

Children's Day has always been one of the most exciting days of the school year, for the girls and Parent Volunteers alike! Every year sees a flurry of activities for our girls, making the day a super memorable one for them.

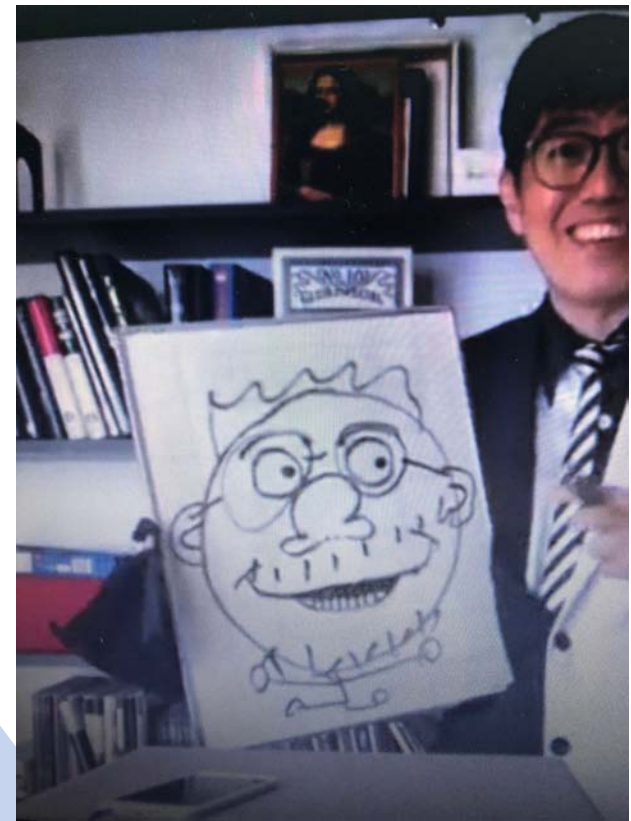
As we did last year, the Central Parent Council (CPC) worked together with the teachers to prepare for celebrations on a smaller scale, in each classroom. Members of the CPC team conceptualized games and activities in keeping with this year's Children's Day theme: **The Whole World In Your Hands**.

Unfortunately, just a few weeks before Children's Day, new measures in the fight against Covid-19 were announced in Singapore, and schools once again reverted to Home-Based Learning.

The school, instead of foregoing celebrations, decided that the girls should still enjoy their Children's Day, albeit virtually. The organizing team sprang into action to reformulate activities to be better suited to a virtual format. An online magician was found and technical requirements sorted out to ensure that all 1,300 plus girls would be able to participate in the virtual event from the comfort and safety of their homes. The magic show was a resounding success, enjoyed by girls, teachers and parents alike.



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Generous parents also contributed towards gifts for all the girls, along with a special gift from the school. Gifts from the parents included a Mask Case, a Mask Lanyard and a little surprise llama collectible.

The school gifted the girls with a customized Rubik's Cube. The top and the bottom of the cube had the school's name and crest, along with this year's Children's Day Logo, while the other 4 faces of the cube were filled with meaningful phrases inspired by the IJ Song – "Hold On To Our Dream".

Magnolia ice-cream cups, which were meant to be distributed on Children's Day, were held over and given out the girls in the last few weeks of school, after the exam period so that they could still enjoy a special treat to celebrate the end of the school year.

Despite the last-minute changes and other hurdles faced, the school, together with the CPC and generous parents, still managed to ensure an enjoyable, and certainly memorable, Children's Day for the girls.



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