

International Friendship Day 2014

The theme for this year's celebrations was 'Stories We Share'. On the actual day, which was 4 April, students were given an opportunity to express what friendship means to them. There was a whiteboard with markers for them to write placed at the 'Roots Corner.' Many students came to dedicate and express themselves on the whiteboard. Their messages were then flashed on the plasma television.

The joyous celebrations of International Friendship Day 2014 took place on Monday, 7 April 2014. Miss Shainaz and a few Primary Two pupils performed a skit, in which they told stories from around the world. It was an educational and meaningful event where students got to know about the exotic stories and splendid dance performances from different countries.

There were vibrant and engaging performances by the Primary Twos'. It all started with the spectacular and powerful performance of an African Dance by the Brownies joined by Madam Hasnita and Madam Farah. Miss Shainaz narrated a story bringing us to Korea and Primary 2 Aspiration sang a jubilant song about spring that garnered much appreciation from the audience. Primary 2 Faith stole the show with an enthusiastic Arabian dance performance.

Parent volunteers were also equally involved as they told stories from India and performed a classical dance piece. The Rugby boys then followed with a strong and energetic performance of the Hakka tribe from New Zealand. A sure crowd pleasure, the Hakka dance was then on Madam Razidah's request asked to be performed by the entire audience, getting them engaged and releasing the bound up energy from watching the lively performances. The event surely concluded on a high!

After the concert, Social Studies teachers had to conduct classroom activities. For Primary 1 and Primary 2, they had to discuss what friendship means to them. For Primary 3 and 4, they had to discuss how acts of kindness made them feel. For the Primary 5 and 6, they had to discuss how the benefits of working together. At the end of every activity, the students were given a scenario and given a chance to reflect on the Social Learning Wall found on lead.com.

It has indeed been a meaningful event in Chongzheng Primary School!



Grandma Shainaz and Grandma Vindhiya sharing stories from around the world.



Madam Hasnita and Madam Farah performing together with the brownies the Benin dance from Africa.

