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Xinghua Link

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Message from the Principal

Dear Parents/Guardians

I wrote to you when we first started the year and now it is the closing issue of Xinghua Link for the year. Much has happened in this difficult Covid - 19 year but we have been able to stand together and support one another. Thank you for working with us.

You would have noticed that gradually some things are changing at school. Group work in class is slowly picking up while observing safe distancing. PE lessons are also becoming more active with children playing with their friends in pairs or trios. The children have been amazing at taking instructions and we are very impressed with how they have adapted. Our staggered recess and dismissal have been very orderly with children knowing exactly what to do. That made it easier for us to manage the situation. Still, at school the teachers bemoaned the fact that we have not been able to see the children as a school in the hall. Much as it is something we desire, we will have to patiently wait for the time to come so that the whole school can gather as a family.

Currently, we communicate with the students through the PA system. We also celebrated events in the classrooms where teachers took charge of the respective event activities. Hence, we were able to continue with the festive celebrations, Racial Harmony Day, National Day, Teachers' Day and Children's Day. We will do the same for the end of year Prize Giving. For my teachers, it meant planning all over again and ensuring that the excitement was present while observing safe distancing. A tough act to put together really but they did it for the kids. And I am thankful for my teachers who are so committed and caring. I am not sure if your children shared with you that we started a song dedication segment on Fridays; it started as a suggestion from the prefects. The idea was to create some fun and excitement despite the fact that the school has generally become rather quiet. With this initiative, students walk into school with good music, fun, songs and laughter. It is very heartening to see how students care for one another, dedicating songs and best wishes and expressing gratitude to their friends and their teachers.

I would like to see this spirit of care and respect continue and grow over the years. The students have done well and my staff made this possible. Of course you are also a huge part in all of this; everything that you do and say at home has an impact on the children. So let's continue to work together and encourage the children to reach for the stars!

Warmest regards,
Mrs Chandrika Mano

Looking Back (A) September 2020

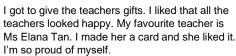
Celebrating Teachers' Day with a Difference

What do you do when you can't gather to celebrate the teachers in your life? Turn to technology, of course! Empowered by the experience of Home-based Learning, our students turned to technology to express their love for their teachers. Ex-students poured their hearts out on Padlet. Xinghua students made entertaining video clips to put a smile on their teachers' faces and even parents joined in the fun!



I got to see Xinghua's pupils' talents through the Xinghua's Got Talent video. It was very interesting and fun. A lot of the pupils gave teachers presents but I did not because I did not know what to give them. But I am glad that I wished them a 'Happy Teachers' Day'

Lakshmi (6E1)



Riefhan, 3H1



I enjoyed decorating the class whiteboard for my teachers on that day! I also liked watching the Xinghua's Got Talent video.

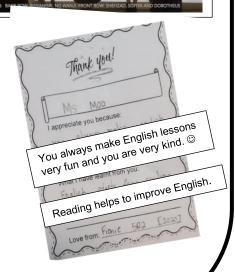
Jayvyn Rana, 4R2



2020 Teachers' Day Experience

When I walked into class early in the morning, my friends wished our teachers and gave little tokens of appreciation. We had many fun activities in class. I wished my teacher, 'Happy Teacher's Day' and she was very happy. I want all teachers to be happy on this special day and every day.





Looking Back @ September 2020

Mother Tongue Fortnight is an annual activity for pupils to learn their Mother Tongue language through a wide range of cultural activities. Different activities for each level were planned to excite pupils to learn and apply new knowledge in a fun way.

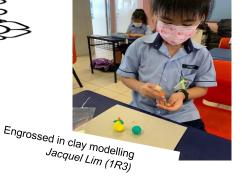


Engaged in interactive story-telling activity

PRIMARY 1



Playing a game of batu seremban. Arsyad (1R3)



Primary One pupils were actively involved in the interactive story-telling session. Pupils enjoyed the activity as it was a good mixture of singing songs with actions and drawing.



Performing with self-made puppets. P2 ML pupils



I like to make the hand puppets. I also learn how to tell a story using the puppets. I shared the story of 'Singapura Dilanggar Todak' with my friends. I feel happy.

Raina Mahani Binte Ghazali (2A4)

PRIMARY 2



A look of happiness and satisfaction! Rebekah Tan (3H2)



P2 TL pupils



Having fun with shadow puppets. P2 CL pupils

PRIMARY 3



I like this activity because every rabbit I cut is very cute. Isabella Huang (3H2)



Sharing with pride... Sooriya (3H4)



Acting out a scene from Musang Berjanggut. Riefhan and Fauzan (3H1)

Looking Back @ September 2020

Mother Tongue Fortnight 2020 ...

PRIMARY 4



Staying focused is Rithun (4R3)



Muhammad Syamir (4R1) trying his hands at making a 'takir'.



Loh Wan Ni (4R3) following closely to instructions.

I feel very happy as I get to learn how to paint on a fan. The teacher is also very patient. Through this activity, I am able to learn more about the Chinese culture.

Ng Yu Hao (4R3)





Angelina (5R2) carefully applying the right amount of ink to her batik print.

PRIMARY 5



Yeong Shuen (5R4) making sure his lantern looks really nice.



Rahul (5R2), Gabinesh (5R2) and Kaamil (5R3) with their masterpieces.

Wali art was fun and interesting to everyone. The art looked different from modern art. Wali art really attracted me as it was truly new to me. We also learned about its history and I really learned a lot from this activity.

Haja Sheriff Razik Ahamed (5R4)

Looking Back (A) 2020

Peer Support & Relationship (PSR)

At the start of the year, our students learnt the CHEER approach during Form Teacher Guidance Period to improve on peer to peer relationship. We want our students to be peer supporters, showing care and kindness to their peers and at the same time reinforce on building positive peer relationship.

During this pandemic period, I am proud to see that most of our students show care and concern to one another by adhering to the safety measures in the school. Keep it up! Most of them have not forgotten their role as peer supporter in the school community.

Let me share with you a story of how four girls in Primary 2A8 have made a positive impact on peer support and relationship.

It started on 5th August 2020, with Nitika taking the lead, joined by Srihasini, Anisah and Sophia to plan something special for their peers in Primary 2A8. Their aim was to bring about a surprise and create happiness in the classroom on 6th August 2020 when the school came together to celebrate National Day as well as our school's 90th anniversary. They decided to make cards for their friends and teachers. Each friend would receive a card with a customised message in the card. Since it was National Day, they decided to draw the National flag and write "Happy National Day" on every card. Before dismissal from school that day, they divided their work equally.

Early in the morning on 6th August 2020, they came to the class excitedly with their cards, only to discover that one of the girls did not prepare the cards. Without any harsh words, all four girls quickly came together to make the remaining cards. They got 28 cards (including the two Form teachers) ready for distribution before 7.30 am. Their Form teachers, Mdm Loh and Mdm Lim, were surprised by this self-initiated "Peer Support & Relationship" project. Each and everyone in the class received a "Happy National Day" card with a customised message such as "You are a kind girl," and "You like cars."

Such a simple gesture yet bringing such great joy! Mdm Loh and I are so proud of these girls!





Mdm Lim Mei Lim KOD CCE

Looking Back (a) October 2020

Celebrating Children's Day with a Difference







We began the cool morning with a song dedication section, and singing along to the Children's Day song "Semoga Bahagia". The timeless classic song aptly reminded all of us to continue to progress onward together, seeking knowledge, taking care of health and being courteous to peers and others. This message was also echoed in the Children's Day message read out by Mr Richard.

The celebration continued in the later part of the day with Inter-house Games to recognise the pupils' skills and knowledge. P1 and P2 pupils pitted their skills at Cup Stacking Competition, P3 and P4 pupils challenged themselves with the online Chess Competition, and the P5 and P6 pupils tested their memory with the 'Don't Forget the Lyrics' Game.

There was also a virtual concert presented as a story with some key messages for the pupils. They caught a glimpse of their teachers' younger days (Guess the Teacher) and their talents (Xinghua Got Talent). They also received heartfelt messages (Paper Ball Challenge) together with how teachers felt about their resilience and transformation during these trying times. We encouraged them to reach for the stars and spread their wings and fly (Video Montage).

To honour each and every child on this special day, we concluded the day's celebration with an activity "All About Me" in which every child was invited to complete an activity sheet about themselves leading to their peers guessing who the child was. Through this activity, every child was recognised for his/her uniqueness, foster the bonding among the pupils and emphasise the importance of respecting differences among them. The pupils thoroughly enjoyed the simple, special and meaningful celebration.

I enjoyed all the activities especially "All About Me". It was fun guessing who my classmate was and I got to know more about my friends. I also learned to respect our differences.

Ng Wan Ji (2A6)

I liked the virtual concert, particularly the Xinghua Got Talent and the Paper Ball messages as I got to see the teachers perform. I also felt inspired by all the encouraging messages from the teachers.

Zulfian Zu'andi (5R1)





UPDATES ON STAFF MOVEMENT

We welcome Mr Ang Hwee Yiong (Operations Manager) to the XHPS family.

We thank Mr Adrian Yan Shen Min for his contributions to the school and wish him the best in his future endeavours.

SCHOOL EVENTS

School Holiday /Public Holiday

PSLE Marking Days 19 – 22 October 2020 No school for all pupils Results Processing Day 11 November 2020 No school for all pupils

Deepavali 16 November 2020 Public Holiday

Semestral Assessment 2 (SA2)

Please take note of the upcoming Semestral Assessment:

Date	Events	Remarks
13 Oct	SA2 EL Oral Exam: P3 & P4	Conducted during school hours
14 Oct	SA2 MT Oral Exam: P3 & P4	Conducted during school hours
15 Oct	SA2 EL Oral Exam: P5	Conducted during school hours
16 Oct	SA2 MT Oral Exam: P5	Conducted during school hours
26 Oct	SA2 EL Exam: Paper 1 & LC	P3 to P5 pupils
27 Oct	SA2 MT Exam: Paper 1 & LC	P3 to P5 pupils
29 Oct	SA2 Science Exam	P3 to P5 pupils
30 Oct	SA2 EL Exam: Paper 2	P3 to P5 pupils
2 Nov	SA2 Math Exam: Paper 1 & Paper 2	P3 to P5 pupils
3 Nov	SA2 MT Exam: Paper 2/FMT Paper 1	P3 to P5 pupils
4 Nov	SA2 HMT Exam: Paper 1 & 2	For P5 HMT pupils only





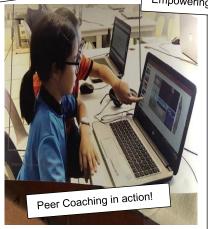
As we celebrate our 90th Anniversay... Memorable snapshots (2019)

The Journey Continues...















Hands-on pottery experience









Feedback from Parents

conducive learning environment for our children. Please feel free to pen down some thought compliments or comments for the school.			
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