

# 2023 MK OPEN HOUSE MOE Kindergarten @ Gongshang II February 2023





# **TODAY'S PROGRAMME**

Time	Programme
9.00am to 9.30am	Registration
9.30am to 10.30am	Guided Tour (Round One)
10.30am to 11.30am	Principal and Centre Head Briefing
11.30am to 12.30pm	Guided Tour (Round Two)
12.30pm to 1.00pm	Home Sweet Home





# WELCOME ADDRESS BY MRS SOH-LIM TZYY SHIUAN

Principal, Gongshang Primary School





# WELCOME MESSAGE BY MRS AZAR – ZAINAB HUSSAIN

Centre Head, MK@Gongshang









- Our Team
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- MK Learning Environment
- Kindergarten Care (KCare)
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# **OUR MK TEAM**







# **OUR KCARE TEAM**





**Ms Siti** Senior KCare Centre Supervisor



**Ms Sakina** Senior KCare Centre Supervisor



**Ms Khai** Assistant KCare Centre Supervisor



**Ms Yuni** Senior Programme Staff



**Ms Su** Programme Staff



**Ms Jas** Programme Staff



**Ms Shaf** Programme Staff



**Ms Lydia** Programme Staff



**Ms Azi** Programme Staff



**Ms Afiqah** Programme Staff



Auntie Susanti Hygiene Helper







## **MK PROGRAMME**

- Two levels Kindergarten 1 & Kindergarten 2
- 4-hour programme (AM or PM session)
- 3 Mother Tongue Languages (Chinese, Malay, Tamil)
- Follows MOE school calendar of 4 terms and school holidays





## A DAY AT AN MOE KINDERGARTEN

A Day At An MOE Kindergarten - YouTube







# SAMPLE TIMETABLE (AM SESSION)

From	То	Schedule (Monday To Friday)
7.50am 8.00am	Arrival	
	Physical Health Check	
8.00am 9.00am	Starlight Activities	
	(Mother Tongue Language)	
9.00am	9.50am	HI-Light Activities
9.50am	10.20am	Outdoor
10.20am	10.40am	Snack Time
10.40am	11.10am	Learning Centre
11.10am	11.55am	Starlight Activities (English Language)
11.55am	12.00pm	Getting ready to go home / KCare Handover

Note: Sequence of activities may differ from class to class

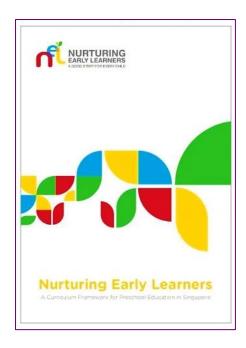




## MK CURRICULUM

Designed by MOE curriculum specialists and educators with knowledge and experience in early childhood education and primary school curriculum

Based on the beliefs and principles in the Nurturing Early Learners Framework, developed by MOE, to guide quality kindergarten teaching and learning of children in Singapore

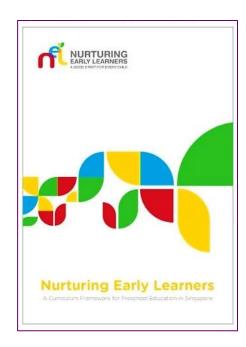






# MK CURRICULUM DESIGN PRINCIPLES

- Children are joyful, curious, active & competent learners who play, learn and grow with others in a diverse and multi-cultural community
- Holistic development through an integrated approach to teaching and learning
- Learning through quality interactions & purposeful play

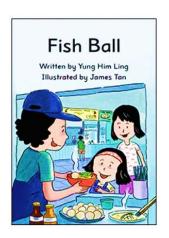






## MK CURRICULUM

- Two flagship programmes:
  HI-Light Programme and Starlight Literacy
  (English and Mother Tongue Languages) Programme
- Activities organised around four broad themes and relevant topics
- Activities with a distinctive Singapore flavour
- Weeks of Wonder (WoW) projects which encourage self-motivated learning through exploration and discovery







# **MK CURRICULUM**







### MK HI-LIGHT PROGRAMME

The HI-Light Programme is designed to support the holistic development of children by nurturing in them values, social and emotional skills and learning dispositions, as well as knowledge and skills across the following five learning areas through an

integrated approach:

1. Aesthetics and creative expression

- 2. Discovery of the world
- 3. Health, safety and motor skills development
- 4. Language and literacy
- 5. Numeracy













## MK STARLIGHT LITERACY PROGRAMME

- Nurtures early childhood bilingualism
- Offered in English and three Mother Tongue Languages (Chinese, Malay and Tamil)
- Focuses on developing a positive disposition to the languages, listening, speaking and early reading and writing skills
- Uses Big Books, songs and games set in the local context to make learning fun & engaging
- Encourages families to be involved in activities to enthuse children in language learning
- Provides opportunities for children to communicate in English & their Mother Tongue Language with confidence and be aware of local traditions and customs





## MK LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

- Creative use of available space to encourage children to discover and explore their surroundings
- Safe and & inviting indoor and & outdoor spaces
- Promotes learning through a variety of play, hands-on and interactive learning activities that are facilitated by the teachers
- Children spend at least 30 minutes outdoors daily

# **Outdoor Spaces**

Carefully designed to provide a variety of play experiences







# **Indoor Spaces**

Thoughtfully designed classrooms and rich resources to support teaching and learning







# KINDERGARTEN CARE (KCARE)







#### Our Programme

- Time and space for children to play, explore and discover
- ✓ Situated within MK premises
- Operates from 7am 7pm, Mondays to Fridays, including school holidays
- Operated by MOE-appointed service providers, based on MOE requirements and guidelines







Our Programme

Safe & Conducive Environment to Play, Explore and Discover

Provides opportunities for children to develop:



✓ Social Skills

✓ Self-help skills

✓ Values such as responsibility, care and respect







#### Our Programme

- Exploration and discovery through play
- Specially designed environment with carefully chosen resources
- Autonomy for children to decide what and how they want to play
- Large blocks of time for indoor and outdoor play







Our Programme

#### A variety of play experiences

#### (A) Modular Activities



Cookery

→ Gardening

Music, Movement & Dramatisation

✓ Sand & Water Play

**✓** Tinkering







#### Our Programme

#### A variety of play experiences

#### (B) Free Play

- Construction & Manipulative free play
- Dramatic free play
- Outdoor free play
- ✓ Sand & Water free play

#### (C) Dedicated Reading Time

- Daily dedicated reading time
- Nurture a love for reading and develop good reading habits



#### **KCare Environment (Indoor)**



Art & Craft activity room



Cookery & Tinkering activity room



#### **KCare Environment (Outdoor)**





Sensory garden



Sand & Water play area







Our Programme

#### **KCare Staff**

- Led by KCare Supervisor with Early Childhood qualifications
- Supported by team of Early Childhood-trained staff with the disposition to care for and interact with children aged 5 6 years old.
- Possess requisite competencies and skills to engage children in activities while ensuring their safety and well-being.

#### A TYPICAL DAY AT KCARE

Sample Timetable (AM KCare)

Time	Activity
0700 - 0830	Arrival and Health Check Breakfast
0830 - 0930	Modular Activities/Outdoor Free Play
0930 - 1030	Modular Activities/Indoor Free Play
1030 - 1045	15 minutes of Dedicated Reading Time
1045 - 1300	Rest/Nap, Shower, Lunch
1300 - 1700	MOE Kindergarten
1700 - 1900	Indoor/Outdoor Free Play Quiet Time and Dismissal

Note: KCare resides within MK. Both MK and KCare will work out an arrangement for the handover of children.



#### A TYPICAL DAY AT KCARE

Sample Timetable (PM KCare)

Time	Activity
0700 – 0800	Arrival and Health Check
0800 - 1200	MOE Kindergarten
1200 - 1230	Arrival and Health Check
1230 - 1430	Lunch, Shower, Rest/Nap
1430 - 1530	Modular Activities/Indoor Free Play
1530 – 1545	Afternoon Snack
1545 - 1600	15 minutes of Dedicated Reading Time
1600 - 1700	Modular Activities/Outdoor Free Play
1700 - 1900	Indoor/Outdoor Free Play Quiet Time and Dismissal

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# **MK FEES**

### Monthly fee for MOE Kindergarten in 2023

Singapore Citizen	Singapore Permanent Resident
<b>\$160</b>	\$320

# KINDERGARTEN FEE ASSISTANCE SCHEME (KIFAS)



Gross Monthly Household Income	Gross Per Capita Income	Monthly Kindergarten Fee after Subsidy* (With effect from Jan 2020)
\$3,000 and below	\$750 and below	\$1
\$3,001 - \$4,500	\$751 - \$1,125	\$15
\$4,501 - \$6,000	\$1,126 - \$1,500	\$60
\$6,001 - \$7,500	\$1,501 - \$1,875	\$80
\$7,501 - \$9,000	\$1,876 - \$2,250	\$100
\$9,001 - \$10,500	\$2,251 - \$2,625	\$120
\$10,501 - \$12,000	\$2,626 - \$3,000	\$150

- For SC children
- Can apply for KiFAS provided by ECDA through MK
- Criteria: 1) Gross

  Monthly Household

  Income (HHI) or 2)

  Gross Monthly Per

  Capita Income (PCI)
- Jan 2023. Updates will be reflected on MK website

# **KCARE FEE**

### **Monthly fee for KCare in 2023**

Singapore	Singapore Permanent
Citizen	Resident
\$180 (Fee after \$150 basic subsidy)	\$330

# A SMOOTH TRANSITION TO MK







#### **K1 ORIENTATION**

A Smooth Transition to MK

You and your child will be invited to an **orientation session** before the start of the K1 year, where you will meet with the kindergarten teachers and classmates. This session will help to familiarise your child with the new learning environment.







#### FIRST DAY OF TERM 1

A Smooth Transition to MK

- For the first day of Term 1, you are welcome to accompany your child to the MK to help him or her through the routines in the kindergarten.
- Teachers at the MK will keep a look out for children who experience adjustment challenges and work together with the parents to support the child's transition to the new learning environment.



### **MK PARTNERSHIPS**







#### **OUR PARTNERSHIPS**

# Close collaboration with primary schools to facilitate transition to P1

- Opportunities for interaction between MK children and primary school students (subject to prevailing requirements of Safe Management Measures)
- Five-week experiential component in the K2 curriculum to support children's transition to P1
- Collaboration between MK and lower primary teachers to establish shared understanding about children's learning and development









#### **OUR PARTNERSHIPS**

Strong partnerships with families and the community to enrich children's learning experiences

- Effective communication
- Active engagement
- Meaningful collaboration







## LIFE@MK

Our Partnerships

# Leading and Inspiring Families of Early Learners @ MOE Kindergarten

- Centre-based workshops
- Provides practical tips and advice on how you can support children's learning at home
- Topics focus on holistic development, language development, how children learn and supporting children's transition from pre-school to primary school







#### **MK-EYC PARTNERSHIP**

#### Our Partnerships

- Partnering two Anchor Operators:
  - (i) NTUC First Campus' My First Skool (MFS)
  - (ii) PAP Community Foundation Sparkletots Preschool (PCF)
- Children aged 2mths to 4yrs attend the partner Early Years Centres (EYCs) offered by MFS and PCF
- At age 5, children are **guaranteed admission to K1** at a partner MK
- Our MKs' partner EYC(s) are:
  - 1. PCF Sparkletots Preschool @ Tampines East Blk 262





## WHY CHOOSE MK?

- Quality & Affordable Kindergarten Education
- Caring & Skilful Educators
- Spacious & Rich Learning Environment
- Holistic Curriculum in English & all 3 MTLs
- Smooth Transition to Primary School





# **INFO ON MK REGISTRATION**

- MK Registration Exercise held from
   17 Feb 2023, 9am 21 Feb 2023, 4pm
- Open to Singapore Citizen and Permanent Resident children born between 2 Jan 2019 and 1 Jan 2020 (both dates inclusive)
- Register at <a href="https://go.gov.sg/mk-register">https://go.gov.sg/mk-register</a>
- Parents will be informed of the registration outcome by 14 Apr 2023. Outside this registration period, parents can contact the MK directly to check for vacancies.
- Children from EYCs intending to apply for the partner MK will also apply during this period via a separate registration process\*; parents to check in with your EYCs on registration details

<sup>\*</sup>EYC Parents who are intending to register their child in a non-partner MK should apply via Open Admissions (OA) registration form. Your application will be considered under the MK OA registration and subject to the same conditions as all other OA applications.

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