

IN-TOUCH @ FRONTIER

March 2012



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Learning Chinese will never be the same! New media and technologies are vastly changing the way our pupils learn and acquire knowledge. By leveraging on the appropriate educational ICT tools, it can greatly enhance the engagement of pupils in their learning of the Chinese Language as well as improve their command of the language.

We have consolidated a list of useful websites for your reference. Most of these websites will be used by your child's teachers in class and your child will be having hands-on to these websites in school too. It will be useful to reinforce your child's learning by letting them visit these website under your supervision, to increase their interest and enhance their learning for the various subject areas. We will also be distributing user manual for the various websites via your child for your reference.

No.	Website & Brief Description	Website Link
1	The Xue Le Learning Portal (学乐网) <ul style="list-style-type: none">A website that features multimedia content that is align with the Primary CL Curriculum.Pupils will see their text from the textbook presented in an animated way in this website.	http://xuele.edumall.sg
2	Chinese Language Word Games (语文乐翻天) <ul style="list-style-type: none">A portal that uses Educational Games to aid Primary 1 to Primary 3 pupils in the revision of Chinese Characters, Words and Vocabulary that they have learnt through an enriching and enjoyable learning experience.Pupils get to compete with pupils from other schools in this website and they can also take part in the competition organized by MOE CPDD.	http://game.iflashbook.com

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3	<p>Oracy eland (听说e乐园)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☰ An online Interactive Learning Portal that is designed to equip Primary 1 to Primary 3 pupils with commonly used Vocabulary and Sentence Patterns that they can use in their daily conversations with others. ☰ Interesting and Exciting Games available to reinforce learning of Vocabulary and Sentence Patterns. 	<p>http://eland.edumall.sg</p>
4	<p>eChineseMagazine (易•华文)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☰ An online publication that is aligned with the current school curriculum. It contains Multimedia and Interactive learning materials that enables the curriculum to come alive and interesting. It can help the child in cultivating his/her interest and love in the learning of the Chinese Language. ☰ Contains Interactive Exercises that provides instant feedback on the child's learning progress and 	<p>www.etutoronline.net</p>

Frontieritude



The school has issued a letter on 1 March to inform parents of the school's Enrichment Programmes for all pupils for Term 2. This is a reminder that enrichment programmes will commence on Week 1 of Term 2 and it will be held on Mondays. As pupils will be dismissed at 3pm, parents are requested to provide your child with lunch money for Mondays. The enrichment modules planned for the pupils include-

Fun with photography

Character Development: Nurture through Nature

Character Development: The Leader In Me

Maths ADventurE

Staff Excellence



Visit us at

Suntec International
Convention Centre, Hall 401
30 & 31 March 2012

www.excelfest.com

The staff of Frontier Primary School will be participating in the MOE ExCEL Fest 2012 (for MOE staff only) as one of our staff learning journey on 30 March 2012. School will end at **12pm on the 30 March 2012**. Please make the necessary transport arrangement.

MOE ExCEL Fest 2012 will be held on 31 March (open to the public) at the Suntec International Convention & Exhibition Centre. The theme for ExCEL Fest 2012, *Nurturing the Whole Child, Opportunities for All*, turns the spotlight on the initiatives in holistic education for our children, to prepare them to meet the challenges of the future. The event provides a platform for MOE schools and HQ to share their innovative practices. Parents are encouraged to attend the event to gain insights from leading practitioners and educators.

This year, there will be 80 exhibition booths showcasing innovative projects from schools, MOE HQ and Statutory Boards, 62 sharing sessions by teachers and HQ staff on using innovative methods to enhance teaching and learning and 20 seminar talks by leading educators on developing the whole child and innovative pedagogical approaches. Limited seats are available for Sharing Sessions and Seminars, and registration is on a first-come-first-served basis. For more details and to register for Sharing Sessions and Seminars, visit the website at www.excelfest.com. You may sign up for more than one session from 10 March onwards.

Hand in Hand

We are happy to announce that Frontier Primary has successfully been awarded to be a School Family Education (SFE) school. This means that the school will be able to provide specially-tailored family life education programmes to meet the different needs of the parents, school staff and students. Parents can look forward to workshops, conferences on positive and effective parenting skills, which promote better parent-child understanding and relationships. Students can benefit from programmes in equipping them with life skills that empower and help them cope with life's challenges and stresses, and imbue them with positive values and attitudes towards, family and life in general. So do look out for the exciting programme we will be planning for you.



Safety Messages

The school has been emphasizing safety practices in school consistently. While pupils have been taught how to behave safely during recess at the canteen and at the basketball court, the school has also deployed at least 3 personnel to oversee pupil safety at each recess. Since last week, we have activated our student leaders to be safety ambassadors during recess to role-model as well as to promote safety during recess among their peers. These student leaders have been trained in the last 8 weeks of Term 1 and they have been most excited to carry out their duties.

The pupils have been introduced to the school playground. Besides attending an assembly briefing on how to play safely at the playground, the pupils have also been brought in to play during PE lessons under the supervision of the PE teachers to learn about appropriate playing behaviour.

Our operations manager Mr Zainal has also spoken to pupils taking the school bus to remind them to be well-behaved in the bus so as to enjoy a safe ride home. We will continue to emphasize safe behaviour in school and we will remind pupils to be mindful that their actions do not jeopardise their own safety as well as the safety of others. We also urge all parents to help us reinforce the importance of safe behaviour in school, on the roads and at home.



Announcements

Classroom Cleaning

In Frontier, to give the pupils a sense of ownership of their classroom, all pupils will be involved in cleaning of their own classroom termly. The activity will take place on the first Tuesday of each term. To facilitate the cleaning which will involve the pupils wiping their own table and chair and some corners of the classroom, please provide your child with a piece of cloth. The cloth will be kept in school for future classroom cleaning in the year.

Silent Reading

Days	Language
Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays	English Storybooks
Thursdays and Fridays	Mother Tongue Storybooks

We seek parents' assistance to remind their children to pack the storybooks into their bags.

Pupils are advised to be in school punctually for silent reading from 7.45am to 8.00am

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Submission of Donation Cards

Please be reminded that donations cards are to be submitted to the school, via the form teacher by Friday, 9 March 2012.

Travel Declarations

As part of school's safety efforts in health-related measures, all pupils are required to fill in the travel declaration form, incorporated in the acknowledgement slip and submit to the Form Teacher by 9 March (Friday). Pupils are reminded to place emphasis on personal hygiene during the holidays and continue the good habits inculcated in school such as washing of hands before meals and after going to the toilets. We encourage pupils to enjoy a good rest during the holidays and keep themselves well.

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Acknowledgement of *In-Touch@Frontier* March 2012

I, parent of _____ of Primary _____,
acknowledge receipt and have noted the contents in this March issue of *In-Touch@Frontier*.

Travel Declarations (March Holidays)

Country of Intended Travel	Period of Stay	
	From	To

Name of Parent: _____

Signature and Date _____