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Mum's the word

Whilst Kendrick and Drake continue beefing, the rest of the internet is debating whether women are the real victims of a feud filled with bars about domestic violence and sexual grooming. It got us thinking—what would both of their mums say about all this public beef?

As we ring in Mother's Day this weekend amid pop culture feuds and societal strife, let's take a moment to honour the strength, wisdom, and compassion embodied by mothers everywhere. In a world that feels like it's getting torn as under, it's our mothers who remind us of the need for empathy, strength and unity.

(Of course, on top of nagging us to eat more, lose weight, or the million other ways Asian mums express their love to their children.)

P.S. We've also learnt some of you found your way here through your friends. If you haven't already, **<u>subscribe</u>** to our weekly newsletter today!

All of the Spice



Nothing tastes better than Mum's cooking (er, most of the time, at least). A young Singaporean reflects on her relationship with her mother and everything they've been through together over the past few years running Spice Zi Kitchen, a homebased cooking class specialising in everyday Indian Muslim cuisine.

> The Ongoing Journey Of Seeing My Mum As A Complete Person, And Not Just A Mother

Swedish Satisfactions



Being a mum's hard enough as it is here, so wouldn't it be harder to raise young kids abroad? Min, our Singaporeans Abroad profile, invites us to think differently.

Read on about her experience raising her children with the gift of freedom and a sense of self outside the Singapore education system.

Meet Min, The Singaporean Mother Raising Her Kids In A Forest School in Sweden

A Mother's Finality



Parents and children are not meant to be friends. Of course, there are always exceptions to the rule—one Singaporean man happens to be one of the lucky few who can truly say that he had a friendship with a parent that went beyond the conventional. Tragically, all it took was cancer.

I Lost My Mother To Cancer, But Gained A Relationship Few Do With Their Parents

Mum-poster Syndrome



Even after nine months of arduous bodily transformation, intensive reading and preparation, and building mental fortitude, most mothers can still come out of it thinking they're not 'good enough'. Three mothers share their journey of recovery.

What Makes a Mother Good Enough?

What's Cooking?



Can we hack the high cost of living? Join us for a dynamic live podcast, presented in collaboration with AIA, as RICE Media brings together finance influencers to delve into pressing topics such as pursuing our aspirations and mastering the art of early retirement.

Join us for this exclusive event where financial influencers Vanessa Ho and The Weeblings will share invaluable strategies for achieving financial freedom.

Short Grains, or piping-hot topics by the spoonful.

- <u>Singapore's driving culture</u> is long overdue for a change if the accident and death tolls are anything to go by. Harsher punishments just aren't enough. (via *RICE Media*)
- What drives journalists to pursue the pen, even with <u>anxiety</u> being part of the job description? (via *RICE Media*)
- Despite what's been said, Singapore now ranks 8th on the world's <u>lowest</u> <u>gender inequality</u>. (via *Straits Times*)
- Hey, stop it with your <u>unrealistic asking prices</u> already. Housing prices are crazy enough that authorities are cracking down on them. (via *AsiaOne*)
- After Les Misérables, it's off to <u>West End's Hamilton</u> for Singapore theatre actress Nathania Ong (via *CNA*)



Some things are hard to say face-to-face but penned down, the love we feel for our mothers is all the same. Here's everything we wish to say, hopefully, one day we'll have the courage to say it out loud.

We like to go out! We also hate our weather.

But as much as our team is full of contradictions, we simply can't go by our weekend without checking out some things. If you're still deciding on where to go, let us highlight some unmissable events for you:

- It's Mother's Day this Sunday, so celebrate by bringing your mom to <u>The</u> <u>Projector</u> for a 2-course lunch, a visit to the Mama's Market or a screening of Marry Poppins!
- Fans of dark humour gather for the new production <u>Pesta Raya 2024:</u> <u>Bawang Putih Bawang Merah</u>, a fresh take on the Bawang Putih Bawang Merah folktale by Singapore's Teater Ekamatra.
- From local musical acts Dominic Chin and Shazza to a car racing simulator and various food and beverage options, the <u>Volkswagen Electric City</u> <u>festival</u> has something for everyone. Best part? It's free and pet-friendly!
- Sake lovers rejoice! <u>Sake Matsuri</u> will feature an impressive display of over 250 sake and Japanese spirits in a three-hour free-flow session.
- Spend time with some furry friends at the annual <u>Pets' Day Out</u>, where you can visit adoption drives, chat with a groomer or microchip your cat for free!

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