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PRINCIPAL'S FOREWORD

As we wrap up this exciting school year in 2024, I want to take a moment to reflect on the wonderful experience of our school's official opening celebration in August. The planning for this special day began back in 2023, with a clear goal: to ensure all our students and as many parents join in the celebration. Rather than opting for a formal dinner and concert, which might only involve and appeal to certain groups, we chose to have a carnival for everyone to enjoy.

The opening ceremony was a true example of the teamwork and dedication that defines our school community. The careful planning, seamless coordination, and enthusiasm shown by everyone involved perfectly embodied our school's vision: Courage to Explore, Passion to Learn, and Heart to Serve.

Courage to Explore

Our staff demonstrated remarkable courage by embracing new challenges and exploring creative ways to make the carnival a success. The interactive learning showcase in the school canteen was a highlight that feature how our teachers create innovative teaching ideas and resources that made learning fun for the students. The Augmented Reality Art Exhibition stood out as well, where teachers guided students in using their creativity and ICT skills to bring Robbie, our school mascot, to life in exciting new ways. This willingness to push beyond traditional methods inspired our students to step out of their comfort zones and embarked on new learning adventures.

Passion to Learn

Our students, with their endless curiosity and eagerness, truly embodied the passion to learn. The excitement leading up to the official opening day motivated our staff to create the best carnival experience possible. Before the big day, all our students participated in the Northshore Quest, where they worked hard to demonstrate the school's SMART values, earning tokens for carnival games and prizes. Their energy and enthusiasm made the whole event even more special.

Heart to Serve

At the heart of our school is our commitment to serve one another. The dedication of our staff extended beyond their regular duties as they worked tirelessly to organize the official opening ceremony. Our students also exhibited kindness and respect towards one another during the carnival. Their willingness to contribute to a positive school environment reflects the core values we all share. Together, we have built a community where everyone's well-being and success are our top priorities.

As we conclude this academic year, let us carry forward the spirit that guided us in successfully organising our school's official opening ceremony, guided by our school's vision. May we continue to explore with courage, learn with passion, and serve with heart.

Thank you to every member of our school community for your unwavering dedication to our shared vision.

Yours truly,
Mrs Christine Lam
Principal







SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE 2024

On 20 July 2024, we proudly hosted our School Open House, welcoming visitors for a day filled with discovery and excitement. Guests enjoyed guided tours of our classrooms and facilities, gaining insights into our vibrant learning environment. They also participated in hands-on activities that showcased our innovative programmes. This event provided a wonderful opportunity for prospective students and parents to experience firsthand the warm and supportive atmosphere our school fosters.





ENGLISH WEEK

Discovering the magic of und with musical instrume

This year's English week was an exciting celebration filled with engaging activities for students of all levels. Our assembly programme was truly unique, featuring an Al-based presentation that captured the attention of Northshoreans, while introducing them to the Speak Good English Movement in the context of our ever-changing digital landscape.

Throughout the week, Northshoreans were engaged in various recess play activities designed to spark the love of the English language. We had exhilarating rounds of 'Spelling Bee' at the library which was the highlight for many of the students. Although the words were challenging, our students practised the school values of tenacity and resilience and did not give up. It was a close fight among the participants and the winners were presented with trophies.

Other activities during EL week included an interactive EL quiz for Primary 3 and 4 teams, a penmanship competition for Primary 1 and 2 students and a Boggle game for the Primary 3 and 4 students. They could not ask for more!



EL Week Assembly Show







MATH@PLAY

Let's Play Math is a part of the Math@Play programme designed to ignite a love for Mathematics through interactive and engaging activities. Our teachers have meticulously crafted this programme to transform the learning experience, making Math enjoyable and dynamic, far beyond traditional classroom methods. where students engage in a variety of games and practise Math in a fun and safe environment.

During recess twice per term, students were engaged in a variety of games such as Palindrome Hunt, Magic Square and Odd and Even Showdown. These games are designed to stimulate critical thinking and problem-solving skills, ensuring that students learn while they play. The games not only enable students to do Math in an engaging manner but also reinforce fundamental concepts in a playful context.

To enhance the programme, *Math@Play* collaborated with KooBits in Term 3. KooBits is an online platform that gamifies learning, bringing an exciting new dimension to the educational experience, with sessions that integrate technology and Math in a way that captivates young minds.

Another highlight of Math@Play is Math Day Out!—a series of math trails that offer students the chance to apply their math skills in real-world contexts. Our Primary 1 and 2 students explored the school compound, solving Math problems using innovative platforms like AR Makr, Nearpod and Deckle. These platforms enable students to interact with their environment in innovative ways, bridging the gap between theoretical knowledge and practical application.

Through Math@Play, students have discovered the joy of learning Math beyond the confines of their desks. By incorporating play, technology, and real-world exploration, the programme has made Math accessible and exciting. The hands-on experiences and collaborative activities have fostered a genuine enthusiasm for learning, proving that Math can indeed be a source of fun and curiosity.













RACIAL HARMONY DAY

This year's Racial Harmony Day commemoration at Northshore Primary was a vibrant celebration that immersed students in various ethnic traditional practices activities and our local ethnic culture. The activities offered valuable opportunities for students to understand and respect each other's cultural differences, and yet live as one united community.

Through an array of hands-on activities, Northshoreans experienced our rich multi-cultural heritage in engaging and meaningful ways. Our lower primary students had a chance to explore the Indian Parai, Chinese Tanggu and the Malay Kompang and bonded with their peers through playing traditional games like the 5 stones, Chongkak and Pallanguzhi.

Meanwhile, the Primary 3 students discovered the significance of various ethnic festivals through learning about the unique food, attire and symbolic decorations that accompany these celebrations. In addition, the Primary 4 students gained insight into Singapore's Ethnic Integration Policy and appreciated public housing playgrounds and neighborhood coffeeshops as vital common spaces for people to bond.

Overall, the event not only celebrated our rich cultural tapestry but also reinforced the values of inclusivity and understanding, making it a memorable occasion for all involved.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our Parents Support Group for their dedicated effort in mending the activity booths alongside our teachers throughout the week.



























APPLIED LEARNING PROGRAMME (ALP)

RACE FOR A GREENER TOMORROW: THE ECO-RADIO CONTROL CAR CHALLENGE!

Our school participated in the Eco-Radio Control Car Challenge 2024, held as part of the Pasir-Ris Punggol GRC Greenwave 2024 initiative. Three teams, comprising of Primary 3 and 4 students, enthusiastically took on the challenge of designing and assembling their own race cars using the provided car kits.

In line with the sustainability theme, the teams were tasked with constructing their car chassis using eco-friendly materials such as recycled plastics, cardboard and other sustainable options. Drawing on their knowledge of electric vehicle anatomy, each team collaborated effectively to ensure their electric race cars were both functional and competitive on the track. The teams also prepared detailed information boards showcasing their race cars as part of their presentations to the judges prior to the race.

We are thrilled to announce that the Primary 3 team emerged as second place winners in the challenge! We also want to commend the Primary 4 teams for their hard work and dedication throughout this exciting competition.







UNLEASHING CREATIVITY AND INNOVATION AT THE GAMES AND TOYS EXHIBITION (GATE)

As part of our school's Applied Learning Programme, imaginEErs initiative and the Sony Creative Science Award (SCSA) 2024, our Primary 4 students were engaged in an exciting lesson where they applied their understanding of scientific concepts by creating their own toys or games.

Students were empowered to work individually or in pairs, allowing them to explore their creativity while applying their scientific knowledge, and utilise our 'Game Plan' to design their toys. They also documented their creative journey via an online journal. Their problem-solving and critical thinking skills were further developed as they adapted their creations based on feedback received during GaTE (Games and Toy Exhibition).

Held on the 3 and 24 July, the GaTE was an internal school competition aimed at shortlisting participants for the SCSA 2024. It provided the P4 students with a platform to showcase their innovative toys and games during recess. The exhibition captivated the attention of the Primary 1 and 4 students, who were highly engaged and thoroughly enjoyed the experience. They even had the opportunity to vote for their favourite game or toy. It was a delightful and enriching experience for both the creators and participants alike!







CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITY (CCA) EXPERIENCE

"What CCA should I choose to join?"

This was a question in almost every Primary 2 student's mind as they prepare for their transition to Primary 3. Since 2022, our school has organised a Primary 2 CCA Experience to assist the students in making informed choices about their extracurricular activities.

This year, the school organised a 2-day event, during which the students participated in a full 1.5 hours of CCA sessions guided by CCA teachers, coaches, instructors and senior schoolmates. The students thoroughly enjoyed their time in these sessions. At the end of the sessions, they left with a wealth of information and a clearer understanding of each CCA. The students demonstrated their "Courage to Explore" new interests and their "Passion to Learn" new skills.

One student remarked, "Thanks to the session that I attended, I now know which CCA I am most interested in and will join that CCA next year!"

We look forward to welcoming our new batch of Primary 3 students in 2025 as they embark on their exciting CCA journeys.

RECYCLE RIGHT! (RR) RECESS ACTIVITIES



Who says recycling cannot be fun? Over three days at the ECO Hub @Canteen, our students were engaged in environmental awareness through play at Green Club's inaugural Recycle Right! (RR) recess activities. Students from our Green Club created interactive games such as bottle-cap space throw, cardboard ring toss and plastic bottle bowling from upcycled materials.

As they enjoyed these creative games, our students also tried to identify the upcycled materials that were used to create those games. Through playing the games, our students learnt about the importance of recycling and the never-ending fun and practicality of upcycling. Through their participation, students demonstrated a sense of responsibility for our environment, proving that learning about sustainability can be both engaging and enjoyable!



NORTHSHORE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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VICE PRINCIPALS' FOREWORD

It was on 1 Mar 2019 that I first set foot on the grounds of Northshore Primary School. At that time, construction was just beginning. The photo here was taken from the site office during one of our meetings. The architects and project managers always call us "Site 26" because we did not have a school name when they started building the school. How time flies, Northshore Primary School is now a vibrant four-year-old school and we are officially opened!

Our beautiful school campus continually impresses visitors with its lush greenery, thoughtfully designed spaces and aesthetically pleasing views, including glimpses of the Johor Straits from various spots of the school! Yet, beyond the physical structure and environment, what truly makes Northshore Primary



School special is its people and purpose. Northshore Primary School is not just a building; it is a beacon of hope, a place where futures are shaped, and where every student who walks through its doors can discover his/her potential. Students are instilled the courage to explore, the passion to learn and the heart to serve!

Today, that vision has become a reality, and I am deeply honored to have been part of every step of this journey. Building this school has been a testament to teamwork, resilience, and the belief in the power of education. I would like to express my most heartfelt gratitude to all those who have supported us along the way.

To the parents who have entrusted us with your children, I assure you that we will walk this journey with you, hand in hand, to ensure that each child reaches their fullest potential.

As we move forward into the future, let us remember that the journey of learning and growth never truly ends, even after you leave Northshore Primary School!

Yours truly,
Mdm Gan Ser Min
Vice-Principal (Academic)

It is with great joy and pride that we celebrated our official opening, themed "Northshore Ahoy!" on 8 August 2024! This milestone marks the culmination of immense dedication and effort from all corners of our community. To our teachers, administrative and support staff, your unwavering commitment to excellence has laid the foundation for a nurturing learning environment where students can thrive. Your hard work and passion are truly commendable. I extend my heartfelt gratitude for your tireless efforts.

I also want to express my appreciation to our parents, guardians and community partners. Your partnership and support have been invaluable. Together, we have fostered a collaborative spirit that enriches the educational journey of our students.

To all Northshoreans, thank you for continuously exemplifying our school's remarkable SMART values. Your commitment to embodying qualities like self-discipline, empathy, adaptability, respect, and tenacity is truly inspiring and plays a vital role in our vibrant school community. Keep shining brightly as you uphold these values every day!

As we wrap up 2024, let's do so with deep gratitude and appreciation, eagerly looking forward to a remarkable year ahead in 2025!

Yours truly, Mdm Catherine Ong Vice-Principal (Admin) SCHOOL OPENING CEREMONY
THE DAY WE HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR! 8 AUGUST 2024

New beginnings as we celebrate this very SPECIAL day

Open hearts, where values reside; SMART is what we are

Rising strong with tenacity's might, challenges we will boldly face

Together, we face the future bright; opening doors to a world of light

Holding empathy in every hand, with hope and knowledge in our minds

Self-discipline guides us to stand; ready to learn, grow and explore

Hopeful steps on paths unknown; taking stride in whatever lies ahead

Our adaptability will clearly grow; let the years be testament

Resilience fuels the journey we make; heading into the future as one

Empowering us with each challenge we take; NORTHSHOREANS we are

We are honored to have Mr Tony Low (Zonal Director of Schools, East) our Guest-of-Honour, officiate the ceremony, together with Miss Ranjit Kaur (cluster superintendent), Mr Stephen Ho (Chairperson, School Advisory Committee) and other esteemed guests. At exactly 8.08 a.m., the letters NORTHSHORE lit up brightly on stage, bringing about thunderous applause and cheer. The happenings of this special day will definitely be a page in our history!







OUR ESTEEMED GUESTS

Decorated with the vibrant 'Sea' theme, the Opening Ceremony's Reception for the GOH and VIPs added an extra touch to the memorable event. A delightful spread of scrumptious canapes made the occasion even more enjoyable.

After savouring a hearty meal with our Principal and Vice-Principals, the GOH and VIPs took a moment to pen their warm greetings for the school. The reception concluded on a high note with a fun photo opportunity, as they posed with Robbie in hand, all smiles after their mouthwatering feast.

ART MEETS TECHNOLOGY: DISCOVER OUR AUGMENTED REALITY ART EXHIBITION!

Embracing the era of digital art, this exhibition featured the collaborative works of our Visual Arts Club students, who explored digital platforms to create stunning art and animation. Visitors had the unique opportunity to use the 'Artivive' app on iPads, to bring our mascot, 'Robbie,' to life, watching him dance and interact with vibrant murals. Each mural offered a different surprise, igniting curiosity and excitement to explore even further.

The booth, managed by our dedicated art teachers, parent volunteers, and student leaders, buzzed with activity. Our student leaders guided participants in navigating the app, ensuring everyone could experience the joy of AR art. After scanning the murals, participants were rewarded with a small token of appreciation for their enthusiasm.

The exhibition highlighted the seamless blend of art and technology, sparking creativity and engaging our school community in a fun and interactive way!





AT THE INTERACTIVE **LEARNING BOOTHS!**

immersive environment.

The Interactive Learning Booths featured three dynamic segments: Enchanting English, Magnificent Math, and Splendid Science, each providing the students with an

opportunity to explore different subjects in an interactive and

Set up in the school canteen, the nine different booths featured a variety of engaging, hands-on activities designed to inspire curiosity and foster creativity. The booths were staffed by a wonderful mix of dedicated teachers, enthusiastic parent volunteers, and even some Primary 4 student volunteers who stepped up to share their knowledge and passion. The carefully curated activities encouraged active participation and collaborative learning, catering to students of diverse age groups and learning styles.

To further enhance the excitement, student received token cards for completing activities at each booth, which certainly heightened their enthusiasm and excitement! This created a lively atmosphere that united the school community, fostering a sense of togetherness and shared purpose as students engaged in learning through interactive games and activities. The event was a resounding success, igniting a love for learning in every participant!





ENVISIONING THE SCHOOL OF TOMORROW

The 'Makers Activities' booth buzzed with energy from the very start of the day. Eager little builders queued outside the room, excited to enter the "School of Tomorrow." Students unleashed their imagination and creativity as they create the "School of Tomorrow, the Northshore Primary School of the future, with the colourful building bricks.

This hands-on activity not only stimulated creativity but also promoted critical problem-solving skills as the students figured out how to translate their ideas into physical models. It was an amazing sight as the students showcased their creations, enhancing them with narratives and scenarios that brought their models to life. From classrooms on wheels complete with personalised playgrounds and gardens, to a rooftop swimming pool and a school canteen serving food from McDonalds. Our students demonstrated incredible courage to explore different alternatives and think out of the box. This creativity perfectly exemplifies our school vision: the Courage to Explore.





creation and innovation









We are incredibly fortunate to have a remarkable group of parent volunteers who demonstrated unwavering enthusiasm and dedication. Their hard work and commitment played a crucial role in the ensuring the day's success. We are immensely grateful for their invaluable contributions, which truly made a difference and enhanced the experience for everyone involved. Thank you for your support!

UPCYCLED CARNIVAL GAMES: A FUN APPROACH TO ENVIRONMENT SUSTAINABILITY EDUCATION

Game to go green? Absolutely!

As part of our school's Learning for Life Programme (LLP) - OCE@N (Outdoor Education and Caring for our Environment @ Northshore), we are dedicated to nurture little eco-warriors inside and outside of the classroom!

Northshoreans had a blast while going green at the Upcycled Carnival Games, where they learned about and contributed to a more sustainable Singapore. Led by Green Club CCA members, the games and craft activities were thoughtfully planned and creatively designed to educate students about environmental sustainability in an engaging and relatable manner.

Participants enjoyed a variety of games such as Bowling, Ring Toss, Space Throw and Mazes, all of which were made from recyclables such as plastic bottles, cardboard and toilet rolls. Additionally, the carnival featured craft activities such as Build a Robbie, Photo Frame-Making and Community Collage, which gave waste materials a second life through upcycling. National Environment Agency (NEA) too contributed a Bloobin game board , reinforcing the message of recycling right!

Besides taking home their Robbie craft, photo frames and NEA stickers, we hope Northshoreans left with a valuable lesson: that recyclable trash can be transformed into treasure!





Community Collage











NATIONAL DAY CELEBRATION:

TOGETHER AS ONE UNITED PEOPLE

This year, we observed National Day over a span of two days, bringing to life the theme of this year's National Day: "Together as One United People." The concert opened with a Wushu performance that echoed the key message behind this year's theme. Through an interactive presentation during Assembly, students reflected on Singapore's 59 years of independence and how we as a nation, have overcome challenges to achieve success in numerous industries.

Aligned with our school vision, Heart to Serve, students were inspired to know that one day they, too, can contribute to Singapore's progress by honing their skills and interests in school today. The whole school broke into a heartfelt community singing of familiar tunes, singing with much gusto.

On 8 August, our Scouts led the school in the National Day Observance Ceremony. With precision and diligence, they held the flag and marched in with utmost pride. The historical importance and solemnity of National Day was clearly evident as everyone recited the Pledge and sang the National Anthem as one.

Happy National Day, Singapore! Together, we will continue to thrive as one united people.













MID-AUTUMN **FESTIVAL CELEBRATION**



This year's Mid-Autumn Festival at our school was a delightful blend of fun, learning, and creativity, with engaging activities tailored to each level. The celebration ensured that students immerse themselves in the cultural significance of the festival while enjoying the activities.

For the Primary 1 students, in the week leading up to the festival , they learned about the festival's origins through storybook readings and practiced solving lantern riddles. The song "月亮圆" was introduced to them and its melody lingered in their minds throughout the week, adding to the festive spirit.



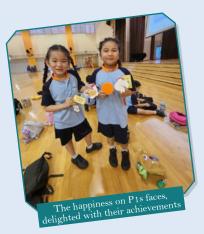
For the Primary 4 students, they were tasked to create environmentally friendly lanterns using recycled materials during the September holidays. This project encouraged them to think creatively while also raising awareness about sustainability. Upon returning to school, the students proudly displayed their lanterns during recess, showcasing their hard work. A talk about the lantern-making competition was also held, where students had the opportunity to explain the process behind their creations. School leaders served as judges, adding an element of excitement to the competition.

The highlight of the entire celebration was undoubtedly the Primary 1 Mid-Autumn Evening Celebration. On the day of the event, the P1 students had fun playing Mid-Autumn-themed games designed by teachers. The students' enthusiasm was infectious as they eagerly participated in each activity. Thay also crafted their own lanterns and enjoyed a mooncake and tea-tasting session. They then participated in a lantern parade around the school, they were filled with joy as they proudly paraded their handmade lanterns. The lanterns lit up the school grounds, and students took memorable photos at various photo spots, marking the evening with joy and festive spirit.

This year's celebration was not only a fun and memorable experience but also an enriching one, highlighting the importance of preserving cultural traditions. It encouraged creativity, teamwork, and a deeper appreciation of the Mid-Autumn Festival for everyone involved.









TEACHERS' DAY

This year's Teachers' Day celebration was a heartwarming and memorable event. The celebrations began with a special video, that showcased our beloved teachers in action as they guided and nurtured students with dedication throughout the year. It served as a touching reminder of the invaluable role they play in shaping the future of their students.

Following the video, our talented school choir took the stage, delivering a captivating performance that filled the hall with beautiful harmonies.

Enhancing the festive spirit, we enjoyed a video featuring heartfelt wishes from teachers, expressing their hopes and dreams for the students and themselves. This segment highlighted the connections they share with their students, fostering an atmosphere of mutual respect and care.

The celebration concluded on a high note, with our prefects leading a community sing-along to the song "In This Moment." Their resonant voices filled the hall with gratitude, making the day truly special for everyone involved.

CHILDREN'S DAY

The Children's Day Concert commenced with an uplifting message from our Principal, Mrs. Lam.

Our talented Primary 1 teachers took the stage to perform a humorous skit titled "The Different Types of Students," eliciting hearty laughter from the audience. The energy continued to rise as the Primary 3 and 4 teachers showcased their spirited dance moves, grooving to the infectious beats of "Bye, Bye, Bye" and "Shake It Off" respectively.

Students eagerly participated in a shadow play, guessing the identities of the Primary 2 teachers hidden behind the screen. This interactive segment added an extra layer of fun to the celebration.

The highlight of the event was when Primary 2 Dias students - Fang Yanru Shannon and Chee Ruo-er Jade, captivated the audience with a beautiful rendition of "A Town with an Ocean View" on piano and violin. Additionally, Adawiyah of Primary 3 Franklin enchanted everyone with a heartfelt performance of "I'll Be There for You!"

The concert concluded on a high note, with all the students proudly singing the school song, their voices echoing with joy and camaraderie.



Dribbling in style! I can do this, I can score! Preparing for prize giving ceremony! Finally, snack time! Our P2 Supporters!

LOWER PRIMARY GAMES DAY 2024

This Children's Day, our Primary 1 and 2 students celebrated the joy of play and the spirit of sportsmanship. At the Lower Primary Games Day, students came together to participate in a variety of games, cheering for and supporting one another. The event strengthened class spirit and teamwork, building their confidence and inspiring a lifelong love for physical activity. Students also demonstrated the fundamental movement and manipulative skills learned in physical education, embodying values of excellence and graciousness throughout.