



# ST ANDREW'S SECONDARY SCHOOL

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## Discover and Learn with Joy, the Saints Way!

At St Andrew's, boys sharpen their thinking via a kaleidoscope of classroom activities and authentic learning experiences.

What do we mean by that? For a start, hands-on learning features strongly in our signature programmes: Community and Youth Leadership (Learning for Life), River Studies (Eco-Stewardship and Sustainability) and Enhanced Art Programme.

During lessons, our boys are encouraged to express their thoughts and opinions as they explore the various subjects. Guided by our belief in empowering boys, we build opportunities for them to take charge of their own learning. Boys make meaning, question, and communicate their thoughts and ideas across all their subjects. Our classrooms come alive through lively, in-depth and student-centred discussions.

Purposeful activities also help our boys discover things about themselves and they learn to contribute to society.

The St Andrew's experience takes learning out of the four walls of the classroom, and makes it relevant, fun and engaging.

Our unique location gives us the privilege to play a part in the health of the Kallang River. Boys combine their knowledge of Science and Geography to study the pulse of the river.



“*The River Studies programme connects students' Science syllabus to environmental stewardship in a meaningful way. Through hands-on activities, students analyse river water quality and gain a deeper appreciation of the efforts required to maintain clean waterways. They also learn to identify local flora and fauna, contributing to a citizen-led biodiversity cataloguing initiative. These authentic experiences allow students to see the real-world relevance of their classroom learning, fostering a sense of responsibility for the environment.*”

Ms Charlene Tan , Subject Head, Science



## Serving with both Hearts and Minds

At St Andrew's Secondary School, the Learning for Life Programme (LLP) focusses on Community and Youth Leadership (CYL). Our programmes are designed to develop holistic leaders with a heart for service.

The Prefectorial Board acts as a pillar of support and a voice for the student body. Our prefects rally Saints to serve the school and community while championing worthy causes. From 2020, they have proposed initiatives such as the annual Cleaners' Appreciation Day and the St Andrew's Green Plan to engage students meaningfully within the school and the wider community.

“In SASS, our principle of leadership has always surrounded the idea of feeling, thinking and serving. This process refers to the initial aspiration to contribute, followed by approaching issues with foresight guided by their desire to do good. Through this framework, Saints can better empathise with the problems and issues faced and aim to resolve them. We truly believe that every Saint is a servant leader who brings life to the nations.”

Koh Ze Xuan, School Captain,  
87th Prefectorial Board

## Exploring Strengths, Stretching Potential

As one of the pilot schools of Full Subject Based Banding (Full SBB) since 2020, we are heartened to see the confidence of our students as they are empowered to further develop their strengths in subjects they have performed well in at the Primary School Leaving Examination (PSLE).

Ignatius Tang, currently a Sec 2 student, shares his experience of the Full SBB journey here at SASS: “The Full SBB opportunity allows me to study at a pace which is easy to understand and learn. When I first attended St Andrew's, I was a slow learner, however, Full SBB has allowed me to learn at a pace in which I was comfortable and has supported me to excel in my work and subjects. It has also allowed me to make friends from outside my form class which would be hard to do without Full SBB.

I now have a deeper understanding of myself and how I learn. I also discovered new passions along the way. I have a new-found interest in History, and I am planning to offer it at Upper Secondary.”

At SASS, Saints are given the flexibility to learn at their own pace which builds their confidence. At St Andrew's, we believe that every boy is precious and no one is here by chance. Thus, each boy is given the opportunity to figure out his strengths and build relationships with his peers from various backgrounds.

## Taking Learning Upwards and Onwards Through Digital Means!

Armed with iPads, the school has embarked on a digital journey connecting our Saints with the world! Our Blended Learning programme equips students with a multitude of knowledge, skills, and perspectives to thrive as global citizens of the 21st century. Classrooms fitted with Apple TV enable teachers to easily mirror any Apple product onto the screen, enabling students to seamlessly share their learning with one another. Energised and excited, our students experience a variety of learning experiences each day that take them out of the classroom with just the swipe of a finger. At St Andrew's, we believe that technology is integral to the lives of every student and teacher, as the pen and paper of our modern era.

## Saints Make Fine Art Too!

Art at St Andrew's provides students with the opportunity to learn about different art media and creative processes. We are proud to be one of nine schools to offer the Enhanced Art Programme (EAP).

Our students learn digital and fine art forms such as digital photography, design and imaging, printmaking and pastel painting. They also learn to critique art pieces as well as appreciate the subtleties of artwork. Our Artist-in-Residence programme encourages interaction with visual art and design practitioners, offering students insights and exposure to real-world application of their art.



“For me, engaging with art is a deeply fulfilling experience, as it invites me to reflect on my own perspectives and emotions. The Enhanced Art Programme has encouraged me to experiment and discover new ways to tell my stories, ultimately finding solace and inspiration in the creative process.”

Zachary Koh, Sec 3 EAP student







## Illustrious old boys

Our illustrious alumni include the first Chief Minister (David Marshall), Singapore's second President (Benjamin Sheares) and captains of industry (Koh Boon Hwee et al). Some of our recent alumni are currently studying in top universities like Cambridge, Oxford, Harvard and London School of Economics.

“*Truest fame lies in high endeavour!*”  
School Song

## “Hearts in the Waking”

St Andrew's inculcates charity and servant leadership through a variety of Values In Action (VIA) programmes.

Our school song says it all: “Lives are in the making here, Hearts are in the waking here.” At SASS, hearts are awoken through our various VIA programmes that instil school values and the Saints' spirit of charity. All our boys have the opportunity to champion causes close to their heart.



For example, our boys care for the environment by raising support for green initiatives, such as the recycling of electronic or plastic waste. Our upper secondary boys also take the lead in advocating for charities dear to them. Among their labours of love are food donation drives benefiting the less fortunate in society, projects celebrating the unsung heroes: the cleaning uncles and aunties of our school and the people in the Potong Pasir community. Through Community Conversations, Saints connect with business owners in the community, discover their stories, challenges and draw inspiration to contribute back to the community as an active citizen.

“*The Community Conversations were very meaningful as we got to speak with different business owners in the Potong Pasir community. As someone who is interested to be a business owner one day, I know that I too will have a story to write. I will draw inspiration from these community mentors when my time comes. Furthermore, the conversations have inspired my friends and I to explore how we can better support our community partners as a class VIA project next year.*”

Kayven Lim Yu Zhe, 3 Self-Discipline

## Sec 1 Crossover

The first rite of passage that every Saint goes through in the Secondary School is the annual Crossover. On the first day of school, the cohort of Junior School boys dash across the school field class by class, symbolising their transition from child to teenager. They are eagerly cheered on by teachers and peers as they sprint their way into the Secondary School.

“It was a memorable moment for me when my classmates and I stood waiting to cross over, as this marked the beginning of our journey as young men and secondary school students,” said Secondary One student Aaron Goh.

“*Time is running fast away, life is now today, today.*”  
School Song





## Finding the balance through CCA

Time for work and time for play: Our Saints are able to “fill the measure” of their days as they balance academic success with excellence in their Co-Curricular Activities (CCAs). Our boys can choose from a plethora of CCAs to match their interests and talents, allowing them to set out on a well-rounded journey with us. Our students have done us proud in the past few years, winning various awards and championships.

The boys learn the values of sportsmanship, teamwork, and discipline through their Sports CCAs. Our niche sports, Rugby and Hockey have always been in contention for championships. Our Performing Arts have long established a credible platform for our boys to cultivate their interests in the arts. Our Choir and Drama Band achieved Accomplishment in the 2023 Singapore Youth Festival presentations.

Our Uniformed Groups (UGs) instill discipline, promote camaraderie, and provide an extraordinary learning platform for our boys. The UGs are guided by our mission and vision and go the extra mile to nurture our cadets into men of grace and polish. Beyond the competitions the boys take part in, our UGs aim to inculcate strength of character, determination, and responsibility. Both our NPCC and NCC Units have achieved Distinction for 2023 Unit Awards. Boys' Brigade received High Distinction in the J M Fraser Award for Excellence 2023, and our Scouts attained Gold in the Frank Cooper Sands Award 2023.

To address the wide range of interests that our boys possess, the Clubs and Societies provide a platform for them to explore interests that might not be covered in our everyday academic curriculum.

“One of the school values that truly resonated with me is the value of Unity. During our SYF preparations, our sense of togetherness never wavered. Our teachers, conductors, and seniors were always willing to support us when we had doubts. As the Band Major, I've learned invaluable leadership skills and fostered a strong sense of brotherhood and community within Band.”

Ry-Eann Chin, 4 Resilience, Band Major, 2024

## It Takes a Village to Raise a Child

At SASS, our Saints commence their journey from boys of the Junior School (JS) to young men, who may progress on to the Junior College in St Andrew's Village.

We are blessed to have opportunities to partner with our Juniors from JS and seniors from the JC. #OneFamilyUnbroken!



## AT A GLANCE

**ADDRESS:** St Andrew's Secondary School, 15 Francis Thomas Drive S(359342)

**MRT STATION:** Potong Pasir MRT

**BUSES:** 8, 13, 26, 31, 90, 90A, 107, 133, 142, 147, 853

**AFFILIATED SCHOOL:** St Andrew's Junior College, St Andrew's Junior School

**SCHOOL VISION:** St Andrew's Village: Home of Servant Leaders who bring Life to the Nations

**SCHOOL MISSION:** Making Lives, Waking Hearts To Serve the Coming Days Family Society Eternity

**FOUNDED:** 1862

**SUBJECTS OFFERED:** Additional Mathematics, Art, Biology, Chemistry, Chinese, Design & Technology, Elements Of Business Skills, English Language, Higher Chinese, History, Literature(E), Mathematics, Malay, Music, Nutrition & Food Science, Physics, Science (Phy, Chem), Principles of Accounts, Tamil

**CCAs:** Physical Sports : Athletics, Badminton, Basketball, Hockey, Rugby, Football, Swimming, Tennis, Water Polo

Uniformed Groups : Boys' Brigade, NPCC, Scouts, NCC (Land)

Visual And Performing Arts : Choir, Band, Drama (English)

Clubs And Societies : Singapore Youth Flying Club, Robotics, Saints Media

**PSLE Score range of 2023 PSLE students posted to 2024 Sec 1**

Affiliation  
G3: 22  
G2: 25  
G1: 28

Non-Affiliation  
G3: 10  
G2: 21  
G1: 26