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Week At A Glance



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teacher on what your
children have learned over
this week.

From The Director

Dear Parents,

The excitement never seems to end at TLC. Even as the children are in the midst of the Animal Parade, our teachers are preparing for September, and all the fun learning in store for our little students.

I do hope that you managed to take your children to farms or zoos or even a pet shop, because nothing can replace actual real life experiences. If any of you would like to organize a trip to the zoo, and ask the rest of the school to join you, we can help spread the message through the WAG or an email to the parents.

I look forward to receiving emails from time to time, with feedback and news from your family. Remember, we are your partners in parenting.

Kind Regards,
Usha Lamba
Director



News From Our Classrooms

An update from the
teachers

Explorers & Adventurers

It is really exciting that even our youngest TLC students have been introduced to the names of animals from around the world.

Artwork for the Explorers, was fun as the children did finger painting and even comb painting. The Adventurers had to stick, feather paint and even use brush painting. Art helps children develop mentally, socially, and emotionally,

In the Montessori Room, this week the children were engaged in sorting objects according to shape. This activity taught them the concept of Big and Small and helped the children understand how to compare sizes.

Special Thursday this week was drama and all children had to make the cries of animals. While some children chose domestic animals like the cow and pig, there were others who roared like a lion and growled like a bear.

This Funtastic Friday was all about animals. The children had to come dressed up as their favourite animal. It was really nice to see all them come creatively attired to look like their favourite animal. What was even more enjoyable was to see the look on the faces of the children when they saw how their friends came dressed for the animal parade held in school.

Next week we will be revising all the interesting facts learned during the month of August.

Discoverers

The journey into the world of animals continued with our foray into the jungle where the elephants trumpeted, the lions roared and the bears growled. Excitement pervaded our classrooms as the teacher named an animal and the children mimicked the animal with an animal cry to follow.



A fun game followed where the teacher named a very visible characteristic of the animal and the children guessed the names ‘of course some elephants ended up with long necks and some giraffes had a puppy as a baby.’

Worksheets, puppet shows, artwork related to the topics were completed.

Special Drama Thursday-Children enacted the song ‘old Mac Donald’, using head masks, they created an ambience depicting a farm.

Funtastic Friday saw our school transferred into the Animal Kingdom replete with aquatic world, a world of reptiles, etc. where parents and children seemed to have brought forth their creativity to the maximum.

Montessori- children worked with the large button frame, zip frame, pink tower, rolling and unrolling a mat, folding sitting mat and the use of chowkis.

We look forward to another week of animals.

Enquirers

We started this week by talking to the children about the Funtastic Friday for which they would dress up as their favourite animal. So all the work sheets and artwork were a prelude to building up the fun and excitement for Friday. The children made soft cuddly pandas, colourful lion masks, a big-eyed owl and even a gritty crocodile.

We continued to talk about animal homes and animal babies.

Montessori activities included constructive triangles, cards and counters and short bead stairs. Children worked on Spindle Box to

the number 4, Transferring objects using tongs, sand paper letters and knob less cylinders.

On Thursday the children wore their lion masks and enacted the newly introduced lion family song customized to the tune of where is thumbkin?

Friday dawned with a riot of innovative ideas put together by the parents and children. Enthusiasm ran high as the children enacted roaring lions and tigers, chattering monkeys and trumpeting elephants. Some of them took to tweeting like gentle birds and quacking ducks. Needless to say this was a Friday, which was fun and learning all the way.

Rangers

From frogs in a bog to bears in their lair, animal habitats are just plain fun and this week children are exploring why certain animals live in their chosen habitats. To begin with children were introduced to the word ‘Habitat’ and were told that it means the place where an animal lives. Children were encouraged to make parallels between their homes and those of other animals. We discussed animals that are native to our part of the country and migrated as necessary to other environments.

Children were introduced to names such as hutch, nest, lodge, burrow and hive. Children were encouraged to complete matching worksheets, matching animals to the names of their habitats and art work comprised of making a starfish with sand, painting a penguin, making a frog on a lily pad and a colourful turkey head band.



We also conducted a small group activity where we used habitat posters of a desert, savannahs, an ocean, a forest, a pond and children were provided animal models to place in its correct habitat.

In Geography we revised the continent globe and children were introduced to the names of all the seven continents and they have been taught to identify India on the globe.

Special Thursday saw the children enacting the story of Goldilocks and the three bears and in the process this story turned out to be ideal for them to explore the concept of size through the three bears, big, medium and small.

In Montessori children independently worked on the materials previously presented to them and they are being introduced to phonograms.

On Friday children came dressed in the guise of their favorite animal for the animal parade at school. Going forward next week we will be inquiring into the special features of animals like size, shape, colour and so on.

Upcoming Events

Special Thursday 27th August: Sports

Friday 28th August: Holiday, Onam



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