Programme (MLP) supports your child
- ♦ Your child's progress is monitored and is shared with you
- ♦ You can find out what else you can do to help your child

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

This talk will benefit you regardless of whether your child is an existing student, is waiting for an assessment, waiting to be placed into a DAS class or you are keen to know more about DAS programmes.

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Q&A

There will be a Q&A segment by our panelists at the end of the session.



“ I greatly appreciate this valuable webinar session and the information on how I can guide and help my child to improve. I strongly recommend this webinar as it saves time and travelling. I could also share this information with my husband who needs to work on weekends. Thank you so much for holding this webinar! **”**

Ms Doris Lim, DAS Parent

VISIT OUR WEBSITE TO SEE WHEN THE NEXT PARENTS' ORIENTATION SESSION IS SCHEDULED

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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Office Hrs:
9am to 5:30pm

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