Kindergarten Newsletter

October & November 2019



Nursery



Language

Letters: Tt, Ii, Aa, Ff, Ef, Ll and Hh

Teacher helped the young ones to learn the alphabets using the "Letter of the Week" approach. This approach had been a helpful structure for planning huge variety of learning activities to learn each letter in a week. Children were taught to write each alphabet and learn their phonetic sounds through stories, fine motor activities, simple rhymes, songs and some fun crafts.

Story Reader: A gift for Bibi, Bibi and the Balloons, Birds in the Mumu's Garden

Other Stories Read: The Magic Forest, The Two Parrots.

Fine Motor Activities

Squeezing water from napkin and sponge, stringing fryums, pouring sand into the bottle, rolling clay with pencil.

Gross Motor Activities

Walking sideways and boxed lines, target throw, puddle jumping, balancing the ball on the water bottle, Hula Hoop jumping.

Rhymes:

- Walking through the jungle...
- This is the way we dress ourselves...
- Fish in the Sea...
- Little birds...
- What colour do you see...



Activities:

Diwali craft (Making Diya holder), sock matching, making a fish with paper plate, matching the colours, parrot craft, snake craft, my cap, nest and chicks (Maze game).









Arithmetic

Numbers: Children were taught to write numbers from 1 to 6 and associate them with their quantities through various activities.

Pre-math Concepts:

<u>Long and short</u>: Children could differentiate between long and short by comparing and measuring the size of various objects.

<u>Thick and Thin:</u> Children understood the thick and thin concept by exploring various objects around them.

E.V.S

<u>Wild Animals:</u> Teacher taught the little ones about various wild animals showing pictures, telling them stories and also helping them do art and craft works related to animals.

<u>Colours:</u> Children were taught about the primary colours (Red, Yellow, Blue) first and then other colours using Montessori materials like colour box and also showing various objects around the class.

<u>Clothes:</u> Teacher helped the children to talk about different clothes they wear and also to learn about various other seasonal clothes. For a better understanding, they were also engaged in clothes related games and activities.

<u>Fish:</u> Children got very excited learning about the concept of fish and to know some of the fish names.

Birds: Teachers introduced the bird theme in a fun way making the kids learn about various birds, nesting, laying eggs and also feeding birds by encouraging them to step outside into nature.



























Lower Kindergarten (LKG)



Language

- Letters and sound recognition from Aa to Zz
- Recap of Family words at, an, ap, ad
- Introduction to 'en' Family words pen, hen, men, ten, ben
- Introduction to 'et' family words pet, net, met, wet
- Reading story reader "Venu's New House", "At the Farm" and "Jill's Special Day"
- Vocabulary words: large, mango, sweet, uncle, truck, watch, fresh, empty, ready, go, have, fun, farm, tree, they, so, are, big, see, pick, lift, tall, small, light, pink, full, up, yellow, juicy, banana, fruit, guava, pineapple, pumpkin, potatoes, heavy
- Encouraged children to speak about their Birthday celebration as a part of the story reader Jill's special day.



Arithmetic

- Recap of number from 1 to 10
- Counting numbers from 1 to 30
- Recap of shapes and activities based on that
- Association of quantities with symbols

E.V.S

Theme for the month of October – Community helpers and Festival of Diwali

Activities done:

Children decorated Diwali Lanterns, which they made using chart paper and silver sequins.

As a part of the community helper theme, children dressed up as a community helper of their choice and also spoke a few lines about who they represented. This opportunity helped the children to shed their inhibitions and talk about the community helper they were.

Theme for the month of November – Plants, vegetables, flowers and fruits

Activities done:

The children did grating activity using carrots and cutting activity using cucumbers.

They were excited to eat the vegetables they cut and grated.















Rhymes:

- Community helper song
- Who is he? He is the watchman, he guards our school....
- Diwali Song in multiple languages (English, Tamil, Hindi, Kannada and Telugu)
- Deep down the jungle...
- Phonics song
- One little finger tap, tap, tap

Upper Kindergarten (UKG)

Language

- Introduction of Story Readers "The Holiday" and "Judy goes to the Doctor"
- Reading and writing of Family words 'ib', 'id', 'ig', 'im', 'ip'
- Revision of Vowels a, e, i, o, u
- Introduction to words with 'ck'
- Revision of 'sh' and 'ch' words

Arithmetic

- Introduction to the concept of Long and Short
- Recap of shapes through simple activities
- Numeral to quantity association from 51 100
- Counting in group of 10's



10, 20, 30, 40, 50......



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<u>Theme for the month of October – Importance of Water and the festival of Diwali.</u>

Children were made aware of the importance of water and how we must make it our duty to save water, starting from our home and school.

Activity – Children made a cut out of water droplet using chart paper and stuck long strips of paper on which they had written simple lines on how to save water.

For Diwali children made noise - pollution free firecrackers using chart, paint and glitter.

Theme for the month of November – Seasons

Children learnt about the four different seasons – Summer, Monsoon, Winter and Spring through different activities and songs.

Activities done:

Summer – Watermelon using paper plates and paint.

Winter – Colourful scarves with chart paper

Monsoon – Origami paper boats using colour paper

Spring – Dragon fly using ice - cream sticks and cellophane paper



Rhymes of the Month:

- Oh Mr. Sun Sun
- Icy nose, chilly toes....
- Pretty flowers pretty flowers...
- It's raining, it's pouring
- The leaves on the trees....
- What's the weather? ...
- All the leaves are falling down....



















Our tiny tots had a fun and fruitful learning experience visiting the Yoshi Bakery. They got a glimpse of how a bakery functions. Children enjoyed watching the process of baking bread and also got an opportunity to ice their cupcakes. They thoroughly enjoyed this outbound learning experience.











On November 14th, Children came dressed in vibrant colours. They enjoyed the variety of programs conducted and performed by the teachers. Children were given treat boxes for snacks after which they watched a small movie and danced on a few of their songs. Children were also entertained with an interesting story telling session.







