

KL Cornerstone's Newsletter



November 2024



Here's what has happened in the year 2024 at KL Cornerstone!

This year has been truly remarkable for our homeschool center, marked by new collaborations and a renewed focus on our core principles of the 3Cs: Creativity, Collaboration, and Community.

Creativity remains at the heart of our program. Students have been encouraged to explore their imaginations through various activities, including experimenting with new ideas, reading diverse books, and writing thoughtful book reviews. Our creative arts initiatives, such as drawing and creative writing, have inspired students to express themselves in unique ways.

Collaboration has taken on new dimensions this year. We are proud to have partnered with corporate bodies and public schools to promote Malaysia's rich cultural heritage. These collaborations have not only enriched our curriculum but also fostered a spirit of teamwork and shared learning among our students.

Finally, our emphasis on **Community** encourages children to understand the importance of serving others. Through various service projects, our students have learned the value of giving back, fostering a sense of responsibility and connection to the world around them.

As we reflect on this exciting year, we look forward to continuing to nurture our students' growth in creativity, collaboration, and community service. Thank you for being a part of our journey!

Rosalind Chan
KLCA Principal

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Nursing Career Day “ What’s it like to be a nurse?”

First aid training for primary school students teaching basic skills for handling emergencies safely. It covers recognizing when someone needs help, calling for emergency services, and caring for minor injuries like cuts or bleeding.

Students also learn the importance of personal safety, including proper hand washing to prevent infections. The steps are: wet hands, apply soap, scrub all parts (palms, backs, between fingers, nails, and thumbs) for 20 seconds, rinse thoroughly, and dry.

Training also includes practicing the recovery position and introducing CPR, all in a fun and interactive way to build confidence. Besides that, we took the opportunity to remember the contribution of the nurses too.

“Thank you, nurses, for your unwavering dedication, compassion, and hard work. Your care and kindness touch countless lives every day, often in the most challenging moments. You are true heroes, and we are endlessly grateful for all that you do!”



“RESCUED” Vacation Bible School (VBS)

This 4-days program for children aged 7-12 focused on the story of Noah and God’s rescue plan. Through engaging lessons, interactive activities, and creative fun, students discovered the key themes of faith, obedience, and God’s promises. Each day featured stories, crafts, games, and music to make the lessons come alive and help kids grow in their understanding of God’s love and faithfulness.



Uncle Noah was telling his experience, from building the ark to boarding it.



Food Craftivity



Kids learning to cook is a fun and valuable experience! It helps them build confidence, develop life skills, and explore creativity in the kitchen.

Children enjoy hands-on activities while learning about healthy eating, teamwork, and following instructions.

Arts & Craft



Arts and crafts are a fun and meaningful part of Vacation Bible School! Kids get to express their creativity while making projects that connect to the Bible lessons. It’s a hands-on way for children to take home keepsakes that remind them of God’s love and promises.



Storytelling Camp by Teacher Tamara

Storytelling Camp was held from the 1st-4th April 2024.

Teacher Tamara, an experienced school teacher, is currently volunteering as a counselor for students from Asia Pacific International University in Thailand.

We had friends from the Homeschooling Tribe join us. KLCA students not only had the chance to learn storytelling skills but also had the opportunity to socialize and expand their circle of friends.

The drama skit at the end of the camp was a roaring success!



Tamara Storrie

I'm a storyteller, from an early age I have loved stories and begged to hear another. We need stories, they help us understand ourselves. Really great stories are the stories we remember, the unforgettable stories are the stories that show us, and make us feel, see and hear.. I want to help you release your inner storyteller. Discover how to captivate and hold your audience with the power of storytelling.

As a wife, a mother, and a teacher I have had to learn how to balance and nurture my life. As a life coach and teacher with over 30 years of experience helping people and teams, I love to help create stress-free micro-environments in both the classroom and the office. I'm passionate about empowering my clients to relieve stress allowing them to unlock their potential and achieve meaningful results in both their personal and professional lives. I help my clients gain clarity, set realistic goals, and develop actionable plans to overcome obstacles to living life more meaningfully. I am passionate about helping my clients understand and rewrite their stories.

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Participants doing their last preparations before their show time!



Mental Health Strategies Workshop

In today's fast-paced and demanding educational landscape, educators play a pivotal role in shaping the lives of countless students. However, the pressures of this profession can often take a toll on their own mental well-being.

It is essential to recognize the importance of mental health awareness for educators, as their well-being directly impacts their ability to effectively teach, connect with students, and foster a positive learning environment.



Teacher Tamara Storie facilitated a mental health workshop on April 7, 2024. Participants included parents, teachers, and educators who sought to learn more about mental health.

Her guidance and tips on mental health care have been invaluable to us.





COLOURING CONTEST (REACH OUT PROGRAMME)

Our community outreach program combines creativity and compassion with a Coloring Contest for kids and a Blood Donation Drive for adults. *The Blood Donation Drive was a collaboration of KLCA with Puchong Seventh-Day Adventist Community Centre and Blood Bank Malaysia.* This initiative brings families together to showcase talents, promote generosity, and make a meaningful impact. It's a chance to nurture creativity while saving lives and supporting the community.



Our student, Elizabeth Lim also participated in the colouring contest Showcasing her artistic talents as well as supporting the blood donation drive by doing her part



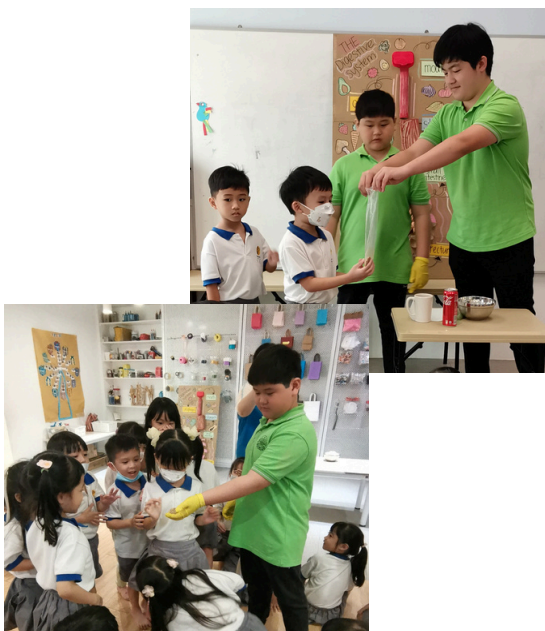
All participants were using different art supplies to complete their masterpieces!

DIGESTIVE SYSTEM | MELODYLAND KINDERGARTEN

Our primary students took on the role of teachers and explained the digestive system to kindergarteners. This program was a valuable learning experience for the younger students, as they gained a better understanding of how their bodies work.



Science Experiment



Little ones were asked to be our volunteers to “mash up” the bread as it represents the stomach digesting the food. Later, they were asked if they would like to experience the touch of “poop” and there were so many brave kids trying it out!

Digestive Puzzle



All the little ones were separated into small groups led by our students to enhance their learning and hands-on puzzle to show the the flow of the digestive system.



Farm Fresh School Field Trip

Our class recently visited Farm Fresh Malaysia, where students explored the fascinating process of milk production. The trip began with a guided tour of the dairy farm, where the kids learned about the journey of milk—from caring for cows to processing and packaging.

They observed different group of cows and got to interact with friendly farm animals. A highlight was seeing the state-of-the-art facilities where the milk is processed and tasting fresh dairy products like yogurt and milk. The trip was both educational and exciting, giving students a new appreciation for how high-quality milk is produced locally.

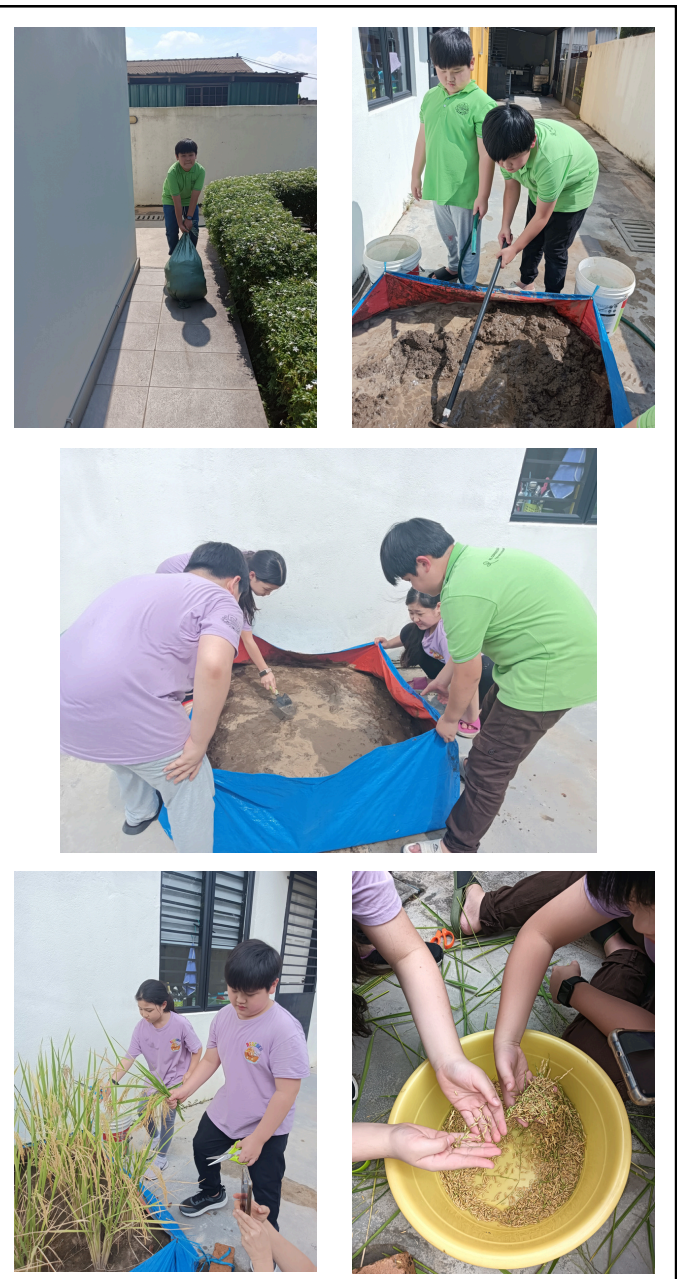


Our students with our new found friends from the homeschooling community!

**BEFORE****AFTER**

THE RICE PROJECT

As part of their Social Studies project on Asia, students explored the significance of rice in the region. They learned about the traditional process of growing rice, its role as a staple food, and its nutritional value. Besides that, students explored how different cultures and communities grow rice. They learned about various methods of rice production, from traditional hand-planting in flooded paddies to modern mechanized farming techniques. The project also highlighted how rice influences the culture, economy, and daily lives of people across Asia, deepening students' understanding of its importance in the region.



OUR NATURE WALKS



Since the beginning of 2024, our students have been visiting nearby parks every Monday for their morning devotion, song services, nature walks, and community service. As part of their service, they help clean up the park by picking up rubbish. During these visits, they also discovered a hidden hiking spot!

Additionally, our students have developed a soft spot for the stray animals in the park. They've enjoyed playing with the cats and even started noticing which ones they are particularly fond of.





From left to right: Rosalind Chan (Principal of KLCA), Lim Kok Meng (Founder of KLCA), Judges of Kebudayaan Dinamik Malaysia, Bryan (Emcee of the Event)



KEBUDAYAAN DINAMIK MALAYSIA

Our school hosted a cultural program showcasing the diverse traditions of Malaysia. Students were captivated by the various cultural dances performed by different schools, gaining a deeper appreciation for our country's rich heritage. The colorful costumes worn by the dancers highlighted the unique cultural identities of Malaysia's ethnic groups. To foster patriotism in our young students, we organized a coloring contest with the theme of Hari Malaysia.



All participants were well prepared with their cultural costume!

KEBUDAYAAN DINAMIK MALAYSIA HIGHLIGHTS



Fun Facts about Malaysia:

- **The Petronas Twin Towers**

Once the world's tallest buildings, the Petronas Twin Towers in Kuala Lumpur are 452 meters tall. They remained the tallest building until 2004.

- **Nasi lemak**



This dish is considered Malaysia's national dish, though it originated in the southern and central peninsular regions.

- **UNESCO World Heritage Sites**

Malaysia has four UNESCO-designated World Heritage Sites, including Gunung Mulu National Park, Kinabalu Park, and the historic cities of Melaka and George Town.

- **Kuala Lumpur**



The name "Kuala Lumpur" translates to "muddy confluence," referring to the point where land and rivers meet.



UKULELE & GUITAR WORKSHOP

Our school organized a week-long ukulele and guitar workshop for young people. Despite the challenges of learning a new instrument, the participants persevered and expanded their musical skills. The workshop also helped us connect with more homeschooling families in our community. At the end of the week, the students surprised their parents with a performance of several musical pieces.



Participants taking a break with short games among their friends.



Ukulele Workshop



A ukulele workshop is a fun and engaging way to learn music! Participants get hands-on practice and enjoy making music together in a friendly and supportive environment led by Ines Foo.

Guitar Workshop



Participants learnt foundational skills such as tuning, basic chords, and strumming techniques from Pastor Caleb. With hands-on practice and guided instruction, the participants were able to start playing some simple songs.

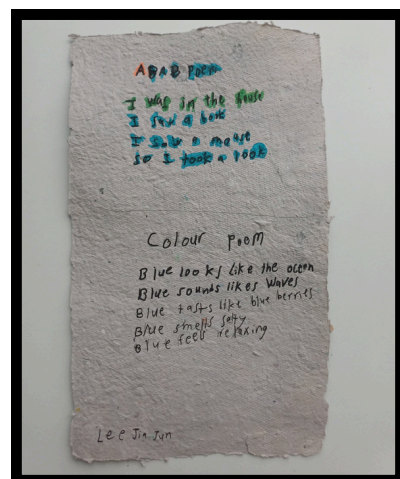
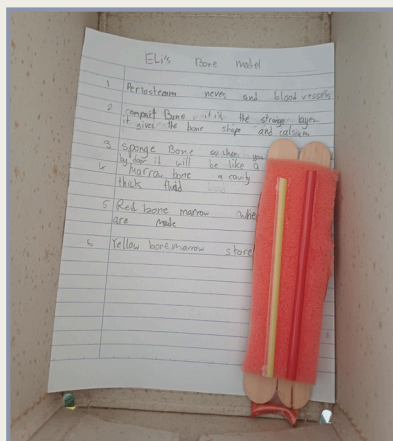


Beryl's Chocolate Factory with IDA

A visit to Beryl's Chocolate Factory with children from Intellectually Disabled Association is a sweet and enriching experience! The program offers an inclusive environment where children can explore the chocolate-making process, enjoy an interactive video presentation, and learn about the art of crafting chocolates. It's a fun-filled day that sparks creativity, promotes sensory engagement, and creates joyful memories for all participants.



Our students with our new found friends from Intellectually Disabled Association!





Our Graduates of Year 2023



**Justin
Chai Jin Cheng**

Graduate of
KL Cornerstone 2023

Justin is currently pursuing a
Diploma in Information Technology
in Taylor's College, Selangor



**Emmanuel
Lim Xing Ee**

Graduate of
KL Cornerstone 2023

Emmanuel is currently
pursuing his A-Levels
in Taylor's College, Selangor





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