



# Springdale Primary CONTACT

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## Middle Primary Year Head's Message

Dear Parents

Term 2 passes by quickly and over the months, we are glad to find the P3 and P4 students showing resilience in completing their schoolwork, demonstrating their learning in assessments and showing care for their peers. This can only be achieved through working hand in hand with you to establish routines with your child. This allows our children to cope with changes and build their independence.

As Term 2 draws to a close, I would like to thank you for journeying with us thus far. Please take this break to bond with your child and continue to encourage your child to adopt a growth mindset.

**Mr Sean Lim Tong Lee**

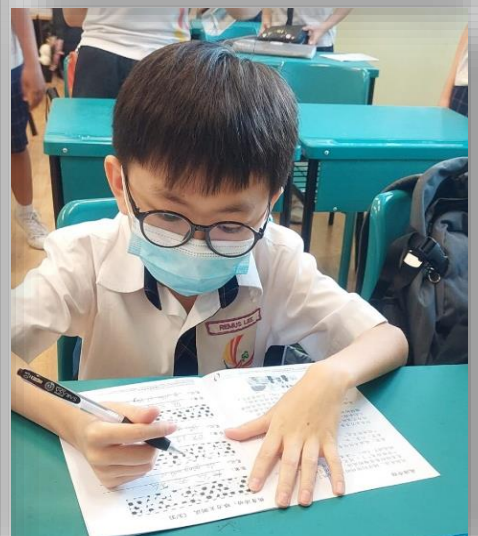
Every Springdalite a **secure individual**,  
a **leader of self-worth** and a **significant citizen**



# Mother Tongue Language Fortnight

Mother Tongue Language Fortnight aims to create an immersive environment for our students in their learning of the Mother Tongue language and culture. At the end of March, a 2-week programme was organised to encourage students to use MTL in authentic situations.

During the programme, a wide range of cultural and language activities related to the Mother Tongue languages were organised for students such as bean portrait making, jumping clay, song appreciation, calligraphy, games and art.







Springdalites having fun with the activities ranging from 'Wayang Kulit' to Bean Portrait Making to Hari Raya calligraphy



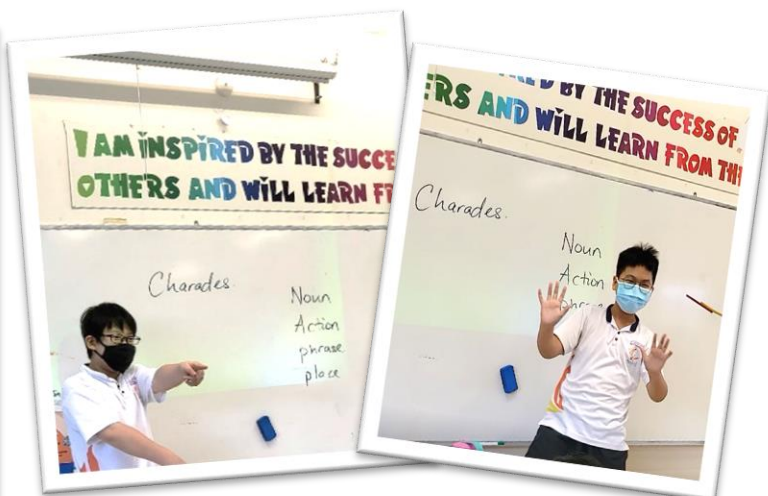
# EL Week: Hopes and Aspirations

The theme for EL Week this year was 'Hopes and Aspirations'. Students were engaged in various activities aimed at developing their competency in and appreciation for the English Language. We kicked off the week with a story "The Word Collector" told by Mr Muhammad Ali Haikal, EL Level Head.



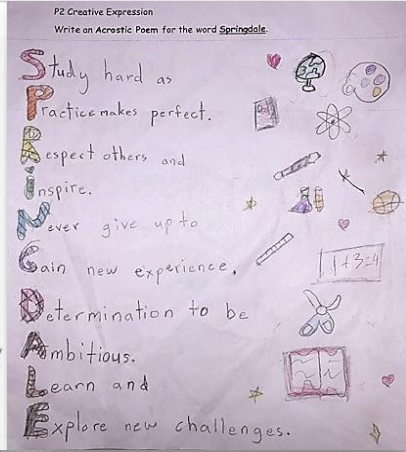
Springdalites listening attentively to Mr Muhammad Ali Haikal reading the story, The Word Collector

Some of the fun-filled and level-wide activities students participated included Rebus, Pictionary, Charades, Spelling Bees and Creative Expressions.



Students from P6D having fun with Charades and Rebus

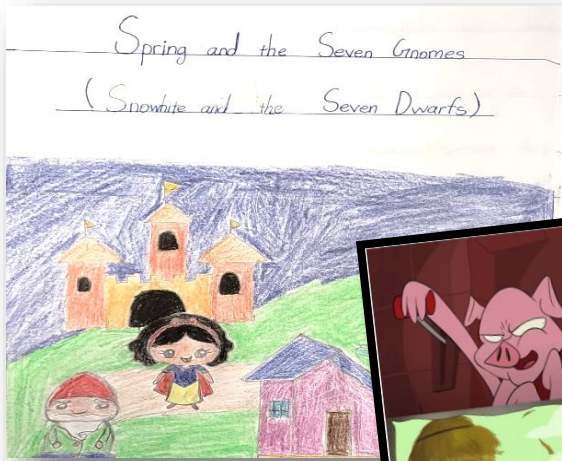
P1 & P2 Acrostic Poems



Top Spellers in P6IN and P5G

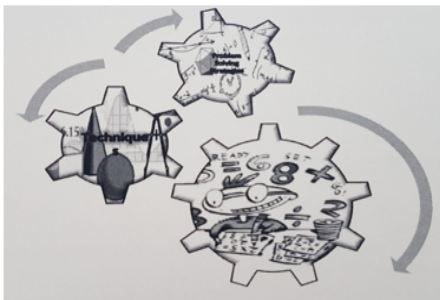


P3 & P4 Fractured Fairy Tales



P6 Alexander Nicholas Wong

Mathematics had always been a piece of cake. I had never, in my six years of school, ever come across a Mathematics question I did not know. Well, until yesterday... The Singapore Mathematical Olympiad for Primary Schools, or SMOPS, started just after school. We were given two hours to solve thirty questions. Thinking that that was easy, I looked confidently at the questions. They were unlike any I had ever seen! My jaw dropped and I saw rivulets of perspiration roll down the other examinees' foreheads. Some had their eyes opened wide, while my heart palpitated loudly. I started doing the questions. Only half the questions I knew and I did not even have time to type a random answer into one of the questions! It had inspired me to try even harder for Mathematics. SMOPS has opened my eyes and showed me that there are questions out there that are even harder.



P5 Saadhana D/O Balamurugan



It was just a regular day as a Primary 2 student. I dragged myself to school and headed to class. FTGP was taking place. Our teacher, Mdm Cheong briefed us on using a camera. My eyes lit up. I received a camera from Mdm Cheong and formed a group consisting of me, Suhail and Caleb. All of us ran down the stairs happily and we were instructed to take pictures of nature around the school. So, the three of us started taking pictures of flowers, dewdrops and many more. I loved this experience as it gave me exposure to a camera and on how to use it. This incident will forever remain in my heart as a memorable and unforgettable experience.



# Primary 3 Science Learning Journey

On 1 April, the primary 3 students had their virtual learning journey on “Fragile Forest Goes to School”.

Replicating a rainforest ecosystem, Fragile Forest allowed students to discover the different layers of a rainforest and walked through a huge bio-dome to come face to face with the lemurs, bats, butterflies, birds, tarantulas, snails, millipedes, etc. Students discovered why and how rainforests had played an important role in our life and learnt to save them.

Students were prompted to guess the animals and mimic their behaviour. They enjoyed themselves during the virtual learning journey.



Springdalites were engaged during the virtual learning journey!

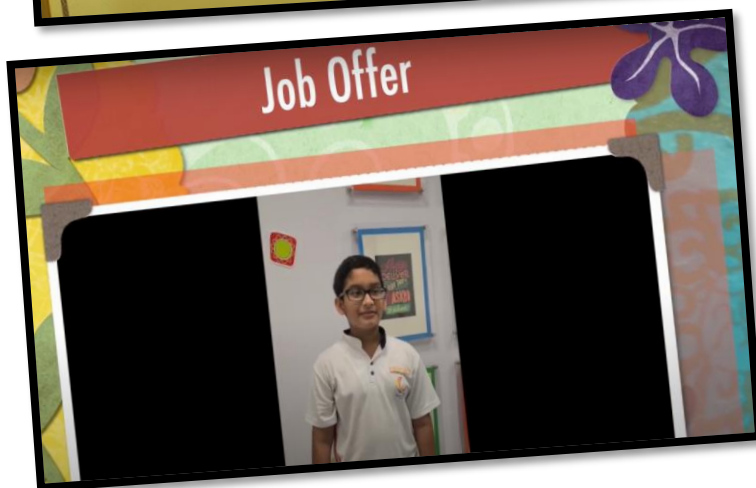
# International Friendship Day

The theme for International Friendship Day (IFD) 2022 is 'Singapore in Asia'.

During the assembly programme, our student emcees gave details on the reason why we celebrate International Friendship Day and highlighted how Singapore had assisted other countries in Asia in the past years.

Our Springdalites whose parents have relocated to Singapore were interviewed. The interview showcased the challenges they faced and how they overcame them.

The commemoration also reminded us on the importance of caring for others and living in harmony as one united Singapore.



Interviews shown during the assembly programme

Showcasing Singapore's contribution

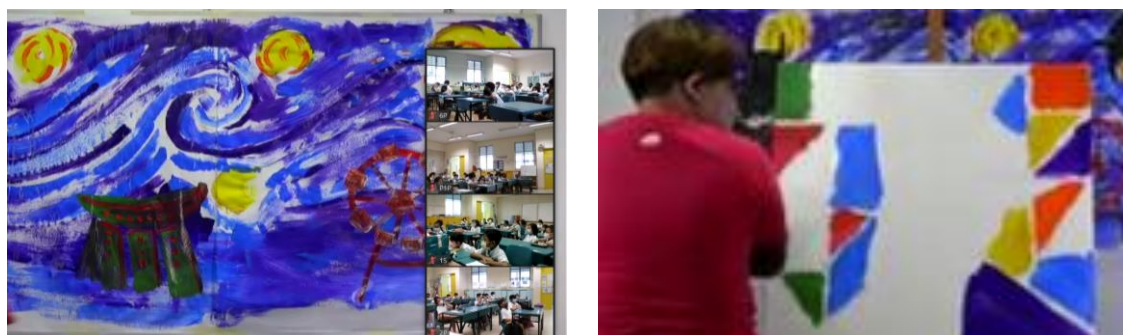


# Art Assembly

This year, our school engaged a vendor to conduct a virtual Art assembly on 11 April. Different art styles of two famous artists, Vincent Van Gogh and Paul Klee, were featured.

Our Springdalties learnt some background information and artworks about the two artists. Their unique art techniques were also highlighted. Springdalites exuded enthusiasm and engagement as the iconic landmarks of Singapore were added via the live demonstrations during the virtual assembly. In addition to the visual art elements, the school values of Responsibility and Resilience were also emphasized.

As a follow-up, our Springdalites were encouraged to take up *the Art Style Challenge* to unlock their creativity and discover new possibilities in their explorations. The responses were heartening and kudos for the tremendous effort made!



Live Painting on art styles of Vincent Van Gogh and Paul Klee



Online Art Assembly



Classroom Activities



# Cyber Wellness (CW) Assembly Talk

On 18 April, Springdalites had their termly CW talk where they learnt more about digital footprints and cyberbullying.

Digital footprints refer to the trail of information that is left behind when we use the internet. Students learnt about the dangers of oversharing their digital footprints especially their private information such as full name and address. A person with a big digital footprint has a higher chance of experiencing cyberbullying.

Students learnt about the effects of cyberbullying on the victim. In addition, they learnt what to do when they experience cyberbullying or see one happening online. Students are reminded that they should approach a trusted adult like their parents or teachers if they face any issues online.

### WHAT IS Digital Footprint

Trail of information you leave behind whenever you use the internet

- Send messages
- Post a photo
- Play a game
- Search for information



### EFFECTS OF CYBERBULLYING

- Victim
  - Drop in grades
  - Poor school attendance
  - Poor Health
  - Depression
  - Revenge

### Victim of Cyberbully Should

- **STOP** responding or communicating immediately
- **BLOCK** or restrict communications with the cyberbully
- **SAVE** a copy of the bullying message as evidence
- **TELL** a trusted adult about the incident

Springdalites learnt about digital footprint and cyberbullying



# Earth Day Celebrations

The theme for this year's Earth Day 2022 is 'Invest In Our Planet'. The school celebrated the event with a myriad of activities.

On 25 April, the invited speaker from the World Wide Fund for Nature shared Singapore's effort to tackle plastic pollution on "Plastic and Waste". During the week, students were engaged in fun and meaningful activities such as "Class Pledge Taking" to save our world, "Clean Plate" campaign where the class green ambassadors issued motivating stickers to those who finished their meals, "Recycling of plastic bottle caps" as ornaments for Mothers' Day greeting cards, Quiz participation on "Living with Nature and Conserving and Restoring Our Natural Ecosystem".

We hope students are more aware of the importance of saving our planet and that we can all work together to save our planet Earth.



Class Pledge Taking



Clean Plate Campaign



Recycling Plastic Bottle Caps



Quiz on Nature & Conservation

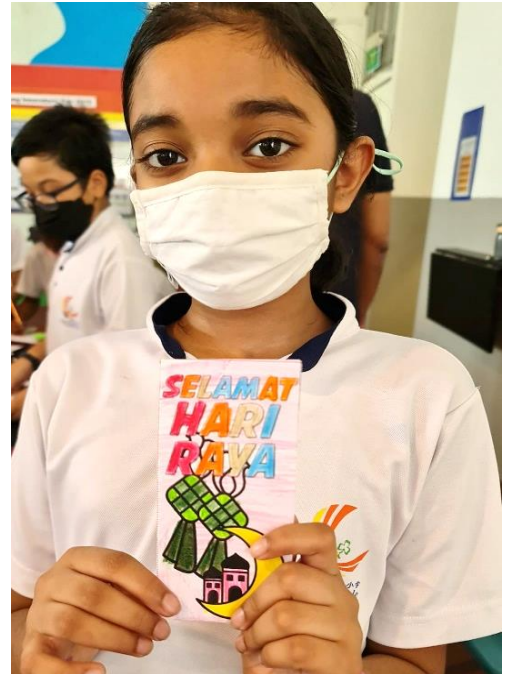


# Hari Raya Celebrations

The school celebrated Hari Raya Aidilfitri on 9 May via a live zoom session hosted by our student emcees, P6 Dita Julita and P5 Aqil Raiyan.

Springdalites learnt about the significance of Hari Raya and the meaning behind the food traditionally served during Hari Raya. They also enjoyed the performance by the Primary 1 Malay students, the well wishes from the school staff and their friends.

There were also recess activities such as the decoration of Hari Raya money envelopes and cards and the singing of the Hari Raya songs to add to the festive atmosphere.



Springdalites participating in the recess activities



# National School Games - Badminton

Our badminton CCA senior boys took part in this year's National School Games (NSG) and managed to make their way into the Quarter-Finals of the East Zone Competition. This is the first time our school has taken part in the NSG and we are proud of our Springdalites' results.



Our badminton boys have done us proud!

# English Spelling Bee Programme

The English Spelling Bee Programme aims to encourage students to focus on their spelling. It was conducted for all levels this year. Students were briefed on the spelling strategies before they sat for the class selection test.



P3G Spelling Bee participants watching their classmate spell out aloud

Based on the results, the top scorers took part in their own class competition to decide on the top 3 positions.

Students enjoyed either taking part or watching the whole competition. They also learnt how learning spelling can be fun.



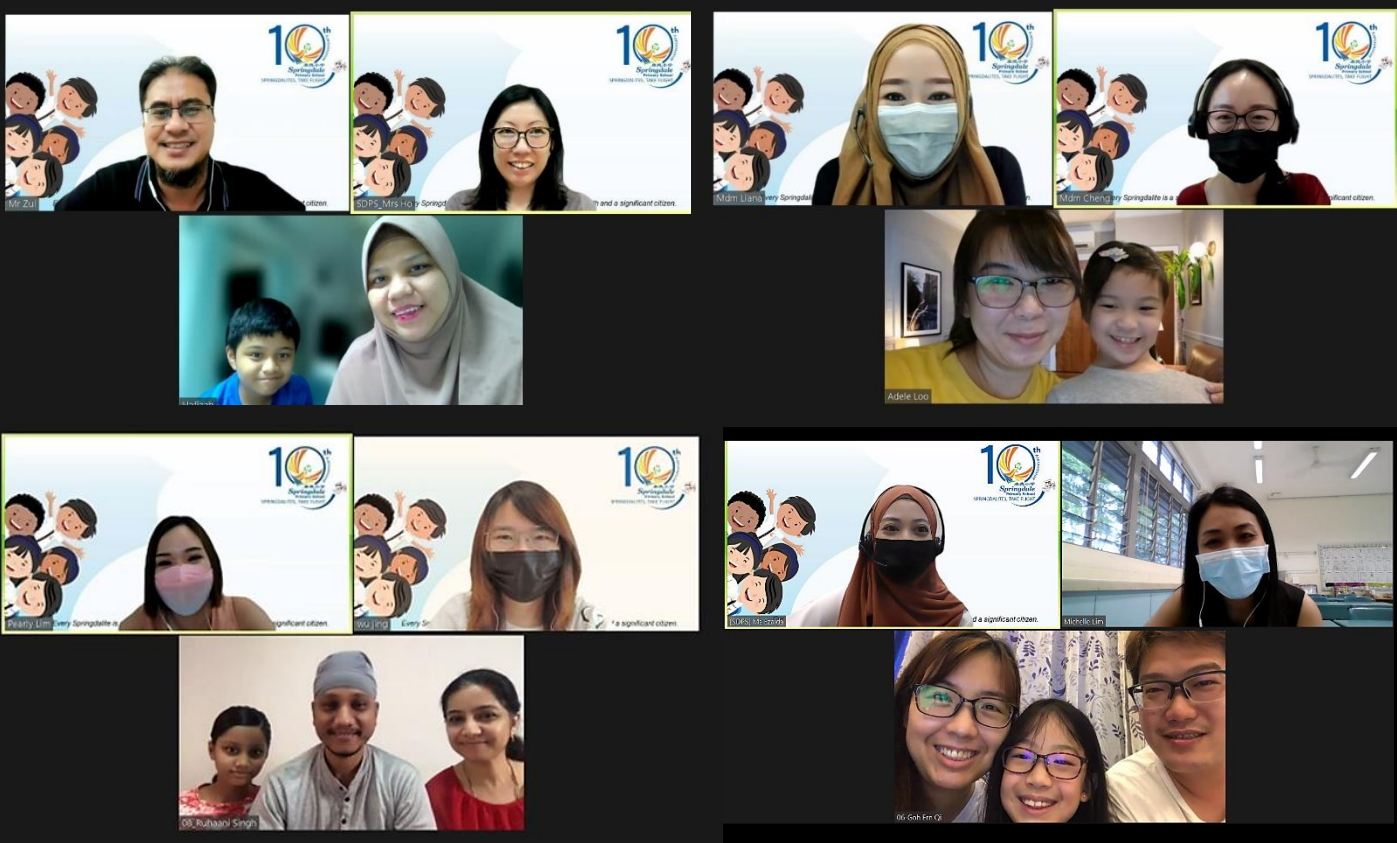
P3-P5 participants in action





# P1 to P6 Online Parent-Child Teacher Conference (PCTC)

The school organised an online PCTC session on 29 April for P1 to P6 parents. It is an opportunity for parents, students and teachers to interact and dialogue about the child's progress. We were pleased to have our Springdalites joining the session to share highlights of their learning experiences.



Thank you parents for your partnership

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.

# Springdale Parent Volunteer Club

We are pleased to share with you some of the bonding activities organised by our parent volunteers in Semester 1. We would like to thank our Springdale Parent Volunteer Club (SPVC) for their continued support and partnership in this journey.

With the easing of Safe Management Measures, there will be opportunities to support the school through recess duties/events and chaperones for learning journeys. If you would like to join the SPVC, please go to :

<https://springdalepri.moe.edu.sg/parents-infoweb/springdale-parent-volunteer-club>



SPVC celebrates Chinese New Year via zoom. They did the Ang Pao fan decoration along with some Kahoot quizzes and had lots of fun chatting and doing crafts together.

Hari Raya celebration was celebrated via zoom with some of the SPVC members. They participated in a Kahoot quiz and ended it off with ketupat craft decoration. Our PVs enjoyed making unique colour combinations of ketupat and bonding together online.

