



Preschool Gum Tree Newsletter



We explored spring fruits and painted a beautiful pineapple.



We made an umbrella craft to help us remember our new sound /u/

Activities Covered:

Last week, we continued learning about the seasons and focused on **Spring**. We learnt how places look beautiful in Spring. Green leaves, butterflies, flowers, and cool weather. Spring is perfect for picnics and many outdoor activities.

In **Communication and Language**, we listened to the story '*When the Spring Comes*' and discussed how the environment changes and new life appears. Furthermore, we discussed what we do when it rains, and which clothes we wear during spring.

In **Personal, Social, and Emotional Development**, we explored fruits that are popular in spring. We talked about our favourite fruits and painted a beautiful pineapple.

In **Physical Development**, we used chalk to draw straight, curved, and zigzag lines in our playground area. We also worked on cutting, zigzag, straight, and curving lines.

In **Literacy**, we learnt the jolly phonics sound 'u'. We continued to distinguish it from other sounds and learned its action, song, and formation. Later, we made an 'umbrella' craft to help us remember the sound.

For **Mathematics**, we learned a new topic **prepositions**. We learned to differentiate between **in** and **on**. We also learned the concept of **under**, **behind**, and **in front**.

In **Understanding the World**, we learned about spring animals and discussed what were our favourite ones. We looked at spring in Qatar and what possible animals we could see during this season.

On Thursday, we participated in a flower competition between classes. We also made cards for **Mother's Day** and took them home as a gift to our mothers.

What an exciting week it was, learning about seasons!

Upcoming Activities:

This week, we will conclude our topic series on **Seasons** and will focus on **Summer**.

In **Communication and Language**, we will listen to the story "*Pete at the Beach*" and will discuss what the weather looks like in summer, what we wear, where we go, and how outdoor places feel. We will finally discuss our favourite summer activities.

In **Personal, Social, and Emotional Development**, we will learn about the different places we can go in summer with a focus on beach activities such as building sandcastles and playing with shells.

In **Mathematics**, we will continue learning about prepositions and will take part in different hands-on activities to help us understand this new concept further.

In **Literacy**, we will revise all the jolly phonics sounds learnt and complete our final assessment for the term. We will also practice listening to the learnt sound in words.

In **Understanding the World**, we will learn about how warmer the weather is in summer. We will discuss about things we can use to keep ourselves cooler such as a hand fan.

Looks like another fun week in the sun!



We made flowers by using different materials for the flower competition.

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Upcoming Events:

Thursday 28th March - Summer Games

We will be testing our abilities in various summer games such as limbo, hopscotch, water play, and many more.

Children are asked to bring along a small towel, a spare set of clothing, and slippers to change into as we will be getting wet.

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 learning, knowledge is light.
- I collaborate with my friends.
- I respect my teachers.
- I keep my class clean.
- I practice my hobbies.
- I eat healthy food.



We had fun making our own bubbles. We used paper towel, plastic bottle, food coloring and dish washing soap.

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

Final Note:

A gentle reminder that Ramadan timings are from 8:30 until 12:30 p.m. Kindly ensure that children attend school on time.



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