



**A Jesuit Secondary School**

**Small Class Teaching Arrangements: The Way Forward from 2011/12 onwards**

- A. Starting from 2011/12, the 5 classes in F.1-4 will be re-grouped into 6 classes and extended to F.5-6 year by year. The average class size will fall from 36-42 (in 2010/11) to 30-33 (in 2011/12). The reduction of class size in senior secondary will help teachers (especially those teaching Chinese, English and Mathematics) provide better care to students in their preparation for the NSS public examination in which personalized school-based assessment form a part. Hence the number of classes and average class size (in brackets) for 2010/11, 2011/12 and beyond:

Sch. Yr	F1	F2	F3	F4	F5	F6	F7	No. of classes
2010/11	5 (36)	5 (38)	5 (40)	5 (42)	5 (39)	3 (32)	3 (29)	31
2011/12	6 (30)	6 (30)	6 (32)	6 (33)	5 (42)	5 (39)	3 (32)	37
2012/13	6	6	6	6	6	5	-	35
2013/14	6	6	6	6	6	6	-	36

- B. Government resources originally given exclusively to SCT in junior secondary Chinese, English and Mathematics will now be re-distributed among small classes in all subjects, which is in line with the Jesuit ethos of all-round education. WYOFF resources dedicated to SCT in these subjects will still be used in these subjects as described below.
- C. For Chinese, English and Mathematics, pre-existing junior secondary split group arrangements will continue for at least 1 class per level to provide greater care to students weakest in the subject.
- D. Most students will not have to move to a non-standard classroom for split-group teaching. There will be just one Form-teacher for each class, and this teacher knows every student in the class.

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