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# Lower Primary Year Head's Message

**Dear Parents** 

Despite the short notice, most of our Springdalites got into the routines of Full Home-Based Learning (FHBL) easily. We are grateful that this period of HBL is a short one. Do work with the teachers closely if your child still needs additional support despite your effort to engage them at home.

With many parents working from home, do consider encouraging your children to pick up healthy hobbies or new skills. You may help your children discover new talents or interests!

A week before school re-opens, do prepare your child by easing them back into their school routines like sleeping and waking up early.

Have a fruitful and safe school holiday.

Mdm Dewi Juliana

Every Springdalite a **secure individual**, a **leader of self-worth** and a **significant citizen** 

## **Mother Tongue Fortnight**

The use of Mother Tongue Language (MTL) beyond the classroom is critical to making MTL a living language for our students. At the end of March, a 2-week programme was organised to encourage students to use MTL in authentic situations.



Students were engaged in various hands-on tasks such as story-telling, song appreciation, games and art. They also learnt to appreciate the heritage and culture associated with their Mother Tongue Languages.



Springdalites enjoying the various activities













# **International Friendship Day 2021**

On 5 April, the school commemorated International Friendship Day (IFD). The theme for IFD this year is 'Singapore in the World'.

Our Springdalites commemorated IFD with a class-based assembly where they learnt the importance of Singapore having strong ties with all countries. Singapore's contribution to the world during the pandemic was also highlighted.



During recess activities and CCE lessons, students explored the culture, traditional costume, food and basic greetings of different ASEAN countries. Students also learnt how they can make friends, be a friend and show appreciation for their friend, regardless of the friend's nationality.

We hope our Springdalites continue to appreciate and embrace the diversity and culture of different nationalities living, working or studying in Singapore.

### **P3 and P6 Learning Journeys**

P3 went on a live interactive online learning journey to the Singapore Gardens. Zoological This virtual programme, titled "The Fragile Forest Goes to School", supported the P3 in their project work on 'Endangered Animals'. Students explored the rainforest and found out more about the jungle nymph, mousedeer and fox. They Malayan flying also developed an awareness of the factors affecting these animals' survival.





Springdalites at the various stations in Lee Kong Chian Natural History Museum

Meanwhile, our P6 students participated in a bio-diversity workshop cum guided gallery tour at the Lee Kong Chian Natural History Museum. A team of education officers engaged our students in learning and appreciating bio-diversity. They had hands-on experiences and observed different local specimens at specialised stations and tried to relate how living things adapted for survival. All students enjoyed the experience immensely.

# SwimSafer 2.0 programme

SwimSafer 2.0 programme resumed this year for all P4 students. In the 6-week programme, students are exposed to important skills like water confidence, basic swimming competencies and water safety knowledge.

We hope that our P4 students have enjoyed themselves and are more proficient in swimming.



Springdalites picking up water survival skills

## **P6 Student Leaders' Investiture**

On 30 April, the P6 Student Leader Council welcomed and passed the leadership baton to the P5 Student Leader Council. These newly-appointed leaders will lead the student body and other student leaders by being competent role models.

We look forward to their efforts and contributions in fostering a positive school culture for all.



First task: Displaying posters on peer support

I have learnt the importance of supporting one another as we carried out our duties. We helped and encouraged one another as we solved our challenges.

#### Delwyn Lee Prefect and Vice-Head of Student Leader Council

I have learnt that good leadership starts with leading oneself first – before we lead others, we first have to role model care and responsibility.

Callie Bay Prefect and Vice-Head of Student Leader Council

Reflections from the P6 Student Leader Council on their journeys



P5 Student Leader Council taking the pledge



Listening to advice from Vice-Principal, Mr Ho, and P6 Student Leader Council

# Hari Raya Celebrations

The school commemorated Hari Raya Aidilfitri on 14 May. The Mother Tongue department brought the school through an online celebration.

The main highlight of the celebration was the pre-recorded concert with performances by students and teachers. Springdalites learn about the significance of Hari Raya and how the festival is celebrated around the world through the concert, quizzes and craft stations.

Springdalites watching the pre-recorded concert in their classroom





## **Art Making Journey**

To express the love and appreciation for art, 21 students participated in the Art Making sessions to prepare them for the 2021 Singapore Youth Festival (SYF) Art Exhibition. Under the guidance of the Art teachers, Mrs Susan Teo, Mdm Phyllis Lum and Ms Ezaida, the students worked to create various art forms to depict the theme effectively and creatively.

Springdalites' Art Making Journey















Springdalites putting their creativity to work

## **Science X-perience Week**

The Science X-perience Week was organised from 10-14 May to ignite the love of Science in the students. Prior to this, the students were encouraged to submit self-recorded videos of Science experiments or demonstrations conducted at home.

More than 60 videos were submitted! These videos were shown during recess and in class during the week. We would like to thank the parents involved for the great support!

We were privileged and honoured to have a renowned scientist, Prof Jackie Ying, who gave a talk on her journey as a scientist during the Assembly session. We hope the students were inspired by her sharing.



Prof Jackie Ying giving a talk during online assembly



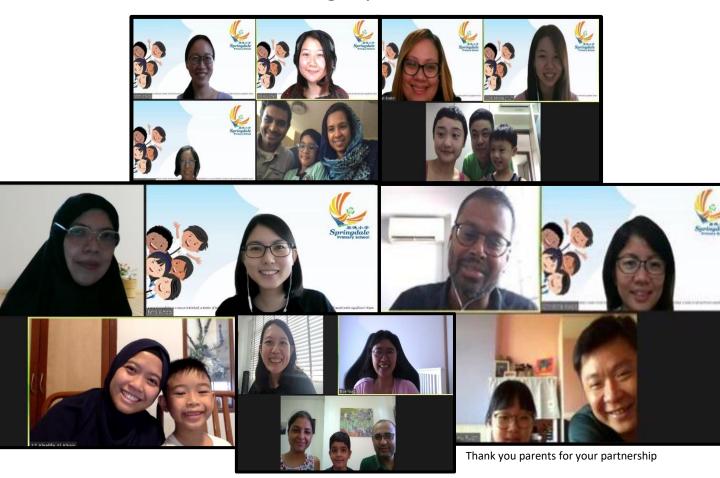
Springdalites watching the Science experiment videos during recess



Springdalites receiving tokens for the top 20 videos selected

# P1 to P6 Online Parent-Teacher Conference (PTC)

The school organised an online PTC session on 28 May for P1 to P6 parents. Form teachers and parents discussed about students' strengths and areas for improvement via Zoom or phone calls. We were pleased to have our students joining the session to share their learning experiences.



Thank you to all parents who made the effort to attend the meeting to support your child's progress and learning. We will continue to tap on this home-school partnership to support your children in their education journeys.