



Overseas Family School Kindergarten

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Principal's Message

A special feature of the International Early Years Curriculum (IEYC) is its International Dimension of Learning and Development, which encourages young children to develop an understanding and appreciation of the world around them. One of the ways we bring this learning to life is through our celebration of the many cultural festivals that are an important part of Singapore's rich and diverse community. Our first celebration this year was the Mid-Autumn Festival on 25 September. The children learned about some of the traditions associated with this special festival and enjoyed taking part in a variety of fun games and activities traditionally enjoyed by children during this time of year. Our sincere thanks to the PA members who helped prepare these wonderful experiences for the Kindergarten children.

Over the coming months, we look forward to celebrating Deepavali, Christmas, Lunar New Year and Hari Raya Puasa together. We also warmly welcome families to share celebrations that are significant to your home country or culture. If there is a special cultural festival or tradition that you would like us to learn more about, please do let us know. We would be delighted to explore these experiences with the children and further enrich their understanding of the diverse world around them.

As we reach the end of our first quarter, it has been wonderful to see the children embrace their first IEYC Units of Learning with such enthusiasm and curiosity. They have developed new knowledge, skills and understanding and have been very proud to share their learning during their Unit Exit Points.

As we move into our next Unit of Learning following the October break, our teachers will continue to build on the children's experiences and provide rich opportunities for them to consolidate, extend and enjoy their learning. We look forward to seeing their continued growth, curiosity and confidence as they embark on their next learning journey.

Upcoming Events in October

We are excited to be hosting an Open House on Saturday, 17 October, from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. This is a wonderful opportunity for prospective families to explore our campus, join guided tours, and visit information booths across all divisions. If you have friends, colleagues, or families who may be considering a school in Singapore, please invite them to join us.

<https://www.ofs.edu.sg/resources/promo/ofs-oct-2026-open-house/>

Our K1 and K2 swimming programme will commence during the week beginning 19 October. To help the children feel confident and independent, we encourage families to support them in practising changing in and out of their swimming attire independently at home.

Internationalism Celebration on Friday, 30 October 2026. Parents are warmly invited to join us as we celebrate the wonderful cultural diversity within our Kindergarten community. The children will showcase songs and dances from around the world during a

special concert at 10:00am in the Auditorium, followed by a shared potluck lunch at 11:15am in the Homebase classrooms.

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Mid Autumn Festival

From The Parent Association (PA) Desk

Here, we sincerely wish all children a happy Children's Day! May every child grow up healthy and happy, stay curious, enjoy learning and life, and bravely pursue their dreams!

In October, the Parents' Association (PA) will organize practical workshops for parents of different grade levels, along with exciting learning and experiential trips to explore Singapore's local culture.

More details and registration information will be sent by email. Please check your inbox regularly. We look forward to your participation as we continue supporting our children's growth!



Pre-K1 News

Our Pre-K1 Bunnies have been busy exploring the IEYC Unit 'This is Me.' They've enjoyed learning about themselves, personal hygiene, practising skills like sharing and taking turns, and role-playing in our classroom "Bunnies' Home"—complete with a bathroom, bedroom, living room, and kitchen.

We also had so much fun with our Pajama Party, where the children role-played their morning and evening routines. Through these experiences, they are learning to be good friends, collaborate, and show respect and empathy toward one another.

This Unit has been a wonderful way to build self-awareness while celebrating what makes each child unique. We can't wait for our next IEYC adventure!

(K1 Team)



Pre-K2 News

The Pandas and Koalas have had a wonderful time exploring through our Unit of Learning, 'Let's Play Outside.' The children have embraced opportunities to get messy, experiment, play together and discover the ways we can enjoy learning outdoors.

Water play has been a particular favourite. The children experimented with multi-coloured drain pipes, discovering how water could be poured and channelled from one place to another. In the paddling pools, they enjoyed sharing toys and exploring the sensory experience of being immersed in water. They also explored water trays filled with different toys and became car-wash attendants, washing and scrubbing our toy cars until they were sparkling clean. These experiences encouraged the children to explore concepts such as movement, capacity and cause and effect, while also developing their coordination and cooperation skills.



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The children also discovered the wonderful world of mud! Most of them were happy to explore its texture with their hands, while others scooped or poured it, and used their imaginations to 'cook' all kinds of creations. We opened a mud restaurant, where the children prepared and served their delicious mud meals while teachers acted as paying customers. Through this imaginative play, the children began to explore the idea of trade and how money is used when buying and selling in a restaurant.

Our outdoor explorations continued with soil and planting. The children investigated the texture of soil before planting basil, lemon and rosemary seeds in our class planters. They learned that plants need soil, water and sun to grow. We later used plants (strawberries and basil) in our cooking class to show how a herb garden can be used to create flavoursome meals and desserts.

(Pre-K2 Team)



K1 News



As part of our current IEYC Unit of Learning, 'Healthy Habits', the children have been exploring the many ways we can care for our bodies and minds to stay healthy and happy.

To extend their learning, the children enjoyed a special Healthy Habits incursion that brought together three important elements of holistic health: moving our bodies, calming our minds and nourishing our bodies with healthy food.



Through engaging gymnastics with the Tiger coaches the children had lots of fun exploring different gym equipment and activities while exercising their bodies. The mindfulness experiences introduced by 'Planting with Seeds', also encouraged the children to slow down, focus on their breathing and recognise the importance of caring for their mental wellbeing.

The children then enjoyed a healthy lunch together. This provided wonderful opportunities for conversations about the different fruits, vegetables and other nutritious foods in their lunches, helping them make meaningful connections between what they have been learning in the classroom and their everyday lives.

It was lovely to see the children participating with such enthusiasm and excitement throughout the morning. These hands-on experiences will continue to reinforce the healthy habits and concepts explored during our unit.

A big thank you to all our parents for your support in preparing and sending in healthy lunches for the children to enjoy. They certainly had a wonderful and memorable morning!

(K1 Team)



K2 News

As part of our 'Imagine That' unit, the K2 children had a wonderful time getting creative during our clay incursion! The children had the opportunity to choose whether they would like to create a bowl or a cup and then used their imaginations to design and decorate their own unique pieces.

Working with clay provided a meaningful and enjoyable way to develop the children's fine motor skills. Movements such as pinching and squeezing help to build the hand strength, finger control and coordination that children need for everyday tasks such as holding a pencil, forming letters, using scissors, fastening buttons and managing other classroom tools.



The process also encouraged the children to slow down, concentrate and think carefully about how they could turn their ideas into a creation. They made decisions about the shape, size and design of their pieces, developing their problem solving and planning skills along the way. There was plenty of opportunity for resilience too, as the children discovered that clay does not always do exactly what we want it to do!

Once their creations were finished, they were sent away to be fired in a kiln. The children were so excited when their clay pieces returned, ready for the next step! We then painted our bowls and cups, adding colour and bringing each unique design to life. Painting provided another opportunity to practise fine motor control as the children carefully held their brushes, controlled their movements and worked within the different areas of their designs.

It was a fantastic hands on learning experience that allowed the children to experience the joy of creating something with their own hands. They were incredibly proud to see their ideas come to life.

(The K2 Team)



National Team Chess Championship

OFS hosted the Inter-School National Team Chess Championship on campus on 12 and 13 September. Students from our Elementary, Middle and High Schools participated in the competition.

We were especially proud to see Sarah Wahla, one of our K2 students, invited to represent OFS as part of a team alongside three Elementary School girls. As the youngest participant among more than 800 players, Sarah demonstrated wonderful enthusiasm, confidence and sportsmanship throughout the tournament.

We are extremely proud of Sarah for her participation and for representing OFS so positively during this exciting event.

