

CENEP Educational Field Trip

Children from the three sites went on their annual educational field trip on September 21.

First stop was the Hapee Toothpaste plant in Parañaque. The highlight of the plant visit was a lecture on care for teeth. Children enjoyed a video that showed the causes of tooth decay, how to prevent its occurrence, and the importance of regular visits to the dentist. The children were also given gift bags containing dental care kit and toys.

From the Hapee plant, the three groups proceeded to the Pasig (*CENEP Field Trip...continued on page 3*)



Top: Project 8 children at the Hapee Toothpaste grounds. Above: Mandaluyong group listen to dental care lecture.



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From the schools ... to the future

One step at a time

Grace Enough to Ensure Secondary Education (GEESE)

Scholars monitoring and evaluation (M&E). The first quarter M&E of scholars were held on September 12 and 19 at Makati High School.

UCMPFI is supporting 25 scholars for school year 2018-2019. Interview dates were arranged based on whether the scholars were in morning or afternoon class sessions so as not to disrupt their attendance.

UCMPFI volunteers interview the scholars and teacher-foster parents to

understand first-hand the scholars' situations, academically and in general.

The Foundation recognizes that some scholars live under very challenging circumstances, at times putting them at risk. It is thus of primary importance that they are monitored closely to enable timely intervention in abating or resolving critical situations. UCMPFI together with its partners and volunteers, does its best to assist by giving advice and moral support. Prayers and spiritual

direction are likewise offered, and when necessary, references to health professionals.

The interview is a learning experience, especially for new scholars. They are encouraged to express themselves candidly and trust that the volunteers have their best interest and welfare in their heart and mind.

It is the program's ultimate goal for these students to complete their education and believe that a brighter future is thus within closer reach. ■



UCMPFI Working Committee and volunteers interview scholars during the first quarter monitoring and evaluation.

Child Education & Nutrition Enhancement Program (CENEP)

Parents meeting. First quarter parents’ meetings were held at the three CENEP sites on September 05 (Mandaluyong) and September 07 (Cainta and Project 8).

During the meetings, teachers released the Development Checklists of the children to their parents. Parents with questions or concerns on the assessment of their child’s performance were able to discuss their concerns with the teachers. *(CENEP Parents meeting...continued on page 3)*



CENEP Mandaluyong



CENEP Cainta

(CENEP Parents meeting...continued from page 2)

An important message was also shared with the parents on The Season of Parenting, based on a

recent sermon series by the senior pastor of Union Church of Manila.

The message, delivered in Filipino by Ms. Cora Cabaron, discussed what children need most from parents:

Compassion, Counsel, Correction, Confidence, Celebration, Challenges and Consistency.

“But the secret of becoming a great parent? Be a godly person!” ■



CENEP Project 8

(CENEP Field Trip...continued from page 4) Rainforest Park where everyone had fellowship over lunch, after which the children and their families had the rare opportunity to spend quality time together enjoying the park amenities. ■



CENEP Cainta children and teachers by pool at the Pasig Rainforest Park .