

### **Our Belief**

At MOE Kindergarten, we believe that children are curious, active and competent learners.





#### Children are curious learners.

They have an innate sense of curiosity that should be nurtured. They wonder, question, explore and seek to make sense and meaning of their world. By acting on their curiosity, they continue to discover and learn more.

#### Children are active learners.

They learn by doing. They are also more likely to understand and remember skills and concepts learnt through participation, exploration and experimentation involving real-life objects and experiences.



Their thinking and reasoning skills evolve over time as they build new knowledge upon their existing knowledge and experiences. Through constantly thinking and reflecting about their learning, children deepen their understanding of how the world works.







Our vision is to provide a strong start for every child. We seek to do so through providing quality pre-school education that is affordable to Singaporeans and catalysing quality improvements in the sector.

We nurture children holistically so that they are confident, demonstrate strong social skills and have a good foundation in literacy and numeracy.

Our curriculum is designed by MOE's curriculum specialists, and is based on the Nurturing Early Learners Framework which guides the development of kindergarten programmes in Singapore.

Your child will embark on an exciting learning journey at MOE Kindergarten through our two flagship programmes – the HI-Light Programme and the Starlight Literacy Programme.

### **HI-Light Programme**

### Holistic development through an Integrated approach to learning

The HI-Light Programme supports the holistic development of children through an integrated approach to learning. It ignites the joy of learning in children.

As children learn holistically from their experiences and do not compartmentalise what they learn, the learning experiences in the HI-Light Programme are planned as a whole to help children make sense of the world around them.

Through the HI-Light Programme, your child will be nurtured holistically in six learning areas:



- Aesthetics and Creative Expression
  - Discovery of the World
    - Language and Literacy
      - Motor Skills
        Development
    - Numeracy
  - Social and Emotional Development

### **Starlight Literacy Programme**

Nurturing early childhood bilingualism



The Starlight Literacy Programme aims to nurture early childhood bilingualism. Offered in English and the three Mother Tongue Languages, the programme provides opportunities for children to enjoy English and their Mother Tongue Language, communicate with confidence and be aware of local traditions and customs.

Language learning is made fun for children through the use of a rich variety of resources such as Big Books, songs and games set in the local context. Families are also involved in children's learning through activities that children can do together with their family members.

Through the programme, your child will develop listening, speaking and early literacy skills which will help lay a strong foundation for language learning in later years.

# The MOE Kindergarten Experience



# Learning through activities organised around four themes

At MOE Kindergarten, your child will learn and progress through activities organised around these themes:

- Who am I?
- Who are the people and what are the places around me?
- Who do I share the world with?
- How do things work?

Each theme includes topics that are familiar to children and allows them to first explore and learn about themselves, before learning about their friends, the people and places around them in Singapore and subsequently, the world.

# Learning through purposeful play and quality interactions

Through enjoyable play experiences that are intentionally planned and guided to achieve learning outcomes, your child will engage in lively discussions with his or her teachers and friends to build on ideas and concepts together.

# Learning through activities with a distinctive Singapore flavour

Your child will learn about the people, places and things around him or her, such as festivals, traditions and local food. This makes your child's learning authentic and relevant.

# Deepening learning through Weeks of Wonder (WoW) projects

To deepen children's learning, each term culminates in a WoW project. Children work together with their friends and teachers to investigate topics of their interest. Through the WoW projects, children experience the joy of self-motivated learning and find answers to their questions.

#### These experiences seek to:

- Encourage collaboration as children work together to investigate a topic of their interest;
- Develop process skills as children gather information from different sources and communicate their findings; and
- Promote communication skills as children carry out WoW projects in English and their Mother Tongue Languages.



# Strong partnerships with families and the community

We believe that education goes beyond educating the child. We strive to enrich children's learning experiences through building strong partnerships with families and the community. We involve families in children's learning through our Leading and Inspiring Families of Early Learners @ MOE Kindergarten (LIFE@MK) workshops and family-based activities.

Through effective communication, active engagement and meaningful collaboration, we seek to work closely with you to support your child's holistic development and ensure that he or she is on to a strong start.



### Close collaborations with primary schools to facilitate transition to P1



Our close collaborations with primary schools enrich children's learning experiences and support their transition from Kindergarten to Primary 1. Your child will interact with primary school students through joint activities and in the process, learn from his or her older friends.

To promote continuity of learning from kindergarten to primary school, our curriculum includes a five-week experiential learning component where your child will find out what life as a primary school student is like and be prepared for the changes he or she will experience in Primary 1.

We also collaborate with lower primary teachers to establish a shared understanding about children's learning and development, so that they can better build on your child's learning when he or she enters Primary 1.

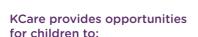
### **Kindergarten Care**

MOE Kindergarten offers a 4-hour programme. Parents who require a full-day service for their children can opt for Kindergarten Care (KCare) which is provided by MOE-appointed service providers and based on MOE guidelines.

KCare provides the time and space for children to play, explore and discover in a specially designed environment with carefully chosen resources. Your child will have a variety of play experiences and exposure to different areas of interest.







- Engage in indoor and outdoor play
  - Play with friends and interact with the larger community
    - Explore and discover the world around them

### **Programme Eligibility**

Programme	Eligibility
Kindergarten 1 (K1)	Children turning 5 in the year of enrolment
Kindergarten 2 (K2)	Children turning 6 in the year of enrolment
Kindergarten Care (KCare)	Children enrolled in MOE Kindergarten

#### **Programme Hours**

#### K1 and K2 (4-hour MK Programme)

AM session 8am - 12pm PM session 1pm - 5pm

MOE Kindergarten follows MOE's calendar of school terms and school holidays.

#### K1 and K2 (Full-day MK & KCare Programme)

K1 and K2 children who attend MOE Kindergarten AM session	7am - 8am (KCare) 8am - 12pm (MK) 12pm - 7pm (KCare)
K1 and K2 children who attend MOE Kindergarten PM session	7am - 1pm (KCare) 1pm - 5pm (MK) 5pm - 7pm (KCare)

Kindergarten Care operates from 7am – 7pm on Mondays to Fridays, including school holidays. The Kindergarten Care centres close for up to 6 days each year, in addition to gazetted public holidays. MOE Kindergarten and Kindergarten Care centre closure dates will be coordinated to ensure that they coincide as far as possible.



# **Accolades & Testimonials**

My child is enjoying her time in her primary school. MOE Kindergarten has laid a good foundation for her transition to primary school. Thank you.

Parent of Abirami Manickam MOE Kindergarten @ Frontier

Miguel has adjusted well in primary school. I truly believe that his time at MOE Kindergarten has prepared him well for it - the curriculum, teachers and experiences that were designed for the children. I believe that the quality and dedication of his teachers made the difference.

Parent of Ramos Jaime Miguel Ranada

MOE Kindergarten @ Blangah Rise

Zac has grown to be very independent in problem solving. For example, when he feels like making art and craft, he will know what materials to prepare, and the steps to take. I'm impressed that the Weeks of Wonder (WoW) projects have helped build his confidence and independence.

Parent of Zac Julius MOE Kindergarten @ Punggol Cove Chan Yik used to be a quiet, shy and reclusive boy. Since joining MOE Kindergarten, we noticed that he has matured into a more cheerful, confident and expressive boy. We are really delighted to hear him singing the catchy songs taught by his teachers at home. His command of Mandarin has improved tremendously. We are indeed thankful that Chan Yik has the opportunity to be nurtured in such a conducive preschool environment under a dedicated MK staff team. Thank you very much!

#### **Parent of Chan Yik**

MOE Kindergarten @ Farrer Park



I've never once heard from the MK teachers, "Oh, I've got many children to attend to so I've got no time to cater to the needs of each child". Never! At MOE Kindergarten, there is a team of excellent teachers. My child is very shy, but his teacher persists in engaging him. The teachers love their jobs and put in effort to teach the children. I'm proud and happy that I sent my son here.

Parent of Muhammad Al'Firdausii Irfan Bin Muhammad Ridhauddin MOE Kindergarten @ Dazhong

