



Overseas Family School

Grade One Here We Come!



Haruto, Mia and Arjun are coming to Grade One at Overseas Family School.

What happens when I arrive at OFS?



On the first day of school, you can arrive either on the school bus or with your parents. Teachers will meet you at the bus bay or in the atrium, and lead you to your classrooms. Your parents can drop you off to your classroom too!

"Did you notice that there are people in the atrium wearing yellow sashes? Do you know what that means?" asks Arjun.

"My mum told me they are duty teachers and they can help us as we arrive in the morning, during breaks and after school," answers Mia.

When you arrive at the Grade One floor, the Principal will welcome you and introduce you to your Grade One teacher and assistant teacher. You will see baskets outside your classroom labelled Lunch, Water and Snack.

"Hey Arjun, these baskets are for our lunch boxes and our water bottles. Let's unpack our bags," says Haruto.

There are many friendly faces all around Grade One.

"Hello, my name is Mia. Are you new to OFS? Let me show you where you can put your lunch box and water bottle," says Mia kindly.

The boy looks at Mia and says with a smile, ***"Yes, I am new to OFS. My name is Neil."***



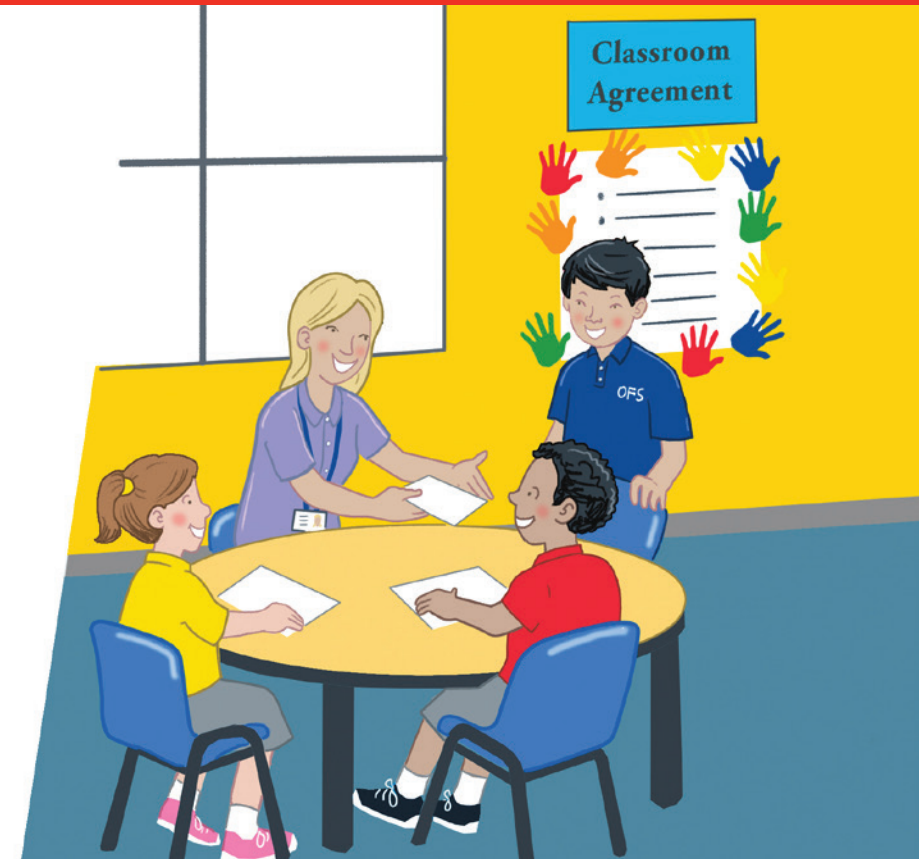
Who will I meet in Grade One?

Every day in Grade One is filled with fun! One of the first things you will do together is to decide on Classroom Agreements, ways you can keep the classroom a safe and happy place. Your teacher will take you on a tour around school and you will do some interesting activities in the classroom.

Every student will have a buddy, your first friend in Grade One!

"My buddy speaks Italian, just like me! We will have the same Italian lesson together too! He is so friendly and if I have any questions or need help, I can always ask him," says Mia.

"My buddy loves the playground and I can't wait to play there with him!" says Haruto excitedly.



What will my school day look like?



Every morning, your teacher will share your daily schedule and tell you all about the exciting classes you will have.

You will begin with sharing news and your teacher will take the attendance.

"Last Saturday, I went to Singapore Zoo and fed the elephants!" says Haruto.

"How exciting, Haruto. I hope the elephants were friendly." says the teacher.

You will do some Reading, Writing and fun Mathematics with your teacher during the day.



Over the week, your class will have special lessons in Chess, Physical Education (PE), Music and Art.

"Welcome to your first swimming lesson!" says the PE teacher.

Mia, Haruto, Arjun and their classmates are very excited as they hold hands in the pool. Arjun was a little nervous. He did not know how to swim but soon realised he was not the only one. He could stand up in the pool, so he felt safe.



Later in the day, you may go to the Chess room for your weekly Chess lesson.

Mia is playing chess with her buddy.

"That's a good move," says Mia.

What are you looking forward to doing at school?

What happens when I need to go to the toilet?

Your teachers will show you where the water fountains and toilets are located. Remember to let your teacher know if you need to use the toilet.



"I always make sure I wash my hands after using the toilet and before I eat," says Haruto.

Everyone in the class agrees to do the same thing daily!

What happens at lunch time?



At lunch time, your teacher will take you to the school's dining hall. Every class will have their own table where you will eat together with your friends.

If your parents have ordered a school lunch, your teacher will bring it to you.

"My parents ordered a school lunch for me, and it looks yummy!" gushes Mia.

"My mum packed my favourite sushi for my lunch, hurray!" says Haruto.

Grade One teachers on duty wearing yellow sashes will always be around to help you.

Later in the day, you will eat your snack in the classroom.

What is your favourite meal?

What else happens in Grade One?



After lunch, you will have time to play with your friends. Haruto and Mia are playing basketball at one of the five courts. You can also play at the Grade One playground, the garden and the field.

"I didn't know there would be so many amazing things to do in Grade One," exclaims Mia.

"Let's go to the playground after we finish this game," says Haruto.

During the year, you will participate in many celebrations and events. There will be parades, concerts and dress-up days!

In Singapore, we celebrate many different holidays such as Deepavali, Hari Raya and Christmas. During the Lunar New Year celebrations, you will watch a special Lion and Dragon dance.

"This is loud but exciting," cheers Arjun.

"Yes, it is the most amazing sight I have ever seen!" shouts Haruto over the sound of the beating drums.



What are you looking forward to celebrating?

What happens at the end of the school day?

At the end of the day, you will reflect on your learning before you leave your classroom. You and your classmates will talk about all the wonderful things you have done during the day.

"Pack up time!" says the teacher.

Mia is excited and says, ***"What a fun day! I can't wait to tell my parents all about it!"***

Haruto agrees and says, ***"Me too! See you tomorrow, Mia!"***



You can go home either on the school bus or with your parents.

Your teachers will take you to the atrium to meet your parents or to the bus bay and help you get to the bus that will take you home.



"Our school buses look so cool with the OFS colours on them," says Arjun with a smile.

"They will take us home safely too," says Mia.

Your teachers will be waiting for you to return to school the next day for another fun-filled day.

Are you excited about coming to Grade One?

We love Grade One!



At OFS, we aim to be

- Adaptable
- A Communicator
- A Collaborator
- Empathetic
- Ethical
- Resilient
- Respectful
- A Thinker

Master Policy

To maintain a happy, safe and effective school for overseas families living in Singapore.



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