

# National Parks Board SSDB Connect

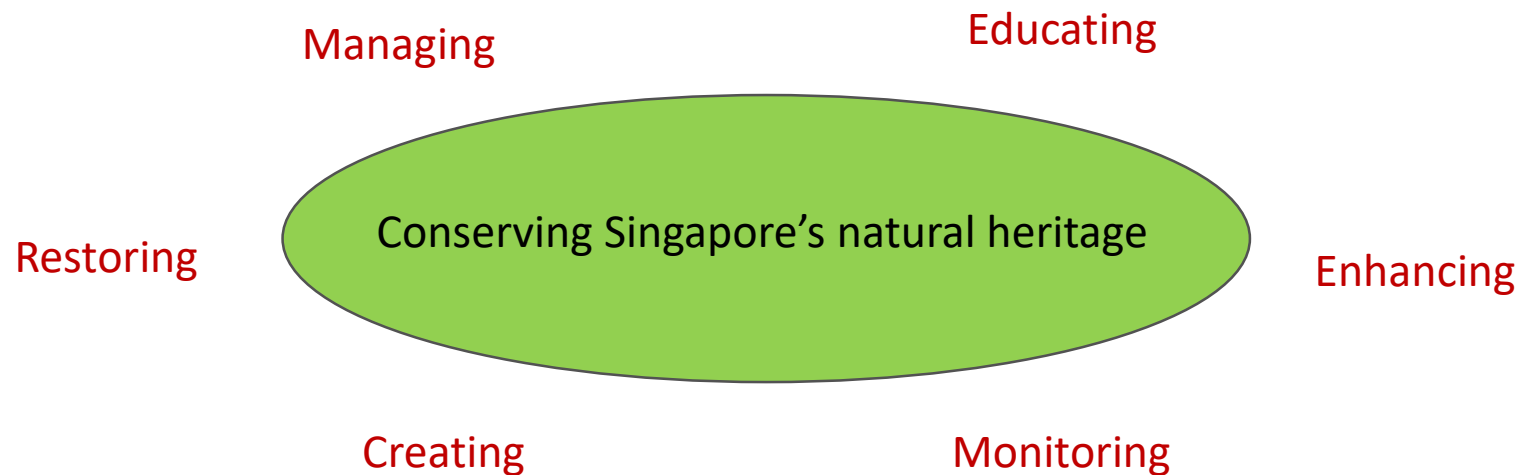


# Content

- Biodiversity Week for Schools (21 to 30 May 2021)
- Community in Bloom (all year round)

# Community in Nature (CIN) initiative

- Launched in 2011
- A national movement to connect and engage communities in conserving Singapore's natural heritage
- Aligned with NParks' City in Nature vision and Singapore's National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan.



# Community in Nature (CIN) initiative

Our community partners:

- Educational and research institutions
- Families
- Corporations and companies
- Non-governmental organisations
- Other agencies
- Passionate individuals

# CIN Streams



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**Citizen Science**



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**Habitat Enhancement and  
Species Recovery**



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**Nature Outreach**

# Community in Nature (CIN) programmes

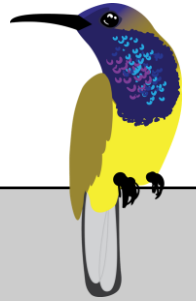
- Various programmes targeting public and students of different age groups

	Programmes	Target level	Streams		
			Citizen Science	Species Recovery & Habitat Enhancement	Nature Outreach
1	Biodiversity Week for Schools	All levels	X	X	X
2	Greening Schools for Biodiversity	Upper Primary – Pre-university	X	X	X
3	Science Communication for CIN Ambassadors	Upper Primary – Secondary			X
4	NParks CIN Biodiversity Watch	Secondary – Pre-university, Public	X		X
5	Nationwide BioBlitz cum habitat enhancement	Secondary – Pre-university, Public	X	X	X
6	Festival of Biodiversity	All levels, Public			X

# Biodiversity Week For Schools

## 21 to 30 May 2021

- Week-long event in May to commemorate International Day of Biological Diversity on 22<sup>nd</sup> May
- Following activities are suitable for pre-schools



Activities for schools	Programme description	Target audience
Playtime series	Learn about Singapore's biodiversity through an animation video and interactive sticker book	Preschools and Lower Primary
Green Wave	Plant native tree within school and learn about the importance of conserving them	All Schools
Festival of Biodiversity	A public festival involving community partners to showcase and raise awareness on Singapore's rich biodiversity	All Schools



[www.nparks.gov.sg/biodiversityweekforschools](http://www.nparks.gov.sg/biodiversityweekforschools)



# Playtime series

## Resources provided to schools

*(A new activity book and video on Singapore's biodiversity is provided every year)*

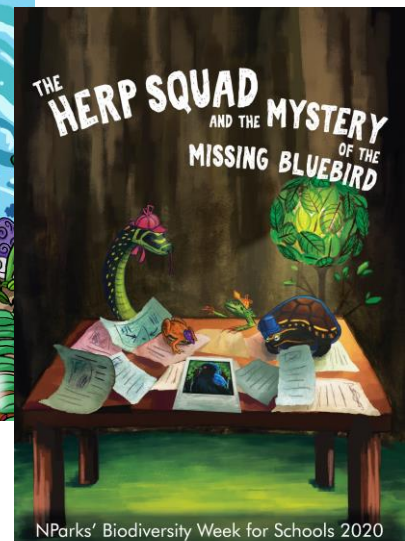
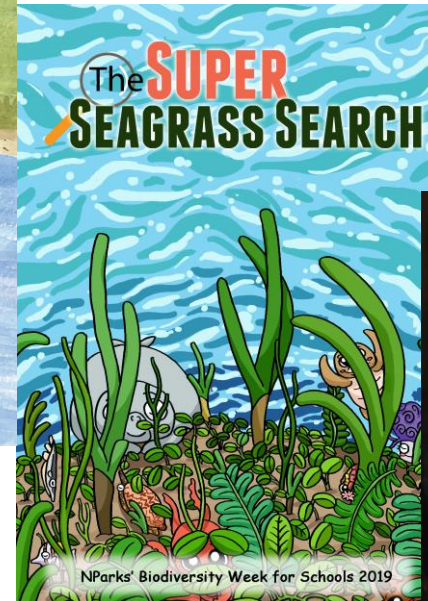
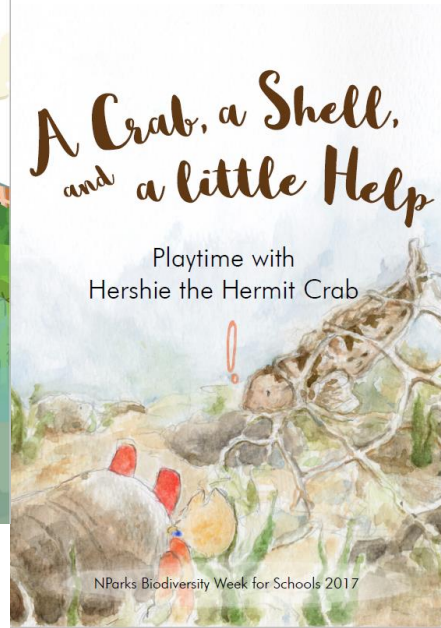
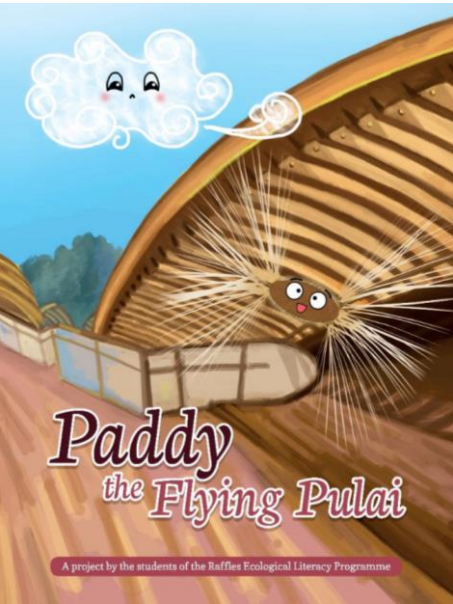
- Copies of Sticker Activity Book
- Animation video
- Lesson plan for teachers

## Role of teachers

- Screen the animation video in class
- Facilitate the sticker book activity (suggested lesson plan will be provided)
- Submit a simple report at the end of the programme



# Playtime series 2015 to 2020



# Green Wave





# Green Wave

- Resources provided:
  - Native tree OR potted plant
  - Green Wave info kit



Rose myrtle



Seashore Ardisia

For more info

Visit: <https://www.nparks.gov.sg/biodiversity/community-in-nature-initiative>

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Email: [CIN@nparks.gov.sg](mailto:CIN@nparks.gov.sg)

# Introduction to Community In Bloom (CIB)



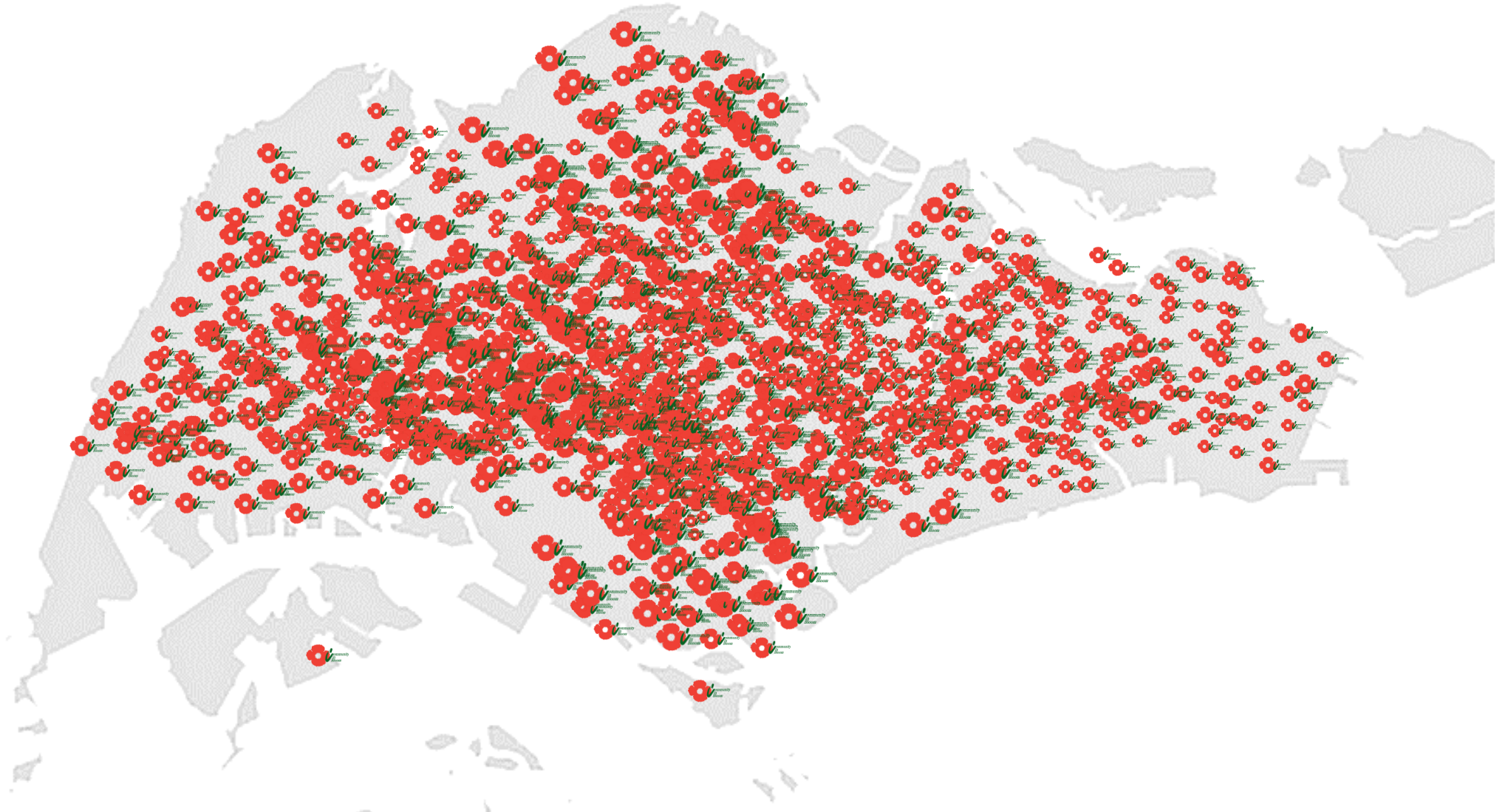
# Community In Bloom Initiative

- ❖ Launched in May 2004
- ❖ Today, CIB has more than 1,600 community gardens across Singapore that have engaged over 40,000 residents





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and has engaged over **40,000** gardeners



# 5 SIMPLE STEPS

Community gardens are created and maintained for and by the community, and are managed by Residents' Committees (RCs), Neighbourhood Committees (NCs), Residents' Network (RN), teachers, staff and volunteers with support from Managing Estates (e.g. Town Councils) and various land owners

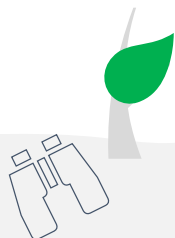
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**Form a Gardening Group**



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**Identify a suitable site**



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**Organize a sharing /  
workshop session**



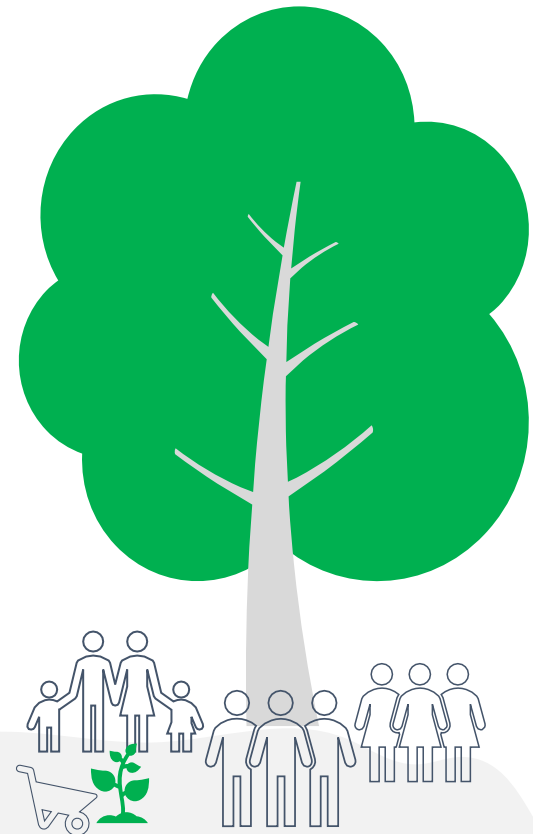
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**Plan your garden**



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**Plant your garden**





# CIB Design Self Assessment Tool (Outdoor)



Sunlight



Water Source



Quality Soil



Planters



Footpath



Storage



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Community Bonding  
Space



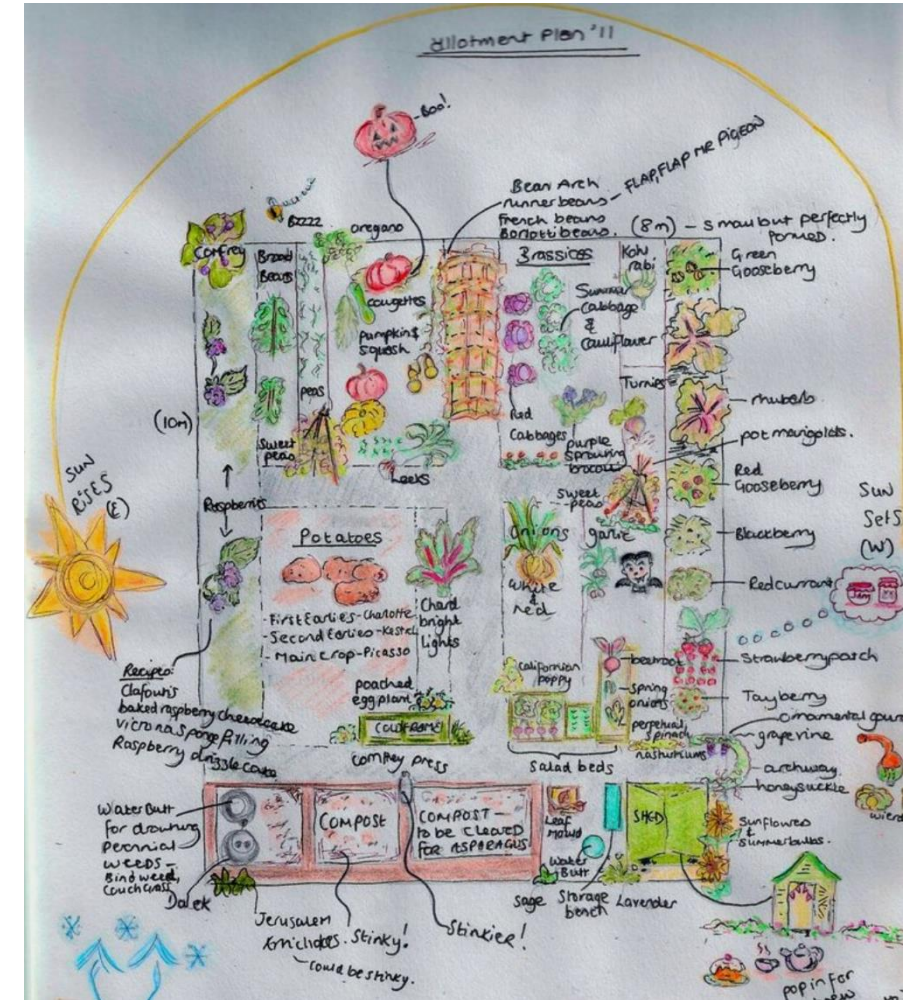
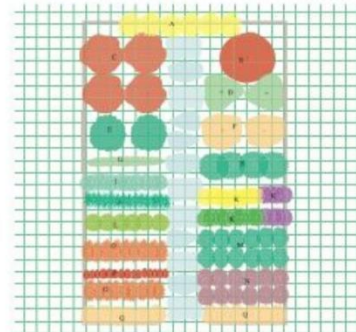
# Garden Design Template



## PLANT LIST

- A. 'Kong' and 'Teddy Bear' sunflowers
- B. 'Scarlet Runner' beans on tepee
- C. 'Early Girl', 'Yellow Pear', 'Big Beef', and 'Sweet 100' tomatoes
- D. 'Green Tiger' and 'Scallop' summer squashes
- E. 'Salad Bush' cucumbers
- F. 'Gypsy' peppers
- G. 'Super Snappy' snap peas
- H. 'Pacman' broccoli
- I. 'Sweet Vienna' and 'Purple Vienna' kohlrabi
- J. Green onions
- K. 'Royal Burgundy', 'Bush Blue Lake', and 'Mellow Yellow' bush beans
- L. 'Salad Bowl' leaf lettuce
- M. 'Buttercrunch' lettuce
- N. 'Red Sails' lettuce
- O. 'Kaleidoscope' carrots
- P. 'Easter Egg' radishes
- Q. 'Janie' marigolds

EACH SQUARE = 6 INCHES



Photos are for illustration only



# Glory Joy Child Development Centre





# MFS @ 815A Choa Chu Kang Avenue 7





# PCF @ 226 Serangoon Ave 4

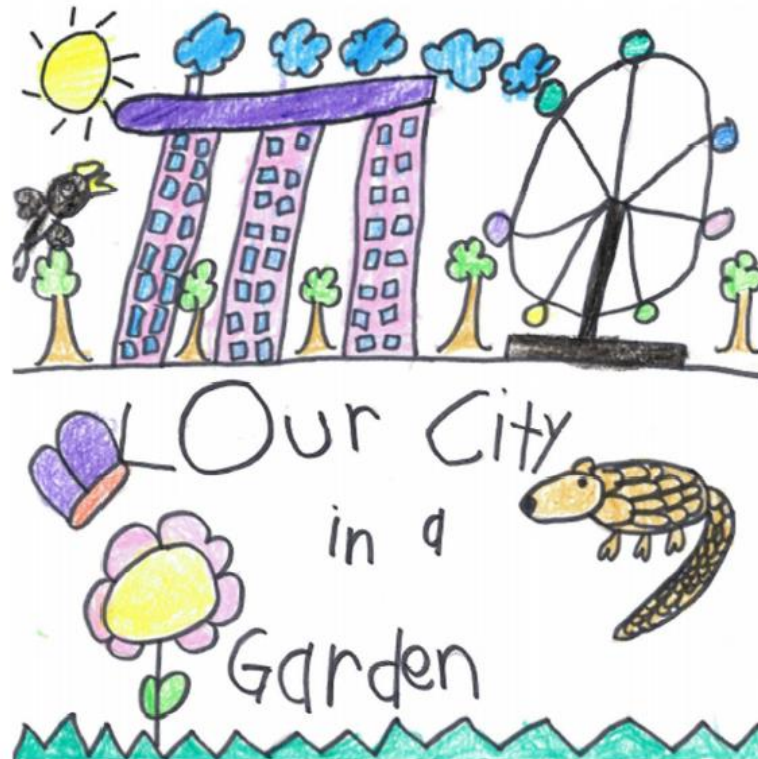


# Caring For Your Garden

	Activities	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
1st Week	Watering	N1	N2				Madam Loh	Auntie Azza
	Weeding	K1						
	Fertilizing							

# *MFS (Block 528, Hougang Ave 6) using NParks' Pre-school Educational Resource Package on Singapore, a City in a Garden, and its Biodiversity*

Nursery – City in a Garden



**ECDA – NParks Innovation Guidance Project:  
“Our City in a Garden”**



# CIB Support

Site Selection

Garden Design  
Templates

Plant Selection

Workshop e.g.  
Community Garden  
Training Series (CGTS)

Garden Visits

Network with other  
Gardening Groups

Monthly Gardener's  
Day Out (GDO)

Singapore Garden  
Festival (SGF)





# NParks Resources for Pre-School Centres



## Online Resources for Teachers



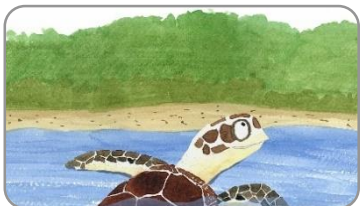
## Gardening Resources



## Setting up CLB Gardens (Outdoor and Indoor)



## Guided Tours in Parks



## Biodiversity Week for Schools

# Thank You

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