

ARCHE NOAH HOME Philippines



WHAT SCHOOL BREAK MEANS INSIDE THE HOME— School Break is probably one of the things that some students look forward to because this means not doing assignments and not doing projects or simply not going to school. For Crystal, school break means learning new things and about starting anew. *“School Break inside the home is something I always look forward to because I get to spend more time with the other children and we get to learn new things. As for me, I am excited about learning to cook more viands that we can share. I am also excited to learn paper crafting from Ate Hedaya because before the school break, she told us she would be teaching us how to do paper crafting especially for those who are interested.”*

GEARING UP FOR A NEW FAMILY



Some of the children enjoying a pizza break after cleaning the house. Also a celebration for the end of the school year.

With the home celebrating its 10th year, a new initiative to help more children has aroused. As we enter the 10th year, we are welcoming new children into the home. Unlike the previous children, the new children will be supported in terms of education, food and other basic needs. The new children will not be living inside the home because of limited space. The idea is inspired by a Day Care Drop-Off Center wherein they come to the house to eat their meals, take a bath, learn, be taught with school lessons, wash their clothes, etc.

“We still want them to feel at home whenever they come even if they will not live here. We want them to experience what it feels like to have a place that you can call your safe place.” This is what Eralyn said, one of the AN children.

After the school year ended, the AN children did a 360° clean up of the home in preparation to welcome the new ones.

HOME VISIT TO THE NEW ONES

The new batch of children came from the slum area that is suffering from poverty, lack of water and proper sanitation. And some homes do not even have electricity.

Amina and Sarah did a home visit to the area to see the living conditions of the children that will be part of the new batch. They also talked to the family members especially the parents to know and connect more deeply.

Some of the children have both the mother and father and the others only have either the mother or the father. As of this writing, there are already 8 children that will be part of the new batch.

