



**2023 MK OPEN HOUSE
18 Feb, Sat**

MK BRIEFING



- Our Team
- MK Programme
- MK Curriculum
- MK Learning Environment
- Kindergarten Care (KCare)
- MK Fees & Fee Assistance Scheme
- A Smooth Transition into MK
- MK Partnerships
- Why Choose MK?
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MK PROGRAMME

- Two levels – Kindergarten 1 & Kindergarten 2
- 4-hour programme (**AM** or **PM** session)
- 3 Mother Tongue Languages (**Chinese, Malay, Tamil**)
- Follows **MOE school calendar** of 4 terms and school holidays



SAMPLE TIMETABLE (AM SESSION)

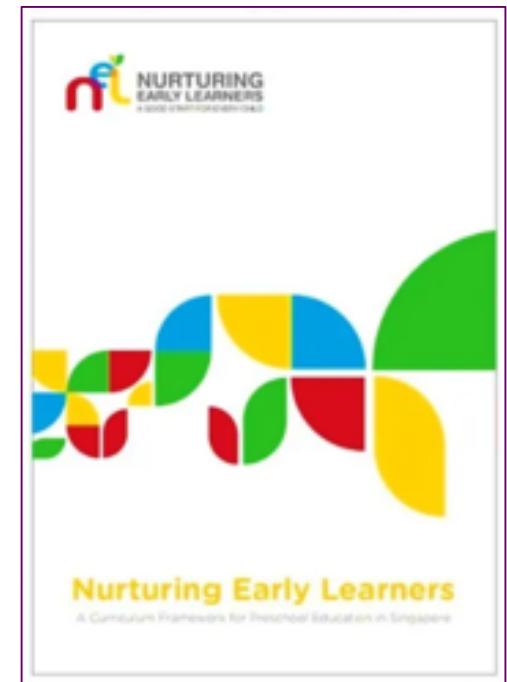
Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8.00 – 8.10 a.m.			Arrival and Health Check (10 min)		
8.10 – 8.40 a.m.			Outdoor (30 min)		
8.40 – 9.20 a.m.		Starlight Literacy (English) Programme (40 min)			
9.20 – 9.40 a.m.			Snack (20 min)		
9.40 – 10.00 a.m.			Learning Centre (20 min)		
10.00 – 10.50 a.m.		HI-Light Programme (50 min)			
10.50 – 11.50 a.m.		Starlight Literacy (Mother Tongue) Programme (60 min)			
11.50 – 12.00 p.m.			Closure & Dismissal (10 min)		

Note: Sequence of activities may differ from class to class



MK CURRICULUM

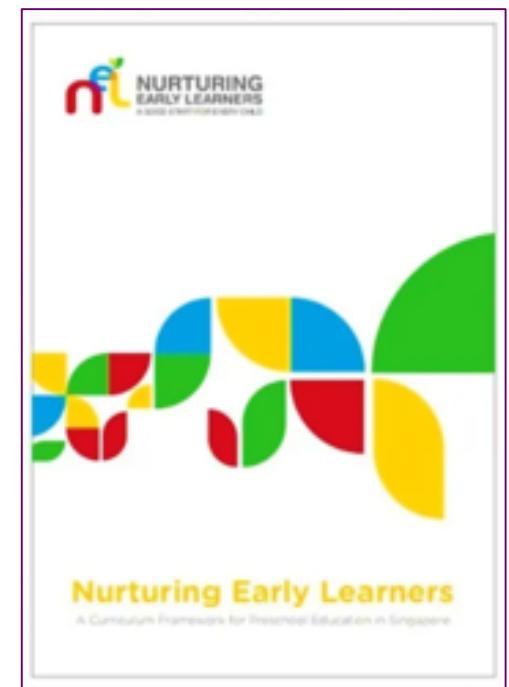
- Designed by MOE curriculum specialists and educators with knowledge and experience in early childhood education and primary school curriculum
- Based on the beliefs and principles in the Nurturing Early Learners Framework, developed by MOE, to guide quality kindergarten teaching and learning of children in Singapore





MK CURRICULUM DESIGN PRINCIPLES

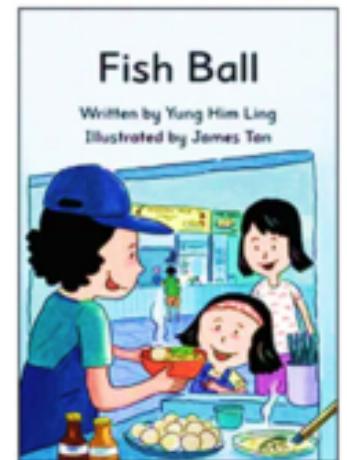
-  Children are joyful, curious, active & competent learners who play, learn and grow with others in a diverse and multi-cultural community
-  Holistic development through an integrated approach to teaching and learning
-  Learning through quality interactions & purposeful play





MK CURRICULUM

- ~ Two flagship programmes:
**HI-Light Programme and Starlight Literacy
(English and Mother Tongue Languages) Programme**
- ~ Activities organised around **four broad themes and relevant topics**
- ~ Activities with a **distinctive Singapore flavour**
- ~ **Weeks of Wonder (WoW)** projects which encourage self-motivated learning through exploration and discovery





MK HI-LIGHT PROGRAMME

The HI-Light Programme is designed to support the holistic development of children by nurturing in them values, social and emotional skills and learning dispositions, as well as knowledge and skills across the following five learning areas through an integrated approach:

1. Aesthetics and creative expression
2. Discovery of the world
3. Health, safety and motor skills development
4. Language and literacy
5. Numeracy





MK STARLIGHT LITERACY PROGRAMME

- ~ Nurtures early childhood bilingualism
- ~ Offered in English and three Mother Tongue Languages (Chinese, Malay and Tamil)
- ~ Focuses on developing a positive disposition to the languages, listening, speaking and early reading and writing skills
- ~ Uses Big Books, songs and games set in the local context to make learning fun & engaging
- ~ Encourages families to be involved in activities to enthuse children in language learning
- ~ Provides opportunities for children to communicate in English & their Mother Tongue Language with confidence and be aware of local traditions and customs



MK LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

- ~ Creative use of available space to encourage children to discover and explore their surroundings
- ~ Safe and & inviting indoor and & outdoor spaces
- ~ Promotes learning through a variety of play, hands-on and interactive learning activities that are facilitated by the teachers
- ~ Children spend at least 30 minutes outdoors daily

Outdoor Spaces

Carefully designed to provide a variety of play experiences



Indoor Spaces

Thoughtfully designed classrooms
and rich resources to
support teaching and learning



KINDERGARTEN CARE (KCARE)





KINDERGARTEN CARE

Our Programme

- Time and space for children to play, explore and discover
- Situated within MK premises
- Operates from 7am – 7pm, Mondays to Fridays, including school holidays
- Operated by MOE-appointed service providers, based on MOE requirements and guidelines





KINDERGARTEN CARE

Our Programme

**Safe & Conducive Environment to
Play, Explore and Discover**



*Provides opportunities for children to
develop:*

- ~-confidence
- ~social skills
- ~self-help skills
- ~values such as responsibility, care and respect



KINDERGARTEN CARE

Our Programme

- ~ Exploration and discovery through play
- ~ Specially designed environment with carefully chosen resources
- ~ Autonomy for children to decide what and how they want to play
- ~ Large blocks of time for indoor and outdoor play





KINDERGARTEN CARE

Our Programme

A variety of play experiences

(A) Modular Activities

- ~ Art & Craft
- ~ Cookery
- ~ Gardening
- ~ Music, Movement & Dramatisation
- ~ Sand & Water Play
- ~ Tinkering





KINDERGARTEN CARE

Our Programme

A variety of play experiences

(B) Free Play

- ~ Construction & Manipulative free play
- ~ Dramatic free play
- ~ Outdoor free play
- ~ Sand & Water free play



(C) Dedicated Reading Time

- ~ Daily dedicated reading time
- ~ Nurture a love for reading and develop good reading habits

KCare Environment (Indoor)



Art & Craft activity room



Cookery & Tinkering
activity room

KCare Environment (Outdoor)



Sensory garden



Sand & Water
play area



KINDERGARTEN CARE

Our Programme

KCare Staff

- ~ Led by KCare Supervisor with Early Childhood qualifications
- ~ Supported by team of Early Childhood-trained staff with the disposition to care for and interact with children aged 5 – 6 years old.
- ~ Possess requisite competencies and skills to engage children in activities while ensuring their safety and well-being

A TYPICAL DAY AT KCARE

Sample Timetable (AM KCare)

Time	Activity
0700 - 0830	Arrival and Health Check Breakfast
0830 - 0930	Modular Activities/Outdoor Free Play
0930 - 1030	Modular Activities/Indoor Free Play
1030 - 1045	15 minutes of Dedicated Reading Time
1045 - 1300	Rest/Nap, Shower, Lunch
1300 - 1700	MOE Kindergarten
1700 - 1900	Indoor/Outdoor Free Play Quiet Time and Dismissal

Note: KCare resides within MK. Both MK and KCare will work out an arrangement for the handover of children.



A TYPICAL DAY AT KCARE

Sample Timetable (PM KCare)

Time	Activity
0700 – 0800	Arrival and Health Check
0800 – 1200	MOE Kindergarten
1200 - 1230	Arrival and Health Check
1230 - 1430	Lunch, Shower, Rest/Nap
1430 - 1530	Modular Activities/Indoor Free Play
1530 – 1545	Afternoon Snack
1545 - 1600	15 minutes of Dedicated Reading Time
1600 - 1700	Modular Activities/Outdoor Free Play
1700 - 1900	Indoor/Outdoor Free Play Quiet Time and Dismissal

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MK FEES

Monthly fee for MOE Kindergarten in 2023

Singapore Citizen	Singapore Permanent Resident
SGD160	SGD320

KINDERGARTEN FEE ASSISTANCE SCHEME (KIFAS)



Gross Monthly Household Income	Gross Per Capita Income	Monthly Kindergarten Fee after Subsidy* <small>(With effect from Jan 2020)</small>
\$3,000 and below	\$750 and below	\$1
\$3,001 - \$4,500	\$751 - \$1,125	\$15
\$4,501 - \$6,000	\$1,126 - \$1,500	\$60
\$6,001 - \$7,500	\$1,501 - \$1,875	\$80
\$7,501 - \$9,000	\$1,876 - \$2,250	\$100
\$9,001 - \$10,500	\$2,251 - \$2,625	\$120
\$10,501 - \$12,000	\$2,626 - \$3,000	\$150

- For SC children
- Can apply for KiFAS provided by ECDA through MK
- Criteria: 1) Gross Monthly Household Income (HHI) or 2) Gross Monthly Per Capita Income (PCI)
- Info is correct as at Jan 2023. Updates will be reflected on MK website

KCARE FEE

Monthly fee for KCare in 2023

Singapore Citizen	Singapore Permanent Resident
\$210 (Fee after \$150 basic subsidy)	\$360

A SMOOTH TRANSITION TO MK





K1 ORIENTATION

A Smooth Transition to MK

~ You and your child will be invited to an **orientation session** before the start of the K1 year, where you will meet with the kindergarten teachers and classmates. This session will help to familiarise your child with the new learning environment.





FIRST DAY OF TERM 1

A Smooth Transition to MK

For the first day of Term 1, you are welcome to accompany your child to the MK to help him or her through the routines in the kindergarten.

Teachers at the MK will keep a look out for children who experience adjustment challenges and work together with the parents to support the child's transition to the new learning environment.



MK PARTNERSHIPS





OUR PARTNERSHIPS

Close collaboration with primary schools to facilitate transition to P1

- Opportunities for interaction between MK children and primary school students (subject to prevailing requirements of Safe Management Measures)
- Five-week experiential component in the K2 curriculum to support children's transition to P1
- Collaboration between MK and lower primary teachers to establish shared understanding about children's learning and development

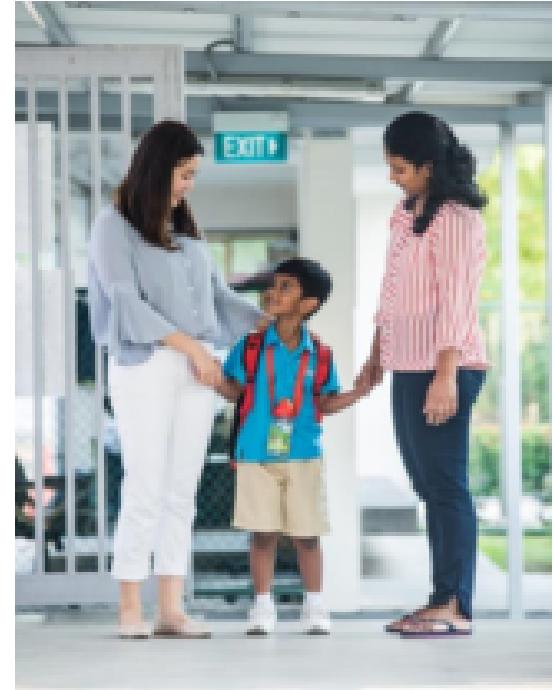




OUR PARTNERSHIPS

Strong partnerships with families and the community to enrich children's learning experiences

- ~ Effective communication
- ~ Active engagement
- ~ Meaningful collaboration





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Our Partnerships

Leading and Inspiring Families of Early Learners @ MOE Kindergarten

- ~ Centre-based workshops
- ~ Provides practical tips and advice on how you can support children's learning at home
- ~ Topics focus on holistic development, language development, how children learn and supporting children's transition from pre-school to primary school





MK-EYC PARTNERSHIP

Our Partnerships

- ~ Partnering two Anchor Operators:
 - (i) NTUC First Campus' My First Skool (MFS)
 - (ii) PAP Community Foundation Sparkletots Preschool (PCF)
- ~ Children aged 2mths to 4yrs attend the partner Early Years Centres (EYCs) offered by MFS and PCF
- ~ At age 5, children are **guaranteed admission to K1** at a partner MK
- ~ Our MKs' partner EYC(s) are:

PCF Sparkletots Preschool @ Punggol Shore



WHY CHOOSE MK?

- Quality & Affordable Kindergarten Education
- Caring & Skilful Educators
- Spacious & Rich Learning Environment
- Holistic Curriculum in English & all 3 MTLs
- Smooth Transition to Primary School



INFO ON MK REGISTRATION

- MK Registration Exercise held from **17 Feb 2023, 9am – 21 Feb 2023, 4pm**
- Open to Singapore Citizen and Permanent Resident children born between 2 Jan 2019 and 1 Jan 2020 (both dates inclusive)
- Register at [**https://go.gov.sg/mk-register**](https://go.gov.sg/mk-register)
- Parents will be informed of the registration outcome by 14 Apr 2023. Outside this registration period, parents can contact the MK directly to check for vacancies.
- Children from EYCs intending to apply for the partner MK will also apply during this period via a separate registration process*; parents to check in with your EYCs on registration details

**EYC Parents who are intending to register their child in a non-partner MK should apply via Open Admissions (OA) registration form. Your application will be considered under the MK OA registration and subject to the same conditions as all other OA applications.*



***THANK YOU &
LET'S GET ON TO A STRONG START!***

