

Highlights over the past two weeks...

Hello again! Here's a brief write up on what interesting activities we had over the last two weeks.

- The children were engaged in various activities that would further assist them with their fine motor skills such as using a pair of chopsticks to move objects from one container to another and cotton bud painting (which they enjoyed a lot!).
- For Math, the children learnt about describing quantities such as 'more', 'less', 'a few' and 'many'. The children were given a task of sorting shapes of different colours (red, blue and green). Then, they recorded the quantities down on an activity sheet in the form of a bar graph. To further extend this, two questions were asked based on the most and the least number of shapes that were recorded in the graph.
- The children enjoyed the story of 'Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs' very much. We had various class discussions on how the story could be more positive. The children wrote a letter addressed to the wicked witch and expressed what they thought as well as to give her advice on how she could change her ways.
- To complement our theme, we baked apples (poison apples) with brown sugar, butter and cinnamon powder. The children were excited and they were divided into groups to answer various questions about the process of the cookery activity such as 'How long does it take to bake the apples in the microwave?'
- The children had a first hand experience in learning to decorate a designated portion of a display board in the class. They put up some pictures of them saying 'The Kindness Pledge' whereby everyday they pledge to be kind towards everyone, big and small.
- With the Chinese New Year celebrations coming up, the children learnt some songs such as 'The Lion Dance' and 'Gong Xi, Gong Xi'. They designed some crafts to decorate the classroom with. They made door hangers, dancing dragons and lanterns. The decorations all look lovely as they brighten up the room and puts everyone in a festive mood!!

At home...

As the children only have time to read and learn about five fairytales this term, it would be great if you could expose them to other fairytales and their positive values! Finally, Miss Farah and I would like to wish all our children and their parents 'Gong Xi Fa Cai' and have a great long weekend!!



Scrub-a-dub-dub



Reading quietly.



Making baked apples.



Working hard.



Saying the Kindness pledge.



Singing together

Our Superstars are...

Arrishta

because she is a responsible and caring friend toward her peers. Arrishta is a fair and an encouraging leader who enjoys what she does.

Awesome, Arrishta!



Christie

because she is focused on the work that she does. Christie is a responsible girl who enjoys the company of her friends.

Great effort, Christie!

Coming Up...

More exciting and interesting activities as we look into the story of one of Aesop's Fables-The Tortoise & the Hare.

Dates for your diary...

Mon 15th & Tues 16th Feb – Chinese New Year holidays – Kindergarten closed

Thur 4th Mar – Pre-K excursion to My Gym

Fri 5th Mar – K2 excursion to Cheng San Library

Tues 9th Mar – 'Bear and Chicken Get Ready for School' Whole Kindy excursion. All the children come to Kindy in the morning. Professional Development for the staff in the afternoon.

Thur 11th Mar - K1 excursion to a bumboat ride

From Justine

"Gong Xi Fa Cai!" In the classrooms we celebrated Chinese New Year at the kindergarten with an assortment of exciting activities within the classrooms. Our Chinese New Year celebration on Friday was splendid with the children dressing in their beautiful Chinese New Year costumes/clothes. Of course the highlight of the day was the wonderful performance by Teng Yong Dragon and Lion Dance troupe! Thank you to all parents for your contributions by sending in the celebratory food and spending the day with us. We look forward to the many other events where parents, grandparents and helpers are welcome to join us.