

## Highlights over the past two weeks...

- Our theme this term is "All About Me" and we have been learning more about ourselves the past two weeks. We counted the number of letters in our names and place counters under each letter to help us count at the Language Area. Identifying the initial letter of our name was also one of the activities we were involved in and did tyre printing all over the initial letter. We even had a graph indicating our gender and learnt parts of our bodies with songs like "Head and Shoulders", "Where is thumb king?" and affirming that "I Am Special".
- We are working on our "All About Me" book and have started decorating the cover page of the book and adding not only handprints but footprints too! There are lots more pages to be added and we hope you will enjoy reading bits and pieces of me.
- We showed the children a model of an eye and discovered that most of us has eyes that are dark or light brown in colour. Have you ever eaten an eye? No? Well, we have! We made eyes using round crackers spread with cream cheese and made the iris using M&Ms chocolates - you should have seen the galore of multi-coloured eyes! Chomp! Chomp! This week, we made sandwich faces adding facial features comprising of zucchini, carrots, cherry tomatoes and raisins.
- Kicking off our Jolly Phonics activity this week is the letter is 'a', accompanied by its name, sound and actions. We know that 'apple' begins with an 'a' and we showed them apples that were red and green. Having tasted the apples, most of us preferred the red apples because they were sweeter. We also showed them the different shapes that could be obtained when we cut the apple in different ways. When the apple was cut horizontally, a circle and a star-shaped centre appeared. When the apple was cut vertically, the shape was almost similar to a heart but the star-shaped middle had disappeared! Going green...we decided to make apple prints on our Jolly Phonics page.

## At home...

As we are helping children identify the initial letter of their first name, play "spot your initial letter name" on signs that are available to us everywhere (e.g. road names, car licence plates, shop signs, banners, etc.)



Our  
Superstar is...

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



## Coming Up...

We will continue on with the topic of 'All About Me'. Please submit a copy of two 3R size photos of your child (when he/she was a baby and a 1-2 year old toddler) for our class activity.

## Dates for your diary...

**Fri 12<sup>th</sup> Feb** - Chinese New Year Celebrations

**Mon 15<sup>th</sup> & Tues 16<sup>th</sup> Feb** - Chinese New Year holidays - Kindergarten closed

**Thur 4<sup>th</sup> Mar** - Pre-K excursion to My Gym

**Tues 9<sup>th</sup> 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 11<sup>th</sup> March** - K1 excursion to a bumboat ride

## From Justine...

The children all did a marvelous job for our Jumpthon for the victims in Haiti. A very big thank you to the parent volunteers who helped with the counting of the jumps. All of children were extremely excited to jump! The directors had also made a donation of S\$1,000. In total, we had raised **S\$10,641** for Haiti! What a spectacular record! Many thanks to the Chatsworth Kindergarten Community and Friends! All the money raised will be sent to the Singapore Red Cross Society today.

We had our first assembly today. During this time we celebrated our superstars and birthdays for the months. We also spent some time discussing why we did the Jumpathon and how all of the money we raised was going to help the people in Haiti. Of course we ended the assembly with our Chatsworth Kindergarten song. Yeah!!!