



# Springdale Primary CONTACT

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## Upper Primary Year Head's Message

We're delighted to share that after 10 weeks into the school year, our P5 and P6 students have seamlessly settled back into their routines and are thriving. It's heartening to witness their reconnection with friends as they embark on this new year with enthusiasm.

In this edition of Contact, we're excited to highlight the enriching experiences our students have enjoyed during Term 1. From engaging and thought-provoking weekly Assembly Programmes to meaningful interactions with peers during Chinese New Year celebrations and Total Defence Day activities, our students have been immersed in a diverse range of learning opportunities that foster growth and understanding.

As we continue our journey together, our commitment to fostering a positive learning environment remains unwavering. We deeply appreciate your continued support for our programmes, which enables us to ignite the joy of learning in our students and nurture their curiosity and passion for knowledge.

We hope you have a wonderful bonding time with your child during the upcoming March holidays, creating cherished memories that will last a lifetime.

**Mdm Abidah Bibi Marikar**

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

# First Day of School

On 2 January, we warmly welcomed our P1 Springdalites. Parents accompanied their children to school, offering them well-wishes for a great start to their first day at Springdale Primary. We understand that the first day of school can evoke both excitement and nervousness in students. Therefore, the school arranged opportunities for our P1 students to acquaint themselves with the environment and engage with their peers and teachers. P1 parents also had the chance to meet the Form Teachers on the first day of school.



Ready to start the day with our teachers!



Getting ready for recess



Handwashing routines during recess



Enjoying the interaction with friends and teachers during recess



Settling into the class



Touring around the school

# P1 Road Safety Walk

Our P1 students learned about being responsible road users. They practised the Kerb Drill and learned how to apply it at pedestrian crossings. Additionally, they were taught the appropriate behavior when using pedestrian crossings, including zebra crossings and overhead bridges.



We are ready for the walk!



Practising kerb drill when crossing the road



We learned how to be a safe road user

An Initiative by the Student Leader Council

## Welcoming P1s to the School

The Student Leader Council launched a project aimed at creating a welcoming environment for our Primary 1 Springdalites. This year, with the assistance of our fantastic Primary 4 Springdalites, the team crafted over 250 origami hearts for the new members of the school. They also wrote positive and encouraging notes to inspire the Primary 1 students to face challenges with confidence.

During Week 6, all the Primary 4 class monitors visited their assigned Primary 1 classes to extend a warm welcome to our P1 Springdalites. Each Primary 1 Springdalite received a welcome note and a keychain bear. Undoubtedly, these acts of kindness and affirmation greatly uplifted the spirits of our young Springdalites!



A short Welcome Speech by the Primary 4 Class Monitors

P1 Springdalites were delighted to receive the welcome notes and keychain bears

# CNY Celebration

On 9 February, the school celebrated Chinese New Year with a concert in the school hall, showcasing a captivating lion dance and performances by students and teachers.

Interactive activities, such as paper cutting and calligraphy writing of auspicious words, were conducted during recesses in week 6, offering students a hands-on experience to deepen their understanding of the Chinese culture.



Our Springdalites showcasing their talents and skills through a variety of performances

# CNY Celebration

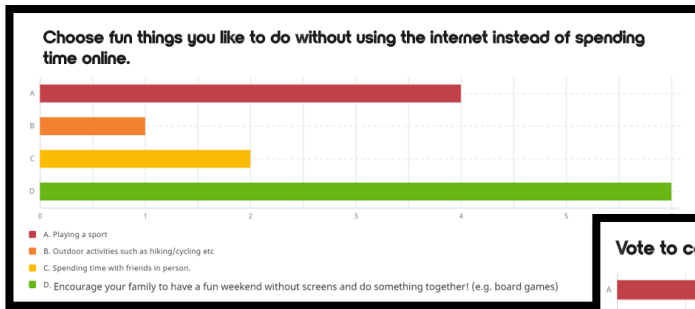


Springdalites participating actively during CNY recess and classroom activities

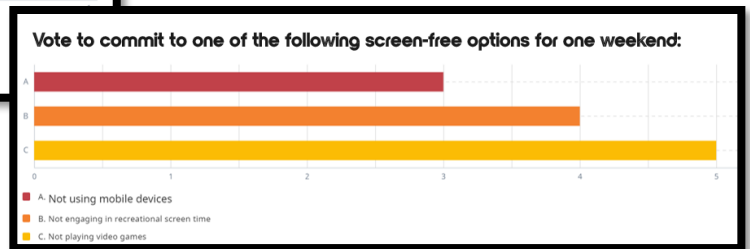
# Safer Internet Commemoration

In conjunction with Safer Internet Day 2024, a series of activities were planned for the students in Week 8, focusing on the theme "Nurturing Healthy Habits in the Digital Age".

The activities included workshops and discussions aimed at empowering students with the knowledge and skills to effectively manage their screen time. Students were guided on practical strategies to strike a healthy balance between their digital engagements and other aspects of their lives. Hopefully, this will allow our Springdalites to navigate the digital landscape with confidence.



Poll in SLS lesson to encourage Springdalites to commit to a screen-free weekend



P1 to P4 Recess activity

P5 & P6 Blooket Challenge during recess



# Total Defence Day 2024

This year marks 40 years of Total Defence (TD40) in Singapore. The focus for this year is on Singaporean's readiness and resilience in the face of crises and disruptions. Various disruptions were conducted on 15 February to provide students with invaluable simulations of potential food and energy disruptions.

The next day, during assembly, NESS Monitors from P4 to P6 shared about the six pillars of Total Defence with their peers. Form teachers engaged students in discussions on how we could respond to potential disruptions. Students engaged in puzzles and a 'Find the Defence' activity during their recesses.

Fire Drill Evacuation Exercise



Recess Activities



Springdalites experiencing energy disruption



NESS Monitor sharing about the six pillars of Total Defence



## Eco-Stewardship: Assembly Talk on Local Produce

As part of Eco-stewardship, the school organised a lively skit featuring captivating mascots to highlight the importance of local produce. Students were captivated by the endearing characters and gained valuable insights into food security and the advantages of supporting local produce.



Characters in the assembly talk



Springdalites attempting the quizzes

## Hydroponics planting in SDPS

We're excited to announce the successful trial of our hydroponics system, which has yielded our first batch of lettuce! Students had the chance to witness up close the vegetables via mini-tours during their recess breaks, gaining a brief but insightful understanding of how the system operates.



Lettuce seedlings

Springdalites observing the lettuce during recess breaks

## P2 to P6 Parents' Briefings

The school conducted an online Parents' Briefings cum Meeting with Form Teachers on 24 and 31 January.

We would like to thank all parents who joined us for these sessions and hope that you have found the sharing on our school programmes useful. We look forward to working with you to support your child in their learning.



Our Principal, Mdm Neo, giving her welcome address



Our Year Heads, Key Personnel & Form Teachers conducting the Parents' Briefing

# Springdale Parent Volunteer Club (SPVC)

SPVC hosted the first bonding session of the year, celebrating the Lunar New Year! During the event, PVs had the chance to connect with the new PVs who joined this year through activities such as crafting Ang Bao Dragons, participating in Lou Hei, and enjoying Chinese New Year snacks. The highlight of the day was Lou Hei, where everyone came together to "toss for good fortune".



Our PVs had a wonderful time bonding together

# Springdale Parent Volunteer Club (SPVC)



HAPPY  
**LUNAR NEW YEAR**  
Springdale Parent Volunteer Club



Thank you SPVC for your support and partnership in this journey!