



**Friends of Community Care Awards 2024**  
**Winner - Government and Public Institution Category**

**Maris Stella High School**  
**Nominated by Catholic Welfare Services Singapore and Geylang East Home for the Aged**

**“There are many people who spend their lives in this way, in the services of others. When you forget yourself and think of others, this is love!”**  
**- Pope Francis**

True care for our community goes beyond duty - it is a selfless commitment to the well-being of others. When we put aside personal gain and focus on uplifting those around us, we reflect Marist values in our actions. By serving others, we contribute to a community where each member feels valued and supported. In this way, we embody our mission to serve with humility, and to nurture gentlemen of faith, vision and service.

Maris Stella High School is an all-boys Catholic mission school founded in 1958. The school aims to nurture students into Gentlemen of Faith, Vision, and Service. The Marcellin Way, Maris Stella's Character and Citizenship Education programme, embodies meaningful programmes and student outcomes derived from the school values of Presence, Simplicity, Family Spirit, Love of Work, and In the Way of Mary.

As part of the students' Values in Action (VIA) experiences, Maris Stella High School has a partnership with St Theresa's Home for Secondary One students, and Geylang East Home for the Aged and St Luke's ElderCare for Secondary Two students. The school's effort include a mix of both physical and social activities, such as cleaning of premises, food donation drives, games, craft activities and singing activities. Secondary Two students also showcase what they have learned in Appreciation of Chinese Culture lessons by putting up a festive drum performance for the seniors.

The school has been organising annual cleaning and food donation drives at St Theresa's Home for more than five years. In addition to activities at various Community Care organisations, staff and students also plan Chinese New Year programmes for the residents, collect donations, and celebrate the New Year with them.



Marists brought residents from St Theresa's Home on an outing to MacRitchie Reservoir Park



Marists building communication skills and growing personally through VIA experiences



Secondary Two Marists guiding seniors in Chinese Chess at Geylang East Home for the Aged



Students bonding with seniors from St Luke's ElderCare Active Ageing Centres