

Highlights over the past two weeks...

- We hope everyone has had a great long Chinese New Year break and feeling recharged for the weeks ahead.
- We continue to work on the pages of our "All About Me" book exploring the areas of growth, feelings and senses. We weighed ourselves on the weighing scale and used lego blocks to measure our heights. Bet you can't believe how fast we've grown! Anger, sadness, fear and happiness were some of the emotions we've explored and had fun 'making faces' expressing how we feel.
- Last week, letter 'd' (danny is drumming, d..d..d) was of utmost importance as it stood for **d**ad. The dads/granddad joined us during our arrival activities and the children had so much fun decorating their photo frames for their pictures of themselves and their Dads. We understand that some dads had work commitment and could not join us – no worries, your child decorated their photo frame and it can be found in their Jolly Phonics Book which they will take home at the end of the year. This week for the letter 'e' (eggs for Easter, e..e..e), we cooked hard boil **e**ggs and kept our little fingers busy peeling off the shells (*hint: Psst! Mums and dads, what a great opportunity for your child to develop his/her fine motor skills*) before getting a taste of the eggs. What did we do with the eggs? We ate them, of course!!
- In the sensory trough, we loved feeling the texture of rice grains and enjoyed scooping and filling up cups, plates and containers with the rice grains using various utensils during week 7. The children were so fascinated with the colourful pom poms and buttons in the trough that they couldn't wait to pick them up with the tweezers and sort them into different bowls, during week 8. Good job!
- Have you noticed how our muscles have become stronger? Well, thanks to the regime of our daily obstacle course – climbing, cycling, balancing, jumping, crawling, etc. We are slowly becoming more confident as we tackle each challenge. In P.E this week, the children use their bodies to make the Jolly Phonics letters we have introduced so far this term. Take a look at the photos below.

At home...

- You may like to practice singing the "Jolly Phonics" songs and actions at the home, now that you have a photocopy of them. You may like to play some fun games with the letters that have been introduced so far this term. For example, hiding magnet letters and the children have to be detectives to find them. Once found they are to identify the name of the letter and it's sound. (You may like to extend this based on your child's ability and add more letters)



Our Superstar is...

Well, we're still searching and looking ... stay with us!

Coming Up...

We will be working on family and school the forthcoming weeks. Please do not forget to send in your family tree project by Monday, 1st March 2010 (A3 size)

Dates for your diary...

Thur 4th Mar – Pre-K excursion to My Gym, 12:30 – 3:30 pm

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...

I hope you all had a wonderful "Gong Xi Fa Cai!"

I'm proud to announce that all the teachers have now successfully completed their First Aid Course for Infants and Children, at the Singapore Red Cross Society. All the Teaching Assistants will be attending the same course next term from Monday 29th until Wednesday 31st of March.

Today the children have participated in a **fire drill** at the Kindergarten. Wow, the children were so quick!!!! Within about two minutes, all the children were outside safely. Great job!! Before this during the week, we spoke about how we may need to leave the Kindergarten quickly because of a fire, bad smell (gas) or a bad person, to keep ourselves safe.

Our "**Come into the Classroom**" days are coming up next Term in weeks three and four. This is when we invite one special adult (mum, dad, grandma, grandpa or another relative) for each child to join us for the whole session. It is so you can get an insight to what happens during your child's time at Kindergarten. We hope to see one of the adult family members on your child's day.