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DSA Info on school's  
website!



**LIVES ARE IN THE MAKING HERE!**



**Direct School Admission(Sec) Webinar  
18 May 2024**

**Sharing by St Andrew's Secondary School**



*“Lives are in the making here,  
Hearts are in the waking here”*

**Home of Servant Leaders  
who bring life to the nations**

**T**hanksgiving

**R**esilience

**U**nity

**E**mpathy

**W**onder

**I**ntegrity

**S**elf-discipline

**E**xcellence







# Today we will be talking to you about...

- Overview of DSA
- DSA Admission criteria & selection process
- DSA Sharing by Student Representatives
- DSA Timeline
- Useful MOE Links





# Overview of SASS

**At SASS we offer a secondary school education that nurtures boys into young man who make a difference to our community and country.**

**At SASS, you will find**

- Rich academic support
- A variety of CCAs
- Character development driven by our school values
  - Our boys are leaders embodying servant leadership “TRUE and WISE” values







# INTRODUCTION TO DSA

The Direct School Admission for Secondary Schools (DSA-Sec), introduced in 2004, allows students to seek admission to a secondary school on the basis of a diverse range of academic and non-academic talents and achievements that may not be demonstrated at the Primary School Leaving Examination (PSLE).

Schools offer talent development programmes in the following categories:

- Languages and Humanities
- Leadership and Uniformed Group
- Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM)
- Sports and Games
- Visual, Literary and Performing Arts

If your child is admitted to a secondary school through DSA-Sec, they are not allowed to:

- Submit school choices during the Secondary 1 (S1) posting process.
- Transfer to another school. They must commit to their chosen school for the duration of the programme.

**Note:** Participation in the DSA-Sec is optional.



# DSA(Sec) to St Andrew's Sec Sch

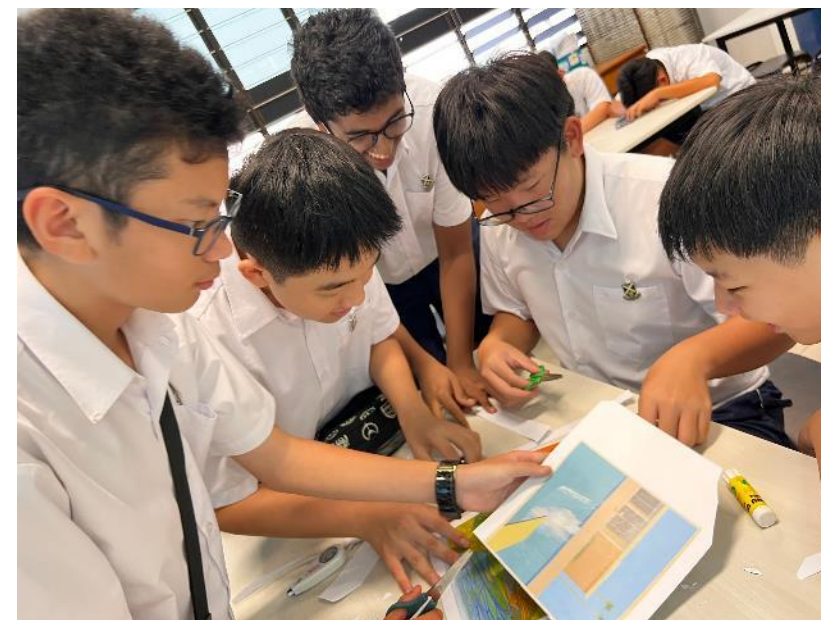
You can DSA to SASS through the following areas:



Student Leadership



STEM



Visual Arts





# DSA(Sec) to St Andrew's Sec Sch

You can DSA to SASS through the following areas:



Concert Band



Hockey





# DSA(Sec) to St Andrew's Sec Sch

You can DSA to SASS through the following areas:



Rugby



Water Polo





# ADMISSION CRITERIA

The DSA-Sec exercise is for **male Primary 6 Singaporean, Singapore PR and International students** who have outstanding talent in Student Leadership, Concert Band, Hockey, Rugby, Water Polo, STEM & Visual Arts.

Note: Meeting all the criteria does not guarantee the student will be shortlisted / given an offer.





# SELECTION PROCESS FOR DSA

## STAGE 1

### **Talent-Area Specific**

- 1) Physical Selection Trials
- 2) Auditions

## STAGE 2

### **Interview**

Face-to-face

## STAGE 3

### **Issuance of**

1. Confirmed Offer letters (CO), or
  2. Wait List letters (WL), or
  3. Unsuccessful letters (R)
- to all applicants.

Note: Please note that the school is unable to entertain any appeals.





# Sharing by Student Representatives





# Student Leadership



Prefects leading the school in cheers during National School Games - building that strong sense of SA school culture and spirit



Collaboration with Potong Pasir Community Club for their Clean SG Campaign



Student leaders organising active ageing programmes for community seniors

**Serving And Leading Together**

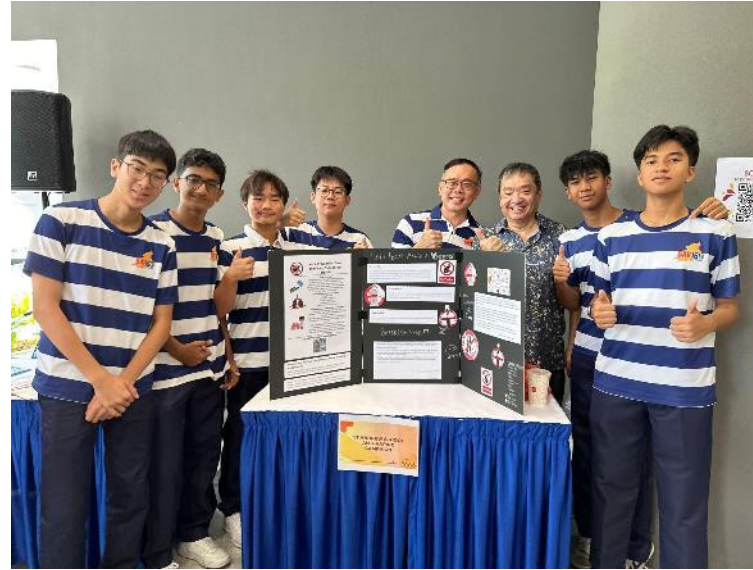




# Student Leadership



Peer Support Leaders leading in community - teaching preschoolers lessons on environmental sustainability.



Students leading in VIA - supporting Bidadari Community Club for 2024 Resilience Day, Anti-Vaping Campaign Booth.



Coaching sessions for junior leaders on how they can improve in leadership competencies.

## Serving and Leading Together





# STEM

## CCA Values:

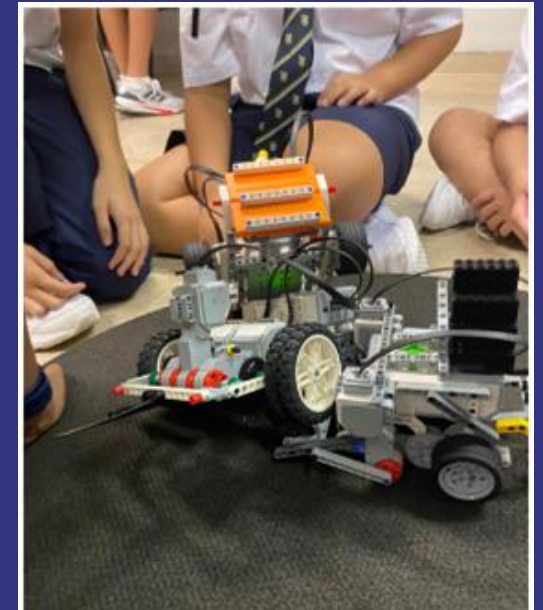
- Commitment
- Teamwork
- Problem-Solving
- Adaptability
- Initiative
- Diversity/  
Inclusivity



Participate in  
STEM-based/  
Robotics  
competitions



Providing mentorship  
to peers and the  
broader community



Organising  
competitions within  
the school



# CONCERT BAND

## Values:

- Community
- Unity
- Resilience
- Excellence



## Experiences:

- Once in a Lifetime opportunities
- Enriching and Rewarding atmosphere to grow as a Musician
- Strong and close friendships





# CONCERT BAND

## Competition / Events

- Singapore Youth Festival Arts Presentation
- One Family One Flag Concert
- School Exchanges
- Internal school performances (e.g. Founder's Day, National Day...)
- External Performance by invitation (e.g. SAF Day Event)
- Vivace Concert (Non-SYF year)





# Visual Arts

Encourages creative interpretations of different artworks; supportive criticism from others; unity in group art projects.

Allows different expressions of a common topic.

More opportunities for exposure in Art from Sec 1, through Artist-in-Residence workshops, and learning journeys.







# Visual Arts

**Join our Enhanced Art Programme (EAP), take Art in upper secondary**

**Serve the school in the various Visual Arts plans and activities to advocate the subject**

**Participate actively in competitions and learning journeys**

**As there is no Visual Arts Club at SASS, students will participate in the Sec 1 CCA Selection, choosing from Physical Sports & Games/Uniform Groups/Performing Arts/Clubs & Societies CCAs to aid in his holistic development.**







# HOCKEY

## Competitions:

- National School Games (NSG)
- National under-19 Junior League (NJL)
- Police-Cup
- Under-14 Liga



## Our CCA values:

- Unity
- Discipline
- Sportsmanship



# Achievements



**Defending Champion  
2024 6-a-side Police Youth Hockey Challenge**



**1<sup>st</sup> Runners-Up  
2024 NSG 'B' Division Hockey Finals**







# Rugby

- **What I have learnt:**

1. Teamwork
2. Resilience
3. Time management
4. Discipline

## Overseas Trips

June: 'C' Division  
2023: Malaysia

November: 'B' Division  
2023: Thailand





# Achievements

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**1st Runners-Up  
2024 NSG Rugby Cup 'B' Division Finals**







# WATER POLO

## Competitions / Events (Annual)

- National School Games (NSG)
- Kuching Invitational (overseas)
- Past vs Present





# Achievements

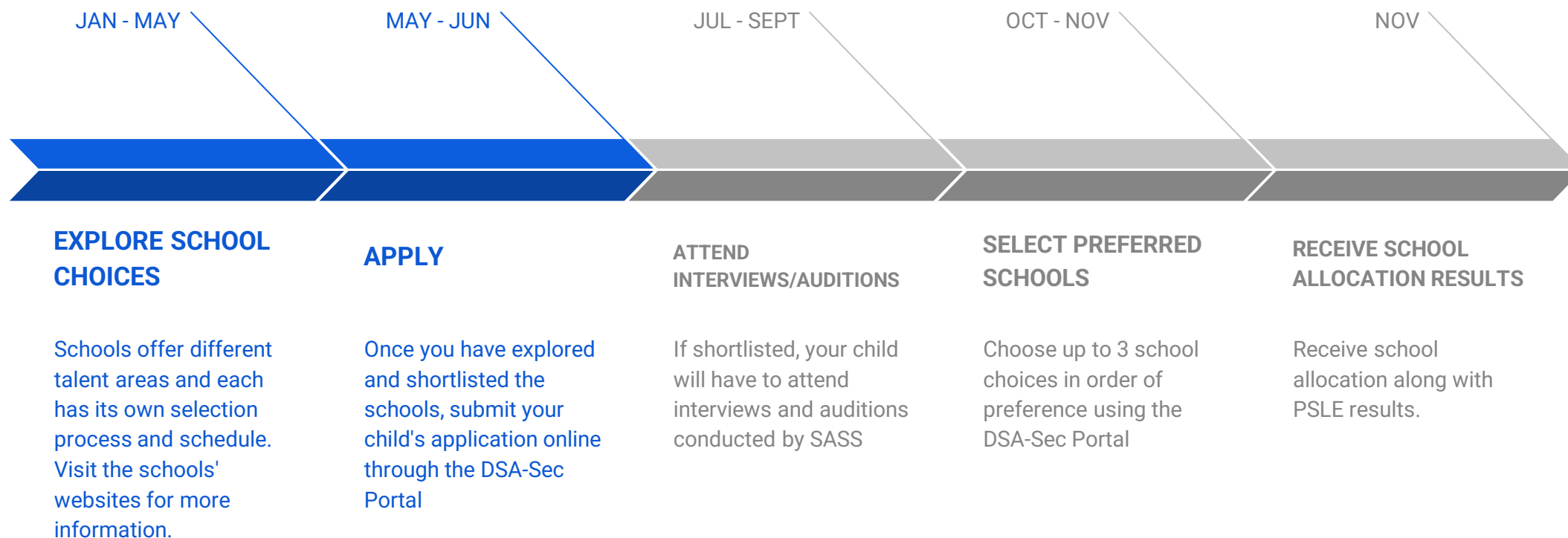
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**1st Runners-Up  
2024 NSG 'B' Division  
Water Polo League 2 Finals**



# DSA TIMELINE



- Records in the MOE DSA-Sec Portal to be considered for selection includes national age group rankings and/or results from national inter-primary school competitions and/or results from other competitions sanctioned by the respective National Sports Associations or relevant competition organisers. Physical fitness test results, experience, qualifications and participation in the Co-curricular Activities (CCAs) will also be considered.





# USEFUL MOE LINKS

DSA-Sec Main Webpage	<a href="https://www.moe.gov.sg/dsa-sec">https://www.moe.gov.sg/dsa-sec</a>
Instructions on Application (Mainstream students)	<a href="https://go.gov.sg/dsa-sec-application">https://go.gov.sg/dsa-sec-application</a>
Instructions on Application (Non Mainstream Students)	<a href="https://go.gov.sg/nmsdsa-sec-application">https://go.gov.sg/nmsdsa-sec-application</a>
Direct to DSA-Sec Portal (Mainstream Students)	<a href="https://go.gov.sg/apply-dsa-sec">https://go.gov.sg/apply-dsa-sec</a>
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DSA-Sec iFAQs	<a href="https://go.gov.sg/dsa-secfaqs">https://go.gov.sg/dsa-secfaqs</a>
DSA-Sec School Finder	<a href="https://go.gov.sg/dsa-secschfinder">https://go.gov.sg/dsa-secschfinder</a>



**No One is Here By Chance!**