



# spotlight

Yu Neng

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1935-2015  
YU NENG PRIMARY SCHOOL  
OUR HERITAGE, OUR FUTURE

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## Team Yu Neng's Special Achievement

Lotus Sustained Achievement Award (by SEC-StarHub School Green Awards) & Sustained 3R Award 2015

## Staff Achievement

Name of Staff	Award
Mdm Dawn Liew	National Day Commendation Award 2015 MOE Service Excellence Award
Mr Shammi Dominic	Excellent Technology Assistant Award 2015
Mr Hashim bin Mohd Shariff	Community In Bloom Ambassador Award 2015
<b>MOE Excellent Service Award</b>	
Mr Chua Meng Joo	Star Award
Mdm Ng Lay See	Star Award
Mrs Janet Lee	Gold Award
Mr Mohamad Haniffa bin Mohd. Yassin	Gold Award
Ms Phan Huey Ju	Gold Award
Mdm Toh Chor Choo	Silver Award



## Student Achievement

CCA/Special Groups/Selected Pupils	Award
2015 Commonwealth Essay Competition	3 Silver Awardees 6 Bronze Awardees
Raffles Institution Primary Maths World Contest (RIPMWC) 2015	2 Distinctions 7 Credits
Asia Pacific Mathematical Olympiad for Primary Schools (APMOPS) 2015	1 Silver Awardee
National Mathematical Olympiad of Singapore (NMOS) 2015	1 Silver Awardee 2 Bronze Awardees 4 Honourable Mention Awardees
Civica—Decorate the Library Competition (Theme/Innovation/Meaning)	First Prize
Digital Story Telling (Primary Category for School Library)	Second Prize
2015 Singapore Grandprix Online Competition – Primary Schools (Library)	Team Event 2nd Place 3rd Place
National Inter-Primary Schools Table Tennis Championship 2015	Team Event Junior Boys – 2nd Senior Boys – Top 8 Senior Girls – Top 8 Junior Girls – Top 16
	Individual Event Senior Boys – Top 8 Junior Girls – Top 8 Junior Boys – Top 8
National Inter-Primary Schools Badminton Championship 2015	Team Event Senior Girls – Top 8 Junior Girls – Top 8
Scouts	Frank Cooper Sands 2014 – Gold Akela Award
HDB Good Neighbours Video Competition	Overall Second Prize (Technical Judging) Most Popular Video Award
National Primary Games Creation Competition (NPGCC)	Top 5
School Digital Media Awards	Animation Category – Silver
National Code for Fun Competition	2 Silver Awardees
Annual Hawazi Daipi Challenge Trophy Cendekia Sahibba National Competition (Malay Scrabble)	Champion for East Zone
4th National Chinese Language Competition	Best Performance Award (Individual)
Singapore Youth Festival Art Presentation	Certificate of Recognition

## New Staff Members



**Mrs Yasmin EL-Tayeb**  
"What we remember from childhood we remember forever..."

This quote has been my guiding principle since the day I embarked on this beautiful journey as an educator and a learner.... The way we impart knowledge to young minds will make a significant difference to how they learn. Hence, learning has to be in a loving, caring and safe environment. I would love to be a part of most, if not all, of my pupils' fond memories of their childhood, one day.



**Ms Lim Zi Xiu**  
"Hi! I am happy to be part of the Yu Neng family and definitely looking forward to a fruitful and exciting journey with my colleagues and pupils."



**Mdm Tan Eng Ling Catherine**  
"Hi everyone, I am excited to be part of the Yu Neng family. I look forward to an enriching and meaningful journey with all of you in Yu Neng Primary School."



**Mr Royston Neo Li Ren**  
"I believe that every child can learn and that I am entrusted with the responsibility to mould the future generation of Singapore. I am honoured and proud to be part of the warm family in Yu Neng. This marks the beginning of my journey as an educator, where I look forward to an enriching and meaningful journey with everyone."



**Mdm Lee Woei Yann**  
"Happy 80th Anniversary Yu Neng! Looking forward to many more great years to grow with you."





## From The Desk Of The Principal

2015 has indeed been a very special year for the Yu Neng community as we not only marked Singapore's 50th birthday but also commemorated our school's 80 years of rich heritage. Through our YN80 and SG50 celebrations, we had hoped to achieve the following objectives:

- Honour our past, celebrate our present and co-create the future
- Instil pride and ownership amongst pupils, staff and stakeholders
- Provide a unifying experience and reference point for YNPS pupils, staff and stakeholders both past and present
- Showcase the creativity and imagination of talents in YNPS
- Raise funds for school improvement projects to provide our pupils with an inviting and enriched environment and facilities that will continue to enhance their learning and development

Two distinctive highlights of our YN80 and SG50 celebrations were our YN80 Gala Dinner and the launch of our i-Gallery. We are very pleased to have had former Minister for Education Mr Heng Swee Keat as our Guest-of-Honour at our YN80 Gala Dinner cum launch of our i-Gallery on Sat 25 July. It was indeed a grand 'homecoming' – a connecting of students, staff, parents and community stakeholders, both past and present. It was also an occasion to pay tribute to the undying spirit, tenacity and steadfastness of our founders, pioneer teachers and principals who dedicated their lives to build a better future for the children. It was also an occasion to celebrate the many achievements by the school, and an opportunity to come together to take Yu Neng Primary into her next lap.

### **Rooted in values + Wings to fly**

In tandem with Singapore's rapid development over the decades, Yu Neng too, has evolved over time. However, the ethos, values and aspirations of the school and its community are enduring. Building on these strong fundamentals and the compelling need to prepare our pupils to be future-ready in a complex and fast-changing world, we at Yu Neng are committed to developing students who are rooted & grounded in values even as they grow wings to fly.







## ***“Whatever it takes”***

Peter F. Drucker once said, “Management is doing things right; leadership is doing the right things.” In education, doing the right things means doing what is best for our pupils - that is to say, doing whatever it takes to help them succeed and realise their potential.

Yu Neng’s early founders and pioneer educators were certainly visionaries of their time and did the ‘right things’ – including setting up a school in spite of daunting circumstances, in the hope that an education would enable the children in the neighbouring villages to have better lives than their elders.

Studies have shown that when students believe that adults in the school and the community care about them, have high expectations for their education and will provide the support essential to their success, they thrive. This certainly holds true for Yu Neng.

Back in the 1930s, Mdm Hoy Ting Loke (from the Class of 1960) recalled that Yeu Neng was set up as a village school that

served the children from neighbouring villages. Many children came from poor families. The principal and teachers were kind enough to donate shoes to the poor students and encouraged them to be the best that they can be. Mdm Hoy also vividly remembered a wooden bridge that they needed to cross to get to school every day. Once, there was a heavy rainfall and some children pupils fell from the bridge into the big drain below. Luckily, the villagers saved the children in the nick of time!

80 years on, Yu Neng continues to work closely with its key partners and stakeholders in the neighbourhood and community to do ‘whatever it takes’ – to help every student at Yu Neng, no matter what background they are from.

We are at the cusp of Yu Neng’s next lap and we remain committed and focussed on educating the whole child and inspiring excellence in both academic and non-academic pursuits – in order to move closer to becoming “a vibrant connected community that aspires, learns and leads.”





## Passing the Torch

What would Mr Huang Hua Long and the 4 villagers who started Yue Neng School think if they saw Yu Neng Primary School today? Would it be how they had imagined it 80 years ago in 1935?

Well...We probably cannot predict what Yu Neng will be like when we celebrate Yu Neng's 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2035. But what we do know is that just like the pioneer educators who had paved the way for us, "what we do today will certainly shape the future of Yu Neng."

## Significance of YN80 gifts, Fund-raising & a note of Thanks

Yu Neng's many achievements would not have been possible without the belief, effort and support of students and staff (both past and present), stakeholders and community partners.

To mark this special and historical milestone, the school has designed and created a set of limited edition souvenirs\* with unique symbolism:

- **8GB Thumb Drive**  
It symbolises our dreams, memories and shared experiences and the importance of ensuring that they are passed on to the next generation. This thumb-drive is also a representation of our tech-savvy Yu Neng pupil, ready to "plug into" the future.
- **Torch-pen**  
The torch feature reminds us of our school motto "*Light-up and Shine* 向上向善". Wherever we go, we will be that 'light' for others, showing the way.
- **Luggage Tag**  
We hope to develop our pupils as global citizens and leaders of the future.

\*These limited edition souvenirs can be purchased from the school office.

Proceeds from the sales of these commemorative souvenirs will go towards our School Improvement Fund to further enhance the learning and teaching environment of the school for the current and future generations of YNPS students. Do your part for the school and buy a set quickly before they are sold out!

Let me take this opportunity to thank the wonderful staff and pupils at Yu Neng for the success of a year-long series of YN80 events: the YN80 Kick-off Carnival in November 2014, the unveiling of the YN80 Art Legacy Wall & Sculpture in January 2015, the launch of our YN80 commemorative book 'With All my Heart' in April 2015, our YN80 Gala Dinner and launch of our i-Gallery at Yu Neng in July 2015, the Pay-it-Forward project in August 2015. The months of research, planning and detailed and tireless follow-up have brought the school closer together as we re-connect with our past to better appreciate how far we have come and how we wish to chart Yu Neng's next stage of growth.

To our wonderful parents, partners, stakeholders and benefactors – we truly appreciate your generous donations and contributions. Thank you for believing in us all these years and doing '*whatever it takes*' to give Yu Neng students platforms and opportunities to dream and think big!

Indeed, a school is more than just bricks and mortar. For Yu Neng, it is a mission; a legacy; a community.

What we do today will shape the future of Yu Neng. We cannot do this alone. I invite all of you to join us on this exciting journey as we co-write the next chapter of Yu Neng's history and become the pioneers who will pave the way for Yu Neng's next eighty years.

Let us continue to *Light Up and Shine!*

Mrs Clara Lim-Tan







## Vice Principal's Message

Yu Neng Primary School celebrated the school's 80th anniversary (YN80) this year with *Our Heritage Our Future* as the theme. Amongst all the celebratory events, I was particularly thrilled with the Pay-it-Forward (PIF) SG Bears Project 2015 as it was our first Values-in-Action project that involved the entire school. Parents, and even grandparents, were roped in to sew the bears together with our pupils and staff on 3rd August. I was very touched when I witnessed the spirit of unity and resilience as all Yu Neng pupils, staff, parent support group, and community partners put together their efforts to handstitch 1200 SG Bears and raised \$110 000 for The Straits Times School Pocket Money Fund and The Business Times Budding Artists Fund.

As I look back at the PIF Project as well as the other celebration events that have taken place, it makes me wonder what makes people do what they do? What motivates the different ones in Yu Neng to do what they are doing? Simon Sinek, a book author, shared "People don't buy what you do; they buy why you do it. And what you do simply proves what you believe". From the conversations I had with our alumni, pioneer teachers and school advisory committee members, I gathered that it has to do with a Chinese saying "Remember the source of the water when one drinks from it" (饮水思源). Many shared their fond memories of how they had received assistance from the school and these memories have encouraged them to 'repay' the school in whatever quantities or capacities. To them, they would like Yu Neng to continue in "Enabling Education" so that more children will benefit from it and the spirit of giving to the society can continue.

Yu Neng (育能) literally means "Enabling Education". It is therefore my wish that our pupils will, too, remember the source of the water when they drink from it (饮水思源) as they display their deep sense of gratitude and their spirit of giving by supporting the school in enabling education for many generations to come.

Mr Nicholas Tan



Hosting the Korean delegates





# Vice Principal's Message

2015 is indeed a year that I will always remember. For us at Yu Neng, it is a year of double blessings – a milestone in our history as we commemorate our 80th anniversary as well as the year when we celebrate our nation's 50th year of independence.

Personally, I consider myself very blessed to be involved in the series of YN80 events over the course of the year. Though it has involved much time and effort, I have learnt many interesting facts about the school's history and also connected with many people especially the stakeholders, who included the parents, alumni, school advisory committee members and strategic partners. Thank you very much for your support during the YN80 celebrations. I am also amazed by the dedication and creativity of our staff and pupils who had worked so tirelessly over the months, preparing for the various commemorative events.

Similarly, as I look back and marvel at how our nation has grown and flourished over the five decades, feelings of nostalgia and gratitude fill my heart. I am touched by the unity and solidarity demonstrated by the people of Singapore as we mourned the passing of our founding father, Mr Lee Kuan Yew, and as we celebrated the SG50 National Day parade.

As the year draws to a close, I am reminded that in order to face future challenges and to commit to a brighter future, we need to stay united and be resilient. By remaining steadfast in our mission, I am confident that together, we can further enhance the quality of life for our future generations.

*Ms Emily Yee*



*Presenting a token of appreciation to Principal of Taiwan Nan Hu Elementary School during Taiwan Immersion Trip*



# i-Gallery @ YNPS

*What do you think the 'i' stands for?*

The i-Gallery at YNPS was officially launched by our Guest-of-Honour for YN80 Gala Dinner, Mr Heng Swee Keat, former Minister for Education, on 25 July 2015 in celebration of our school's 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary and our nation's 50<sup>th</sup> year of independence.

The i-Gallery is a collaborative project supported by the National Heritage Board (NHB). It aims to engage pupils, parents, the alumni, the community and members of the public in understanding the growth of Yu Neng in tandem with the development of Bedok New Town and our nation. It is designed to give visitors an immersive learning experience. For our staff, pupils and parents, the i-Gallery allows them to better appreciate the rich history and heritage of our school, community and country. It also represents a small effort of the school towards nation building in celebration of Singapore's golden jubilee.



*Prefects getting ready for our guests at the reception area*



*Engaging our guests at the i-Gallery*



*VIPs at the Official Opening of i-Gallery*



*Receiving our Guest-of-Honour, Mr Heng Swee Keat*

# The fabric of our nation

## Pledge

Singapore's National Pledge was written by Sinnathamby Rajaratnam in 1966, not long after our independence.

We, the citizens of Singapore, pledge ourselves as one united people, regardless of race, language or religion, to build a democratic society based on justice and equality so as to achieve happiness, prosperity and progress for our nation.

## Anthem

Majulah Singapura was composed in 1958 by the late Zubir Said as the official song of the City Council of Singapore. The song was shortened, refined and adopted as the state national anthem after Singapore became a self-governing state under British rule on 3 June 1959. It became the national anthem of the Republic of Singapore after gaining our independence on 9 August 1965.

MARI KITA BAKUAT SINGAPURA  
SAMA-SAMA MENIKU BAHAGIA  
CITA-CITA KITA YANG MULIA  
BERJAYA SINGAPURA  
MARILAH KITA BERSATU

DENGAN SEMANGAT  
YANG BARI  
SEMUA KITA BERSERU  
MATULAH SINGAPURA  
MATULAH SINGAPURA

## Coat of arms

Together with the National Flag and the National Anthem, the National Coat of Arms (State Crest) was first launched on 3 December 1959 at City Hall. The lion represents Singapore and the tiger symbolises our historical links with Malaysia.

## Flag

Our flag was first adopted in 1959. The colours red and white represent universal brotherhood and equality of man, for peninsular and insular unity and virtue. The prominent crescent and five stars stand for the ideals of democracy, peace, integrity, justice and equality.

## Flower

The Vanda Miss Joaquim, an orchid hybrid, was selected as Singapore's National Flower on 15 April 1980 by a national committee formed by the then Ministry of Culture.

## Butterfly

The Common Blue is an attractive band butterfly from the Papilionidae subfamily. Its red and white colours can be said to reflect our national flag colours, and some may associate the red dots with the five stars, and the white streaks with the crescent moon.





Our NE Ambassadors were all-ready to be the guides for our visitors

The learning trails at the i-Gallery are integrated with the curriculum and reinforced with embedded digital and physical learning resources. The physical artefacts such as the pre-war brass school bell, photographs, documents of yesteryear, digital resources of oral history, e-books and related YouTube videos of school and community events are exhibited. These physical and digital resources are embedded within the i-Gallery so that visitors and pupils can appreciate the rich heritage and progress of the school, community and Singapore.

We believe that the learning experiences at the i-Gallery will not only enable our pupils to reflect, comprehend and appreciate what we have now and to pay tribute to those who have paved the way for us, but also to realise how each of us can be 'pioneers of the future' in our own ways.

~by Mr Chua Meng Joo



NE Ambassadors with our alumni



Curiosity Corner: one of the favourite play areas for pupils to explore cyber space



Our digital i-Gallery at YNPS archives our digital resources for our pupils, staff and visitors. Have fun and enjoy the learning trails by accessing this site through: [tinyurl.com/iGalleryYNPS](http://tinyurl.com/iGalleryYNPS)

or use the QR Code:







# 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala Dinner

## Celebrating 80 years of success

A primary school is the first formal learning environment that a child encounters, and most believe that their school will always be standing as long as their world exists. For the graduands of Yu Neng, 25 July 2015 validated their belief as reality unfolded. Celebrating the 80th anniversary climaxed at this homecoming dinner after a series of celebrations starting from the Kick-off Carnival last November.

Preparations for YN80 Gala Dinner began more than a year ago in March 2014 when we took up the challenge to prepare for the grand event. The originally small Gala Dinner team of 7 grew from strength to strength and it was really the whole of Team Yu Neng at work nearing the Gala Dinner night.

Leading the Gala Dinner team, we genuinely believe that Yu Neng's history and existence is worthy of all the efforts put into the commemorative event which is sure to be reminisced for many years to come; we would like to thank one and all for

making YN80 Gala Dinner so special. We would never forget the touching moments during "A Special Tribute" to our pioneer educators and "The Gift of Songs" by our choir to our nation. The tears of joy of reunion, and laughter in bliss witnessed at the dinner event were epic scenes etched in the minds of those who were present. Old boys, old girls, ex-colleagues and stakeholders came to many of the school staff, thanking us for creating such a memorable and meaningful night at Yu Neng. We were very touched by the guests' heartfelt words of gratitude in making the school such a vibrant and inviting place. The sincerity in their thanks and the warm praises for the successful event marked yet another significant episode in Yu Neng's history.

Thank you for your thoughtful and kind anniversary messages for Yu Neng. Thank you for sharing this happy day with us. Cheers!

*~by Ms Ang Mei Ling & Mr Hashim bin Mohd Shariff  
Chair and Vice-Chair of YN80 Gala Dinner Team*





# Reflections

What a momentous year! This is the year I am taking PSLE, the year our nation celebrates its 50th year of independence, and the year our school turns 80! As the head prefect, I had the privilege to be part of the YN80 celebrations, playing a major role at our gala dinner held on 25 July.

On the YN80 Gala Dinner night, I was honoured to be able to escort Minister Heng Swee Keat through the school foyer. Together with the Deputy Head Prefect, Yu Xuan, we were well-prepared to take him on a school tour and introduce him to our school and the newly minted i-Gallery. Though we had practised our lines thoroughly, we had to keep up with the changes that came our way so that we would be close to flawless on the actual day. I was quite nervous and scared on that day but I found Minister Heng to be quite friendly. The tour went on quite smoothly, thanks to Mrs Lim-Tan who had provided guidance so that we could play our roles well.

During the dinner, the most memorable thing we did was to fill our glasses with drinks and going around to offer guests a toast. With the departure of the minister, I heaved a sigh of relief that the grand dinner was over. I feel that this was a very meaningful event and I was very privileged to be given this role to interact with the minister. I will learn to treasure all of life's experiences and use them to develop skills that I thought I was not good at. I look forward to celebrating the next gala dinner. 80 years and beyond; we, the P6 graduands, aspire to return and do Yu Neng proud.

~by Tan Jia Jun, Head Prefect 2015

The YN80 Gala Dinner event was impressive. Professional lightings, decorative tables draped with silky light yellow tablecloths, awesome music played by the Chinese Orchestra, and of course, the heavenly food.

Jia Jun and I were tasked to introduce our newly-built Aspiration Wall and Curiosity Corner, and use the app 'Aurasma' to demonstrate the interactive feature of our i-Gallery. This was perhaps the most difficult task which I have ever been given as a prefect! I was pretty anxious... What if I stumble over one word? Everyone would notice it as the whole conversation would be recorded on Live Feed. It gave me shivers just thinking about it! Nevertheless, I was astonished when I communicated with Minister Heng Swee Keat with confidence! With my fears aside, I felt sheer joy and bliss, honored that I was talking to the Minister for Education then. It was truly unforgettable.

One of the performances which I remembered vividly was presented by Mrs Lim-Tan. Our talented principal played "Yu Neng represents my Heart" on the special Lang Lang Baby Grand Piano to the touching melody of the Chinese song '月亮代表我的心'; but the lyrics were changed accordingly to commemorate Yu Neng's 80 years. It was really innovative and I could tell that the audience — pioneer teachers, ex-teachers, parents, students, members of the SAC, and Minister Heng — were awed.

The gala dinner was a celebration of Yu Neng's 80 years of dedication, especially to congratulate the marvelous work of our pioneer teachers. YN80, and also SG50 — What a great event to remember! Well, to Yu Neng I'd say... Light up and Shine!

~by Lee Yu Xuan, Deputy Head Prefect 2015



Our special Steinway-inspired Lang Lang baby grand piano, a gift made possible by the Sing50 Fund, took centre stage at the gala dinner!







## Pay-it-Forward (PIF) SG Bears Project 2015

As a 'closing' event for our year-long YN80 celebrations and a lead-up to our historic SG50 National Day, we embarked on a whole-school Values-in-Action (VIA) project called 'Pay-It-Forward' (PIF). The project is in collaboration with our Parent Support Group (PSG) and strategic partners, the Business Times and The RICE Co Ltd. This project reminds us of the contributions of our pioneer generation. They had helped to build modern Singapore and serve as a source of inspiration to us. It is hoped that as we each take action to make the world a better place for others by 'paying-it-forward', the effect is multiplied and greater good is passed on to others.

The school worked with our pupils, staff, parents and strategic partners to sew special SG Bears which were sold to raise funds for Child Aid Asia. In order to better prepare our parents, teachers and pupils for this meaningful journey, training sessions on sewing were organised for them.

On Monday, 3 August, all our pupils, staff and parent volunteers came together to have a hand in making about 1200 SG bears. With everyone's efforts that day, we managed to sew 1200 SG Bears which would be distributed during the charity ChildAid concert in December to remind others to Pay-it-Forward.

While sewing skills from threading to stitching seemed like a challenge to our young pupils, they demonstrated perseverance in mastering them, overcoming the odds, and finally completing their SG Bears. Through this memorable and meaningful experience, our pupils demonstrated school values such as perseverance, responsibility, compassion and also picked up sewing as a life skill. It was indeed a heartening to see our pupils put in their efforts to hand-stitch every SG bear with care.

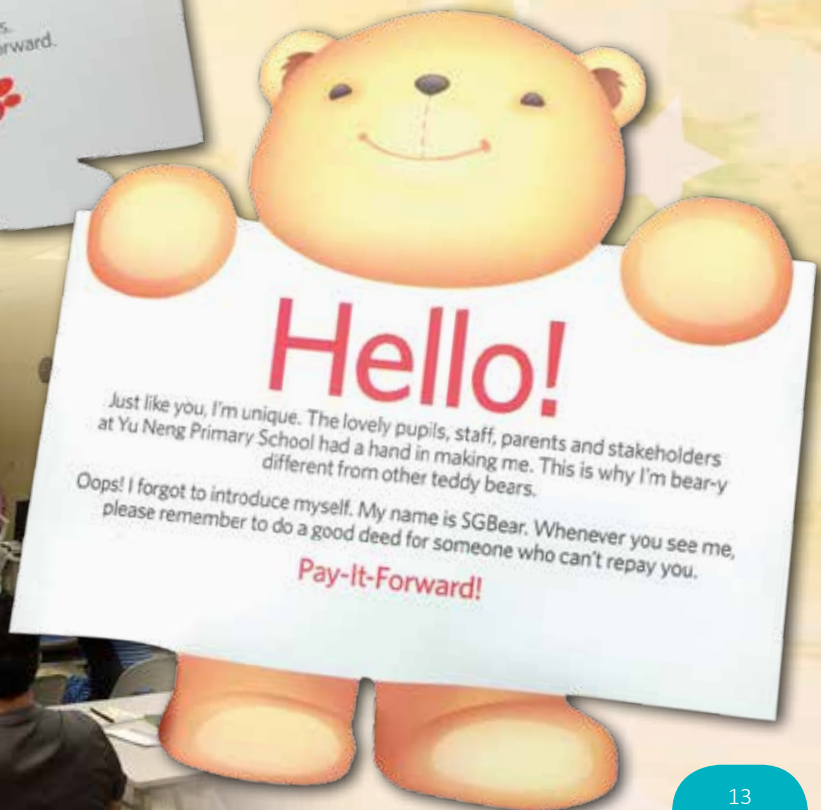






The PIF Project raised \$110 000 and the cheque was presented to our special guest, Ms Serene Goh, Schools Editor from The Straits Times and Co-Chair of ChildAid 2015. The proceeds will go to two children's charities - The Straits Times School Pocket Money Fund and The Business Times Budding Artists Fund.

~by Ms Marie Yong





# Celebrating SG50 & YN80



## Math Magical March

The Mathematics Department celebrated YN80 with a Math Magical March in Term 2. Aligned with the theme 'Our Heritage Our Future', our P1 to P6 pupils were involved in a variety of activities that promoted awareness, appreciation and understanding of Mathematics while learning interesting facts about our school and nation. The activities ranged from Math Puzzles, Math Heroes, Math Art to an iPad Math Trail which covered the whole of the school compound; from the Heritage Wall all the way to the ISH. It was definitely a Magical March!

~by Mr Shawn Yeo

## Environmental Awareness Week

The Science Department organised an Environmental Awareness Week in joint celebration of YN80. From 21 to 24 April, the Science Club members and parent volunteers from the Parent Support Group set up educational booths during recess time. They shared with students environmental issues faced by the Earth. The Science Club members conducted simple experiments to demonstrate the negative impact of Man's activities on Earth and what one can do to minimise them. Parent volunteers conducted fun and engaging activities to promote the 3Rs – Re-use, Reduce and Recycle. Students were shown how easy it was to recycle or re-use everyday items. With these activities, we hope that our students will become more aware of environmental issues so that they can do their part to minimise them.

~by Mrs Siti Singh



## The Flat Stanley Project

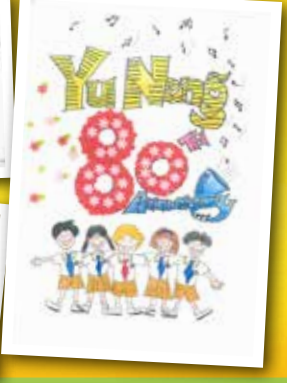
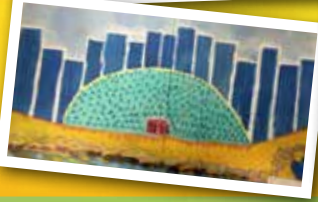
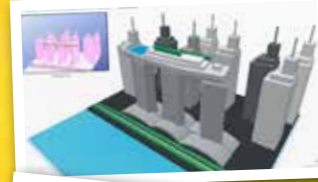
In celebration of SG50 & YN80, the English Department piloted a collaborative project with the Singapore International School (Hong Kong) as our globalisation initiative in a P2 class. Yu Neng pupils shared their joy and experience in this special year through The Flat Stanley Project with the Hong Kong pupils who would be sharing their learning journey when they have completed their projects. This initiative encourages reflection on the deeper values and meaning that sustain humanitarianism when pupils communicate their different life experiences as pen pals. Through this project, our pupils are nurtured to be a community that sets an example of tolerance, learning and understanding across nations.

~by Ms Lee Hui Shan

## Multimedia Art Competition

As part of the SG50 and YN80 celebrations, the Aesthetics and ICT Departments jointly organised an inter-school multimedia art competition which provided our pupils an opportunity to express what Singapore and Yu Neng meant to them creatively. Submissions by pupils included drawings of familiar icons and landmarks representing Singapore, portraits of Mr Lee Kuan Yew, ceramic pieces as well as 3D artefacts depicting the uniqueness of Singapore and Yu Neng. From the range of work submitted, it is clear that Yu Neng pupils are able to use different mediums to express their ingenuity and vision.

~by Mr Yok Joon Meng





## Youth Celebrate!

Eighty Primary 4 pupils were privileged to attend Youth Celebrate! at the Sports Hub on 26 July 2015. Our pupils witnessed a dazzling and exuberant display of youth achievement in sports, uniformed groups and performing arts. The official opening of the Singapore Sports Hub was interwoven into the programme as part of the SG50 celebrations to signify that our new national icon has been built for current and future generations of Singaporeans in adopting a healthy lifestyle. The performances showcased the values of teamwork, resilience and vigour of the youth.

~by Mrs Kanasan



## National Day Celebrations

All P5 pupils were excited as they embarked on their journey to The Padang to spectate a National Day rehearsal in full action – the special 2015 National Education (NE) Show. As the nation celebrated her 50th birthday, the significant milestone event also took on an unexpected meaning as we commemorated the loss of our founding father Mr Lee Kuan Yew at the same time. At school, the students were able to join in the celebrations of the nation's 50th birthday. The school concert included videos of various programme segments that allowed the audience to be immersed in a pseudo Padang which even involved a real-time marching contingent! The audience was further engaged by characters from the past such as the Kacang Puteh Man, the Samsui Woman, the Night Soil Man and the Satay Man.

~by Mr Lee Pang Ker and Mdm Liz Ang



## Malay Finesse Camp

In collaboration with the Anugerah Guru Ariff Budiman (AGAB) recipients and Malay Language Learning and Promotion Committee (MLLPC), the Malay Department organised an inaugural Malay Finesse Camp (Perkhemahan Kesantunan Melayu) with the theme, Family Love Promotes Cultural Values. A total of 200 participants, comprising P4 and P5 pupils and their teachers from 19 schools in the East and North Zones, had an enriching learning experience of Malay Finesse through a game-based activity – Santun Quest (Pengembaraan Santun). We were honoured to have Mr Hawazi Daipi, former Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Education and Ministry of Manpower as the Guest-of-Honour to grace the event. In addition, Dr Muhammad Ariff Ahmad, a prominent expert and activist of Malay Language and Culture in Singapore, conducted a forum for teachers who participated in the event.

~by Mr Nurisham Ismail



## "I Love My School" Contest

A photography contest was held during our annual Mother Tongue Fortnight in this special year. This event is entitled "I Love My School". Pupils took photographs of their favourite places in the school and penned down their thoughts. They reflected on their most memorable spot in school and their happiest time with their classmates.

~by Mr Pang Shou Yong



## Funnanza on Children's Day

Marking the year-end celebration, the school worked relentlessly for many months leading up to our very first Sports Funnanza, an exceptional Children's Day celebration. For the first time, every child received a medal, signifying that 'everyone is a winner'. Our Talent Development Department would like to thank all who were involved in the preparation of the celebration: our supportive school leaders, our helpful office staff, our enthusiastic teachers and our brilliant group of well-prepared parents! Thank you for playing SIGNIFICANT roles in making our inaugural Sports Funnanza a happy and enjoyable celebration.

~by Mr Alwyn Tan



Our Guest-of-Honour, Mr C. Kunalan, gave a talk and gave out all the prizes!



# YN80 "Let's Celebrate!" Board Game

## Rules of the game:

1. There are a total of 80 steps in the game.
2. Landing on a yellow 'double-step' allows you to move further ahead.
3. Landing on a pink 'reminder' step means you have to miss a turn.
4. The first to land on "Let's Celebrate!" wins the game!

## What you need:

1. A six-sided dice.
2. Small tokens.
3. One or more friends to play with.
4. Some luck and a little bit of skill.

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LET'S CELEBRATE!	SG 50	YN80	SG 50	The "i-Gallery" is ready for launch. Take 3 steps forward.		YN80	SG 50
YN80	SG 50	YN80	SG 50	YN80	SG 50	Stay Safe, please!	SG 50
YN80	SG 50	Be Resilient, please!	SG 50	YN80	Participated in "Pay-It-Forward" project. Take 10 steps forward.		SG 50
YN80	SG 50	Made 50 SG Bears as a class. Take 3 steps forward.		YN80	Show Teamwork, please!	YN80	SG 50
Think Safe, please!	SG 50	YN80	SG 50	YN80	SG 50	YN80	Play Safe, please!
YN80	SG 50	YN80	Be Responsible, please!	YN80	YN80 Gala Dinner tickets are sold out. Take 7 steps forward.		SG 50
YN80	SG 50	YN80 Book "With All My Heart" is launched. Take 5 steps forward.		YN80	SG 50	YN80	SG 50
YN80	Be Honest, please!	YN80	SG 50	Be Respectful, please!	SG 50	All ready for the YN80 Gala Dinner performances. Take 4 steps forward.	
YN80	SG 50	YN80	YN80 "The Memories" video is launched. Take 4 steps forward.		SG 50	YN80	SG 50
START	SG 50	Be Helpful, please!	SG 50	YN80	SG 50	YN80 Promotion Video is launched. Take 3 steps forward.	

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