

LET'S Talk

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**JULIA GABRIEL CENTRE &
JULIA GABRIEL PRESCHOOL**

**Holiday Programme December
2024**

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(Class of 2024)**

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Mathematics and Science in
Mandarin**

COVER FEATURE

Chinese New Year Celebration / Chinese Cultural Evening 2025



Chinese Cultural Evening A vibrant celebration of the Chinese traditional culture

With a myriad of engaging activities highlighting the Chinese culture under one roof, the **Chinese Cultural Evening** has always been touted as **one of Julia Gabriel's signature events** over the years. The immersive experience designed for families saw young children having the opportunity to make their own *tanghulu* or candied fruits by skewering an assortment of fruits with help from the adults, customising their own *tie-dye artwork* by dropping food colouring onto the tied cloth, expressing themselves artistically by *painting their own Chinese masks*, trying their hands at *Chinese calligraphy*, and nibbling on tang yuen and a variety of snacks commonly found during Chinese New Year house visits. Even the *lion dance* came roaring from the school porch with the God of Prosperity in tow, before going around the centre to offer blessings for the new year.

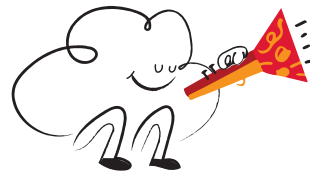


Chinese New Year Special Assembly

Decked out in our best red and traditional Chinese costumes, our Chinese New Year celebration this year kicked off with a special school assembly. With cheerful calls for prosperity and warm wishes for a blessed new year ahead echoing through the assembly area from our hosts, Chen laoshi and Jie laoshi, the celebration entailed singing some favorite Chinese New Year songs together, admiring a parade of traditional Chinese costumes donned by the children, and being introduced to *Nian Nian*—our delightful little panda friend who charmed the hearts of everyone at assembly!



Class of 2024: Kindergarten Two Graduation



From their charming Bahasa Melayu piece 'Seloka K2' and the nostalgic 'Ikan Kekek' to their outstanding Trinity College London Young Performers Certificate submission piece, The Gruffalo, the Kindergarten Two preschoolers put up a stellar line-up of performances for their families during their Graduation Evening. The celebration also saw them proudly walking onstage to receive their K2 graduation certificates from the Head of Julia Gabriel Preschool, Wendy Loh.

The evening filled us all with pride as we savoured every expression, every improvisation, and every child's determination to perform their best onstage. Their Mandarin piece, 再见了，我的幼儿园 (Goodbye, My Kindergarten), had us all fighting back tears with its bittersweet lyrics.

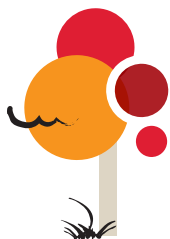
Our K2 children, dearly missed by the entire team, will remain cherished members of our Julia Gabriel family—always.



Julia Gabriel Centre's Holiday Programme

Back in December 2024, right after regular preschool wrapped up, the Julia Gabriel Holiday Programme kicked off with five thrilling days of learning and fun! The children joined us for an unforgettable journey through our **Early Learning, Speech & Drama and Readers & Writers camps**. *What an incredible week it turned out to be!* They came together with their peers to resolve conflicts, lend much-needed helping hands to Chefs Wasabi Wok, Chef Bento Bop, and Professor Time in their respective missions, and celebrated their successful resolutions on Day 5—complete with newfound friendships and strengthened bonds. We dived deep into dramaland, cooked to our hearts' content, and restored peace and order through exciting time-travel adventures.

Our specialist educators had a fantastic time collaborating and facilitating these young adventurers throughout the programme. We're already looking forward to our next Julia Gabriel Holiday Programme, with new challenges, new journeys, and even more friendships to be made.



The new **After School Enrichment**, introduced in January 2025 for Kindergarten 1 and 2 students, runs from 4:00pm - 5:30pm. The following lists new programmes that are available as a part of Julia Gabriel Preschool's After School Care or with *the option of being undertaken separately as enrichment programmes*. Note that fees will differ for JGPS and non-JGPS students.

Little Mathematician 小小数学家 and **Science Voyage** 科学启航 (*Mathematics and Science in Mandarin*)

Timing: Tuesdays and Thursdays

Introducing, our new Mathematics and Science programmes in Mandarin, specially designed to prepare kindergarten students for Primary 1, ensuring they gain confidence and familiarity with key subject terms in Mandarin. This will be the perfect boost for *a smooth transition to Chinese primary schools*.

NEW IN 2025:

After School Enrichment: **Mathematics and Science** in **Mandarin**



ALSO AVAILABLE:

Julia Gabriel Centre's Readers and Writers

Timing: Mondays

By working with carefully selected English literature from both fiction and non-fiction, **'Let's Read and Write'** helps the students to develop an interest in reading, talk about stories and share their thoughts with confidence, blend sounds and form words independently, grasp the use of tenses and punctuation, develop an awareness of sentence structures, and plan, draft and write simple stories.

Julia Gabriel Centre's Speech and Drama

Timing: Fridays

As an extension of their weekly Speech and Drama, the students will be able to further extend life experiences through drama by trying out different roles and ideas, and develop cooperation, collaboration, creativity and acceptance of ideas and emotions through process drama.

REACH OUT to our Admissions team to learn more about our After School Enrichment in Term 2, 2025.

