



Reception Oak Tree Newsletter



Here we did a Spring Garden using different materials. It was so colourful putting this little garden together.



In our literacy lesson we learnt the letter sounds and formation of ch and sh. We made cherry, chick, ship, shark crafts.

Activities Covered:

Last week, we jumped into the wonderful world of **spring season**! We enjoyed delightful stories, made amazing crafts, and tried out an awesome experiment to celebrate spring.

In **Communication and Language**, we learnt how the weather and nature change and how it impacts what type of clothes we should wear. Spring is also the time when animals have their babies. So, we learnt baby animal names and matched them to their mothers.

In **Personal, Social, and Emotional Development** we read the story "*The Cautious Caterpillar*". We discussed the emotions of worry and bravery from the perspective of Cody the caterpillar and how we can manage these emotions in our daily lives.

In **Literacy**, we introduced the jolly phonics sounds **ch** and **sh**. We learnt the difference between these two sounds and wrote different words with them. To help us remember these sounds, we made various crafts. We also introduced the High-Frequency Words 'will' and 'like'.

In **Mathematics**, we discovered the topic more than, less than. We also used the hands-on approach to learn this new topic.

In **Understanding the World**, we listened to the story '*A Thing About Spring*' which was followed by a colourful rain experiment in a jar using shaving foam, water, and food colouring. It was interesting!

In **Expressive Arts and Design**, we learnt why we celebrate Mother's Day and then made something special for our lovely moms to celebrate this day.

On **Thursday**, we had a lovely day celebrating **Garangao**! It was so special to see all the children dressed up and bringing treats to share. Thank you to the Arabic Teachers for organising the activities for the morning!

It was a lovely week discovery the wonders of spring.

Upcoming Activities:

This week, we will complete the **seasons** topic by learning about **Summer**. We will read stories and perform different experiments that will teach us more about summer. We will also be learning the differences and similarities between all the seasons.

In **Communication and Language**, we will listen to and discuss the story "*Milo Goes to the Beach*". Then we will explore summer treats and make ice cream. There's an interesting science behind making it.

In **Personal, Social, and Emotional Development**, we will discover different activities we can participate in during Summertime, so we won't feel bored.

In **Literacy**, we will be assessed on all the sounds and High-Frequency Words learnt so far in the year.

In **Mathematics**, we will be revising subtraction and addition using various hands-on resources in class.

In **Understanding the World**, we will focus on how trees change during summer. We will listen to the story "*The Seasons of Arnold's Apple Tree*". The activity will be followed by a tree craft to demonstrate our knowledge.

It is going to be another week of fun learning and exciting discoveries.



We did an exciting rain experiment, using shaving, water and food colouring.



In maths we did 1 more and 1 less. This was super easy!

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.
- Encourage your child to complete their **homework** independently.

My values Draw My Identity

Fitra Initiative:

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



Happy Garangao!

Upcoming Events:

Thursday 20th - Summer Games

Children are asked to come dressed in their swimming attire for water play and bring along their sun hat, flip-flops, towel, water guns, and a spare set of clothes to change into after the activity.



This is the most anticipated time of Ramadan for the children. Ganangao!

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:

Ensure that children maintain a consistent sleep routine during Ramadan and attend school on time, every day.