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YORKLAND News

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Dear Parents,

We will be celebrating Harvest Festival together, on the morning of 25th of June [Saturday]. All parents and siblings are cordially invited to come and join us.

The children are now singing, reciting poems and dancing in preparation for that day. Festivals are a means for children to experience seasonal festive moods and spiritual focused goals. For the Harvest Festival, it is the celebration of food. Thanking the food which is important to all of us. Foods are gifts from our mother nature. We teach the children to be grateful to the sun, the rain, and the farmers for our food. The songs and poems were specifically chosen bearing all the factors on our mind.

This will be the first festival to be organized after the Covid-19 Pandemic for our Yorkland children. Hence, we shall be celebrating as an outdoor event with lots of fun activities for children and families. We are organizing it with the help of our committee mothers. A big thanks to all our supportive mothers who attended the meeting and even when to the extent of borrowing us a few necessary equipment for the festival.

We enclosed herewith the day's programme and song lyrics for your attention. Please do allocate some free time to accompany your child on this said morning. We look forward to sharing a joyful celebration with you.

As another traditional element for our Harvest Festival, we made our very own scarecrow! We explained to the children on the purpose of a scarecrow, as the name suggests, it scares the crows and birds away from eating off our vegetable beds.







The process of making a scarecrow is an interesting one, we laid out pants, shirt flat and a netting bag on the ground to stuff paddy straws. Where then, all the children take turns filling the scarecrow's body with the paddy straws. A stick is used as tack underneath to keep its standing position in place and to prevent it from sliding down. The same concept is applied to the arms too.





The final touch is pending, adding on the face and farmer's hat for the scarecrow. Look out soon for the scarecrow, which going to guard our Yorkland garden bed!

Parents, do please note of the following instructions and advise:

- There will be approximately 70 people onsite, including children, teachers, parents and siblings in the garden. Parents are kindly requested to help us keep an extra eye on their children's safety and movements during the activities.
- The arrival time for parents is fixed at 9.00 am. Please do adhere and be on time as we will start the programme at 9.20 am sharp.
- The siblings will be joining us in making pizza for our morning snack, do please ensure all the children are also in by 9.00 am.
- For parents whom are driving on the day, do kindly be considerate when parking your vehicle along the road side. Please do not block any home entrance of our neighbours. If we may encourage that you may part at Taman Jajar Public Car Park, where it is just a stone away for a morning walk to Yorkland.
- The main gate will be remained closed during the festival and only opened after the end of celebration. Please seek staff assistance to enter or exit the premises.
- Name tag stickers will be provided for all parents and siblings to be worn on the day. Kindly include your child's name on the sticker. For children of Yorkland, teachers will prepare them and be distributed on the day.

Lina [Parent's name] **Skyler** [Child's name]

- Free play at the Tree house is not allowed as it will be one of the activity's stations.
- It is not necessary to bring school bags or extra clothes unless the child really needs them.
- Please bring your own drinking water. For additional refreshment, cold Rooibos tea will be provided.
- As we are expecting a larger number of children and parents to be around, we would appreciate it if everyone could keep their voices mellowed down during the presentation.
- It is sometimes difficult for younger children to join in the festival's presentation because of the crowd. We kindly encourage mothers to sing along with their younger children to support and motivate their participation.
- The festival will be ending approximately 12.00 pm. Children and siblings are allowed to bring back home the handmade bracelet, bubble and fish if they want them.

Programme

8.00 am Yorkland staff arrival.

8.30 am **Event committee's arrival.**

[Lina, Jesslyn, Daphne, Mrs Heah, Jean and Michelle].

9.00 am Arrival of all other families.

9.20 am **Welcome speech** and programme briefing.

9.30 – 10.00 am Children's Presentation.

10.00 – 10.30 am **Station Activity.**

Please refer to the table for your child/children's group activity.

10.30 – 11.00 am **Break Time.**

Snack will be served.

11.00 – 11.30 am **Station Activity.**

11.30 – 12.00 pm **Station Activity.**

12.00 pm **Goodbye song** *and going home time.*

12.00 – 12.30 pm **Clearing up.**

After the goodbye song, teachers and committee members will

clear up.

Grouping													
Durian		Sunflower		Cílí Padí		Sprouts		Coconut					
Boys aged 3-4		Gírls		Boys aged 4-6		Siblings [below 3]		Siblings [above 7]					
1	Kye	1	Angie	1	Yuan Rui	1	Andriel	1	Dennis				
2	Darren	2	Dorothy	2	Jacob	2	Caelyn	2	Frederic				
3	Han Ming	3	Joey	3	Caylum	3	Daylon	3	Gerald				
4	How Shen	4	Sophie	4	Sklyer	4	Han Ting	4	Han Wei				
5	Han Sen	5	Jing Han	5	Daxton	5	Carina	5	How Xuen				
6	Varneeshh	6	Haley	6	Trevor			6	Ocean				
		7	Charlotte					7	Travis				

Station A: Bubble [Tree house]

All children including their siblings will get a small bubble toy to play which they bring it back home. But those larger bubbles are set to play only here in the garden.

Station B: Beads weaving [Entrance]

Children can make their own natural beads bracelet from "Jelai" seed on the day. Please kindly keep an eye out at our "Pokok Jelai" also known as "Pokok Tasbih" grown right behind our rabbit hutch.

Station C: Fishing [Sandpit]

Children will be provided a mini fishing net to catch fish from the pool and a pail to keep the fish swimming. If children wish to bring home their fish, please do approach teachers for an individual aquarium to pack the fish safely with fish food.

Activity													
Group/Time	p/Time 9.00 to 9.30 9.30 to 10.0		10.00 to 10.30	10.30 to 11.00	10.30 to 11.00	11.30 to 12.00	12.00 to 12.30						
Durian			Station A Bubble		Station C Fishing	Station B Beads							
Sunflower	Arrival	Presentation	Station B Beads		Station A Bubble	Station C Fishing							
Cili Padi	Welcome Speech		Station C Fishing	Break	Station B Beads	Station A Bubble	Clearing up						
Sprouts	Briefing	Audience Free & Easy			Free 8								
Coconut		Pizza maki	ng [kitchen]		Free & Eas								

Yorkland Garden Grown Stories

Nature have also been blissful and blessed us with good harvesting for this month. A wonderful yielding of cucumbers, corns, cherry tomatoes followed by bananas, happened at Yorkland.



















The children love the harvesting at our garden and shares great pride of their very own plantation. Whereby Aunty Anny would steam up those corn cobs, gather the bananas for afternoon snack and not forgetting to throw in fresh cucumbers and tomatoes for the children's salads.





Yorkland Harvest Festival

In the heart of the seed, buried deep so deep,
A dear little plant lay fast asleep,
"Wake!" said the sunshine,
"And creep to the light!"
"Wake!" said the voice of the raindrop bright,
And the little plant heard and it rose to see,
What a wonderful outside world might be.

The wind and the leaves

Come little leaves said the wind one day
Come over the meadow with us and play
Put on your dresses of red and gold
Summer has gone and the days grow cold
As soon as the leaves heard the winds loud call
Down they came fluttering one and all.

The river sang softly to the leaves on the tree I am waiting to take you on a journey with me So the leaves fell down softly on a quiet autumn day And they floated with the river far far away

Oats and Beans and Barley Grow



- 1. Oat and beans and barley grow, oat and beans and barley grow
- 2. First the farmer sows his seed, then he stands and takes his ease



- 1. But not you nor, I nor, anyone know, how oats and beans and barley grow
- 2. Stamps his feet and claps his hands and turns him round to view the land

Dingle Dangle Scarecrow

When all the cows were sleeping And the sun had gone to bed Up jumped the scarecrow And this is what he said

I'm a dingle, dangle scarecrow With a flippy, floppy hat I can shake my hands like this I can shake my feet like that When all the hens were roosting And the moon behind a cloud Up jumped the scarecrow And shouted very loud

I'm a dingle, dangle scarecrow With a flippy, floppy hat I can shake my hands like this I can shake my feet like that

Little Dwarfs



- 1. Little dwarfs so short and strong
- 2. Pick and hammer each must hold
- 3. When their hard day's work is done



- 1. Every head is straight and proud
- 2. Ready over each one's back
- 3. Full sacks made a heavy load



- 1. Heavy footed march along
- 2. Deep it earth to mine the gold
- 3. Home again they march as one



- 1. Every step is firm and loud
- 2. Hangs a little empty sack
- 3. As they tramp along the road



An apple tree

An apple tree stands in my yard,
An apple hangs on it.
Blows the wind, blows on it, blows more, and more.
My apple dropped.
I pick it up and think what to do with it.
I carry it home to mother quick.
She'll make applesauce of it.
Applesauce...applesauce...
Yum, yumm...

Tickly Rain

On my head tickly rain
On my shoulders tickly rain
On my back tickly rain
It's raining again

On my arm tickly rain
On my tummy tickly rain
On my legs tickly rain
It's raining again
Drip drop drip drop drip drop drip drop drip

Dandelion

Dandelion, dandelion yellow as gold What do you do all day?
I wait and I wait in the long green grass Till the children come and play.

Dandelion, dandelion yellow as gold What do you do all night? I wait and I wait in the long green grass Till my hair grows long and white



And what do you do when the children come and play? They pick me up with their little hands and blow my hair away~whew!

The farmer in the dell



The farmer in the dell, the farmer in the dell
The farmer takes a wife, the farmer takes a wife
The wife takes the child, the wife takes the child
The child takes the nurse, the child takes the nurse
The nurse takes the dog, the nurse takes the dog
The dog takes the cat, the dog takes the cat
The cat takes the mouse, the cat takes the mouse
The mouse takes the cheese, the mouse takes the cheese
The cheese stands alone, the cheese stands alone



Hi-ho, the derry-o The farmer in the dell Hi-ho, the derry-o, the farmer takes a wife Hi-ho, the derry-o, the wife takes the child Hi-ho, the derry-o, the child takes the nurse Hi-ho, the derry-o, the nurse takes the dog Hi-ho, the derry-o, the dog takes the cat Hi-ho, the derry-o, the cat takes the mouse Hi-ho, the derry-o, the mouse takes the cheese Hi-ho, the derry-o, the cheese stands alone

Carrot story

Once upon the time, there was a farmer. One day, he sows a carrot seed.

"Grow carrot, grow and become big."

The next day, the rain fell on the carrot.

*Tip tap Tip tap Tip tap Tip tap...... Tip tap Tip tap Tip tap Tip tap"

"Grow carrot, grow and become big."

The next day, the sky becomes heavy and dark.

And suddenly.....thunder

Then.....the sun shone in the sky.

"Grow carrot, grow and become big."

The next day, the wind blew above the carrot.

Few.....Few.....Few.....

"Grow carrot, grow and became big."

The next day, a little carrot bud came out. And little leaves opened.

The carrot grew and grew and became bigger and bigger.

It became a Giant carrot.

Night came and the farmer went back to his house.

Next morning, the farmer came back again.

The farmer said "It is time to pull the carrot out." He pulled and pulled, but it didn't come out.

So, he called his wife to help him.

"Mrs. Farmer, Mrs. Farmer, come here please.

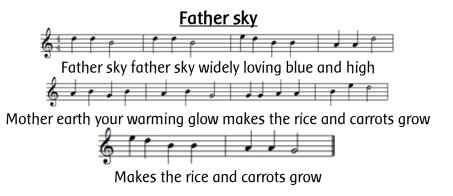
"Mrs. Farmer, Mrs. Farmer, come here please. They pulled and pulled, but it didn't come out.

So they call their children to help them.

"Children, children, come here please."

They pulled and pulled and Woops! It came out.



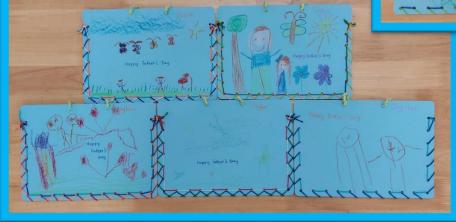




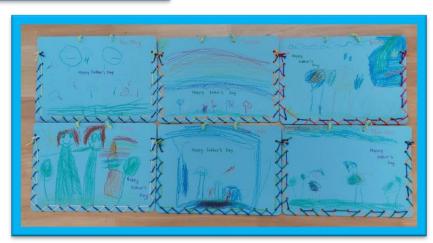








The children made Father's Day wall cards and flowers for their fathers. They brought the cards and flowers home on as a gift for their father.



Upcoming Events



This is the day of the year, according to a Chinese and Japanese folktale, when the Weaver Princess and the Cowherd meet across the Milky Way to renew their love for each other. The children will make Tanzaku for this celebration. 'Tanzaku' is a special strip of paper on which wishes are written. 'Tanzaku' and other ornaments are hung on a bamboo branch during 'Tanabata' day and placed in the house as a way of entreating better things to come.