



Reception Oak Tree's Weekly
Newsletter

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We brought in our baby, toddler, and child pictures to show how much we have grown already.



Our heights were measured, and we made a shape patterned frame to place a ribbon the size of our height inside.

Activities Covered:

Welcome back to school! We started a series topic on '**Growing**'. Our first theme was "**Growing - People**". We learnt all about the different stages of growth, from babies all the way up to grandparents!

In **Communication and Language**, we listened to the story '**I am Growing**'. We also made a photo collage of ourselves from birth to now. It was an interesting experience to see how much we have grown over the years.

In **Personal, Social and Emotional Development**, we learnt how we are growing up and discussed the abilities we had as a baby and compared them to the abilities we have now as a child. We also painted a picture of ourselves as babies.

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

In **Mathematics**, we were assessed for our term 1 report. We also continued with counting activities and writing our numbers.

In **Understanding the World**, we were rewarded with diplomas for our height and healthy weight measurements. We used ribbons which was the same length as our height and attached them to a poem which we framed with bright and fun shapes. This is going to be a very good memory when we compare how much we have grown in the coming years.

On Thursday, we were tested in new challenges like never before! We did our best to eat an apple slice without touching it. We even tried to carry a ball across with a friend without dropping it or touching the ball with our hands or feet.

For displaying resilience and great team spirit, we were rewarded with a 'Yes, I can' badge.

Upcoming Activities:

This week, we will be introducing the topic **Growing a Healthy Environment**. We will read the book '**Why should I recycle**'. The story will teach us the importance of keeping a clean and healthy environment. Then, we will do different recycling crafts using different recyclable materials brought from home.

In **Literacy**, we will be assessed for our term 1 report. We will keep practicing the correct letter formation, sound recognition, and blending.

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

In **Communication and Language**, we will discuss the importance of recycling, reusing, and reducing to preserve the environment. We will then create a poster with the recycle logo and decorate it with items brought from home.

In **Physical Development**, we will play games with reusable items. Sounds like fun!

In **Understanding the World**, we will learn that '**our trash**' can be recycled into 4 categories: plastic/metal/paper/glass. We will have a turn to sort the trash in the different categories.

Look like it's a super fun week ahead!



Helping us be independent with dressing and undressing ourselves. We manipulated buttons, zips and laces.



We looked at our pictures we brought in and painted self-portraits.

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 am thinking about my environment.
- What are the components of my environment?
- I keep the neighbourhood where I live clean.
- I maintain the beauty of gardens.
- I observe public morals in the neighbourhood and with the neighbours.

Upcoming Events:

Thursday 9th November - recycling games and 'show & tell'.

In the spirit of learning to take care of our environment, we will be playing different games using recycled items only.

We will also bring along a recycling project we will make from home for "show & tell".



Yummy! healthy sandwiches, made into a car with cucumber and tomatoes.

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.
No food with peanuts or traces of nuts must be sent to school.



Fun! in 'I can Challenge' Thursday's activity.