

Forging Ahead to Achieve Breakthroughs

Frontier Primary School hosted both its twinning schools, Chengdu Haibin Primary School, China and Santa Laurensia Elementary School, Indonesia together for the first time in history as part of its Friendship Beyond Border Programme in Term 2. It was also the first time since 2019 that the school hosted overseas staff and students from both schools.



Our Primary 4 and 5 Frontierers hosted their counterparts from Santa Laurensia, Indonesia and Chengdu Haibin Primary School, China respectively over three days. They and their overseas peers embarked on a rich learning experience in their meaningful interactions. These exchanges presented the opportunity for them to develop global awareness, and hone their cross-cultural skills and sensitivities. Find out more about the Friendship Beyond Border Programme on Pages 6 and 7.

Our staff also engaged the teaching staff of both schools through hands-on experiences from our signature programmes, Applied Learning Programme (ALP) and Learn For Life Programme (LLP).

This breakthrough in twinning efforts has allowed the school to **Make A Difference** in the schooling experience of our Frontierers.

Frontier - A School with a G.R.E.A.T. Culture

Graciousness, Rigour, Enterprise, Affirmation, Thinking

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G.R.E.A.T. Highlights - *Graciousness Together*

Primary 3 to 6 Sports Day

Our Primary 3 to 6 Frontierers concluded Term 1 on a high note as they participated enthusiastically in a variety of games during the Primary 3 to 6 Sports Day 2024! The Indoor Sports Hall buzzed with excitement as our Primary 3 Frontierers competed in various relay games, putting their running, kicking, and dribbling skills to the test.

Meanwhile, our Primary 4 to 6 Frontierers had an inter-class competition in a modified version of Captain's Ball. Another highlight of the day was the class cheer competition where our Frontierers cheered with enthusiasm, showing their determination to produce the most impressive cheer. Congratulations to all prize winners and Frontierers who have exhibited great sportsmanship by working with their peers, showing respect for their opponents and judges, and most importantly, demonstrating their resilience and determination through sports!



P3 relay games



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Primary 3 to 6 Sports Day



P4 to P6 inter-class competition - Captain's Ball



Class Cheer competition



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S-eLF Investiture

**“We will always do our best to care, serve and lead
For the betterment of the school and all Frontierers”
~ taken from S-eLF pledge**



The school cultivates leadership competencies and dispositions in all our Frontierers and believes in preparing them to thrive and make a positive difference to society, both now and in the future. The 9th S-eLF Investiture took place on Monday, 8 April 2024. It was an occasion to acknowledge and recognise the Primary 6 school eLFs for serving the school and mentoring their juniors. The appointed school eLFs reaffirmed their commitment to serve the school and the student body. Congratulations to all appointed School eLFs and our newly formed 9th S-eLF Council!



**Chairperson for 9th School eLF Council
receiving her letter of appointment**

G.R.E.A.T. Highlights - *Graciousness Together*

S-eLF L.E.S.S. A

Student-centric, Values-driven Leadership Development @ Frontier

Our Primary 3 to 6 school eLFs and CCA Leaders took part in our student leadership training programme, S-eLF L.E.S.S. A, on Friday, 8 March 2024. This is part of values-driven leadership development that recognises the importance of grounding leadership in sound values while enabling our school eLFs and student leaders to lead others to achieve goals. Customised learning experiences were developed to hone our student leaders' leadership skills.

The Primary 3 and Primary 4 school eLFs learnt to be empathetic leaders as they leveraged Design Thinking in their planning process, keeping the end-users in mind. Through collaboration, they learnt to engage empathetically with diverse perspectives as they designed posters to create awareness on water conservation and led in craft activities for our MOE Kindergarten students. The Primary 5 eLFs and CCA leaders had the opportunity to brainstorm for ideas to design a hands-on activity with our Seniors from Lion Befrienders and NTUC Day Care that will take place in Term 3.



G.R.E.A.T. Highlights - *Graciousness Together*

Friendship Beyond Border Programme and International Friendship Day Celebration

Frontier Primary School welcomed the students from Chengdu Haibin Primary School, China and Santa Laurensia Elementary School, Indonesia in Term 2! They joined our Frontierers in a journey of cultural exploration and immersive learning. From vibrant discussions to engaging classroom activities, every moment was filled with the spirit of friendship and collaboration.

The exchange programme provided a valuable opportunity for everyone involved to gain insights into different cultures and educational practices. The teachers and students alike embraced the chance to learn from each other, fostering meaningful connections and broadening their perspectives.

Together, our Frontierers created unforgettable memories and forged lasting friendships. Here's to many more enriching exchanges in the future!



Our overseas friends trying out the interactive games in the F.L.Y. room and Maker Education activities in the iMaker Lab



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Friendship Beyond Border Programme and International Friendship Day Celebration



Batik painting and Rangoli making with our overseas friends



Mrs Chua presenting art pieces to the principals of both schools to symbolise the boundless possibilities that our friendship brings.



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Hari Raya Aidilfitri Celebration

Frontier Primary School celebrated Hari Raya Aidilfitri with an assembly programme organised by the Malay Language teachers from the Malay Unit on Monday, 15 April 2024. Our talented Frontiersers prepared an entertaining skit and song-and-dance performances to let everyone soak in the celebratory atmosphere.



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Pre-assembly Sharing

Starting from Term 2, our Frontierers have been given greater opportunities to build their confidence and hone their presentation skills during pre-assembly sharing on various subjects and topics. Together with their respective teachers, these Frontierers worked on their presentation scripts and skills, and took on the stage confidently to effectively engage the audience.



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School Emergency Preparedness Exercise

The school carried out its first School Emergency Preparedness Exercise on Tuesday, 9 May 2024. The exercise aims to train both staff and Frontierers to be resilient and be prepared for any emergency in the school premises by being familiar with the safety and evacuation procedures. The exercise included a lockdown drill and an evacuation to an external holding area. Our staff and Frontierers took the exercise seriously and completed it successfully.



Mrs Chua giving safety reminders to our Frontierers after the exercise



G.R.E.A.T. Highlights - *Rigour in Learning*

Primary 1 Learning Journey

Our Primary 1 Frontierers embarked on their first learning journey to the Frontier Community Club (CC) on Monday, 8 April 2024. They learnt the various roles played by the CC in serving the residents and fostering community spirit among them. They also learnt how to appreciate the CC's function in the community, and demonstrate the school values of Respect and Care to the people whom they interacted with.



Our Frontierers engaging in a tour within the CC to find out more about its various roles



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Primary 3 Learning Journey

Our Primary 3 Frontierers were greeted by the sights, sounds and scents of farm life when they embarked on a learning journey to Bollywood Farm on Monday, 15 March and Friday, 19 March 2024. From this guided experience, they learnt about sustainable farming practices and the precious natural ecosystem. Each of them was treated to a slice of freshly baked banana cake and brought home a young pandan plant that they had personally potted.



Our Frontierers learning the various plants, fruits and vegetables grown at the farm



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Primary 3 Learning Journey



Our Frontierers enjoying their freshly baked banana cake and pandan plant potting



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Primary 4 Learning Journey

Our Primary 4 Frontierers embarked on a learning journey to improve their awareness of safety practices at the Road Safety Community Park on Thursday, 21 and Friday, 22 March 2024. They gained hands-on experience in crossing the streets and using bicycles and go-karts safely in a controlled environment without actual motor vehicles.



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PAM Splash

PAM Splash offers an annual opportunity for our Frontierers to engage in Physical Education, Art, and Music activities inspired by diverse cultures around the world. Our Frontierers explored the culture, traditional sports, and visual and performing arts of Vietnam from Wednesday, 24 April to Friday, 26 April 2024. We extend our heartfelt appreciation to the members of the Parent Partnership Community (PPC) who assisted in the activities.



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PAM Splash

Our Busk@Recess performers showcased with great confidence their musical talents during recess. This event not only provided an opportunity for our Frontierers to nurture an appreciation for the performing arts, but also gave them a chance to demonstrate the value of respect and audience etiquette while watching the performance.



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PAM Splash



G.R.E.A.T. Highlights - *Enterprise Spirit*

Maker Education Workshop

The school conducted the third interest-based Maker Education workshop - Amazing Shrinking Plastic on Monday, 15 April 2024. A group of Frontierers learnt how to use beads to make a bracelet and shrinking plastic to make a keychain under the guidance of our teachers. They conceptualised their prototype before demonstrating their creativity and patience in making their bracelets and keychains.



Our Frontierers working on their prototypes



G.R.E.A.T. Highlights - *Enterprise Spirit*

Primary 3 Interdisciplinary Project Work (IPW)

The Primary 3 IPW – Young Communicator took place from Monday, 1 April to Thursday, 4 April 2024. IPW is a learning experience which provides students with the opportunity to analyse, evaluate, and synthesise information across various areas of learning, and apply it creatively and critically in real-world scenarios.

Our Primary 3 Frontierers created interactive posters to raise the awareness of water conservation. They also embarked on a virtual learning journey, connecting with various Indonesian families to gain insights into their water conservation practices. This interaction provided our Primary 3 Frontierers with valuable lessons in empathy and gratitude as they appreciated diverse perspectives on water management in Indonesia. They honed their communication skills and expressed their ideas with clarity and confidence.



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Primary 4 Interdisciplinary Project Work (IPW)

The Primary 4 IPW - Young Investigators took place from Monday, 25 March to Thursday, 28 March 2024. Through this IPW, our Primary 4 Frontierers had the opportunity to experience hands-on activities related to sustainability education with Terra SG's upcycling workshops. They applied their collaborative skills to learn about environmental conservation and repurposed recycled materials to construct a boat. They also designed a poster to raise awareness on the importance of recycling.



G.R.E.A.T. Highlights - *Affirmation Galore*

National School Games

The National School Games (NSG) is the largest annual inter-school competition in Singapore. The motto of the NSG is Character in Sporting Excellence, in recognition of the important role sports participation and competitions play in the character development of our students, even as they pursue sporting excellence. This year, our Frontierers from Badminton, Softball, Basketball, Rugby, Sport Climbing, Wushu, Taekwondo and Artistic Gymnastic had the opportunity to participate in NSG. They displayed resilience in their various fields and did us proud. Well done to all Frontierers!



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National School Games



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Singapore Youth Festival (SYF) Arts Presentation

The Singapore Youth Festival (SYF) Arts Presentation is organised annually to celebrate the vitality and talents of our youth in the Arts. Our Frontierers from the Chinese Dance, Choir, String Ensemble and Modern Dance CCAs participated in the presentation in April. They showed commitment and rigour in their months of training and we would like to affirm them for their outstanding achievements. Congratulations to all!

CCA	Achievement
Chinese Dance	Certificate of Distinction
Choir	Certificate of Distinction



G.R.E.A.T. Highlights - *Affirmation Galore*

Singapore Youth Festival Arts Presentation

CCA	Achievement
Modern Dance	Certificate of Accomplishment
String Ensemble	Certificate of Accomplishment



G.R.E.A.T. Highlights - *Thinking Beyond Self*

Outreach Experience 2 - Reach out with Maker Education

The Frontier Community Outreach Programme is a newly launched initiative this year to enable our Frontiers to serve the community through the application of the knowledge and skills they have learnt through our school's Learning for Life Programme (LLP) and Applied Learning Programme (ALP).

Our second Outreach Experience, Reach Out with Maker Ed! on Monday, 25 March 2024 saw the participation of 20 Frontiers who shared what they had learnt at one of the interest-based Maker Education workshops earlier in Term 1 with a group of elderly from the Jurong West Active Ageing Centre. Our Frontiers interacted with the seniors while teaching them to make a no-sew tote-bag from an old t-shirt. They learnt to be gracious, respectful and caring towards these seniors. Serving our community with our time, effort and talents is indeed intrinsically rewarding. We hope more Frontiers will be able to join us in the next Outreach Experience in Term 3! Let's make a difference by being the difference!



Our Frontiers applying their skills and engaging the seniors



G.R.E.A.T. Highlights - *Enterprise Spirit*

Pioneer Eco Fest

Frontier Primary School showcased our commitment to environmental sustainability at the Pioneer Eco Fest 2024 on Saturday, 13 April 2024 by creating public awareness through various activities. These activities were complemented by an outstanding performance from our Chinese Dance CCA performers who enthralled the audience with their dance performance inspired by nature and culture, showcasing their graceful movements and intricate choreography.



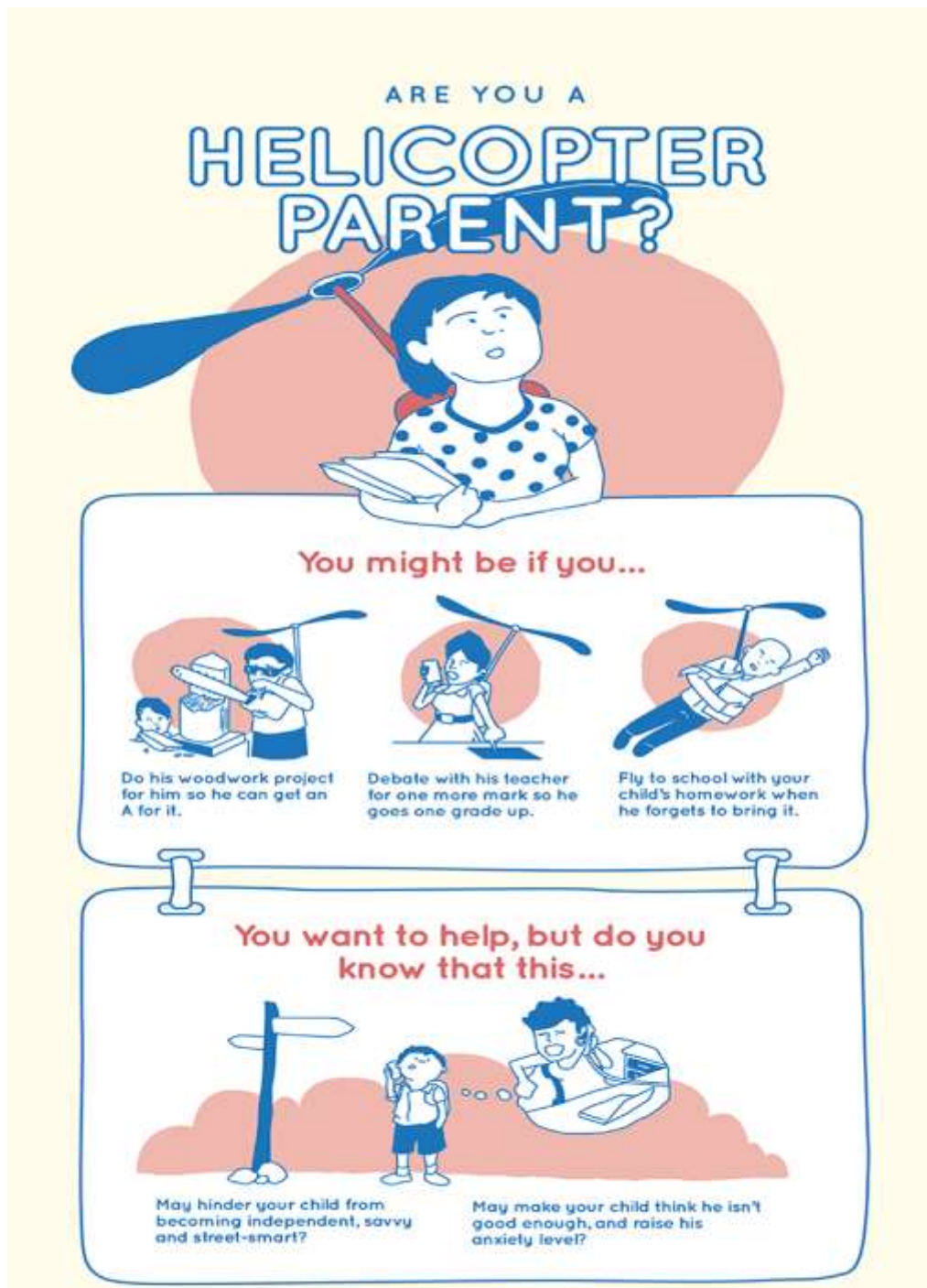
Some Frontierers volunteered to engage our visitors by sharing with them the amazing Black Soldier Fly, highlighting its significance as a "food waste warrior" that converts food scraps into nutrient-rich compost. Furthermore, some Frontierers from our Environmental Science CCA emphasised the pressing need for water conservation and engaged the participants in interactive games they had designed to promote this important cause. Our young eco-stewards led by example, demonstrating that every individual can make the difference and be the difference in caring for our precious planet!



G.R.E.A.T. Highlights - *Thinking Beyond Self*

Helicopter Parenting

Do you tend to do everything for your child? Let's find out how constantly hovering over your child may hurt his/her development. All of us have different styles of raising our children. As parents, we shall learn how to support our child's education journey without "helicoptering".



G.R.E.A.T. Highlights - *Thinking Beyond Self*

Helicopter Parenting

Why not help your children fly on their own instead?

Let them...



Do their own homework
Help them think through and arrive at the solutions, without feeding them the answers.



Stand up for themselves
Forgot their homework? Let them face the consequences (and the teacher) to build character.



Develop their own goals
Avoid telling them how many marks you expect. Instead, guide them to stage achievable goals!



Know it's ok to fail
Every mistake is a learning opportunity. Share how you've learnt to do so from your own stumbles.

"Our job as a parent is to put ourselves out of a job..."
Julie Lythcott-Holms, author of "How to Raise an Adult"

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