

MVS BULLETIN

Mountbatten Vocational School Newsletter

August 2020

MVS CAFE DINE-IN

After a short break, the school resumed on 27 July 2020 and the MVS Cafe opened up for dine-in customers following strict safety precautions.

Each day, only a maximum 20 customers in the restaurant was allowed and each table was limited to 5 or fewer persons, with at least one-metre spacing between groups. The dine-in services allowed opportunities for students to have real-world experience in preparing food and serving customers.





Naomi
A Young, Aspiring
Home-Based Baker

**GIVES BACK TO
THE COMMUNITY**

Current Speciality:
Yummy, Chunky Banana
bread




Keen to place an order or want more
information?
Contact mom Karyn at 97572233

Per loaf is \$18, \$2 will be donated to Mountbatten Vocational
School for Special Needs Education

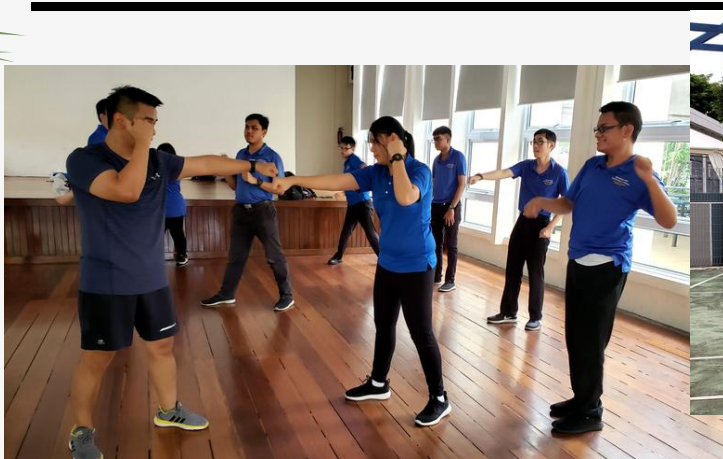
SPECIAL THANK YOU

We are very grateful to Naomi and her mom, Karyn, for all the donations they have given to the school from the proceeds of their home-baked scrumptious banana cake sales. We have tried them ourselves and believe us, they are one of the best banana cakes we have ever tasted!

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITY (CCA)

After a long break due to the safety measures to protect students and staff from the COVID-19 pandemic, the school's CCA resumed on 30 July 2020.

The students were happy and excited to be able to participate in the CCA of their choice after the long interval.



Self-Defence



Basketball



Art



Gym/Fitness



Song Signing



Hip-Hop Dance

NATIONAL DAY CELEBRATION

The National Day celebration this year was without the usual assembly to start off the day with the national anthem and the pledge due to the safety precautions in place to safeguard the students and staff. But staff and students were still in celebratory mood, all decked out in red and white. Year-One classes had their own games in their respective classrooms while the Year-Two students helped to prepare delicious bento sets which were served to the students during lunch time before an early dismissal from school for the long National Day weekend. Below are some photos from the celebration.



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MOZZIES PREVENTION

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Singapore is in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic and it is on track to record its worst dengue outbreak in its history this year. More than 14,000 cases have been reported since Jan 1.

To prevent the spread dengue, we engaged Rentokil to install eight units of In2Care mosquito traps around the school compound to lessen chances of mosquito breeding.

The In2Care Mosquito Trap lures and contaminates Aedes mosquitoes with a special slow-killing larvicide and let them spread this to other breeding sites (which are often hard to find and treat) so that mosquito larvae are not only killed inside the trap but also in its vicinity. This is combined with a biological adulticide that kills the contaminated mosquito after a few days to prevent her from transmitting any viruses like Dengue or Zika virus. In this way, the product kills the mosquitoes and their offspring, so that populations are reduced and disease transmission risks are lowered significantly.



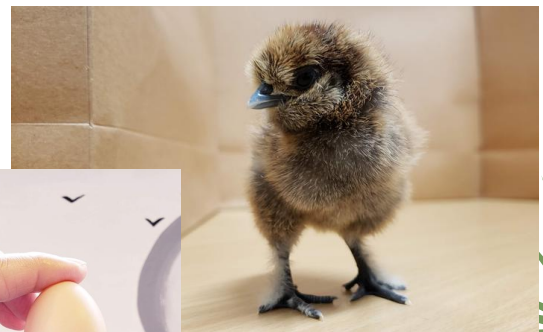
FARMING PROJECT

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As part of our extra-curricular activities, the school started gardening and chicken rearing for students who are interested with the help of volunteers, Ms Shelley Siu (gardening) and Mr Leo Sim (chicken rearing). The highlights of these activities were the harvesting of the Ae Ae Royal Hawaiian Banana which is a rare Hawaiian variety and the successful incubation and hatching of Silkies chicken eggs.



The Royal Hawaiian bananas with its distinctive yellow and green stripes both on the leaves and fruits.



The Silkie is a breed of chicken named for its atypically fluffy plumage, which is said to feel like silk and satin. They come in a variety of colours.

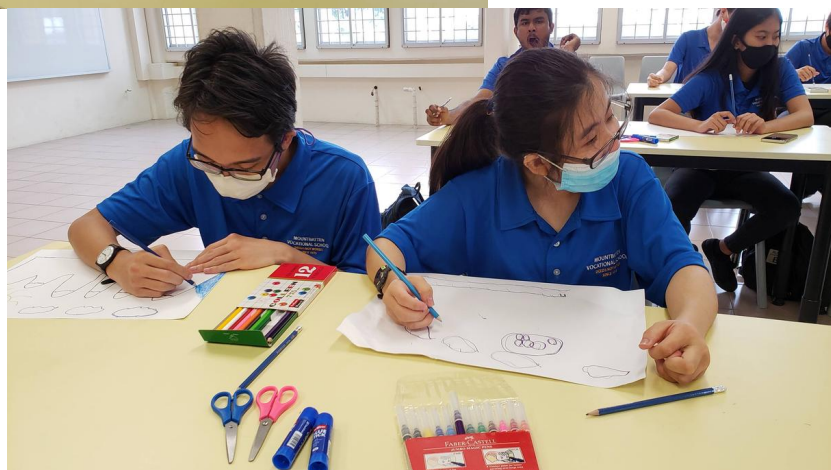
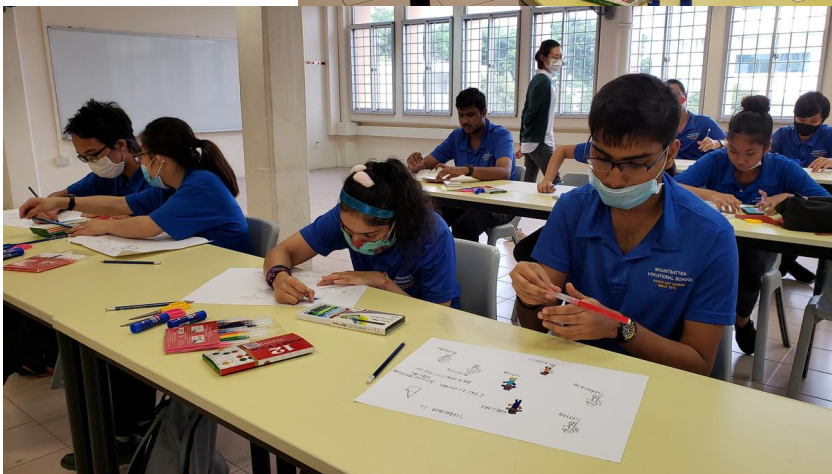


ART THERAPY

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Through the WeCare Art Fund (WCAF), MVS was able to engage Ms Loh Wan Ting, an Art Therapist, to conduct a series of sessions of art experiential classes for our Year-1 students from 25 August to 10 November.

The art experiential focuses on visual arts and support participants to move at their own pace yet having a common platform for sharing and self expression where everyone's thoughts, feelings are heard equally and accepted. This group art experiential workshop allows participants to use art as a safe channel to express and symbolise their thoughts and feelings in a group setting. Not only does the process allow expressions that are difficult to describe using words alone, it also encourages one's creativity to look at issues from different perspectives.



The Infocomm Media Development Authority (IMDA) Lab on Wheels programme aims to familiarise and introduce new and emerging tech to prepare citizens to be future ready digital citizens by bringing frontier technology interactive showcases to schools and the community. On August 24 and 25, staff from IMDA had sessions with our Year-One students where they had an introduction to the world of coding.



Students were introduced to coding by staff of IMDA Lab On Wheels



Students trying out simple coding on remote control toy vehicles