# **Buddy Programme 2019**

### LAUNCHING OF THE PROGRAMME

One of the biggest and long-standing programmes of the English Department, with no doubt, must be the Buddy Programme. It is already our 4th school year organizing this programme. Throughout the years, we refined the programme little by little in order to improve its effectiveness. This year, we incorporated this programme into the CEO programme, that is each CEO is buddied up with one to two P.1 students. This new attempt aims to provide better support for P.1 students in terms of English learning with the help of the CEOs.





We launched the programme on 27th September, 2019. On the programme launch day, all the CEOs went down to P.1 classrooms and met their P.1 buddies. Then, they took the P.1 buddies to the covered playground for a short meet-up session. They got to know more about one another and spoke in English. Miss Bow also introduced all the exciting activities that the buddies would join throughout the year.



The CEOs and their buddies are exchanging their names during their first meet-up



MEET-UP SESSIONS



#### The CEO can have a taste of being a teacher!

To foster a supportive atmosphere among buddies, they do not only meet once or twice throughout the whole school year. After the Launch Day, there are five more rounds of meet-up of the buddies. In the first meet-up session in October, CEOs guided their little brothers or sisters to read some English books after lunch. Then, in the second meet-up session in November, the buddies played a word card matching games. They enjoyed the fun time with their buddies while learning English at the same time. Unfortunately, due to the school suspension, the remaining sessions were cancelled.



'Do you know this word? Read after me.'



In another meet-up session, the buddies played a matching game in the covered playocound.





The CEOs can learn to be patient while reading stories to the younger buddies.

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## P.1'S 100TH DAY CELEBRATION

It is not easy for P.1 kids to adapt to a new environment which is completely different from their kindergartens. They leave their comfort zone which includes their old friends and kindergarten teachers for the primary school where they meet new friends, new teachers and new knowledge. That is one of the reasons why the Buddy Programme aims to pair up P.1 newcomers and big brothers and sisters.

100 'tough' days after the kick-off of the new school year, the CEOs had a celebration with their P.1 buddies in the school hall on 1st November, 2019. At the celebration party, the buddies played games and sang songs about the Fruit of the Spirit - love, joy and peace. The school hall also became a dance floor where everyone danced happily. At the end of the celebration, every P.1 buddy received a lovely welcoming present from the CEOs. All the buddies had a great time!



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Although the celebration party is not long, everyone has a great time!