

My husband and I were excited when we heard about the IJ Fiesta during the Parent volunteers' (PVS) welcome breakfast in February. We wanted to be part OF the IJ family, to get to know other parents and to be more involved in our daughter's primary school life. So when the registration for volunteers started, both OF us immediately applied!

On the day OP IJ Fiesta, we initially Pelt a bit lost when we reported at the Ping Pong Toss booth.. However, the warm and welcoming central Parents council (CPC) members guided us along. It was heartwarming to learn that the prizes Por the booth were donated by IJ Primary parents and painstakingly sorted by the CPC.





At 11am, Students From Primary 1 holding the hands OF their secondary 1 "Jies jies" ("big Sisters") Started to stream in, Followed by girls OF Other levels. We were kept busy guiding the girls on how to land their ping pong balls into the correct egg holders For better scores and bigger prizes. The pride and happiness whenever they won a prize was delightful to see. It was amazing how skilful IJ girls can be and this was apparent when our grand prizes were running out faster than expected!

After we had completed our assigned duties, we picked up our daughter and brought her around the Fiesta again. we enjoyed the wonderful selection of food, the bouncy castles, face painting, the many game stalls and carnival rides etc. we met neighbours who also have daughters in IJ and got to know other P1 Lily parents with whom we have kept in touch.

IJ Fiesta helps to bring not only parents and children together, but also creates an opportunity for IJ parents from all walks of life to get to know one another. We look forward to the many more IJ Fiestas to come!

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