

Mother's Day 2024: Celebrate the Love and Legacy of Mothers



Mother's Day is a cherished occasion dedicated to honouring and appreciating mothers around the globe. This year, the celebration falls on Sunday, 12th May.

Today, we have the pleasure of speaking with Madam Tay, a mother of six and an active participant at the Pasir Ris West Wellness Centre. She graciously shared her thoughts on what Mother's Day means to her and how she celebrates this special day. Let's hear what she has to say.

This year, Mother's Day was a truly special occasion for one remarkable woman. Her celebration began with an exciting trip to Vietnam, a generous gift from one of her daughters. Adding to the joy, her eldest son surprised her with a brand new mobile phone ...

The festivities culminated in a delightful family gathering at the East Ocean Teochew Restaurant in Orchard, where everyone came together to honour her.

Life, however, has not always been kind to her. For the past 50 years, she has faced the challenges of being a single parent and a divorcee with extraordinary resilience and determination. She single-handedly shouldered the responsibility of raising six children, a task that required immense strength and dedication.

To make ends meet, she juggled three jobs. In the early mornings, she worked in a sugar manufacturing factory as a "sugar packer". By noon, she transformed into a Laksa seller in the bustling Joo Chiat area. Her evenings were spent as an assistant in a bread store, where one of her main responsibilities was slicing freshly baked bread.

Her story is one of unwavering perseverance and love. This Mother's Day, her family celebrated not just the occasion, but also her incredible journey and the sacrifices she made for them.

"I collected bread crusts from the bread store i worked in and eat them for breakfast, lunch and dinner so i can save more money for my 6 children."

How do you celebrate your Mother's Day this year? Share with me at solomon_kang@ecss.org.sg