



MEDIA RELEASE

Back to class for 700 teachers and staff

Singapore, 19 July 2019 – Some seven hundred teachers and staff from Skool4Kidz and three well-known Early Childhood preschools under the Crestar Education Group, are going back to class on 19 July 2019 to update their knowledge and deepen their skills to further improve the quality of learning delivery for their little ones.

Held yearly for over a decade, all the centres are closed on this day for the teachers and staff of Skool4Kidz, an Anchor Operator, to upskill together. Collectively with members of the Group including Kinderland, NurtureStars and ELFA Preschools, the staff attend a programme of learning and workshops at their annual Professional Development Day. Also attending are the staff from the Group's international school, The Grange Institution.

Held at five different locations across Singapore, this training event is one of the largest in Singapore within the Childcare sector with 'Sustainable Learning for the Early Years' as its theme. The objective is to further deepen the teachers' skillsets as part of their continuing professional development.

The day-long programme is presented by professional lecturers from KLC International Institute. It includes evergreen foundational topics designed to help them sustain the highest possible level of delivery in the classroom, as well as interesting and creative ways to foster bilingual learning. There are also learning programmes for the customer service and kitchen staff.

Learning topics for the teachers and centre leaders include '**Creating a Self-directed Learning Environment**', '**Empowering Preschool Educators with Effective Communication Skills**', and '**Integrating Stories & Music for Preschoolers**'. Chinese language teachers have the opportunity to enhance their capabilities to help their children by '**华文教育中自然科学创造性发展 Exploring Creativity in Natural Science through Chinese Language**'.

Another important learning topic featured is '**Nutrition and Food Safety**' for the kitchen staff. This is a refresher on the Best-In-Class Nutrition for young children as the centres are equipped with professional kitchens. It is conducted by nutritionists who have extensive experience working with preschools.

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Training Synopses

1. Creating a Self-directed Learning Environment

Learn how the design of physical space plays a primary role in facilitating the development and maintenance of occupant relationships.

2. Empowering Preschool Educators with Effective Communication Skills

Learn strategies and engage in activities that enhance verbal expression, presentation skills as well as professional writing skills. This session covers recommendations for enhancing communication skills in Oral and written communication.

3. Integrating Stories & Music for Preschoolers

Learn to combine stories and music in a fun manner. Dissect a common story, look for a creative connection to a sound, musical instrument, or simple song that can be used to enhance the delivery of the story.

4. 华文教育中自然科学创造性发展 Exploring Creativity in Natural Science through Chinese Language

儿童的世界精彩纷呈，自然科学对儿童期的影响众所周知，它应该且已经为华语教育的载体。从词汇，语句，文章（故事），到听、说、读、写的教学都不可避免的将自然科学引入了华语教学。由此，引导幼儿在华语学习中领略自然科学的奥秘，促进他们的创造力的发展。

5. WSQ Contribute to Customer Service Over Various Platforms

Acquire knowledge and application skills to leverage on available organisational resources when engaging with customers over various platforms.

6. Nutrition & Food Safety

Learn about nutrition for young children, understand food labels and nutritional information, healthy food preparation and hygiene.

