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# J & J INTERNATIONAL PRE-SCHOOL

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF J&J PRE-SCHOOL



## NOTICES:

- SCHOOL RESUMES WITH STRICTER SOPS
- FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK AT TADIKAJACKANDJILL
- WE HAVE INSTAGRAM! FOLLOW US NOW AT @JJPRESCHOOL



We welcome all parents and students back to our preschool. As we operate on a new normal basis, we follow strict SOP guidelines and maintain the highest form of safety. We at J&J would like to extend our greatest heartfelt appreciation to parents and guardians for their never-ending cooperation and support!

Anyone who does anything to help a child in their life is a hero to me.

- Fred Rogers



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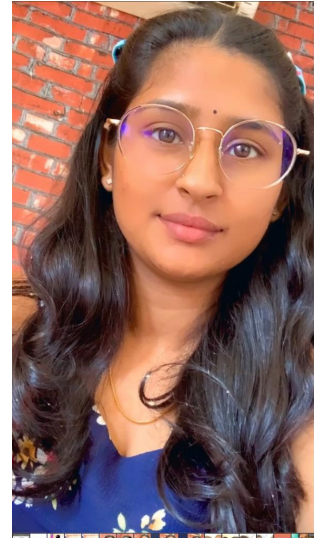
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## A message from Teacher Nishaa Programme and Event coordinator,

"Gong Xi Fa Cai" to all our lovely parents, guardians and students who celebrated Chinese New Year. We had a memorable CNY celebration in our school. Besides some fun activities, we had a great feast. We are thankful for your generosity in sharing some festive goodies with us all.



We are grateful for the parental support in our online classes, thematic and projects. Our teachers at JJ are always giving their best efforts to make learning fun. Despite the limitations from remote learning as well as restrictions due to SOPs during the pandemic time.

Consistent efforts of self-improvement and self -development by all teachers are clearly seen in our teachers' professional development, conducted fortnightly at school. Our principal and teachers will take turn sharing their knowledge and experiences on early childhood education as well as skills to strengthen and enrich one another. Together we improve in areas we are lacking in with support and encouragement from the management. The ultimate goal is to be an effective teacher with a growth mindset, adopting the 21st century learning and teaching approach.

Parents who wish to contribute their expertise especially on our monthly thematic topics may contact us and your initiative is very much appreciated.

Regards,  
Teacher Nishaa



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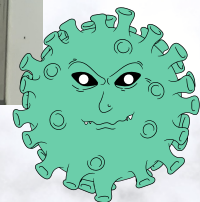
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# • THEMATIC MONTH •



Now we learn that germs are alive! Germs can be our friends or foes. We are not afraid of them. Protection against germs is important to keep us all healthy and safe. Soap and water are the best way to keep germs away. A little pain in a jab goes a long way!



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# January & February Golden Star Students

January golden star students. You are fantastic!



**4 Joy**  
**Husaina Bt**  
**Hussein**



**5 Kindness**  
**Morris Teh Jun Kai**



**6 Goodness**  
**Sparshita**  
**Sharma**

February golden star students. You are awesome!!



**4 Joy**  
**Vihaas**  
**Ganesh**



**5 Peace**  
**Haruka**  
**Murakami**



**6 Goodness**  
**Aephraim**  
**Samuel**

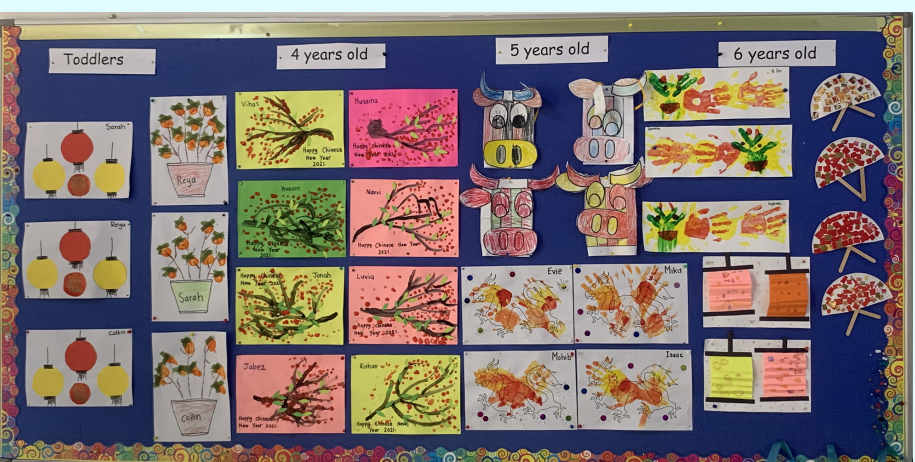




# GONG XI FA CAI



We had a wonderful Chinese New year celebration in our school. Our school principal Ms. Nicole performed the lion dance and presented a slide show to share about the Lunar New Year tradition. Children had great fun with the festive-themed games.





# TODDLERS

Craft time is always fun.  
Our hands might be tiny  
but our masterpieces are  
big!

"Red is for Chinese New  
Year!"

Circle Time promotes  
self-esteem and  
confidence among other  
skills. So come  
punctually and do not  
miss out any fun!



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**Children are always on the move wherever they are. The environment is the child's second teacher. Our little ones practise their balancing on the wavy tactile beam. Steady, ready, here we go!**

**Yikes! Germs on our hands! Worry not as we learn the ways to get rid of them. Wash our hands with water and soap while singing "Happy Birthday" song for two rounds. Goodbye germs!**





## 4 YEARS OLD

Together we fight against the bad germs - that was the message in our art pieces. Serious artists at work! Fighting the germs is a serious business. We are germs busters!



Learning together with friends is always exciting. We have dreams now. "I want to be a warrior to get rid of bad germs. And I want to make posters to tell about germs..."



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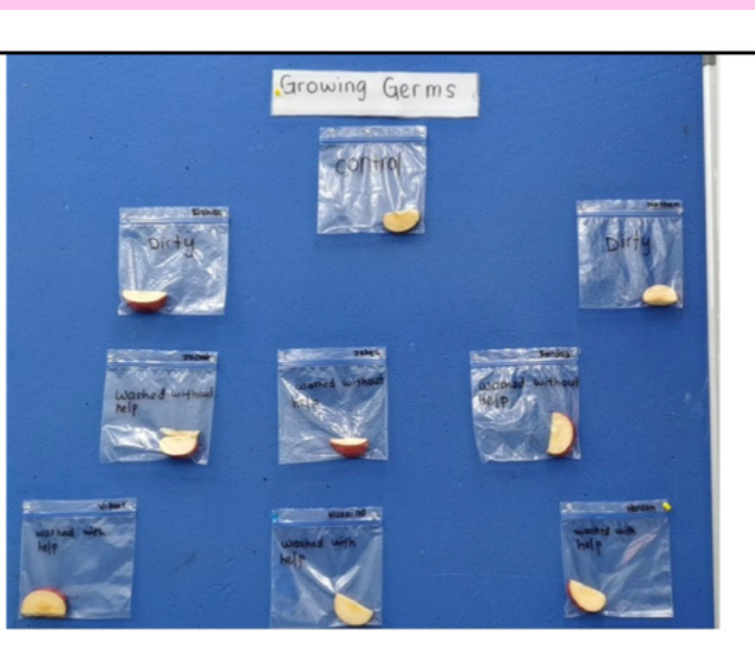
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**Bringing nature to indoor, now you can take a look at our cherry blossom trees - one and only from 4 Joy!**



**Observation Skill: Day 1 - Day 9 of experiment:**

**Slices of apples were rubbed on different surface as compared to one clean slice. Children watched intensely the pattern of growth on each bread, day by day.**



# 5 YEARS OLD

The glutinous rice balls also known as tang yuan is a festive food meaning together we stay! Chewy in every bite!



Children from Online Class learned diligently too, thanks to parents and guardians at home for their support!



Never-ending fun; we learn to create with new media. What a wonderful keepsake!



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**2021 is year of ox. Our crafts never fail to mesmerize!**

**Dragon is an auspicious animal in the Chinese tradition. From our palms to dragons, that's how creative we are!**



**We learn not just through books but games too. We love to come to our Resource Room.**







**New Covid-19  
vaccine developed  
by Amazing5  
coming your way  
soon!**

**Germ  
are  
invisible and this  
craft activity will  
remind us that  
germs are simply  
everywhere we  
touch!**





# 6 YEARS OLD

**Building our words wall -  
we stay alert to the  
phonics sounds called.  
We are trained to think  
and build. We learn to  
stay focused at all times.  
Time waits for no one.**



**Mathematics made fun with  
exciting and engaging activities!**



**We recognize that solids  
have a definite shape and that  
liquids take the shape of their  
containers. We learn that  
different shaped containers can  
have the same amount of water.**



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# 6 YEARS OLD

Learning in our Resource Room is fulfilling - lots of games and very engaging. We learn to solve problems on our own with teacher's guidance.

Be attentive for a fruitful lesson!

On-site or online, everyone can create. Can you see the dragon in the making here? Our hand prints are precious keepsakes. Finger printing, hand printing and foot printing support sensory integration and stimulate creativity and imagination of children. They help the body and brain integrate information and build spatial concept intelligence.



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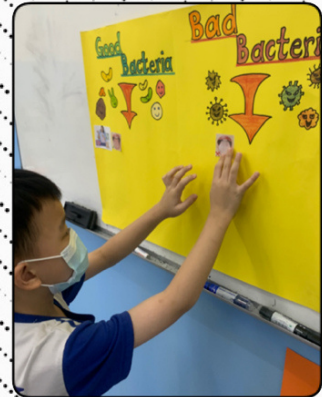
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Check them out! Our bread had gone bad. Some worse and the worst is yet to come. We observed our dirty bread versus clean bread over a period of time.

Making our poster on germs. Good germs are friends while bad germs are foes. Good germs help us to stay healthy!



Although germs are invisible, we know they are real and alive. Good germs are friendly and not scary.



# ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES

The experiential learning and hands-on activities in kitchen promote the lifetime skill of healthy cooking.

**Nutritious snacks help to build our immune system. Egg and cherry tomatoes spread on cream crackers. Yum! Yum! Yum!**



**Measuring and pouring in making canned tropical fruits jelly - step by step we learn in our Domestic Science Room. Children learn to use all their senses and achieve a sense of accomplishment.**



**Fried noodle - so many ingredients and steps. Washing, cutting, dicing, mixing and stirring - we did them all. Food prepared with love taste the best!**





# ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES



**Chinese Fun Learning - we learned calligraphy. Stroke by stroke we wrote 春 (spring in English) with the Chinese brush and ink. Holding a Chinese brush was no easy task. So authentic! When is our next class?**

**Teaching children life skills is important for self-care and sufficiency. Children feel empowered and have better self-concept. More life skills such as making decision, cleaning, first-aids and meal-prep will be taught to help children cope as they grow.**



**Children learn that a shadow can show an object's shape, but it can't show colors or other details. Our explorers were so engrossed at work!**



**Children love all things that glow in the dark . Here's another science project on lights. The Chinese New Year spectacular lamp that we made shone brightly to light up the room!**

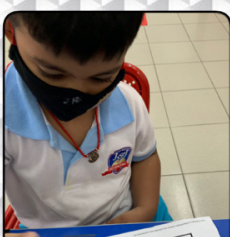






**Memory games stimulate our concentration and working memory. Playing more of such games can be a great booster to our learning. A good exercise for our brain too. Join us and together we train our little minds!**

**Training children in their pincer grasp and eye - hand coordination help them in their functional tasks such as buttoning, fastening, pencil gripping or feeding with utensils. Children accomplished this patience-demanding task of sorting out the beans very well. Good job!**



**Salt painting Valentine Day craft. Different size of salt crystals with more or less watercolor paint will vary the effect of our painting. AHA! Now we know it.**