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## EASTER CELEBRATION 2022



Dear Parents,

The month of April and May were busy months for the children as many events took place. Firstly, we celebrated Easter followed by Hari Raya and then Mother's Day. The children were busy making crafts and practising their wonderful songs and poem for the celebration days.



Easter was the first celebration in the month of April. Prior to the actual day, we did the dye colouring eggs in garden.





The coloured Easter eggs.



We were blessed when the day dawned crisp and clear in the morning of our Easter celebration. As a major switch, the celebration begins with the puppet show in the open air of Yorkland garden. We could gauge that the children were unexpectedly more elated as they gave in their fullest form of attention and co-operation for the show.





Then we continue with our yearly Easter tradition, Egg hunting! All the children geared up with their handmade rabbits and anxiously waited for the moment.



They ran around searching for Easter eggs as well as the groundnuts. We are embraced by joyful feelings as we observe the children begin to hunt for the eggs and peanuts in the garden.





The eggs that they found in the garden were served at lunchtime and all of them enjoyed them.

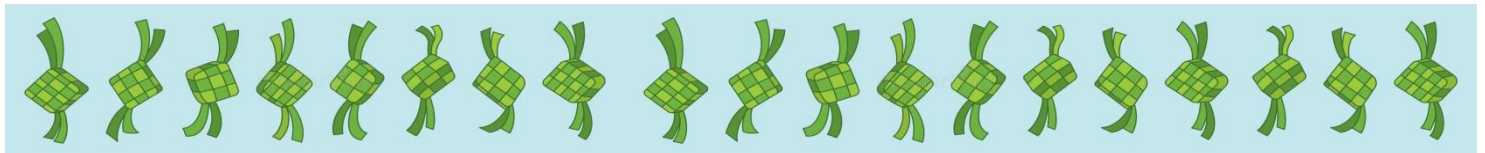


Before lunch, we sang our Easter song together. Again a few new songs were introduced this year and we are rest assured that the children have been singing "Hoppadi, hoopadi hoop" at home as well.





After lunch, the big children lend their hands to count and divide the groundnuts equally and distributed them into the individual baskets to be carried back home. The children happily took them home. And on the following day, they were chatting on how they shared their little "treasure basket" with their family members.



Before embarking off to our Raya week break, we celebrated Hari Raya ahead at our Yorkland. The celebration took its beginning with a slow transformation of our display corner into a greenish and bright yellow 'ketupat', and brighten up over with Malay traditional garb such as 'sarung', 'kain sampung' and 'songkok'.



This year children made 'ketupat craft' as Hari Raya decoration. Yorkland children learnt on the meaning and how is Hari Raya or the festival of Eid celebrated worldwide. As we are all aware, Eid marks the end of the fasting month of Ramadan. It symbolizes victory in completing the fast and the overcoming one's personal struggles during the holy month of Ramadan. Ramadan also signifies a time of forgiveness and strengthening of bonds amongst family members and relatives to start all relationships on a clean and free slate. The children were taught the importance of food and water and the importance of not wasting them.



Snack time for Raya rings off the bell for cookie temptation luring in all children and teachers! We served a full plate of various Malay treats such as rempeyek, kuih bahulu, buah Kurma and other cookies. The children enjoyed the entire snack served and finish the whole tray of cookies.





And when comes to the main meal; certainly feasting is a 'must-do' during this festive period, and much effort and time are put into preparing and cooking mouth-watering dishes, such as 'nasi lemak' by Auntie Anny.

A truly remarkable 'Yorkland Nasi Lemak' is not to be taken lightly. It constitutes good quality rice cooked in rich and organic virgin coconut oil with screw pandan leaves infused during the cooking process. This is key to creating the best flavors and texture into our irresistible nasi lemak rice. Hence, much effort is required to prepare this legendary dish. The nasi lemak was served alongside fried anchovies, roasted organic peanuts, sliced organic cucumber, hard-boiled eggs and an addictive curry rice gravy. Later the nasi lemak was wrapped in a banana leaf on the brown paper background to enhance the aroma of the coconut rice.



In the midst of all the festivities with children, the best part about our every celebration is seeing the happy and joyful mood of the children. Their happiness and smile are truly makes the busyness of the day so meaningful for the Yorkland team.



The children brought back the flowers and a card that they made as a gift for their mothers.



## Upcoming Events



### HARVEST FESTIVAL

We have thoughts on postponing our Harvest Festival to a later date due to crop harvesting. The new date shall be **25th June 2022 [Saturday]**. We trust that a weekend date would be an ideal for more parents to join along.

It is a special one as this marks our very first festival with parents after the MCO. We are planning to carry out the Harvest festival as an outdoor event in Yorkland's garden.

Further details will be given nearing to the celebration date. So come along and ensure to mark your calendar, to join us!

**Note:** *We kindly welcome all parents if you are interested to be a volunteer to carry out the event. Volunteering parents are required to attend meetings to organise the event.*

## Events and Activities

### **May 2022**

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| 12 <sup>th</sup> [Thu] | We will celebrate Sophie turning 5.            |
| 16 <sup>th</sup> [Mon] | Public holiday_Wesak Day replacement.          |
| 19 <sup>th</sup> [Thu] | Daxton's 4 <sup>th</sup> birthday celebration. |
| 26 <sup>th</sup> [Thu] | Skyler's 5 <sup>th</sup> birthday celebration. |

### **Jun 2022**

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| 6 <sup>th</sup> [Mon]                               | Public holiday_King's birthday. |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> to 10 <sup>th</sup><br>[Tue to Fri] | Term Break.                     |
| 17 <sup>th</sup> [Fri]                              | Father's day celebration.       |
| 25 <sup>th</sup> [Sat]                              | Harvest Festival.               |