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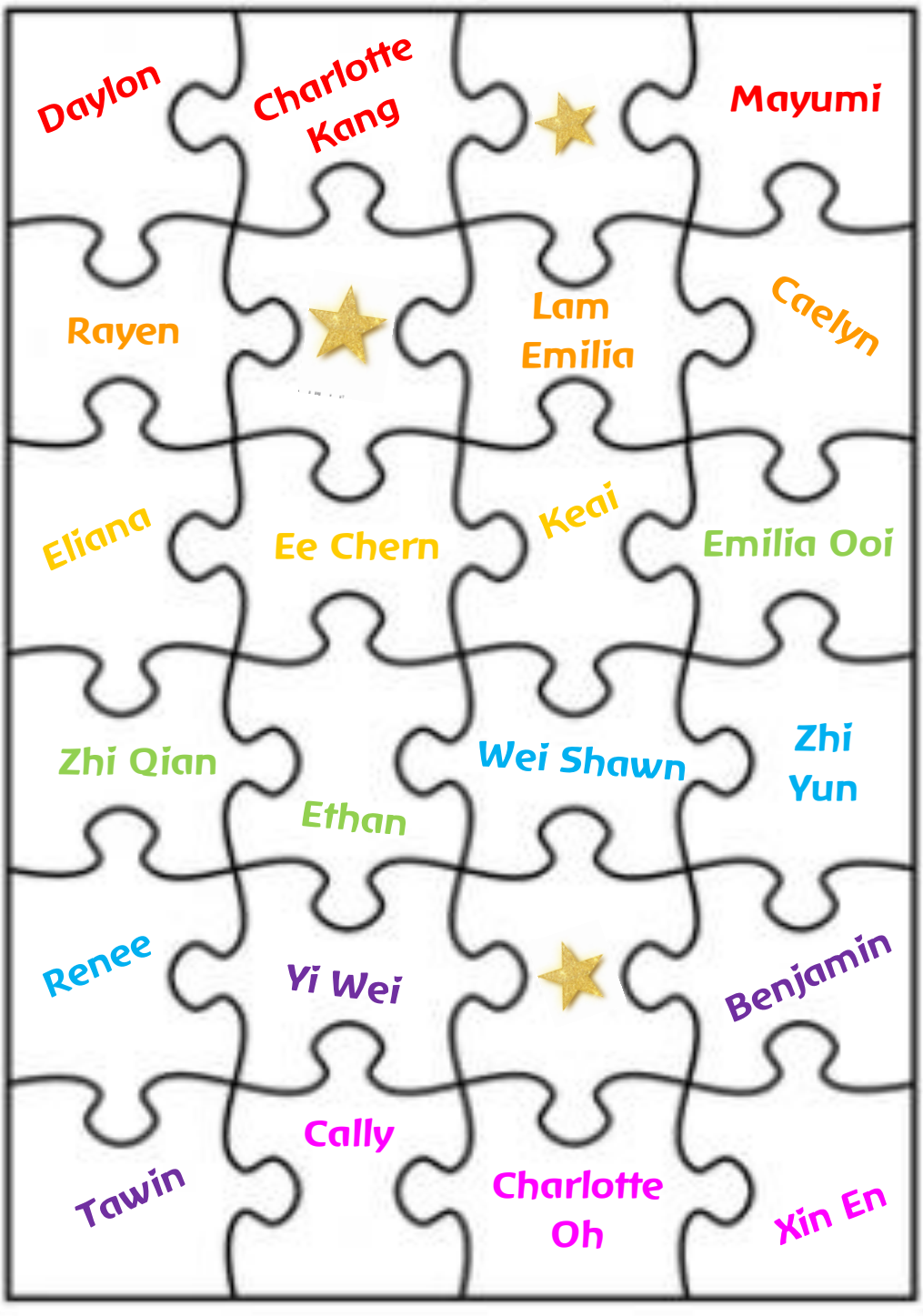


Dear Parents,

We are delighted to begin another year at Yorkland and we would like to thank all parents for your continued trust and support. January has been a wonderful month of new beginnings, smiles and settling in and we are excited to share a brief update with you.

We started the year with 21 children at Yorkland. It has been heart-warming to see our returning children adjusting well to their routines, forming friendships and growing more confident each day. The first few weeks focused on helping children feel safe, comfortable and happy in their environment.

We are pleased to see our returning children reconnecting with their teachers and friends and settling back into their routines with enthusiasm.

Following our note in the previous newsletter regarding punctuality and late arrivals, we have noticed a positive improvement and we sincerely appreciate parents' efforts to bring their children on time. With just a little more encouragement, we hope everyone can continue working towards arriving before the gate closes at 9.00am, so the children can begin their day calmly and comfortably.

Thank you once again for partnering with us in your child's early years. We truly value the trust you place in Yorkland and we look forward to a year filled with growth, joy and meaningful learning experiences for your children.

Yorkland is filled with children's genuine smiles and joyful laughter each day.

As we move into February, we will be welcoming Chinese New Year with festive activities. The children have already started taking part in Chinese New Year themed art and craft activities.

We would like to invite all parents to join us for the celebration. Please refer to the details provided for more information.

Upcoming Events

Gallop into the Year of the Horse

Chinese New Year Celebration at Yorkland 2026

Join us on Friday, 13 February 2026, as Yorkland comes alive with the colours, sounds and flavours of Chinese New Year!

Our school will be beautifully decorated with red lanterns, festive ornaments and Year of the Horse elements to welcome a year symbolising strength, confidence and positive energy.

Our little chefs will be busy preparing delicious Chinese New Year snacks for everyone to enjoy, followed by a lively cultural performance specially prepared for this celebration.

Children are invited to come dressed in their finest Chinese attire and take part in a festive experience filled with colour, tradition and cheerful moments. Together, we will fill Yorkland with laughter, happiness and good fortune as we welcome a brand-new year.

This special celebration promises fun, meaningful experiences and happy memories for children and families of all ages.

We look forward to celebrating the Year of the Horse with our Yorkland family!

Date: Friday, 13 February 2026
Time: 9.15am - 11.30am

Chinese New Year Festival Programme
Date: 13th February 2026 [Friday]

9.00 to 9.15am	Children & Parents arrival.
9.15 to 9.45am	Presentation by children.
9.45 to 10.30am	Loh Sang with parents, children and teachers.
10.30 to 11.15am	Snack time.
11.15 to 11.20am	Lion dance by big children
11.20 to 11.30am	Play pop-pops.
11:30am	Clearing-up and Goodbye song.

Notes

- Please arrive on time as we will start the presentation at 9.15am. The children will enter the classroom as soon as the arrive while the parents can wait in the garden until 9.15am
- If parents wish to park their cars along the road, please ensure that you do not block our neighbours' entrances. Alternatively, you are welcome to use the public car park at Taman Jajar.
- It is not necessary to bring school bags or extra clothes unless your child really needs them. We will provide drinking water for the children.
- The children will go home together with their parents after the festival ends at about 11.30am.

Update on 6 year old entering Year 1 in 2027

Recently, the Ministry of Education (MOE) announced that 6-year-old children able to enter Year 1 in 2027, subject to parents' voluntary decision. We understand that this announcement has raised questions and concerns among many parents, especially due to the sudden nature of the update.

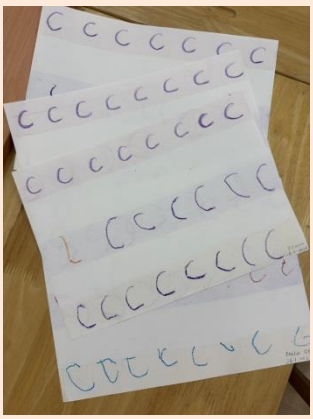
Initially, the announcement included a diagnostic assessment as part of the process. However, MOE has since revised the guideline and withdrawn the diagnostic assessment requirement.

While there are both advantages and challenges to an earlier transition to Year 1, we recognise the importance of ensuring that children are developmentally ready, not just academically prepared.

In line with this, Yorkland has taken proactive steps to support our children. Our lesson plans have been modified to be age-appropriate for 5-year-old learners. These enhancements are designed to gently nurture the children's intellectual development in a creative, age-appropriate and engaging manner, while still respecting each child's individual pace of growth.

At the same time, we are mindful of the skills needed for Year 1. Our approach focuses on building strong foundations in thinking skills, confidence, independence and readiness for formal learning, as we prepare the children for Year 1 in 2027.

Please be assured that we remain committed to supporting every child's holistic development and will continue to align our programmes with MOE guidelines, always keeping the children's best interests at heart.



Announcement

Year 1 Registration for 2027 is NOW OPEN!

Registration Period: ***15th February – 31st March 2026***

Eligible Children: Malaysian citizens
Age Criteria:

- ***5-year-olds: Born between 2nd January 2021 – 31st December 2021***
- ***6-year-olds: Born between 2nd January 2020 – 1st January 2021***

Notes:

- Ensure your child meets the age requirement before registering.

How to Register:

1. **Visit the Online Portal:**
    - Access the Ministry of Education's Integrated System (MOEIS) at https://idme.moe.gov.my/login.
2. **Create an Account:**
    - New users need to register on the website.
3. **Complete the Online Application:**
    - Fill in the required details about the child and parents/guardians.
    - Upload necessary supporting documents, such as the child's birth certificate, parents' identification cards and proof of residence.
4. **Print the Application Form:**
    - After submission, print the completed application form.
5. **Submit Documents to the Selected School:**
    - Within the stipulated time, submit the printed application form and original documents to the chosen school for verification.
6. Parents may check if their child has been accepted at the school of their choice from 1st October to 31st October 2026 at https://idme.moe.gov.my/login.