



Reception Oak Tree's Weekly
Newsletter

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In math we worked on number bonds to 5 and 10.



This week's phonics sounds were m & d. We worked in our phonics books and made crafts.

Activities Covered:

This week, we focused on a new topic, 'All about Me'. We had the opportunity to learn more about each other and we explored different types of families around the world and compared them to ours. We also learnt about what makes us different from others and how to accept and embrace our differences.

In **Communication and Language**, we listened to the story '**Bears Busy Family**' which was followed by a discussion about different family members. We also learnt about different families around the world.

In **Personal, Social and Emotional Development**, we listened to the story '**We are All Different, What Makes You Special**' We then discussed our favorite things and discussed an 'All about Me' poster with our friends. We had so many things in common! We also discussed our daily routine at home.

In **Literacy**, we learnt 2 new jolly phonics sounds, **m** and **d**. We learnt their songs, actions, and formation as well as make a craft for each sound to help us remember them. The High-Frequency words for this week were **if** and **in**. We are getting better at building sentences using these words.

In **Physical Development**, we continued to develop our gross motor skills. This week we completed an obstacle course and participated in a game of musical statues.

In **Mathematics**, we learnt the concept of number bonds. We practiced number bonds to 5 and then 10 using different manipulatives and songs.

On Thursday, we celebrated our families. We came to school dressed as a member of our family. Then we had a very memorable day with our mummies in school. We participated in some fun activities and created a lot of priceless memories. Now we look forward to a very well-deserved break.

Upcoming Activities:

When we resume school after the term break, we will begin a series topic on '**Growing**'. Our first theme will be "**Growing - People**". We will learn all about the different stages of growth, from babies all the way up to grandparents!

In **Literacy**, we will learn the jolly phonics sounds **g** and **o**. We will continue to practice the correct letter formation and blend sounds to read new words. We also memorized the **High-Frequency Words** **it** and **is** and use them in silly sentences.

In **Mathematics**, we will introduce number bonds to 5 and 10. We will complete different hands-on activities to help us understand and practice this new concept.

In **Personal, Social and Emotional Development**, we will learn how we are growing up and discuss the abilities we had as a baby and compared to the ones we have now as a child. Then we will paint a picture of ourselves as babies.

In **Understanding the world**, we were rewarded with diplomas for our height and healthy weight measurements. Then we used ribbon which was the same length as our height to attach to a poem which we framed with bright and fun shapes.

In **Communication and Language**, we will listen to the story '**I am Growing**'. Then we will make a photo collage of ourselves from birth to now. It will be an interesting experience to see how much we have grown.



We painted self portraits. Then we gave ourselves hair, eyes, nose, and a mouth.



On Wednesday we came dressed in pink and white. In support for pink month.

Tips for home:

- Read the **weekly newsletter**, so that you keep up to date on what is happening.
- Drop off and collect your child promptly each day.
- Provide your child with opportunities to **practice their pencil control**.
- Limit **screen time** to 1 hour per day.

My values draw my identity:

- I love my family.
- My daily routine at home.
- I keep my house clean.



Our Mummies came to visit, and we did lots of fun crafts activities.

Upcoming Events:

Mid-term break

The school will be closed for a week from Sunday 22nd until Thursday 26th October and will resume on Sunday 29th October.

Thursday 2nd November - 'I Can' challenge

We will test ourselves in new limits and challenges that we've never done before.



We dressed up as our dads for our Thursday activity.

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

Final Note:

A gentle reminder that our kindergarten is a nut-free zone. It is important that no food with peanuts or traces of nuts are sent to school.

