

# Springdale Primary CONTACT

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### **Assistant Year Head's** (Middle Primary) Message

As we come to the close of the semester, let's take a moment to celebrate the strides our students have made in their journey of personal growth. From practicing mindfulness strategies like Whole Body Listening and Mindful Breathing to adopting a growth mindset when faced with challenges, our Springdalites have indeed excelled.

I am grateful for our strong teacher-student-parent partnership, and for working together to foster a nurturing environment where every child can become the best version of themselves.

As we approach the June holidays, let's seize the opportunity to reflect on our achievements and recharge for the adventures ahead. Whether it's spending quality time with family or pursuing personal passions, let's make the most of this well-deserved break. Wishing you an enjoyable June holiday!

Ms Noor Ezaida

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

#### **Our Appreciation to the Painters**

We all appreciate a pleasant environment to study and work in. Thanks to the painters who have been hard at work braving the hot sun every day, Springdale Primary has been given a fresh facelift with bright and inspiring colors. To thank them, Springdalites took the time to pen down special thank-you notes. Thank you for making our school so colourful, dear painters!



Thank you for painting our school with such vibrant colours!



#### **Hari Raya Celebration**

The school celebrated Hari Raya with a concert on 12 April. Springdalites learned about the significance of Hari Raya and the importance of staying connected in the digital age. The lively performance had everyone buzzing with excitement, especially when some students were invited to join the show.



Engaging the audience through a Hari Raya play.

Teachers performing to the crowd-favorite Hari Raya song 'Alamak Raya Lagi'.

Springdalites also participated in various recess activities, including crafting Hari Raya money packets, making lanterns, writing wishes on Hari Raya cards and singing festive songs played during recess. These activities further enhanced the celebratory atmosphere.



Springdalites crafting Hari Raya money packets and writing wishes on Hari Raya cards.

#### **Mother Tongue Language Fortnight**

The Mother Tongue Language (MTL) Fortnight aims to engage students with learning experiences beyond the textbooks to make the learning of MTL fun and meaningful.

This year, the two-week programme was organised from 18 March to 28 March. It offered students a hands-on opportunity to learn and appreciate their Mother Tongue Languages and cultures.



Learning symbolisms of traditional masks



Sichuan face-changing performance



Learning the traditional Malay dance, Tarian Zapin

Our Springdalites took part in a variety of activities such as learning traditional crafts (Oriental landscape modelling, mask painting, *Songket-motif designing etc*), playing cultural games, experiencing performing arts performance (Sichuan face-changing performance and *Tarian Zapin*) and appreciating literature (storytelling and poetry), gaining deeper understanding of tradition, festivals and history.





Having fun dressing up in traditional clothes.



Songket-motif designing



Oriental landscape modelling



Mask making







Learning about culture through games.

#### International Friendship Day 2024



Engaging Springdalites in an assembly activity.



Our school commemorated International Friendship Day (IFD) on 5 April. The theme for this year is 'Singapore in Asia'. By celebrating diversity and promoting friendship, we hope Springdalites will learn to recognize each other's uniqueness as strengths.

road-based

During assembly, students watched a play about a tortoise and a hare becoming friends and working together to win a race. During recess, students participated in activities to learn more about Lao People's Democratic Republic, the ASEAN country that is holding the current chairmanship.

#### **Earth Day Celebration 2024**

partnership with Alba Waste Management, school had our first e-waste recycling drive. Springdalites insightful attended an talk assembly by representative from Alba Waste Management to learn more about the importance of recycling and proper ewaste disposal.



Springdalites penning their Earth Day Pledge.



Students playing games made from recyclable materials.



recess, students During participated in a variety of engaging activities organised by our Green Club CCA. supported by our parent volunteers. They also penned their Earth Day Pledge to play a part for the environment. Students also enjoyed playing created using games recyclable materials, which not only provided fun but also reinforced the message sustainability of and environmental responsibility.

Singapore Amazing Flying

**Machine Competition** 

Our Springdalites participated in the Singapore Amazing Flying Machine Competition 2024 on 25 March at the Singapore Science Centre.





The team won 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the Championship Award



The team won 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the Time Aloft Award



The team won 3rd place in the Presentation Award

They prepared very hard for the competition and their efforts paid off when they won three awards! One team was even selected as the static display team to present to the guests during the Awards Ceremony. It had been a great learning experience for our Springdalites and we are very proud of their excellent achievements!



#### **NSG Floorball Competition**



Team presenting their award to the Vice-Principal, Mr Kelvin Ho.

Our senior boys' floorball team recently competed in League 2 of the National School Games under the new competition format. Through teamwork and determination, they advanced to the knock-out round held at Our Tampines Hub. The team emerged as runners-up, marking our best ever result in the Senior Division competition.



Team huddling for a pre-match pep talk.



We are incredibly proud of our boys for their outstanding achievement and their dedication to the sport. Congratulations to our talented athletes for this remarkable accomplishment!

## Singapore Youth Festival (SYF) Arts Presentation

In April, the Springdale Choir and International Dance CCA took the stage at the Singapore Youth Festival (SYF) Arts Presentation.

The SYF Arts Presentation is a biennial platform to celebrate youth vitality through the showcasing of diverse artistic talents and creativity.





Springdale International Dance team ready to take the stage.



Performance by Springdale International Dance team.

Our Choir CCA achieved a Certificate of Commendation, while our International Dance CCA earned a Certificate of Accomplishment at the SYF Arts Presentation 2024. Congratulations to our dedicated students whose hard work has truly paid off.

#### **Aesthetics Moments (Music)**

Springdalites were treated to an assembly performance by musicians from Green Drumming, the first recycled drumming group in Singapore. Students were inspired by how music can be made from everyday items.



Springdalites invited on stage to experience green drumming.

In addition to the joy of making music, playing rhythms on recycled drums also sparks important conversations about environmental sustainability for our Springdalites.



More green drumming during recess time.

#### Launch of Health Week

The launch of Health Week has sparked a surge of excitement and motivation among students. This year, Health Week focuses on reducing sugar intake.



The Health Week launch brought an exciting highlight: the appearance of SPARK, a Superhero Promoting Activity, Resilience, and Knowledge. SPARK encouraged students to make healthier choices and take charge of their weight and health. With SPARK's help and learning activities during Health Week, Springdalites are motivated to adopt healthier habits.



Superhero SPARK and PE teachers dancing to the campaign song.



# Primary 4 and 6 NAPFA Test (National Physical Fitness Award)

The school conducted a fitness test assessment (NAPFA) for Primary 4 and 6 students to support their physical health and well-being. During the test, the students enthusiastically cheered for their classmates as they pushed themselves to excel in the various stations. Well done, Springdalites, for demonstrating perseverance and determination!



Running towards victory at the Shuttle Run Station.



Cheering each other on!

### Primary 3 Learning Journey to Bird Paradise

Our Primary 3 students embarked on an exciting learning journey to Bird Paradise this term. They had the opportunity to experience the great diversity of bird species and learn about various predatory birds. This adventure brought their Science lessons on animal diversity and their understanding of the English STELLAR unit *Predators and Prey* to life, making the topics more engaging.



Learning fascinating facts and examining taxidermy specimens up close at the Bird Paradise Learning Centre.





Witnessing the amazing talents of the birds alongside their trainers at the Sky Amphitheatre.



Visiting the Penguin Cove.

### **Springdale Parent Volunteer Club (SPVC)**

The SPVC celebrated Hari Raya in style this year. The parent volunteers (PVs) indulged in a day filled with exciting quizzes, mind-bending puzzles, delicious food and fantastic company. By celebrating this occasion as one, we honour the backgrounds and traditions that make our community so wonderfully unique. Here's to more celebrations that embrace and enrich our shared experiences!



Thank you to all parents who made this celebration a memorable one!