



# 城隍慈善基金会

Society Of Sheng Hong Welfare Services

## SHENG HONG STUDENT CARE CENTRE

### Our Mission

Our mission is to develop a high quality support service that is affordable for parents—especially working adults so that their school-going children can be supervised and developed adequately during out-of-school hours.

### Our Core Values

The centre will be introducing and enforcing a new value to the students at the start of every month.

**Jan: Attentiveness**

**Feb: No negative speech/  
Kindness**

**Mar: Honesty**

**Apr: Responsibility**

**May: Respect**

**July: Self-control**

**August: Forgiveness**

**September: Caring &  
Compassion**

### Announcements

Please be informed that the centre will be closed on the following dates:

**4 February — Chinese New Year's Eve  
(Centre will be closed at 2 pm)**

**5-6 February — Chinese New Year**

**8 March — Staff Training**

**19 April — Good Friday**

**29-30 April — Staff Retreat**

**1 May — Labour Day**

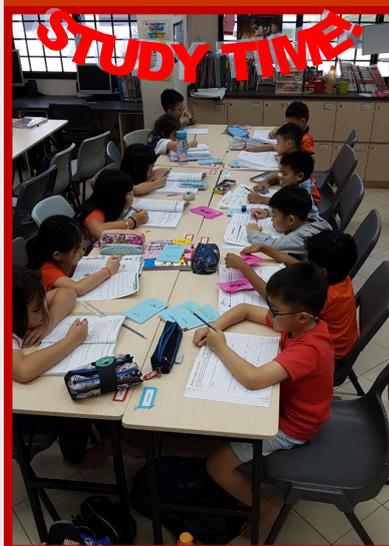
**20 May — Vesak Day**

**5 June — Hari Raya Puasa**

**19 July — Staff Training**



### A warm welcome to our new students!



A new year has begun! Let us reminisce on the activities and learning experiences that have taken place in the second half of 2018. Our centre incorporates study and play into our daily activities to ensure that our students have the right balance. We also partner with organisations to organise fun and educational activities for our students.

Please take your time to enjoy the newsletter that entails the activities we have organised over the second half of 2018.

# The Importance of Having A Good Relationship With Your Child's Teacher

**DEAR PARENTS:  
YOUR EXPECTATIONS  
OF TEACHERS  
SHOULD MATCH  
YOUR COMMITMENT  
AS A PARENT**

## **Know your best allies: Your child's teachers**

Miss Leong Sou Cheng, an educator at an international school, shares about an effective partnership between parents and school teachers.

Knowing how and when to partner teachers is important for your child's education. Research has shown that children with involved parents have a better learning attitude and performed better. In teacher education, parent-teacher collaboration forms a big piece. Schools in Singapore recognize the value of cultivating this relationship, and teachers constantly try to engage parents. However, a partnership is a relationship, a two-way street. Unless there is mutual involvement and respect, what a teacher does alone will only have limited impact.

Today, more than 95% of schools have PSGs or Parent-Teacher Associations (PTAs), as compared to 17% about 20 years ago. Evidently, much has been done to encourage parent-teacher partnership. Especially in primary schools, the partnership has improved considerably with more opportunities for dialogues, communication and involvement. Punggol View Primary School, for example, implemented the Three-Directional (3D) dialogues to engage parents effectively in discussion.

The Reggio Emilia philosophy considers the child, the teacher and the family as "inseparable and integrated" elements that are essential to the educational experience. The well-being of these three elements are interdependent; each of these elements will not only affect the achievement of the child at school, but also impact the quality of teaching the classroom and the relationship dynamics at home.

A teacher and a parent has the same goal – they both want a child to learn. The irony, however, is that the relationship between a parent and a teacher is sometimes sensitive and fragile, fogged with unnecessary judgment and misunderstanding. The same concern, which is the child, is also the same source of judgment, often biased. Constantly, and without basis, they find themselves judging each other, further obscuring this relationship with doubt and suspicion.

Teachers, like parents, want the best for their students. Your child's teachers are no different, and that makes you a team, not adversaries. Parents, never forget that you are and will always be the first teacher in your child's life. When you work as allies, your influence is potent.

Part of the article extracted from Know your best allies: Your child's teachers. (2015, April 23). Retrieved from <https://www.schoolbag.sg/story/know-your-best-allies-your-child-s-teachers>

23 July 2018

# RGS Shrinking Keychain Activity



Shrinking keychain workshop with RGS students! Our students could personalise their own keychains. Afterwards, they were shrunk by heating them in a microwave oven.



It's fun making my own keychain!



I didn't know that making your own keychains is so fun and easy! I can't wait to show my mom my artwork.  
- Jovan





Our students could learn more about the unique biodiversity and geology of cloud forests, and the environmental threats they face.



It was so cooling in the cloud forest, I saw so many types of plants! It felt as if I was in another world. - Ashley

The Cloud Forest has the world's tallest indoor waterfall standing at 35 m tall! The mountain is covered in lush vegetation shrouding the waterfall.



Hey Mr. Cameraman, is this my best angle?





The Singapore Flyer is 165 m tall— about the height of a 42-storey building! Look at the majestic aerial view from the top!!!

Each capsule is the size of a city bus and can fit up to 28 people.



Say Cheese!



The capsules on the Flyer have two mounted large screens and four interactive tablets. The tablets contain rich content on Singapore's history, culture and iconic landmarks of Singapore.



13 Aug 2018

Singapore Poly Final Year Project (Respect)

# RESPECT



## RESPECT

Our value for the term. The students were taught how to be respectful to others through drama games and activities.



Learning the 3 magic words —  
“Please”, “Thank you” and “Excuse me”!

Story-telling session by students from Singapore Polytechnic.



27 Aug 2018

## Boys Town Rock Climbing

We brought our students to Boys' Town Adventure Centre for a fun-filled day of rock climbing. Our students learnt how to scale the walls safely and also how to descend.

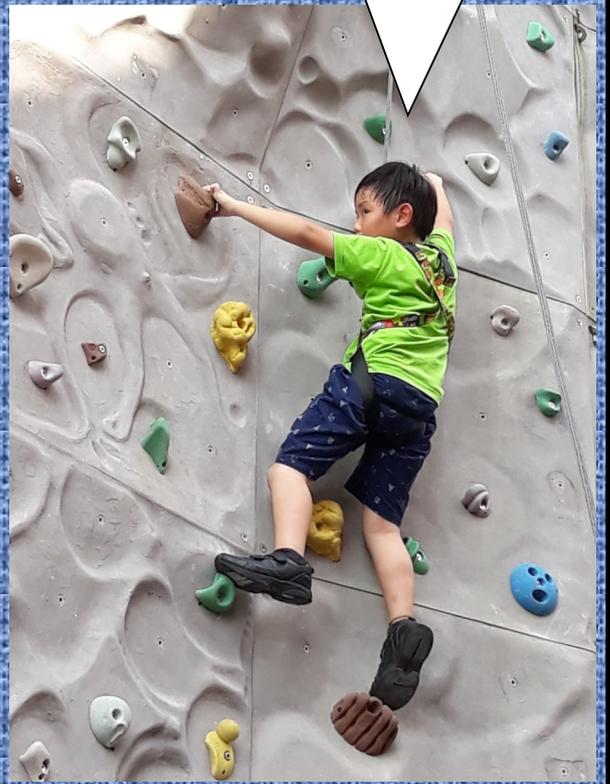


Rock climbing promotes stress relief hormones through exercise and improve the brain's processing capabilities through moment-to-moment decisions.

Do I look like Spiderman?



Safety first! We strapped into our harnesses before starting to climb. - En Tong



7 Sept 2018

# Butterfly Lodge



The butterfly lodge has lots of butterflies and insects. Butterflies are important to us because they help us to pollinate flowers. Without pollination, plants will not bear fruits and produce seeds, thus reducing the chances of propagating new plants. - Yu Xuan



Look what I've got on my hand!

I learnt that butterflies have 4 stages in their life cycle. When we entered the lodge, I saw many butterflies. One butterfly landed on my hand. It was so wonderful! - Shu Phing





Children having fun!



The playground includes play elements that encourage children of all abilities to play together. It includes a swing designed for kids that need to be strapped-in securely and sensory play panels which help stimulate the sense of discovery, motor skills and hand-eye coordination of the children.



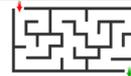
"Children learn as they play. Most importantly, in play children learn how to learn."  
O. Fred Donaldson

Time to rest after a long day of play...



6 Oct 2018

Octoburst



This interactive community artwork encourages teamwork, creativity, learning and family bonding through play.



Building an ever changing maze made of pipes!





Our students had a great time baking chocolate truffles for themselves. After all, food always tastes better when it's made yourself.



Can't wait to eat my own chocolate concoction!



After making the chocolates, I could even decorate my box. I decorated mine with little hearts!  
- Shan



26 Oct 2018

Learning Festival @ Kovan



We had to go to a few different stations to make handicrafts such as a purse, mini terrarium and a flower-pressed bookmark! Upon completion, we could redeem a goodie bag. - Yang Feng



The best part of the day was the bubble show! We saw bubbles of different sizes, I even bounced it with a ping-pong racket. How cool is that? - Yao Ming

3 Nov 2018

# Mdm Tussaud's Wax Museum



Madame  
Tussauds  
SINGAPORE 

Madame Tussaud's is the world's most famous wax attraction. We saw so many stars. My favourite is Jack Neo! - Angela



The "Spirit of Singapore" is a multi-sensory boat ride. The boat ride takes you through a tribute to the Nation's rich identity and people. Sights & sounds include the Singapore F1 Night Race, the Merlion, temples and much more can be found here.



## *Anti-Bullying Workshop*



“The reality of bullying is that victims tend to seem normal on the outside even though they might be experiencing great trauma on the inside,” said Dr Wong, educational psychologist and school counsellor. **“This is why it is always important for students to learn at a young age that their words and actions have severe repercussions on the lives of those they choose to bully.”**”



A 30 minute workshop was carried out by the teachers, for the children, on bullying and the negative effects of it. Some examples of bullying were brought up and activities were carried out to teach children the importance of a bully-free environment. The children learnt not to bully others and to ask for help if they were a victim of bullying or if they see or hear situations of bullying among their friends.



Part of the article extracted from “how to help your child come to terms with bullying (2018, December 18). Retrieved from <https://www.schoolbag.sg/story/how-to-help-your-child-come-to-terms-with-bullying>

**“Treat others the way YOU want to be treated.”** 



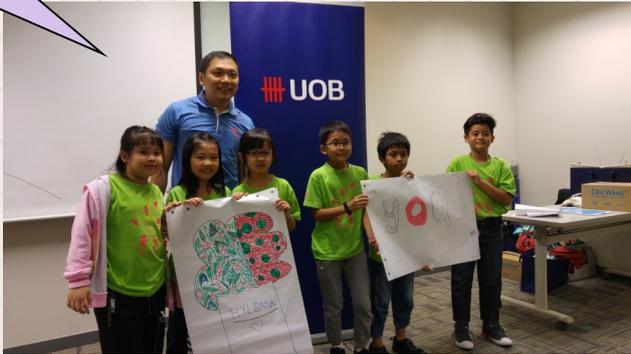
Today, I learnt the importance of saving money. We played a game about cash deposits and withdrawal. My favourite activity was when we got to try out the cash counting machine with real notes!

- Julian



Check out our own personalised logo for our own imaginary bank!

The children went through many activities on the concept of money and had a delicious buffet for tea break. They even got the chance to get a hands on experience with a money counting machine!



23 Nov 2018

# KLC 3D Artwork



The children made 3D sculptures of famous landmarks in Singapore using recycled materials. With the help of the KLC teachers, the children created stunning pieces of 3D art. Special thanks to the teachers from KLC Learning Institute for organising and carrying out this 3D Art activity for our children.



# Children's Work

We did 3D Art with KLC! We made structures of famous landmarks in Singapore using toothpicks and red strings. My favourite was the Singapore Flyer! Overall, it was a great experience.  
- En Tong





# The Theme: Scrapper City



**The Dazzlers: Performed by P1 and P2 students.**



**Our two emcees for the night: Le Pin and Shaqiil!**



**“Better when I’m dancing”:  
Performed by The Star Dancers!**

Our centre's very own magician: Ming Zhe!



Our students performed a skit on Snow White after weeks of rehearsals.

Celebrated the birthdays of the December babies!



Dabbing for the stars!



In terms of brain development, musical performance is every bit as important educationally as reading or writing.

We are the Famous Five! We danced to Waka-Waka by Shakira and showcased our famous move: The Human Bicycle! It was so much fun!  
- Aaryan,  
Julian, Aqqeel, Shaqil & Jackie



As another year draws to a close, it's time to look back and reflect on the past 12 months. It is also a time to give thanks to the parents, caregivers and sponsors that supported the development of Sheng Hong Student Care. It means a lot that you chose us to help your child grow in his or her budding years. We hope 2019 will be a joyful and fulfilling year for all. We look forward to your continuous support and cooperation and we hope, in the months to come, to work hand in hand with you to bring out the best in your child.

