

# WESTWOOD



# BUZZ





## EVERY MOMENT, AN EXCITING MOMENT IN WESTWOOD



All smiles from our administrative team at the Bicentennial Experience



Showcasing our Westwood Bicentennial Team which won thunderous applause from our excited pupils.

What a way to start school in Term 3 with our Prefects' Investiture that affirms the leadership qualities of our pupils, Mother Tongue Language Fortnight that provides our pupils with interesting

cultural activities, and not forgetting our meaningful sharing and engagement of not just our teaching fraternity, through our Positive Design ALP, Maker Education and Positive Education Sharing, but also in our quest to engage our community – this time at our K2 Outreach! All on top of our daily endeavours to ensure good classroom teaching and pupil engagement in learning.

We are back in the business of creating our 'Sensational 7' moments @WWPS, and are so excited to share these lively learning moments with you in this issue! Above all, we also carried out our English Language (EL) Fiesta from 15 to 19 July, and this year is especially meaningful as we wove in themes from *The Singapore Bicentennial* to help our young minds find personal meaning in understanding and learning the history of Singapore.

The Singapore Bicentennial marks the 200th anniversary of Sir Stamford Raffles' arrival in Singapore – a key milestone in our rich and storied history. But our story did not start in 1819. It actually began in 1299, more than 700 years ago. Our history is a rich and expansive one, and over at

Westwood, we hope that through the EL Fiesta, our deliberate attempts to centre our pupils' learning experiences on *The SG Bicentennial Experience* by creating learning stations and authentic in-class experiences for them, provided them with opportunities to reflect on the past, present and future; forge a stronger and more inclusive Singaporean identity, while reliving some of our nation's successes and challenges. And for all our educational efforts, we were recognised and listed as a partner of *The SG Bicentennial*.

In the words of our Prime Minister, Mr Lee Hsien Loong, at the launch of the Singapore Bicentennial in January this year: "In this Bicentennial year, as we reflect on how this nation came into being, let us also think of how we can move forward together."

At Westwood, we continuously aspire to innovate as we develop 'Future-ready, Anchor-steady' pupils while also looking forward to create many more of our 'Sensational 7' moments with our community!

Mrs Ruth Tai Vice-Principal

### **ALWAYS READY. WESTWOOD SECURE WEEK**

The month of August is always a special time, as the red and white bunting all over the island tell us it is our nation's birthday. We celebrate our country's achievements and progress but yet remember that our fragile peace can be turned upside down. Hence, Westwood Secure Week has been arranged for the past two years to remind our pupils and on the need to take safety and security seriously. Partners from SPF, SCDF and our neighbourhood grassroots family supported the event. Our school took the opportunity to conduct its emergency preparedness exercises which involved the Primary school and MOE Kindergarten @ Westwood to drive home the message of 'Run-Hide & Tell drill'.

#### Mr Humphrey Chin

Vice-Principal (Administration)



Our Primary 1 pupils, neatly queued and all ready for the emergency drill.



Pupils learning about SG Security from the friendly police officers.



How to use a fire extinguisher?



#### POSITIVELY WESTWOOD

# THRIVING TOGETHER AS A SCHOOL



#### MOTHER TONGUE LANGUAGE FORTNIGHT (MTLF)

The Mother Tongue Language Fortnight (MTLF) was held at the beginning of Semester 2. The focus this year was on building up the Mother Tongue culture in the school as well as aimed at helping pupils understand the link between the Mother Tongue language and its culture. All pupils learning the three main Mother Tongue languages - Chinese, Malay and Tamil, were engaged in well-designed activities during their respective Mother Tongue lessons and recesses. During the Mother Tongue lessons, pupils from each level participated in activities that taught them about different forms of traditional art, as well as various cultural games. During recesses, they took part in competitions and games that allowed them to win some prizes. The Primary 3 pupils even had the chance to participate in an after-school cultural camp. It has indeed been a wonderful fortnight for all the pupils.



Pupils playing traditional games during recess



It's time to travel back and use the brush

#### RACIAL HARMONY DAY



Skit during assembly programme



Reflections and well-wishes on the Racial Harmony Tree



Pupils try out the different Racial Harmony Day activities during recess

Racial Harmony Day (RHD) was commemorated on 22nd of July, 2019. The theme for this year is 'The Singapore Connection'. RHD reminds us of the importance of racial harmony - how race and religion are key tenets that bind us together as one people and one nation. As part of the commemoration, a variety



Racial Harmony Day class photo challenge

of enriching activities were planned to increase pupils' insights of the various races and their respective practices. The celebration started off with a skit during the morning pre-assembly program. During recesses, pupils took part in online quizzes and games. Other recess activities include doing handicrafts unique to the different races such as thoranam and paper cutting. The upper primary pupils penned down their reflections after watching bicentennial videos related to racial harmony. Other levels were asked to pen down their well-wishes for one another, to be pasted on the Harmony Tree provided. During the RHD class photo challenge, teachers and pupils had a fun time of bonding, thinking of creative ways to pose for a class photo based on the theme. The winning class for each level were presented with tokens as well as have their class photo posted on the school's Facebook page.

#### **ENGLISH FIESTA**

In line with the SG Bicentennial this year, the English Department's annual English Fiesta had a flurry of activities, ranging from assembly talks and skits to riddles and poems. Pupils were also asked to give their responses as to which century they would like to live in after learning about Singapore's history, challenges and achievements. We hope that through these activities, pupils are able to identify with what it means to be a Singaporean, as well as to contribute meaningfully to this beautiful island that we live in.







Pupils watched videos and presentations on Singapore's past and present to learn more about how Singapore has evolved over time



to respond and to justify their choices.



A modern twist to the story of 'Jack and the Beanstalk' which was put up by the EL Literacy Club members.



Pupils learn more about our pioneers and how each of them contributed to Singapore.

#### **NATIONAL DAY CELEBRATION**

The theme for National Day 2019 is "Our Singapore"; it seeks to commemorate the Singapore Bicentennial and unfold 'Our Singapore story' from the past to the present. The theme reiterates the collective ownership of Singapore - we are living the dreams of our pioneers and are also the pioneers of our future. At Westwood, our pupils started the National Day celebration with meaningful classroom activities, then followed by celebrations in the school hall. The prefects' marching-in parade was the main highlight of the celebration. They marched with great pride and zest, exuberating a sense of pride to serve the school and the nation. The celebration ended on a high note with the performances put up by the pupils.



#### **TEACHERS' DAY CELEBRATION**



On 5 September, Westwood Superstar kicked off our Teachers' Day Celebration, with five solo and three group finalists showcasing their talents onstage. This was followed by teachers reciting the Teachers' Pledge, a melodious rendition of "A Whole New World" and the presentation of a gift of beautiful handmade flowers by our eversupportive Parent Support Group. The celebration also included a sumptuous lunch accompanied by uplifting performances and activities prepared by the Westwood support staff, Staff Welfare Committee members and staff from MOE Kindergarten. We also hosted our inaugural Homecoming, welcoming back our first batch of Westwoodians who took this opportunity to show their gratitude to their teachers.

#### **CHILDREN'S DAY CELEBRATION**

Centred on the theme, "The Greatest Gift Of All", our Children's Day Celebration on 3 October saw our pupils playing and bonding together through their participation in the Lower Primary Games Day, Sports Enrichment Programme and Level Games in the first part of the morning. The whole school then gathered in the hall for the concert featuring a touching drama show "The Greatest Gift Of All" based on the values of gratitude and filial piety. Video montages in appreciation of our exciting Westwood life and interviews of pupils about their aspirations and the community singing of the Children's Day song "Semoga Bahagia" were also part of the concert. The Children's Day Celebration reached a high note with an

energetic dance performed by our Parent Support Group. Our sporting Principal, Mr Ng, and some teachers also joined in the dance, which left all pupils beaming with love and joy on this very special day!



Let's understand one another better through games!



"The Greatest Gift Of All" lies in the unconditional love from our family



Our Parent Support Group got everyone to 'Move It,







#### MID-AUTUMN FESTIVAL

Westwood celebrated the Mid-Autumn Festival on 17 September. Weeks before the celebration, the school conducted its annual Lantern-Making Competition for the Primary One pupils where parents and their children bond through lantern making. This year, there was an overwhelming number of entries for lanterns made using recyclable materials. In total, 25 lanterns made it to the final round to vie for the top ten prizes of the lantern making competition. During the PRAM session that day, traditional practices and legends encircling the Mid-Autumn Festival were shared with the pupils. During recess, our staff and pupils celebrated by eating pomelo and snow-white pastry. The pupils also took part in fun and exciting Kahoot games at the Westwood Coves as a finale to the celebration.



Kahoot Games at Westwood Coves



1st Prize winner of the Lantern-Making Competition



Pomelo and Snow-White Pastry Tasting during recess



The theme for the Prefects' Investiture

PRAM session on Mid-Autumn Festival

#### PREFECTS' INVESTITURE 2019



The Westwood Prefectorial Board 2019



The 'hand-over' of the Prefect Flag.

2019 is 'To Serve with Pride and Passion". This year, the Prefects' Investiture was held on the first day of Term 3, 1 July 2019. The objective of this event was to honour the appointment of the new Primary 3 Junior Prefects, as well as to witness the official handing over of the Primary 6 EXCO prefects' appointments to their juniors - the Primary 5 prefects. It is also a memorable occasion to witness the newly-appointed Head and Assistant Head Prefects. This year's Prefect Investiture also unveiled the first ever Prefect Flag designed by the committee. Our Assistant Head Prefect last year, Kendra was invited back to Westwood Primary, to give a motivating and inspiring speech to all the prefects.





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## **POSITIVE HIGHLIGHTS** UPPER PRIMARY

#### PRIMARY FIVE NATIONAL EDUCATION SHOW

The National Day Parade (NDP) is an annual ceremony held on 9 August to commemorate and celebrate Singapore's independence. To allow our P5 pupils to experience the full spectacle of the NDP, they have attended the NE Show on Saturday, 20 July 2019. Since 1997, the National Education (NE) show has served as a key signature event for all P5 pupils, aiming to instil a sense of pride and belonging in our pupils and to understand the significance of our National Day. This year's National Day Parade (NDP), themed "Our Singapore", calls on Singaporeans to come together and be pioneers of our future.



#### PRIMARY FIVE SCIENCE LEARNING JOURNEY TO NEWATER VISITOR CENTRE





Who can save more water? Pupils at an interactive game station where they compete to save the most water.

Primary Five pupils participated in the "Rain Garden Workshop" where they embarked on a tour of the NEWater Visitor Centre. Going beyond what they have learnt in the classroom on the Science unit on "Water Cycle", pupils were taken through an interactive tour where they learnt about Singapore's self-sufficient Water Story, the Four National Taps, water conservation tips and most importantly, to understand the technology behind NEWater production. Through experiential learning, pupils also built their own mini rain gardens and understood how filtration improves water quality.

#### **EDUCATION CAREER GUIDANCE PROGRAMME**



Pupils learning more about work values through mini games in the Portal.

Our Primary Five pupils embarked on their Education and Career Guidance (ECG) Journey during their FTGP lessons. Pupils had the opportunity to access the MySkillsFuture Portal to explore the various learning and education pathways and career opportunities available across different industries. Through ECG, pupils are equipped with the necessary knowledge, skills and values to make informed education and career decisions. Pupils were also encouraged to learn more about their interests, abilities and passions, taking positive steps towards realising their aspirations, as well as to embrace learning throughout their life.

#### PRIMARY SIX SCIENCE LEARNING JOURNEY TO LEE KONG **CHIAN NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM**

The Primary Six pupils attended a learning journey comprising a workshop related to the science unit on "Adaptation of Living Things" and a guided tour of the Lee Kong Chian Natural History Museum. In the workshop segment, pupils were given the opportunity to examine many preserved specimens to identify structural adaptations. Pupils were amazed by how animals adapted to their habitat so that they could survive better. For example, pupils learnt that mud crabs have big and strong pincers to crack shells while flower crabs have long pincers with sharp spikes to catch fish. The guided tour of the museum was indeed an eye-opener as the museum exhibited many huge and impressive specimens such as a sperm whale, fossils of a dinosaur and a Japanese spider crab. It was definitely an enriching time for all!



#### POSITIVE HIGHLIGHTS

#### MIDDLE PRIMARY

#### MTL FORTNIGHT PRIMARY THREE CULTURAL CAMP

The Primary Three Chinese and Malay pupils had culture camps as part of the Mother Tongue Language Fortnight. The Chinese pupils had a reading camp conducted by the author of the book -The Story of Red Scarf. The author told the story to the pupils and through the fun activities organised, the pupils had a deeper understanding of the book. He also provided each pupil with his autographed book. In addition, meaningful activities related to the book were carried out by teachers in class.



We made appreciation "Big Mouth cards" with red scarves.



#### PRIMARY FOUR HERITAGE TRAIL



Extending our warmest greetings to each and every one of you!



The unique mosque which was designed in a mix of Islamic and European architectural styles



Our most favourite team bonding activity!

The P4 pupils went on an educational heritage trail, 'Many Races, One Nation' to explore Little India, Kampong Glam and Waterloo street. Pupils learnt to appreciate Singapore's heritage, which helped to shape their national identity. The pupils learnt about the different communities that lived in these places, as well as acquired knowledge about their practices, traditions, religions and how they lived together in close proximity to one another without tensions and discrimination. The places visited during this trail include Hajah Fatimah Mosque, Church of Our Lady Of Lourdes, Kuan Im Temple, Sri Krishnan Temple and Indian Heritage Centre. The pupils also played team bonding games in guided trails which encapsulated Singapore's spirit and values.



#### **VISIT BY HANGZHOU SCHOOL**

We are honoured to host visitors from China Hangzhou Number Two Bai Ma Hu Primary School. This is the second year they have visited Westwood Primary and we hope to continue the long-term friendship with them. They had a school tour followed by an interaction session with the teachers and pupils. On their second day of visit, they participated in Makerspace activities which innately inspired them to be creative. On the last day of the trip, the buddies exchanged gfits and bade farewell to each other. We were glad that the immersion programme had provided an invaluable platform for our pupils to understand the cultures and education systems of both countries.



A group photo to wrap up the two days of the Immersion Programme.



Our Maker Ambassadors facilitated and guided the Hangzhou pupils through the Maker activities



Interacting with one another during lessons while experiencing the joy of learning in Westwood



#### PRIMARY FOUR CHINESE LEARNING JOURNEY - CHINATOWN

The Primary Four pupils taking Chinese Language went for their learning journey to Chinatown on 31st July. Pupils discovered and experienced the Chinese heritage of Singapore through a tour around Ann Siang Hill, Pagoda and Smith Streets. They also visited Hokkien Huay Kuan at Thian Hock Keng Temple to learn the history and development of the early Chinese immigrants in Singapore. The hands-on experience in Chinese fan painting further enriched pupils' learning experience. Through this learning journey, our pupils have a better understanding and

appreciation of the Chinese culture. They also learnt to have a resilient mindset and heart of gratitude towards the achievement of Singapore today.





PRIMARY FOUR MALAY LANGUAGE LEARNING JOURNEY - KAMPUNG BUANGKOK

Pupils had the opportunity to create their own kite.



Making their own Wau

The Primary Four pupils taking Malay Language went to Kampong Buangkok for their learning journey. Kampong Buangkok is the last surviving kampong in Singapore. Pupils had hands-on activities such as kite-making (wau), creating their own Malay traditional food (roti jala), recognising the different types of salad (ulam) and getting to know about Kampong Buangkok. The pupils had an enriching experience at Kampong Buangkok!





ART MUSEUM-BASED LEARNING TO NATIONAL GALLERY

As part of the 2018 revised Primary Art Syllabus, our Primary Four pupils embarked on Museum-based Learning, which provided an authentic context for pupils to develop an awareness of local art as part of their understanding of Singapore's history and heritage. Before visiting the National Gallery Singapore, pupils learnt about Six Golden Rules of Museum Etiquette via Student Learning Space (SLS). At the museum, pupils were engaged in art activities and discussion with museum educators, where they enhanced their visual inquiry skills of observation and interpretation. Our pupils revealed that they were keen to visit the National Gallery Singapore again to view more artworks!







# POSITIVE HIGHLIGHTS LOWER PRIMARY

#### **SEA AQUARIUM ENGLISH LEARNING JOURNEY**

On 11 and 12 July, the Primary One pupils went to Sentosa SEA Aquarium for a learning journey. They attended the workshop on the Wonders of the SEA, learning about the various marine life and how the animals are protected in the wild. Pupils were educated on how they should dispose of their litter appropriately so as not to endanger the marine life that might mistake them for food and consume them. After the learning journey, the pupils embarked on a little project to create dioramas of the sea aquarium. They not only used their creativity, but went above and beyond to make the dioramas out of recycled materials. It is heartening to see the pupils' work take shape just by using recycled materials. Beyond doubt, it is indeed a fruitful experience for them.



Manta Rays are really huge!



Let's protect our marine life by not polluting the sea.



Let's look for the sharks!

#### PAL PRIMARY ONE ART



Little Picassos in the making!



Look at our James Rizzi-inspired city!

Ouryoung Westwoodians embarked on the PAL Visual Arts module in Term 3. Besides developing their SEL competencies and nurturing the 3Cs - Confidence, Curiosity and Cooperation, the pupils were also given the opportunity to learn about various artists and explore the use of different mediums to create their group masterpieces.



#### PRIMARY TWO MATH LEARNING JOURNEY TO CHANGI AIRPORT

In Term 3, the Primary Two pupils went on a unique Amazing Race Learning Journey to Singapore Changi Airport as a part of their holistic education. Coupled with expert facilitation by our parent volunteers, the pupils were given an opportunity to apply mathematics concepts which they had learnt and were used to solve real world problems at various stations. It was an enjoyable learning journey for the pupils!





Pupils clarifying their doubts with the facilitator.



Pupils looking for important clues on the board.

#### THE LOWER PRIMARY GAMES DAY



The Lower Primary Games Day was held in the school hall on Thursday, 3 October 2019. A total of 204 medals were up for grabs by the pupils as well as their parents. Our Primary One and Primary Two pupils demonstrated great efforts and not forgetting sportsmanship in attempting to win medals for their teams. Kudos to 32 Parent Helpers who also turned up to help in the smooth running of the event. In the last game, parents participated in the Parent-Child Race, where parents from Primary One Teamwork emerged victorious. Good efforts to all the pupils and parents who have given their very best!

# POSITIVE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OUR PRIDE AND JOY!

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#### **GREEN AWARDS**

On 22 May 2019, Green Club and Imagine Guild pupils attended the Greenwave Environmental Care Competition Award Ceremony at the Marina Mandarin Hotel. The ceremony was graced by the Guest of Honour, Dr Muhammad Faishal Ibrahim, Parliamentary Secretary for the Ministry of Education and the Ministry of Social and Family Development.

Out of the 281 project entries submitted nationwide in the year-long competition of 2018, we are happy to announce that Westwood bagged 4 awards among 63 winning projects. The projects are as follows:

First Prize (\$4000) - Project 3R-Ponics the Eco-Friendly Way

Third Prize (\$1000) - Project Save Mother Farth

Commendation Award (\$500) - Count, Assess, Light and Sing Monster Recycling Bin Encouragement Award (\$200) - Plastic Pollution on Marine Life



Our greatest honour!

#### ALP/POSITIVE DESIGN AND MAKER EDUCATION OPEN HOUSE SHARING





Showcase of the cardboard structures from Innovation Club

On 3 July 2019, our Westwood ALP/Maker Team hosted a group of officers from MOE's Educational Technology Division, educators from Nanyang Primary School, Keming Primary School and Assumption English School. They have journeyed to the West

to find out how Westwood had infused the joy of learning and cultivated a culture of resilience through Positive Design and Maker Education.

Our team shared the theoretical underpinnings in Positive Design and how we aim to initiate and stimulate pupils' design on the basis of happiness and human flourishing. Examples of how pupils' ideas that had come to fruition were shared. The team also shared on the inception of Makerspace@Westwood, which made us one of the pioneering schools in the West Zone to have a space designated for designing for happiness and encouraging pupil initiated projects. Our guests had a glimpse of how the ALP /Maker curriculum was linked to our school's mission, vision and THRIVE framework before proceeding to visit the Makerspace. All in all, it was an interactive and enriching session between presenters and guests!

#### **SILAT ACHIEVEMENTS**

Our Westwood Silat Enthusiasts continued their wonderful performance in the competitions and they did well for their respective categories. They had to compete against strong opponents with determination and resilience spirit. Our Westwood Silat enthusiasts managed to overcome all odds and clinched a podium finish. Job well done!

#### Far East Challenge Pencak Silat Championship 2019

- Md Hamizan from 4 Resilience clinched Silver Medal for his Pre-Teen Class C Category
- Nurul Aisyah from 6 Synergy clinched Gold Medal for her Artistic Category (Team)
- Nurhazirah from 6 Synergy clinched Silver Medal for her Artistic Category (Individual) and Gold Medal for her Artistic Category (Team)
- Aniq Rifqi from 1 Synergy clinched Gold Medal for his Singa Silat Category
- Arian Danish from 6 Diligence clinched Gold Medal for his Pre Junior Class H Category

#### Pencak Silat Bali International Championship 2019

• Aniq Rifqi from 1 Synergy clinched Gold Medal for his Junior Silat Category

# 4th Admiralty Pencak Silat Championship 2019

- Md Hamizan from 4 Resilience clinched Bronze Medal for his Pre-Teen Class C Category
- Nur El'rina from 3 Synergy clinched Bronze Medal for her Singa Cup Female Class D Category
- Muhd Dani from 2 Kindness clinched Silver Medal for his Singa Cup Male Class D Category
- Aniq Rifqi from 1 Synergy clinched Gold Medal for his Singa Silat Category

#### 7<sup>th</sup> Singapore Open Pencak Silat Championship 2019

 Aniq Rifqi from 1 Synergy clinched Gold Medal for his Singa Silat Category



Aniq Rifqi from 1 Synergy clinched Gold Medal for his Singa Silat Category.



Nurhazirah from 6 Synergy clinched Silver Medal for her Artistic Category (Individual) and Gold Medal for her Artistic Category (Team).



Nur El'rina from 3 Synergy clinched Bronze Medal for her Singa Cup Female Class D Category.

#### 43<sup>rd</sup> National Pencak Silat Championship 2019

- Md Hamizan from 4 Resilience clinched Bronze Medal for his Pre-Teen Class B Category
- Arian Danish from 6 Diligence clinched Bronze Medal for his Pre Junior Class J Category

#### MALAY STORY TELLING COMPETITION "OPS BACA 2019"

Westwood took part in our first ever Ops Baca competition. The objective of this competition was to encourage and instil in our children a love for reading. By encouraging pupils to predict the story outcome, the competition also aimed

to inculcate an inquiry mindset. In this competition, Primary Two to Primary Five pupils were required to read and understand the content of a reading material before showcasing their talent on the stage.

We would like to offer our heartiest congratulations to our Primary Two group for achieving third place for the Primary Two category of the competition. It was definitely an enriching and joyful experience for them.







#### TAMIL COMPETITIONS

Our Primary 1 and Primary 2 Tamil pupils have participated actively in the various competitions: Tamil Penmanship and Show & Tell competitions organized by Boon Lay Community Club. Avvaiyar Storytelling competition and Tamil Translation competition was organised by TLCS and Singapore Tamil Debate Club respectively. We are proud of all the pupils who put in tremendous effort in preparing for the competitions. Our heartiest congratulations to the prize winners!



Asmitha, Hashwanth and Rama with their consolation prizes for the Penmanship competition.





Pratheesh clinched the 2nd Prize for Tamil Translation competition.

#### OFFICIAL OPENING OF TAMIL CULTURAL HUB

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The official opening ceremony of the Tamil Cultural Hub took place on the 11<sup>th</sup> of July, 2019. Master Teacher for Tamil Language, Mr Subramaniam Nadaison, graced the occasion as the Guest of Honour. We offer our sincere thanks to our School Leaders, teachers and parents for their support in this occasion. The exterior decorations of the hub reflects the three aspects of Tamil Language: Poetry, Music, and Dance & Drama, infused with the traditional aspects of Tamil culture. The Tamil Cultural Hub aims to nurture our pupils' love for the language and its culture.





#### SYF ART EXHIBITION







Art Club members at the SYF Art Exhibition held at the National Museum of Singapore.

This year's Singapore Youth Festival Art Exhibition, themed "Artist and Citizenship", is presented in commemoration of Singapore's Bicentennial. It featured artworks by primary school artists and their reflections on Singapore. We are proud to share that our school's

artwork 'Blending with Singapore', created by our Primary Three and Four pupils, was awarded the Certificate of Recognition and was showcased at the SYF Art Exhibition at the National Museum of Singapore.

#### **NATIONAL CODING COMPETITION -**

Solomon Lim Jun Hui of 6 Resilience participated in the Hwa Chong Infocomm Competition (HCIC) which was opened to only 60 Primary 6 participants nationwide, with each school only allowed up to three representatives. Comprising a written paper and a practical session, the competition put the participants' skills in programming logic, Python programming language and robotics knowledge to the test. We are proud to announce that Solomon clinched the 9th position. Our heartiest congratulations to Solomon Lim!



# CL TEXT RECITAL COMPETITION & MT LANGUAGE FIESTA PRIMARY SCHOOL ESSAY WRITING COMPETITION ———

The Chinese Language Department is proud to announce that four of our Chinese Language pupils who participated in the "2019 2<sup>nd</sup> Text Recital Competition for Primary and Secondary School (CL)" had clinched 3 Silvers and 1 Bronze awards. In addition, Solomon from 6R has won the third prize in the W3 Cluster Mother Tongue Language Fiesta Primary Schools Essay Writing Competition. Our heartiest congratulations to these pupils! We are so proud of you, Westwoodians!



Lin Yushan from 5 Gratitude clinched the Bronze medal for the CL Text Recital Competition.



Evonne Toh of 5 Resilience bagged a Silver medal for the CL Text Recital Competition.



Solomon Lim of 6 Resilience won the 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize in the W3 Cluster Mother Tongue Language Fiesta Primary Schools Essay Writing Competition.



Chloe Chua of 3 Resilience clinched a Silver medals for the CL Text Recital Competition.

#### **NUS HIGH COMPETITIONS**

Rainnie Tan Xin Ning of 6 Gratitude and Moses Cheam Zhi Xiang of 5 Resilience had done Westwood proud by attaining awards at two prestigious competitions organised by the NUS High School of Mathematics and Science. Rainnie achieved the Commendation Award for her excellent performance at the Science Oratorical Competition where she had delivered a

persuasive speech on "De-extinction-Why extinct species should be resurrected?".

At the Singapore Primary Science Olympiad (SPSO) 2019, Moses attained a Silver Award for his stellar performance in both the theory and practical rounds. Congratulations to both Westwoodians for their efforts!



Rainnie Tan winning the Commendation Award at the Science Oratorical Competition.



Moses clinched the Silver Award for SPSO 2019. Way to go!

## **REFLECTIONS IN** POSITIVE PARENTING

## **TEACHERS' DAY CELEBRATION**

By Raymond Tan



Musical Performance - Just for Westwoodians



Flower Lollipops – Made by lovely PSG members

During the Teachers' Day celebration held on 5th September, the PSG brought back the Magical Musical Aladdin performance "Live" right in WWPS! Firstly, the pupils were tested on a quiz on how well they knew their teachers in WWPS and all of them did surprisingly well. After that, all staff and teachers were presented with a lollipop flower. The flowers were painstakingly prepared by the wonderful mummies of the PSG. They spent hours cutting crepe paper from scratch and wrapping the lollipops into delicate flowers. Each lollipop flower signifies a genuine token of affection, and encompasses the gratitude and appreciation that the parents have towards the teachers.

The grand finale was when Rainnie Tan, Ah Bu (the monkey) and Rajesh (tiger) gave a rousing introduction to bring on the song "A Whole New World" to the school.



Gift from the heart to thank our teachers for their dedication towards education.

Aladdin and Jasmine, together with some pupils and parents jointly brought the school's excitement level to a new high. Again, this event was another testament to the commitment of the PSG where the parents demonstrated good virtues such as teamwork, responsibility and sportsmanship to our children.

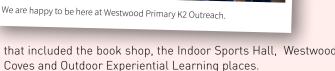
#### **K2 OUTREACH** By Monika Tetlak



Let's take a picture with the Positively Westwood mascots!

that included the book shop, the Indoor Sports Hall, Westwood

Thanks to the help of the Westwood Primary pupils, everything proceeded smoothly. They played an important role that day by helping to chaperon the groups of K2 pupils, ensuring that everyone was safe. They also showed the younger ones around the school with great pride. The K2 pupils and their parents were very pleased with this visit. They realised that indeed Westwood Primary School has a lot to offer - conducive learning environment, engaging curriculum and its unique approach of Positive Education.



On the 4th of July, the Westwood Primary PSG family met again to facilitate the K2 Outreach 2019. It is a very important annual occasion because of our special guests, the current Kindergarten 2 pupils who will be entering Primary One next year. This year, we had a big group of K2 pupils, making it necessary to put them into two groups. The programme started with some play time in the canteen, followed by a welcome speech in the school hall by Mr Ng, the Principal of Westwood Primary School. After the speech, a performance was put up by our pupils. It was a wonderful sight to see the K2 pupils cheer and dance along with the performance. After the performance, the K2 pupils went on a school tour where they were got to view the school's facilities

#### **BUNDLES OF JOY -**

Congratulations to our colleagues Mdm Sophia Tan, Mdm Shen Rong, Mr Khoo Rong Huang, Mr Kanchana, and Mdm Muzammilah on the birth of their babies.



Daughter of Mdm Sophia Tan: Ong Si Un, 9 June 2019



Son of Mdm Shen Rong: Chen Zirui William, 14 August 2019



Daughter of Mr Khoo Rong Huang: Khoo En Ci, 15 August 2019

