



Preschool Maple Tree's Weekly  
Newsletter

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This term we grew so much, from the little tots full of wonder at the beginning of January to the big, brave boys and girls we are today!



Learning about vertical and horizontal force and speed made more sense when we went outside to put it into practice.

## Activities Covered:

This week, it was STEAM Week. We explored how to do different experiments and what a scientist does. It was so super cool!

In **Communication and Language**, we learnt new vocabulary related to doing experiments and listened to a fun song about experiments. We also did an experiment called 'Magic Milk'.

In **Physical Development**, we did a fun 'Balloon Rocket' experiment using balloons to understand how air can make things move and propel forward.

In **Literacy**, we learnt the sound 'u' and to help us remember the sound we made a craft 'u' for **underground**, in which loved drawing all our underground bugs!

In **Maths**, we focussed on revising numbers 1-15 and played a game of parking the cars in the garage to help us remember the numbers. We had to match the number on the car to the correct parking space.

In **Understanding the World**, we learnt that we could inflate balloons in a super cool way by mixing bicarbonate soda and vinegar in a balloon to see how the balloon inflates.

In **Expressive Arts and Design**, we did a colour mixing experiment. We painted our hands with different colours and rubbed them together to mix these colours and then printed them onto a piece of paper to see what new colour they created. This was messy but so much fun!

Today was a day of experiments going to each class to participate in a different experiment and be scientists for the day. It was a great way to end the last day of the term with our friends, being mesmerised by different STEAM challenges.

Now we are ready for a well-deserved break.

## Upcoming Activities:

When we resume school for term 3, we will be starting off the term learning all about **Community Helpers**. Our first week will focus on 'Emergency Helpers'.

In **Communication and Language**, we will learn about Qatar Civil Defence and the Police and the roles they play in our community.

In **Personal, Social, and Emotional Development**, we will learn about the roles of a Doctor and Nurse through the story '**Going to the Doctor**'. Then, we will play a fun role-play game about going to the Doctor.

In **Mathematics**, we will learn about sequencing events and describing a familiar route. We will also learn a new shape called the Hexagon.

In **Understanding the World**, we will learn about 'What is an Emergency' and what is the important number to call when we need help in Qatar.

In **Expressive Arts and Design**, we will be busy preparing our classrooms for our pop-up community helpers' venue for our Thursday activity.

It's going to be a busy first week back and we are excited for it!



With the Coke and Mentos experiment, we first had to understand what a reaction is and what two elements we are working with. We used our senses to understand and predict what was going to happen.



Some of us could tell what was about to happen but we didn't think it would be such a huge explosion of soda, just like a volcano!

### Tips for home:

- 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.
- Turn off all **screen time** at least **1 hour** before bedtime.

### My values Draw My Identity

#### Fitra Initiative:

*Fostering Taqwa of Allah (Allah-consciousness) in the Blessed Month of Ramadan.*



It takes listening ears, looking eyes and steady hands to be a scientist. Good thing we have been practicing for moments like these!

### Upcoming Events:

**Eid & Spring Break - 26<sup>th</sup> March - 3<sup>rd</sup> April.**

School will be closed on the above dates and Term 3 will begin on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> April at 7:30 am.

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> April - Parents-Teacher Meeting.**

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> April - Career Day**  
We will come to school dressed as a community helper of our choice.



Going around to our teachers to do different Experiments was an adventure.

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

#### Fitra Initiative:

*Following Allah's Guidance in My Path*

### Final Note:

We wish you all a wonderful Eid celebration with family and friends.

