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OUR NEWSLETTER

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A Word from the Editor

The main event for Term 2 is the Parents-Teachers Conferencing with the buzz words being "connecting" and "communicating".

Tung Ling Kindergarten, in line with current early childhood education practices, arranges an annual Parents-Teachers Conferencing at the end of Term 2 when teachers and parents meet "upfront and personal".

At this meet-up, the progress (or lack of), uniqueness of each child and as far as possible, complete appraisal on the child's development are communicated to the parent so that the child can benefit and attain his/her full potential through the co-operation of all the stakeholders. The assessment are all documented in each child's Progress Report. Special emphasis are given on literacy competence (both English and Chinese) and social/emotional development. We are confident that monitoring and encouraging in a professional manner in these areas will help your child develop skills in school subjects, aspire to become a good citizen and develop the ability to get along with others (high emotional quotient and resilience of character).

Above all, in our journey of educating and caring, we, in Tung Ling Kindergarten, thank you for the privilege of having your child with us.


Best regards,
Mrs Yvonne Quan
Principal

Field trip to the Hydroponic Farm

Date: 12.4.12

Reported by Ms Elaine

Teachers and children from nursery class visited the Hydroponic Farm at Sembawang. The children were excited in anticipation of what they will see. The children were aware that the vegetables are grown in a greenhouse and without using soil.

When we were at the Butterfly Lodge, the children saw many colourful butterflies. Before leaving the farm, the children sang "Fly Fly The Butterfly." The children brought home 2 packets of vegetables and a packet of wheatgrass DIY hydroponics growing kit.

It was a very enjoyable "green" experience for the children!



Fire Drill

Date: 19.4.12

A fire drill was carried out on 19.4.12, with the location of fire at the kitchen.

AM Session

Time of "fire" - 10.30am

No. of children - 59

No. of adults - 10

Time taken for evacuation - 1 min 10 secs

PM Session

Time of "fire" - 3pm

No. of children - 23

No. of adults - 8

Time taken for evacuation - 1 min 9 secs



Field trip to the Soap Ministry

Date: 26.4.12

Reported by Miss Gillian

Early in the morning on 26 April, the K1 and K2 children went on a trip to Orchard Central shopping mall. They were visiting the Soap Ministry shop. There was a variety of hands-on activities in store for them. The children were really excited to see the materials laid out on the table. They listened attentively to the instructor and followed the soap making basic procedure.

There were five steps in total and the children were actively engaged in them. They did cutting, stirring, pouring and measuring. The favourite step would be the last one when they got to choose their desired soap moulds. The soap mixtures were then left to cool and harden while the children ate their hot dog buns during the break. Finally, the long awaited time came for the children to remove their soap from the moulds and were soon happily showing each other their handmade soaps. The children then got on the bus back to school with a big smile on their faces. The children picked up science, math and language concepts through this "soap-er" experience!



CANOPY ON PLAYGROUND

We are pleased to inform that the playground has been fitted with two canopies to shade the children at play, especially for the afternoon session.

The children wish to say a big "Thank You" to our School Management Committee for this gracious provision.



PARENTS-TEACHERS CONFERENCING

The two Saturday sessions on 12.5.12 and 19.5.12 slated for the PTC were successfully conducted. Parents met up with the teachers, including the enrichment programme teachers, to hear and get the "progress reports" from the proverbial horses' mouths.

The meet-up was very fruitful, and positive and the information shared was very beneficial to the child.

The overall attendance was a very encouraging 88% and on behalf of my staff, we thank you for your strong signal of support of this event. We are privileged to continue with this planned sharing with you, the parents, as our honoured partners in education.



"TERM THREE"

Theme: Community Helpers

Learning Center: TLK Minimart

JULY:-

- SCHOOL CLOSURE (Youth Day) - 2.7.12 (Monday)
- Primary 1 Familiarisation Tour to Haig Girls School for K2 children on 5.7.12 (Thursday)
- Racial Harmony Day Celebration on 20.7.12 (Friday)
- Photo Taking on 26.7.12 (Thursday)

AUGUST:-

- SCHOOL CLOSURE (Day after National Day) - 10.8.12 (Friday)
- Teachers' Day Celebration on 30.8.12 (Thursday)
- SCHOOL CLOSURE (Teachers' Day) - 31.8.12 (Friday)

More details will be sent by letter in due course on the above events