



#### E-NEWSLETTER





## PRINCIPAL'S FOREWORD

As we approach the end of this year, North Spring Primary School is excited to celebrate its 25th anniversary. Over the past quarter-century, our school has been dedicated to valuing each student, encouraging them to discover and develop their unique strengths and talents year after year.

This August, we celebrated Singapore's birthday with heartfelt enthusiasm. The song "Home" played, and we sang it with pride and passion. As North Spring Primary School marks its silver jubilee, we reflect on the rich memories we've created together. Although we are still a young school, the connections we've forged extend beyond mere education. Here, we've made lasting friendships and found a place we proudly call our second home. We look forward to a special homecoming for our alumni on November 15.

For more details, please visit our Facebook page.



At North Spring Primary, we celebrate the vitality of our students and the energy of our staff and parents. Our community has grown and thrived together, with our parent support group playing a crucial role. Parents have used their talents in crafting to enhance school-based activities, and others have brought vibrancy to our concerts with their performances. These interactions have provided invaluable learning experiences for our students, and we are deeply grateful for their support.

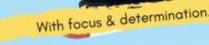
We believe in nurturing respect and care among our students as they collaborate with their peers. Leadership opportunities are woven into their daily learning, enabling them to serve their community and take ownership of their growth. It is heartening to see our students embrace their responsibilities and shine brightly as they grow. Every child benefits from the opportunities we provide, strengthening the bonds between staff and students and making North Spring Primary School a true second home.

#### ARTY CRAFTY

I learned how to create a human figure using a piece of wire. Our instructor patiently taught us how to draw a human figure step-by-step. I have always wanted to unleash my creativity and use my imagination to sculpt anything I want.

The most challenging part was connecting all the body parts together to make a whole figure. I almost gave up trying but through the help of my buddy, I managed to complete my wire sculpture. I learnt to be resilient, and I am truly happy with my final artwork.

NUR MAISARAH BINTE MOHAMMAD FAIZUL SHAHRAIN, P4.4



Check out our masterpieces!





We were introduced to different instruments from various cultures! While it was fun, it was also challenging. At the beginning of the module, I struggled with coordinating both my hands when playing the instrument. Playing as an ensemble also presented a different set of challenges. We worked hard to moderate the speed of our playing. It took a lot of practice before we were able to overcome these challenges.



However, the effort was incredibly rewarding. By the end of the module, I had not only improved my coordination but also gained a deeper appreciation for the rich cultural histories behind these instruments!







## SPORTS-SILIENCE

During a floorball game, my team was losing round after round. We were discouraged. However, we did not give up. We continued to support and cheer each other on. We were all in high spirits when we finally won the game!

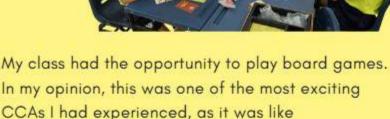
Experiencing loss and victory together strengthened our team bond. It also taught us about persevering through setbacks and staying positive no matter what happens. It made us stronger as a team and taught us a lot about teamwork.

NIDUAZA EUNICE NICOLE ANTIGO. P5.1









a "mind-stretcher."



I learned the school value of integrity because the only way to truly enjoy a game was to play fairly without cheating. One of the board games we played was particularly challenging, requiring us to consider multiple moves at once to avoid blunders. My class showed great innovation and thought outside of the box to overcome this challenge, ultimately managing to play the game quite well. Most importantly, I had a whale of a time with my friends!



### ROCK THE NOTE

When I first realised I had to sing and dance as part of the CCA experience, I was terrified. The thought of performing in front of an audience made me freeze in fear. During our early practices, I could barely move and my voice would shake whenever I tried to sing. However, my friends never gave up on me. They cheered me on, helped me practice, and stood by my side when I felt like giving up. Slowly, their support gave me the courage to push past my fear. Instead of dreading each rehearsal, I started to look forward to them. The school value of 'Teamwork' has shown me that I don't have to face challenges alone.

**TROY LAWRENCE LEE, 4.2** 



### STEM-NOVATION





During STEM-novation, I teamed up with my friend, Dayyan, to build a colour sorter robot. This project introduced me to the complex concept of coding and how we can control a robot's actions.

One activity that really inspired me was when we programmed the robot to sort coloured blocks. We had to think critically when our robot did not sort the colors correctly. After analysing the problem, we made some adjustments and finally got it to work perfectly. STEM-novation is not just fun but it also teaches us how technology and engineering can solve real-world problems. Definitely an essential skill to have today!





### NATIONAL DAY

My participation in the National Day Celebration was very memorable as I was chosen to act and present regarding Singapore's successes. I felt very patriotic as we sang with pride our National Day songs while playing with the recyclable instruments. The enthusiasm that we displayed while singing, dancing, cheering, acting and performing the 2024 Workout as a school felt like everyone was coming together to perform one big performance for Singapore. We celebrated Singapore's 59th birthday with all our hearts and minds!













because I was shy and afraid to perform in front of the whole school, but I plucked my courage and persevered through to the finals! I was determined to win and did not give up. When I made a mistake during practice, I would practise my dance steps and made sure that I got it right. This experience has made me feel confident in my dance abilities. I wish to take part in more dance competitions in future!

LAFORTEZA SAVANNAH NYLA RAE SANDOVAL, P6.1





On Racial Harmony Day, we all came to school dressed in our traditional outfits. It was exciting to see almost everyone donning their respective ethnic attire. Besides learning all about the different outfits of each race, we also learned about the different traditional instruments. Some students even played live on stage to show us how to use them and serenaded us with the sounds of the instruments.

In class, we did many fun activities such as parading our traditional clothes and sharing our favourite food items.

During MTL, we watched a few videos on how our local citizens worked together to form a big, compassionate community.

We learned about how many of us local citizens no longer judge others by their skin colour. It was fun seeing everyone participate in all the fun games and activities during recess.



ARADHANAA PRASAAD, P3.4

#### STAFF APPRECIATION DAY





was when we collectively surprised our teachers when they walked into the classroom. It felt like all the hard work that the prefects, Ker Jun and I invested in had paid off.

One of the challenges that I faced was to organise the



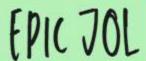
One of the challenges that I faced was to organise the class. It was all a chaotic mess, much like a human zoo! Ker Jun and I were usually the ones in-charge because we were the class monitors. But on that day, everyone had an opinion. Everyone was shouting and there were balloons everywhere. Some of our classmates started to cry because of the stressful environment. In the end, Ker Jun and I found a way to settle the class and successfully surprised our teachers. It was really a memorable moment for 5.4.



During PAMFest, I enjoyed the moment when I had to make a tricky pickleball shot. I used my creativity by aiming the ball at a corner no one expected, and it worked! From this, I learned that pickleball isn't just about strength but also strategy and thinking ahead. I took away the value of resilience because even when I missed some shots, I kept trying and didn't give up. It showed me that with persistence, I could improve.

**TEOH WAN SIN, P4.6** 













One of my proudest moments in EPIC JoL had to be making the crochet firetruck, a firetruck made out of yarn. It turned out way better than I expected. I think it made a nice little token of appreciation for the firefighters to thank them for their services. I was happy with a job well done!

Now, it was not all smooth sailing. First off, we did not have enough yarn or crochet hooks, so there was a lot of thinking involved. Then, I had to teach others how to crochet while barely figuring it out myself. Crochet requires patience! However, through perseverance, I managed to learn the basics and we all practised until our yarn firetruck came to life.





Ignite 25 taught me valuable skills like teamwork, perseverance, leadership and communication skills that I know will help me in the future.

However, certain skills were not easily learnt. I had to balance memorising lines, practicing my choreography alongside completing my group project. This experience tested my time management and self-discipline as I worked hard to complete everything.





Happy birthday, North Spring!

There were times where I felt overwhelmed, but I reminded myself to be present and enjoy the moment instead of worrying too much. Ignite 25 truly pushed me out of my comfort zone. I will be forever grateful for the lessons and growth I have gained from it.

Overall, Ignite 25 was an extremely fulfilling experience full of wonderful memories and lessons. If I could, I would absolutely go through it all over again.

**CLAIRE ANANYA IANLENG, P6.2** 







#### Artists of the Term



MUHAMMAD RIZKY THIA, P1.6



DAYYAN, ZACHERY, KELLY, RYAN, P6.4



SHWE LOON WADDY HLAING, P2.6



OI FANN, KRYSTAL, YSABELLA, MEGAN, EVIE, P3.4



LOGANANTHAN YAZHINI, P4.4

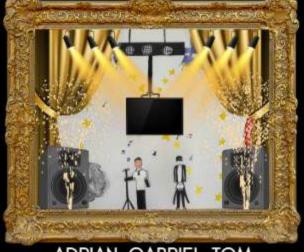


KATE, YZEL, ACELYNN, MATTIA, ADAM, CAYVAN, P5.3

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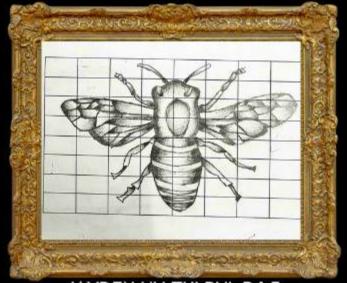
MUHAMMAD KHALEES BIN KHAIRIL ANWARI, P1.6



ADRIAN, GABRIEL, TOM, XU CHEN, AQIL, P3.3



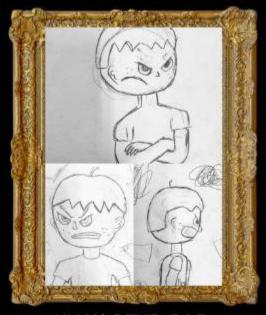
MOHAMED AIZATH BIN MOHAMED ASIK, P2.7



JAYDEN LIU ZHI RUI, P4.3



ZOOEY ANDENEA KINARANIRBITA, P5.4



HU HAOZHE, P6.3

#### Through our Lens



ADYAN & J'DEN CHOONG, P6.2



CLAIRE ANANYA & NITHILA, P6.2



ASHLYN CHUA & IZAAC HAKIM, P6.6



EMRE ISAAC & AARON ARCHER, P6.6

#### Through our Lens



JOEY LEE, P6.3



MINTON GOH & MICHAEL ONG, P6.6



KEITH NG & KAYLA SIM, P6.3



ZACHARY LUI & KELLY NG, P6.4



ART CHAMPS ...

As an Art Champ, I like seeing my friends having fun with various activities that involve their creativity. It makes me happy as I can keep myself occupied. I am getting better at helping and guiding pupils when they come to the Art Gallery. I would also remind them on the etiquettes of being in the gallery.

I am responsible for taking care of the Art Gallery while doing my duty. I will explain the activities to the students patiently so that they can have a wonderful time. I love being an Art Champ!

ARYAN DAS, P4.3



#### AVA CHAMPS





I have been an AVA Champ for about 3 years since Primary 3. My duties are to support the school assembly and school events that require the use of AVA equipment. As such, I set up microphones, microphone stands and laptop projection. Sometimes, I also help to check the CD players in the classrooms and to train younger members. During major school events such as National Day and IGNITE, I also manage the props on stage. I am very versatile.

It makes me feel satisfied as I can contribute to the school. I have learnt to do my duties diligently. I also learnt that teamwork makes the dream work. Resilience is one of the keys of being an AVA Champion. When I face difficulties, I do not give up. I also learnt to be responsible in performing my duties. I feel blessed to be an AVA Champion and this experience would be etched in my mind for a long time after I leave the school.





## EARTH CHAMPS

The most memorable session as an Earth Champion was to create posters for the Food Waste Recycling program. My friends and I enjoyed the session as we helped to create informative posters for the program. As the Earth Champion, I learnt to be responsible as I need to do my duty during recess and to ensure that the program is carried out well. At the start, it was tough to carry out the program as many of my peers were not sure where to throw the food waste. I had to guide them on the process of food waste recycling. I learnt to persevere through my duty.

SIM ZHI YI, KATELYN, P4.1









A sweet treat to end the week





During my SMILE Presentation, I was very nervous as I had to speak on stage in front of a large crowd but I told myself to try my best to memorise my script and speak confidently. I was glad I managed to overcome my fear.

As a PE Champ, I have to help my PE teacher give out fruits during SMILE Friday and regular PE lessons. When I needed help, I would seek help from my fellow PE Champs or friends in class. I learned values like resilience through this whole experience.

AMSYAR HIDAYATULLAH BIN ROSLAN, P3.3





A truly rewarding experience for me was when I applied the technique of 'Appreciation Whisper' which taught me how to make crestfallen peers feel valued and important. I learnt how to use positive and appreciative words to uplift their spirits and encourage them to stay hopeful, even in challenging times. By being a good role model to my friends and having a positive influence on others, I aim to create a safe and encouraging environment where everyone feels valued and motivated.

Compassion, integrity, resilience and responsibility are values I have learnt as a Peer Support Leader. Through this role, I have grown in showing kindness and politeness towards others, understanding that these qualities help foster a positive and supportive environment for everyone.

SRI VARUNAN SRINIVASAN, P5.1







#### PREFECTS

As a prefect and member of the executive committee, I have gained valuable leadership experience that have helped me enhance my understanding of our school's values. I fondly remember one particular moment that stood out in my journey was welcoming the new Primary One students on their first day, guiding them around and ensuring they felt at home. This experience taught me the importance of empathy and patience when helping others.



Additionally, collaborating with my fellow prefects on a music video highlighted the power of teamwork and collective effort. Despite challenges, the final product reflected our hard work and unity. It was extra meaningful knowing we were making a difference by encouraging everyone to exercise more kindness in their daily interactions. Through these experiences, I have learned that being a prefect goes beyond daily duties; it is about positively influencing others through guidance and example.

Coming to the end of my prefectorial journey in NSPS, teamwork and responsibility are the key values that have helped to hone my craft and leadership style. Overall, being a prefect has enriched my life in ways I never expected. This journey had taught me important lessons in responsibility, empathy, and teamwork, and it has definitely made my primary school experience a fulfilling and rewarding one.

## PRIMARY 1



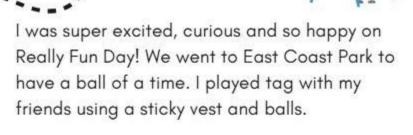
I enjoyed my Really Fun Outing at Sembawang Park. It was so much fun! I played at the beach and built sandcastles. My favourite part was eating ice cream when we got back to school. The ice cream cone was so yummy! It felt so amazing getting to explore Sembawang Park. I would definitely go to Sembawang Park again with my family members.



Having a blast with our friends!







It was my very first experience playing that game. My friends and I also played in the huge playground at Marine Cove. We went down the slides and sat on the swings! We had so much of fun that day. It was such a memorable day!





DAI ENZE JOSHUA, P2.1

# PRIMARY 3 W

My favourite part of the Really Fun Day outing was walking along the paths of Jacob Ballas Children's Garden. I found some unusual plants and animals there! For example, I saw a squirrel running up the tree as fast as lightning! Exploring the place was such a marvellous adventure. I had a lot of fun experiences and unforgettable memories with my friends.

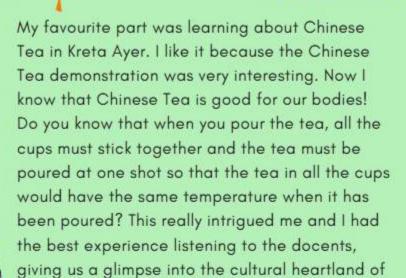
I felt delighted experiencing nature first-hand. There were a variety of plants and animals and some that I had never seen before. I always like to go out with my family and friends. Thanks to Really Fun Day outing, I have another new place to go with them. I cannot wait for next year's Really Fun Day outing!

Cultural explorers!











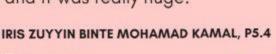
TAN LIANG YEE, P4.6

## PRIMARY 5

REALLY FUN DAY

My favorite part of Really Fun Day at HortPark was exploring the Butterfly Garden as it felt magical being surrounded by butterflies! I also really liked the bingo game, where we moved around the park to find different plants related to the sustainable development goals. It was super fun working with my friends and competing against other groups. Exploring HortPark made me feel adventurous, like I was discovering a secret garden! A fun moment was spotting a giant caterpillar, and it was really huge!













This year's Really Fun Day outing at Pasir Ris Park was the most memorable outing for me as it was the last event before I graduate from the school. The light, intermittent drizzle did not hamper our mood as we bonded under the shelter, sharing snacks and exchanging conversations. The beach volleyball game was the activity I enjoyed the most with my classmates, and we took every possible opportunity to play when the drizzle stopped momentarily. The joy of competing with my classmates in this sport allowed me to experience good sportsmanship. The exploration of nature during the outdoor education activities gave me insights into sustainability issues and challenges. The free play at the playground brought lots of laughter and joy to many of us! These fun moments will always be etched in our memories.



