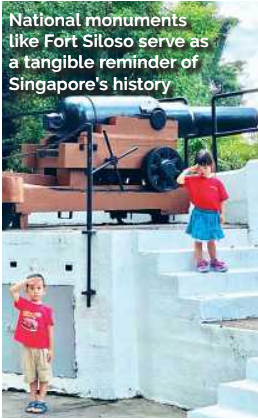


# WE'VE GOT MAIL!

Parents and grandparents share how they use community resources to support children's learning and development.



National monuments like Fort Siloso serve as a tangible reminder of Singapore's history

✉ After watching the National Day Parade, our grandchildren were intrigued by the Total Defence Display. To help them understand the importance of defending our country, we brought them to Fort Siloso. The kids enjoyed running around the outdoor military museum, picked up new words like "artillery battery", and learned about how the fort played a big role in defending Singapore during World War II. When we got home, I cooked sweet potato porridge, a wartime staple, so that they could get a little experience of how we lived during the wartime years.

**NG POH LING**, grandmother of two, aged 5 and 4

✉ Learning is a never-ending process. My kids are always curious to know about everything they see around them. For example, the various heritage statues around Little India and all over Singapore attract their attention. We encourage and help them read the information boards near the statues. These are opportunities for them to learn about the history of each place and their own culture as well as others.

**HINA NASEER**, mother of three, aged 7, 5 and 2



Visit heritage sites to teach children about our history and culture



The natural environment provides many opportunities to engage children

✉ The natural world is one of the best environments for children to explore and enjoy. Hence, we make it a point to bring our son Caden outdoors after preschool and on weekends. During our walks in the park or visits to the beach, we explore the natural elements that he has seen in books. This process helps with his development, both physically and intellectually, and his curiosity leads him to discover many new aspects about Mother Nature. Best of all, these activities are free and fun!

**JOSHUA TAN**, father of a boy, aged 2½

## THROUGH THE LENS

We showed you how to make a cardboard camera in the Jul-Sep 2022 issue. Here are some of your DIY gadgets!



**PHOEBE ZHOU**, 5



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## TEACHERS WHO INSPIRE

Parents, share specific examples of how you value your child's preschool teacher to encourage and inspire them to continue to give their best for children. Attach a photo with your anecdote and your submission may appear in the next issue of *Beanstalk!*

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