



Reception Cocoa Tree's Newsletter



Did you know that you can make your very own ice-cream? This is exactly what we did, and it was yummy!



We learnt about doubling last week. We were very intelligent Mathematicians!

Activities Covered:

Last week, we ended the **season's** topic by learning about **Summer**. We read stories and performed different experiments that taught us more about summer. We also learnt the differences and similarities between all the seasons.

In **Communication and Language**, we listened to and discussed the story "*Milo Goes to the Beach*". Then we explored summer treats and made our very own vanilla ice cream. We observed the interesting science behind making it. Did you know that you can your ice cream in a Ziploc bag?

In **Physical Development**, we played summer-themed games such as going on a scavenger hunt and a guessing game. We also used various materials to create a summer scene on paper.

In **Literacy**, we assessed all the sounds and high-frequency words covered so far this term. We are also practicing how to write sentences using the sounds and high-frequency words we have learnt.

In **Mathematics**, we introduced the concept of **doubling** and **halving** numbers using various hands-on resources in class. One of the fun activities we did was using paint to double the number of dots on the butterfly wings.

In **Understanding the World**, we focused on how trees change during all the seasons. We also listened to the story "*The Seasons of Arnold's Apple Tree*". The activity was followed by a tree craft to demonstrate our knowledge.

On Thursday, we came to school for summer fun! We participated in various games and activities such as beach volleyball, and water races, and even splashed in a small pool. We enjoyed getting wet and the weather played its part. We ended the activities with an ice-cold lolly.

This was another week of fun learning and exciting discoveries.

Upcoming Activities:

This week is going to be an exciting one as we explore different **STEAM** activities. We will pretend to be scientists and explore different ingredients and materials in exciting experiments.

In **Communication and Language**, we will listen to the story '*Pete the Cat and the Supercool Science Fair*'. The story will be followed with 'wiggly worms' experiments. It sounds interesting!

In **Literacy**, we will revise all the sounds that we have learnt and specifically focus on the *ai, j, oa, ie, ee, or* sounds. We will use the sounds that we have learnt to write our own words. We will also revise all High-Frequency words learnt so far and continue to build sentences with them.

In **Mathematics**, we will revise the concepts of **addition** and **subtraction**. We will participate in different hands-on activities to practice the concepts.

In **Understanding the World**, we will use primary colours to conduct experiments. We will explore the elephant toothpaste and walking rainbow experiment. It's going to be colourful!

We are going to have a great week!



We listened to the story "The seasons of Arnold's Apple Tree" following by an apple tree craft! This was so much fun!



We had so much fun with the water race on Thursday!



Tips for home:

- Please 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.
- 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.
- Encourage your child to complete their **homework** as independently as possible.



The highlight of Thursday's activity was definitely the swimming pools! We had a lovely time with our friends!

Upcoming Events:

Monday 1st April - Reports Distribution
via email

Wednesday 3rd April - Parent-teacher meeting

This is a gentle reminder to book your appointment if you haven't done so already.

Thursday 4th April - STEAM Experiments

We will rotate classes throughout the day to perform exciting experiments.



Beach volleyball is such an exciting game to play!

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.