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# Springdale Primary CONTACT

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**Dear Parents** 

#### **Upper Primary** Year Head's Message

Term 2 has been an enriching term for Springdalites as they participated in many meaningful activities and programmes like Mother Tongue Fortnight, International Friendship Day and learning journey. As the school moved to Full Home-Based Learning (FHBL), we are proud to see our Springdalites showing resilience, perseverance, gratitude and care during this difficult time. All these would not have been possible without your support and partnership.

As your child takes a break from school during this June holidays, do encourage him/her to share his/her learning experiences with you for the term. We hope that you will have a meaningful time bonding with your child this holiday. Take care and stay safe!

Ms Ong Si Han (Covering Year Head/Upper Primary)

> 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'.

Springdalites commemorated IFD with class-based Our 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 rainforest and found out more about the jungle nymph, mousedeer and fox. They Malayan flying 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









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#### **Our CCA goals**

... improve my watercolour painting skills and build character.

> Jia Qi (P4) Art Club





... represent the school in badminton competitions.

Rithvick (P5) Badminton



... to make it to the school team.

Vahin Kumar (P4) Basketball



am good at ...

... brainstorming for solutions to daily problems!

Irfan Hafiz (P5) Inno-T(h)inkers Club







... capturing and editing photos and videos!

Aarshia (P5) Media Club

## I can contribute towards my CCA by...



... working well with my peers. Yazhini (P4) Art Club



... setting good examples for others.

Chloe (P6) Gymnastics



... helping my friends to improve their chords.

Jing Yuan (P4) Ukulele



... sharing ideas and coming up with creative solutions Lugman 'Aqil (P6)

Inno-T(h)inkers Club



... being a team player.
Si Ning (P4)

Scouts



... making new friends! Chloe (P5) ODAC



... communicating with my teammates! Renee (P6) Modular Sports



#### **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.





Springdalites watching the Science experiment videos during recess



Prof Jackie Ying giving a talk during online assembly

Springdalites receiving tokens for the top 20 videos selected

## P1 to P6 Online Parent-Teacher Conference

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.