

## 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 **d**ads/granddad not only sportingly joined us in singing "Are You Happy and You Know it", they also worked meticulously with their child/grandchild decorating photo frames together. We understand that some dads had work commitment and could not join us – no worries, your child made a photo frame for you too and we hope that it would make you feel better. 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. Yashasvi had so much fun with that she 'shampooed' her hair with rice grains too!!
- 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 – come by and watch us at work each day!

## At home...

The children are learning to write their names (especially the initial letter) and the letters 'a-e', we have noticed that they are writing their alphabet in capital letters. As we are exposing the children to alphabet in lower caps format, please assist us by ensuring that your child practices to write their letters in lower caps at home.



## Our Superstar is...



**Arya**

because she always comes into Kindy with a lovely smile and she always treats her peers with gentleness. Despite having a cast on her arm, she puts in lots of effort to complete tasks independently.

## 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 Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2010 (A4 size, hard or soft copy).

## Dates for your diary...

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

**Fri 5<sup>th</sup> Mar** – K2 excursion to Cheng San Library

**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> 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 29<sup>th</sup> until Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> 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.