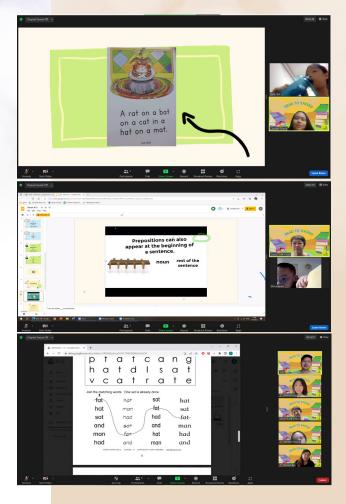


READ TO EXCEED

Just as the foundation determines the height of a building, a strong foundation determines the success of our academic pursuit.

Singapore has always placed great emphasis on the English language in order to stay competitive in the international scene. English is first language in Singapore's education system. Few will wonder the existence of English illiteracy among the young in Singapore and most probably find it unbelievable. In our years of work with children and youth, we have come to realise that there are students out there who are struggling with their studies as they are weak in their English language. This is especially so among those from lower income families.





To meet the needs of this group of children, BCARE launched our "Read to Exceed" programme in February this year for children aged 5 to 7. This programme seeks to build a strong English foundation in children so as to prepare them for Primary school. Using popular children stories coupled with fun activities and creative teaching methods, this programme aims to cultivate an interest in the learning of the English language.

Children who are enrolled on this programme will get to enjoy free access to the Rosen Level Up eLibrary with over 200 books on phonics.

Currently, this programme is conducted online via Zoom by a group of passionate volunteers who hope to impart both knowledge and important values to the children. Sessions are conducted on a one-to-one basis to ensure optimum results.

We believe that every child deserves a great future and no one should be left behind. BCARE is adamant to play our part to ensure that children from lower income families do not lose out on their starting point in life.

Join us on our mission!

Come onboard our volunteers team or refer any children that may need such assistance.

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Having the faithful support of our volunteers is one of the reasons why Bethesda CARE Centre has come thus far. Coming from all walks of life and backgrounds, these volunteers are our extended hands and feet that help to bring love and care to the community. They include individuals, students and staff from secondary schools and tertiary institutions, as well as corporate companies. A helping hand outstretched, a warm smile or even just a listening ear has made a difference in the lives of our beneficiaries.

TESTIMONY

During my volunteering stint, I had the opportunity to work closely with some FAME Club members, guiding them in some essential skills like food preparation, cooking and cleaning. I even helped them in some simple gardening work! I realised that most of these are important skills that would help them in their recovery and being able to take better care of themselves. There was a sense of achievement in both the members and in myself when we could accomplish those tasks. I enjoyed myself thoroughly and would definitely love to return to volunteer at the

programme again. ~Fiona Teh, Student Volunteer (MDIS)

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE TOO!!

Come partner with us as we continue to reach out to those in need......

Bethesda CARE Centre depends on support from well-wishers to fund our programmes and services. Every bit counts. The changed lives of individuals are a testimony of how every contribution, big or small goes a long way in touching lives and impacting individuals.



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