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Dear PATH members,

For parents who are new to Mee Toh School's Parent Support Group, PATH (**P**arents **A**s **T**eacher **H**elpers), thank you for reading **PATH Connects**! This is our quarterly newsletter that connects PATH members and provides updates on our activities. 2024 was off to a good start as we garnered the strong support of PATH members for various activities in Term 1. Let us recap some of the activities and we look forward to a great Term 2 ahead!

Laba Festival (18 January 2024)



In commemoration of the attainment of Enlightenment by Lord Buddha, Mee Toh School celebrated the **Laba Festival** on 18 January. Volunteers from Fo Guang Shan prepared the Laba porridge, blending various types of grains and vegetables into a nutritious delight.



More than 60 enthusiastic PATH members turned up with bright smiles to support the event. They distributed steaming bowls of porridge to students during recess, and guided the students to clean and wash their non-disposable bowls and cutlery.







It was a heartwarming display of teamwork and environmental sustainability. Many students gave the thumbs-up for the delicious porridge and meaningful event! Thank you PATH members for the strong support!



Total Defence Day & Clean Plate Campaign (15 - 16 February 2024)



Mee Toh School celebrated **Total Defence Day** over two days during recess on 15 and 16 February. Day 1 was a bustling affair, as a team of police officers set up informative booths on site, and students were fully immersed in the engaging activities. The highlight of the day was the police car that was stationed right in the heart of the parade square. Excitement rippled through the air as students got to experience firsthand the thrill of sitting in the driver and passenger seats!



On Day 2, PATH members gathered early in the morning to help set up 4 game stations, which were specially designed by the PE department, and incorporated the six pillars of Total Defence.









During the Clean Plate Campaign which was held in conjunction with the Food Rationing aspect of Total Defence Day, PATH members embarked on a mission to promote responsible meal consumption amongst the students. Those who finished all their food during recess were rewarded with stickers for their commitment to reducing food waste and embracing sustainability. What a meaningful initiative!



PATH CNY Lohei (17 February 2024)

About 80 PATH members, students and school leaders kicked off the Year of the Dragon with a bang at the **PATH CNY Lohei** gathering on 17 February. It marked the first CNY festive gathering for PATH members since COVID-19.





Decked out in their festive best, PATH members enjoyed filled with joyous morning cheers during the Lohei session and DIY popiah making. It was a delightful occasion for parents to bond with their children and connect with fellow **PATH** members. The Dragon Year certainly started with a huat!

















P4 Traffic Games (4, 5, 7 March 2024)

P4 Traffic Games was off to an exhilarating start as students hit the tracks of the Road Safety Community Park. Our young adventurers were granted the opportunity of a lifetime as they delved headfirst into the world of traffic rules, unleashing their excitement through a multitude of dynamic roles. Picture this: pint-sized Road Marshalls commanding authority, brave Cyclists maneuvering through obstacles, cautious Pedestrians navigating the bustling streets, and Go-Kart players on a driving course, all playing integral roles. Armed with maps that held the keys to their adventures, the students embarked on a quest to conquer the five stations scattered across the park.



PATH members served as the guiding stars of this journey, assisting the students to navigate the twists and turns of the park's pathways, and most importantly, ensuring that students experience an exciting blend of education and fun.











This learning journey was not just a pit stop; it was a gateway to a world where learning and excitement collided, setting the stage for a year ahead brimming with enlightenment and excitement for the P4s!



Math Week (5 - 7 March 2024)

From 5 to 7 March, MTS students embarked on a journey to explore Math, with PATH members leading the charge by facilitating a line-up of engaging activities designed to transform Math into an exciting adventure. Through a series of dynamic games and interactive challenges, students were invited to unravel the mysteries of Math while having an absolute blast. But that was not all! This year, the KooBits team came on board and enticed students with mind-bending quizzes and stimulating puzzles.







With every problem solved, students not only sharpened their mathematical acumen but also unlocked a new-found sense of self-confidence and problem-solving prowess!









Through Math Week, PATH hopes that students have picked up newfound knowledge and minds buzzing with mathematical brilliance, ready to conquer any numerical challenge that comes their way!



ActivePlay & Recycling

Do you know that the favourite time of the day for many students is **ActivePlay** during recess? ActivePlay is a recess activity that takes place everyday in the school field. Fun during ActivePlay would not have been possible without the active participation of PATH!



Our team of active PATH members play a critical role during ActivePlay by facilitating the loan of the sports equipment and ensuring a safe and friendly environment for the students. PATH members are a familiar and comforting face to the students during ActivePlay. Students know that they can count on PATH and approach us whenever they need help!







We encourage PATH members to join the fun and exciting **ActivePlay** - you can get to know the students, clock your steps and absorb some Vitamin D at the same time!

Recycling activity takes place every Wednesday during recess. With the start of the year, PATH welcomes all our recycling troopers back to school, especially the newest bunch from Primary 1! With the help of dedicated PATH members, the students were taught or reminded on how to sort out items for recycling. From paper to plastics, the students sprang quickly into action and sorted items with precision and care into the various collection points.





This year, we are also gearing up to Mee Toh School's 70th Anniversary celebrations. In anticipation of this momentous occasion, students are on a mission to collect bottle caps and setting them aside for a unique memorabilia. Stay tuned for more updates!



PATH will continue to champion the cause of **Recycling**, paving the way for a brighter, greener future for our younger generation!

PATH Activities for Term 2



As we enter into Term 2, there are many upcoming exciting activities that we continue to need the support of all PATH members. Here is a quick overview of the Term 2 activities. Do keep a lookout for registration details which will be shared in the "MTS PATH Broadcast" Telegram channel. We look forward to you joining us!

- 22 March: World Water Day
- 25 March 2 April: Mother Tongue Fortnight
- 1 April: International Friendship Day
- 15 April: Hari Raya Puasa
- April May: P4 and P6 NAPFA Run
- 15 May: Green Day
- March May: Singapore Youth Festival and National School Games
- 24 25 May: Parents' Show and Mee Toh School 70th Anniversary
- 70th Anniversary Gifts Packing

We encourage parents to join the "MTS Family Fun! Challenge" (9 Mar to 28 Apr). Please refer to the letter issued via Parents Gateway on 8 Mar.

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If you would like to sign up as a PATH member, you may access this link, https://tinyurl.com/PATH-registration, or scan the QR code. We look forward to your registration.



Check out past volumes of PATH Connects at Mee Toh School website: under "Parent Support Group (PATH)".

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