Welcome to MOE Kindergarten @ Hougang!

15 February Open House 2025



Welcome Address by Mr Jason Goh Principal, Hougang Primary School









Useful Advice From An MK Parent





"This way, Hassan can be familiar with a primary school. When he goes to Primary 1, he will not be too overwhelmed by the new environment."

- MK Parent

[Source: The Straits Times, 10 Feb 2025]

8 Reasons To Join MK@Hougang



1. Priority Admission to **Hougang Primary (HGP)**



More mother tongue language learning for children at two new MOErun pre-schools from 2025

5. Deep and Early Exposure to Mother Tongue Languages

2. Seamless Transition to Primary 1



Designed by Curriculum Experts



6. Engaging Curriculum



3. Regular Collaboration

Opportunities with HGP

#7. Well-Trained, Caring and Skilful Teachers

4. New, Spacious and Wide-Ranging Facilities in MK and HGP



8. Strong Team Led by Highly **Experienced Centre Head**



About our MK!



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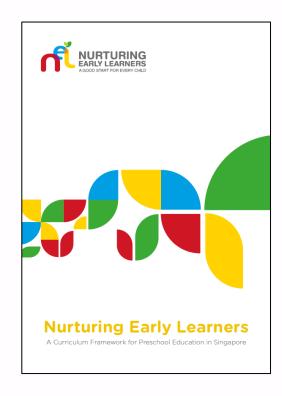
MK Programme

- Two levels Kindergarten 1 and Kindergarten 2
- Four and a half-hour daily programme, with optional full-day Kindergarten Care (KCare) service
- Offers three Mother Tongue Languages (Chinese, Malay and Tamil)
- Follows MOE school calendar of four school terms, including scheduled school and public holidays



MK Curriculum

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- Designed by MOE curriculum specialists and educators with knowledge and experience in early childhood education and primary school curriculum
- Based on the beliefs and principles in the Nurturing Early Learners Framework, developed by MOE, to guide quality preschool teaching and learning of children in Singapore
- Believes that children are joyful, curious, active and competent learners who play, learn and grow with others in a diverse and multicultural community
- Emphasises holistic development through an integrated approach to teaching and learning
- Promotes learning through quality interactions and purposeful play







MK Curriculum



- Consists of two flagship programmes:
 - HI-Light Programme and
 - **Starlight Literacy** (English and Mother Tongue Languages) Programme
- Has activities around four broad themes and relevant topics
- Uses teaching and learning resources with a distinctive Singapore flavour
- Includes Weeks of Wonder (WoW) projects to encourage self-motivated learning through exploration and discovery







HI-Light Programme

The HI-Light Programme is designed to support the holistic development of children by nurturing in them values, social and emotional skills and learning dispositions, as well as knowledge and skills across the following five learning areas through an integrated approach:

- Aesthetics and Creative Expression
- Discovery of the World
- Health, Safety and Motor Skills Development
- Language and Literacy
- Numeracy Numeracy









Starlight Literacy Programme

- Nurtures early childhood bilingualism
- Offered in English and three Mother Tongue Languages (Chinese, Malay and Tamil)
- Focuses on developing children's interest in language learning, listening, speaking and early reading and writing skills
- Uses Big Books, songs and games set in the local context to make learning fun and engaging
- Provides opportunities for children to communicate in English and their Mother Tongue Language with confidence and be aware of local traditions and customs
- Encourages families to be involved in activities to enthuse children in language learning















Sample MK Timetable (AM Session)

Time	Monday	Tueday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7.50 – 8.00 a.m.	Arrival and Health Check				
8.00 – 8.10 a.m.	Welcome and Circle Time (10 min)				
8.10 – 8.40 a.m.	Outdoor Play (30 min)				
8.40 – 9.20 a.m.	Starlight Literacy (English Language) Programme (40 min)				
9.20 – 9.40 a.m.	Snack Time (20 min)				
9.40 – 10.40 a.m.	Starlight Literacy (Mother Tongue) Programme (60 min)				
10.40 – 11.00 a.m.	Indoor Play (20 min)				
11.00 – 11.50 a.m.	HI-Light Programme (50 min)				
11.50 a.m. – 12.20 p.m.	Extended Mother Tongue Activities (30 min)				
12.20 – 12.30 p.m.	Transition & Dismissal (10 min)				

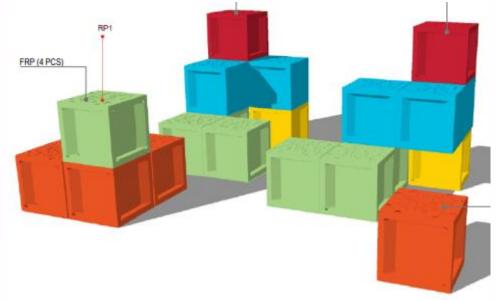
Note: Sequence of activities may differ from class to class



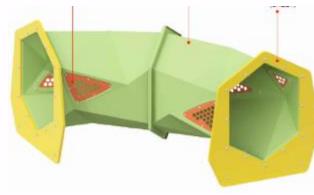
Outdoor Spaces Playground Layout

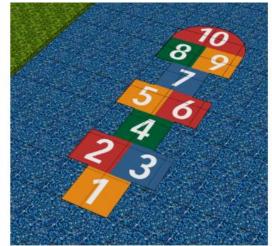






Playground equipment that develops children's movement skills and confidence





Outdoor Spaces Sensory Garden, Sand and Water Play

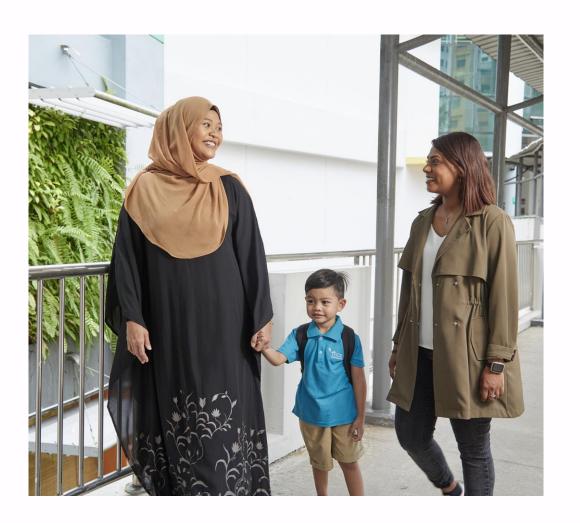


Water play features that encourage children to be little investigators

Carefully designed to provide a variety of play experiences







The monthly fee for MK in 2025 is:

\$160 for Singapore Citizens

\$320 for Singapore Permanent Residents

Fees are also payable during the June and December holidays as fees are calculated on an annual basis and spread over 12 months, including school holidays.

There are no additional out-of-pocket costs for complementary programmes such as field trips.



Kindergarten Fee Assistance Scheme (KiFAS) Subsidy

- KiFAS subsidy applies only to MK school fees
- Eligible families with Singapore Citizen children may apply for KiFAS subsidy, which is provided by the Early Childhood Development Agency (ECDA), through MK.
- The family needs to meet either the Gross Monthly Household Income (HHI) or the Gross Monthly Per Capita Income (PCI) criterion.
- Your child must attend at least one day of the kindergarten for the month to qualify for the assistance, unless fully covered by a valid medical certificate (MC) that states the period of absence from the centre for the entire month (subject to ECDA's approval). Failure to do so will result in the full kindergarten fee being payable for the month.



Kindergarten Fee Assistance Scheme (KiFAS)

Gross Monthly Household Income	Gross Per Capita Income	KiFAS Subsidy
\$3,000 and below	\$750 and below	\$159
\$3,001 - \$4,500	\$751 - \$1,125	\$148
\$4,501 - \$6,000	\$1,126 - \$1,500	\$105
\$6,001 - \$7,500	\$1,501 - \$1,875	\$85
\$7,501 - \$9,000	\$1,876 - \$2,250	\$65
\$9,001 - \$10,500	\$2,251 - \$2,625	\$45
\$10,501 - \$12,000	\$2,626 - \$3,000	\$15



Kindergarten Care (KCare)

For parents who require a full-day service for their child

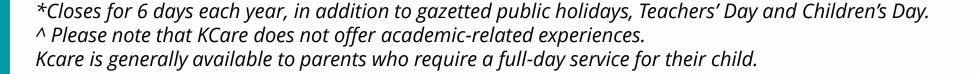


What is KCare?

- Provides care services in a safe and conducive environment for children to play, explore and discover through specially designed environments with carefully chosen resources^
- Situated within MK premises
- Operates till 7pm, from Mondays to Fridays, including school holidays*
- Operated by MOE-appointed service providers, based on MOE requirements and guidelines
- Time set aside for adequate rest
- Autonomy for children to decide what and how they want to play









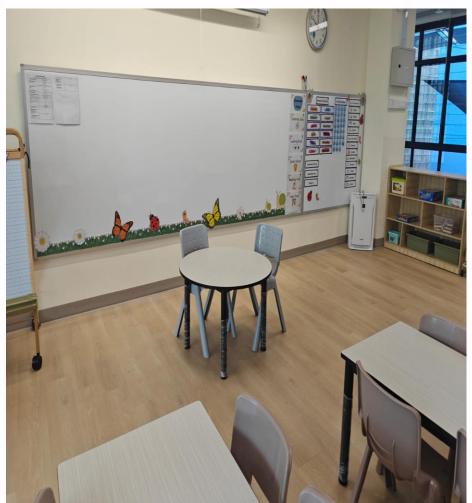


KCare Environment













KCare Staff



- Led by a KCare Centre Supervisor with early childhood qualifications.
- Supported by a team of early childhood-trained staff with the disposition to care for and interact with children aged five to six years old.
- Possess requisite competencies and skills to engage children in activities while ensuring their safety and well-being.



A Typical Day at KCare (Sample Timetable during

Time	Activity
7.00 a.m. – 8.00 a.m.	Arrival and Health Check at MK
8.00 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.	MOE Kindergarten
12.30 – 1.00 p.m.	Arrival and Health Check
12.30 – 2.30 p.m.	Lunch, Wipe down, Rest / Nap
2.30 – 3.30 p.m.	Modular Activities / Indoor Free Play
3.30 – 3.45 p.m.	Afternoon Snack
3.45 – 4.00 p.m.	Dedicated Reading Time
4.00 – 5.00 p.m.	Modular Activities (Indoor/Outdoor) / Indoor/Outdoor Free Play
5.00 – 7.00 p.m.	Indoor / Outdoor Free Play, Quiet Time and Dismissal

Note:

- MK will receive KCare children at arrival between 7.00 a.m. and 8.00 a.m.
- Both MK and KCare staff will work out an arrangement for the smooth handover of the children.
- Outdoor activities can only be conducted after 4.00 p.m.





KCare Fees



Monthly fee for KCare in 2025

Singapore Citizen	Singapore Permanent Resident
Up to \$200	Up to \$350
(Fee shown above is after \$150 basic subsidy*)	

You may utilise the KCare Eligibility Calculator available on the MOE website to determine if your child qualifies for the KCare additional subsidy:

https://moe.gov.sg/preschool/moe-kindergarten/kindergarten-care

*Child must meet the minimum attendance requirement of one day per month at the centre to receive subsidies.

MK Partnerships

Partnering our Primary Schools

Close collaboration with primary schools to facilitate transition to P1

- Opportunities for interaction between MK children and primary school students
- Planned activities in the K2 curriculum to support children's transition to P1
- Collaboration between MK and lower primary teachers to establish shared understanding about children's learning and development



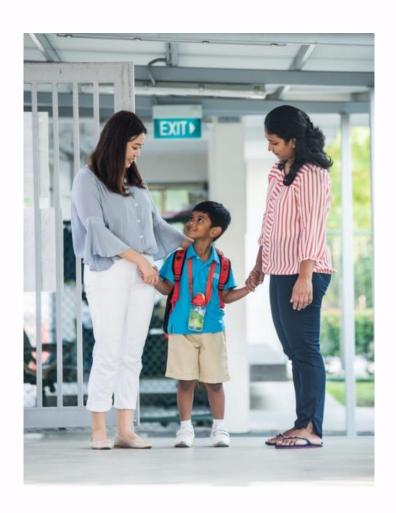




Partnering Families & the Community

Strong partnerships with families and the community to enrich children's learning experiences

- Effective communication
- Active engagement
- Meaningful collaboration







LIFE@MK

Leading and Inspiring Families of Early Learners @ MOE Kindergarten

- A series of centre-based workshops conducted by MK for parents
- Provides practical tips and advice on how parents can support children's learning at home
- Topics focus on holistic development, language development, how children learn and supporting children's transition from pre-school to primary school







Info on MK Registration Exercise

- Online registration for 2026 K1 admissions for both Open Admissions (OA) and Early Years Centre (EYC)* children will open from 9 a.m. on Friday, 7 February 2025 and close at 4 p.m. on Monday, 17 February 2025[^].
- Open to Singapore Citizen and Permanent Resident children born between 2 Jan 2021 and 1 Jan 2022 (both dates inclusive).
- Register your child at https://go.gov.sg/mk-register during the registration period.
- You will be notified of the registration outcome via email by 15 April 2025.

* Eligible children from EYCs will receive an MK registration notification letter through the EYC that your child is enrolled in. More information on the registration process will be provided in the notification letter. If you decide to register your child in a non-partner MK, you can apply via Open Admissions (OA) registration form. Your application will be considered under the MK OA registration and subject to the same conditions as all other OA applications.

^Outside this registration period, parents can contact the MK directly to check for vacancies.







https://go.gov.sg/feedbackmkoh2025







ON TO A STRONG START!



Thank you!





