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BENTO DAY

Dear Parents,

We had such a lovely time with our Bento Shop and Picnic Day!

A few days before the activity, the children started getting ready by making their own paper wallets and paper money. They were very excited knowing that they would be using their handmade money to "buy" a bento set later. It was a simple preparation but it made the whole experience feel much more real for the children.

When the big day arrived, our bigger children became the little bento shopkeepers. They were busy getting everything ready for their customers. They helped to clean and prepare the food, carefully halved the eggs and arranged the different ingredients neatly on trays. There were lots of little hands helping and lots of conversations as they decided where each food item should go.

Once everything was ready, the children began putting the food into the compartments of the bento boxes. They carefully arranged the sushi, bite-sized fried chicken, egg, broccoli, carrots, edamame, strawberries and grapes. Seeing the plain compartment boxes slowly turn into colourful little bento sets was very exciting for them.

Meanwhile, our smaller children were waiting patiently to visit the “shop”. With their little paper wallets and paper money in hand, they were ready to become customers. They took turns to come forward, choose their bento and hand over their pretend money. The bigger children enjoyed being the sellers and proudly handed the bento sets to their little customers.

There was so much excitement during this part of the activity. Big children were busy selling, some were waiting for their turn and others were proudly carrying their bento boxes. It was wonderful to see the children taking on their different roles and interacting with one another so naturally.

And then came the best part is the picnic.

After everyone had received their bento, the children brought their food and sat together on the picnic mat. The little shopkeepers and customers were now simply friends enjoying a meal together. They opened their colourful bento boxes, chatted with one another and enjoyed their food in the sunshine.

What started as a pretend shop became a lovely shared experience for everyone. The children got to prepare, create, take on different roles, practise buying and selling and most importantly, enjoy doing something together.

It was a busy little bento shop that day but it ended with happy children, full tummies and a beautiful picnic together.

Mooncake Festival Is Just Around the Corner!

The Mooncake Festival at Yorkland is just around the corner and our children have already started getting into the festive spirit.

There is lots of excitement in the classroom as the children begin preparing for their upcoming Mooncake Festival presentation. They have been practising their presentation and at the same time, getting creative by making their very own lanterns.

Making the lanterns is a step-by-step process and the children have been enjoying every part of it.

First, they carefully painted their lanterns, choosing their own colours and adding their own creative touches.

Once the paint was ready, the next step was a little more exciting, the children dripped candle wax onto the back of the painted surface. They watched carefully as the little drops of wax landed on the paper, creating interesting patterns and textures.

After the wax had dried, the children moved on to the next stage. With some guidance and careful hands, they cut along the prepared lines to form the lantern. Slowly, what began as a simple piece of painted paper started to take shape as a beautiful lantern.

It has been lovely to watch the children work through each step patiently. They are learning that creating something special takes a little time, care and effort and there is always a sense of excitement when they finally see their finished work.

As the Mooncake Festival gets closer, our classroom is beginning to feel more and more festive. We warmly invite all our parents to join us in celebrating this special occasion with the children. We look forward to seeing the beautiful lanterns they have created, watching their presentation and sharing a joyful and memorable celebration together. We can't wait to celebrate the Mooncake Festival with everyone.

Mooncake Festival Program

11th September 2026 [Friday Evening]

6.15-6.30 pm	Arrival
6.30-7.00 pm	Children's Presentations
7.00-7.50 pm	Light Dinner
7.50-8.00 pm	Toilet time & Lantern preparation
8.00 pm	Lantern walk
8.15 pm	Goodbye

Please be on time so that the children have ample time to prepare for their presentations.

Upcoming Events

Notes regarding the Mooncake Festival [Evening]

- There will be NO class session in the morning. The children will come at 6.15pm with their parents and siblings.
- We would like to encourage the children to come in traditional clothes as it helps them to be in the festive mood. This is not compulsory but your co-operation is much appreciated.
- If parents wish to park their cars along the road, please do not block our neighbours' entrances. Alternatively, you may park at the Taman Jajar public car park.
- Kindly do not park at or block either entrance gate [main entrance and side-gate entrance], as we will be using both for the Lantern Walk.
- A light dinner will be served.
- As there will be many people attending the Mooncake Festival, please look after the safety of your child.
- If the weather permits, we plan to have a lantern walk outside of Yorkland i.e. on the roads surrounding our kindergarten. Parents are requested to help keep an eye on their children's safety when they are walking on the road. We request fathers to help with traffic control during our walk. Please do not block the children's passage while taking their photos.
- Playing at the Tree House is not allowed as we will be using that area to display lanterns.