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Week At A Glance



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From The Director

Dear Parents,

It is hard to believe that we have already finished 4 months of school and what a productive four months we have had! There is great learning going on every day all across the school.

Our students and staff are passionate about learning and we can see the confidence and composure whenever we give children a chance to talk in front of their peers. They look forward to assembly days and the various opportunities they get to talk about themselves in class.

We invite you into school throughout the year and welcome your involvement and support. Building a sense of community among our parents is a great way for you to share the joys of parenting and also share resources available in the city.

Kind Regards,

Usha Lamba
Director



News From Our Classrooms

An update from the teachers

Explorers and Adventurers

Teaching children the importance and benefits of fruits and vegetables is really important.

This week the artwork for the class included painting, stamping and plenty of fun.

In the Montessori area of the curriculum, they have been learning how to transfer beans from one jug to another and have been introduced to pouring water from one identical container into another. All these activities of everyday life help develop a child's intellect, to form a logical and 'orderly' mind, essential for the growth of any little one. They also teach a child how to take care of themselves and the environment around them.

Special Thursday this week was sports and the class had a great time as they played 'I sent a Fruit to my Father'. It brought smiles to everyone's faces when we saw the children running around their

friends and having a great time.

Next week we will be revising the topics covered over the month.

Discoverers

It was all about relearning and revisiting the fruits and vegetables. A few more flowers were introduced, and it was a delight to watch children identify all they learnt in the month of September.

Children did quite a few worksheets with activities like matching plants to trees, matching flowers to plants etc.

Art and craft saw a hue of colours as children used crepe paper, ear buds, sponge and a variety of aids to render a beautiful piece of artwork related to the topic.

Story time saw children listen to Tia went to the garden and then recounted their various experiences of their visit to the garden with their parents and friends.



Montessori- Colour Box 1, Opening and closing of bottles, opening and closing of locks and keys was presented and practised with the children.

Enquirers

The only way to learn mathematics is to do mathematics. And what better way to engage children in the subject than by playing the simple hopscotch and dancing to and forming numbered groups. The children danced, frolicked, hopped and learnt about the amazing world of simple logic. We also had a Montessori activity of Zero game. Here the children performed numbered activities according to the chits they pulled out, e.g. clap twice, touch four children etc.

For the art sessions, we did garlic printing and even dabbed paint with tiny little fingers. The children enjoyed each activity

and very enthusiastically crafted their ideas out of paint and paper.

In Montessori the children did sand paper letters, numeral tracing and the spindle box. During the story telling session, Doctor Geeta enthralled the children with the tale of two brothers who helped their mother grow their own food.

The new song introduced this week was two little apples hanging on a tree. Sports Thursday had the children running a lemon and spoon race. Yoga was also practised in class.



Rangers

This week the Rangers group discovered that plants provide resources for clothing, food and oxygen and were surprised to know how much we depend on plants in our day to day life. We also played a game of categorizing common plant products found in our classroom and encouraged the children to speak about the plant products they use in their homes. Children enjoyed solving worksheets on classifying products that are made and not made from plants. Children were also taught the process of making 'Paper Mache'.

Children enjoyed watching the video of 'Peep and the big wide world...peep plants a seed' where the journey of a seed to becoming a plant and the required process was explained. This week children painted cherry blossom and made a tulip art.

In Montessori children did the Addition Strip Board and were introduced to Reading Pink Series.

As part of our STEAM concept this month children were introduced to a whole lot of

Math games like 'Hop Scotch', Snake and Ladder, Zero game and other simple Montessori math games.

As part of our special Thursday Sports children were encouraged to walk on balancing beams with a soft toy pumpkin balancing on their heads.

The significance of the festival 'Bakrid' being celebrated on Friday was explained to the children and they were also given a take home project of sticking a few plant products on their work sheet and bringing it back to school to discuss the same.

Next week we will be inquiring into the topic 'Care for plants', moving forward the children will be introduced to a whole new topic on 'Seasons' starting next month.

We also have the exciting culmination of the Fruit and Vegetable Bazaar at TLC.



cloud, rainbow and raindrops.

Concept: - The child understands the concept of seasons and things associated with them.

3. Ask your child to close his eyes and listen to the sound of falling raindrops, thunder, the wind whistling through the trees etc. You can probably sing a song about the rain with your child.

UOI: Seasons

Many people think that some parts of the earth are hotter because they are nearer to the sun but the real reason is that Earth is tilted as it makes its yearly journey around the sun.

In summer, take your child out to the garden. Let him/ her feel the heat. Explain to him/her how important it is to keep cool by drinking lots of water or fruit juices, wearing light clothes, putting sunscreen always and sitting in the shade.

Activities-

1. Take your child to the fruit and vegetable market and let her pick out all the summer fruits and vegetables.
2. Divide a chart into three sections marked **A**, **B**, **C**.

In **A** print WINTER and help your child to stick pictures related with winter-e.g. scarf, gloves, caps, sweater etc.

Under **B** print SUMMER and stick pictures of ice-cream, cotton t-shirts and the sun.

Under section **C** marked MONSOON, help your child to stick pictures of umbrella, raincoats,

Upcoming Events

Monday 28th September – Assembly –
Rangers

Wednesday 30th September – Fruit &
Vegetable Bazaar

Special Thursday 1st October: Group Art &
Craft

Friday 2nd October: Gandhi Jayanti
Holiday



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