



Preschool Gum Tree Newsletter



We tasted variety of food and identified whether they were sweet, salty, bitter, or sour.



We practiced tracing shapes with our friends.

Activities Covered:

Last week, in week 5, we explored an amazing topic, 'The 5 senses' and learnt how we use our 5 senses in our everyday lives.

In **Communication and Language**, we talked about different senses and how we use them. We read the stories "I Hear a Pickle" and "My 5 senses". Then we explored our senses through the different senses' stations set in class.

In **Literacy**, we learnt a new jolly phonics sound "a". We listened to its jolly jingle, learned the action, and practiced writing it with our teacher's help. To help us remember the sound, we chose between an apple artwork and an ant craft to make.

In **Mathematics**, we focused on the number 3 and its attributes. We also continued to explore shapes through various hands-on activities.

In **Physical Development**, we played the games 'Simon Says' and **Freeze song** to test our sense of hearing. We did a pretty good job at this!

In **understanding the world**, we shared what we like and don't like when using our senses such as things we touch, taste, hear, eat, or smell. We discovered many things we have in common and many different preferences too!

In **Personal, Social, and Emotional Development**, we sang a 5 senses song before we recreated our senses using different materials and textures.

On Thursday, we explored our **5 senses** through different exciting activities that were set up in different classes. It was great fun to explore our sense of touch through our feet, where we walked on different mediums to feel their textures.

We had a great week learning all about our senses and how we use them.

Upcoming Activities:

This week, we will move from our senses and discover the 'Body Parts' topic, where we will explore the names and importance of our different outer body parts.

In **Communication and Language**, we will talk about the different parts of our outer body and their functions. We will listen to and discuss the story 'My Busy Body'. Then, we are going to play a game to see if we can match the outer body flashcards to a giant body poster.

In **Physical Development**, we will learn the importance of keeping our bodies active through exercise. We will play **Hockey pockey** and **Head, shoulders, knees, and toes**. We will have to use our listening ears and looking eyes carefully, to make sure we are using the correct body parts to match the actions of the songs.

In **Literacy**, we will learn the sound /t/. Alongside its jolly jingle, and action, we will learn how to form the sound in different mediums such as shaving foam and glitter. Then we will practice writing the sound in our phonics books and focus on its formation. To help us remember this sound, we will make a toothbrush and a toothbrush.

Another action-packed week awaits us!



We read the story 'My 5 senses' and made a craft to show where all our senses can be experienced.

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Tips for home:

- **Ensure** your child gets to bed at a reasonable hour so he/she is ready to learn when they get to school.
- **Display your child's work** from school to help build a sense of pride in their accomplishments.

My values draw my identity:

- I thank God Almighty for His blessings.
- I am learning, knowledge is light.



On Thursday, we took part in 5 senses fun activity. We visited different classes to experience each sense.

Upcoming Events:

Thursday 5th October - Pyjama Day & Build-A-bear workshop.

Children are to come to school dressed in their pyjamas. We will practice a healthy bedtime routine. The day will end with building a bear.

This is going to be a very exciting experience so don't forget to return the slip together with the payment.



We learnt the number 3.

To see more photos of our adventures in learning be sure to visit our [website](#), [Facebook](#), and [Instagram](#)

Final Note:

A nutritious breakfast sets the tone for a day of improved concentration, increased energy, and active participation in activities.

Kindly ensure that the snack boxes are packed with healthy food options for your child to choose from.