



Reception Cocoa Tree's Newsletter



Learning more about who we are whilst getting to know our names and classmates'



Building towers with our friends! Practicing our comparison skills for friendly mathematics classroom competition

Activities Covered:

Last week, we continued to become accustomed to our school routines. We had a great deal of fun, making new friends and forming special connections with everyone in our class!

In **Communication and Language**, we enjoyed the story "The Interrupting Chicken". We learnt how important it is to raise our hands before speaking and not to interrupt our friends or teachers.

In **Personal, Social and Emotional Development**, we kept getting used to our class rules and routines by doing lots of fun and hands-on activities together.

In **Mathematics**, we continued to embark on a fantastic journey of sorting, matching, and comparing objects! Our little Mathematicians were engaged in all the activities to form mathematical concepts.

In **Literacy**, we had dived into the lovely story of "Chrysanthemum" by Kevin Henkes. Our little learners had fun with their own names! We got to know who has the longest and the shortest name in the class. It was so much fun to learn about my friends' names too!

In **Physical Development**, we took part in different exercises to support us with our midline crossing and team building, which plays an important part in our development.

In **Understanding the World**, we played the game 'guess who is it' to introduce all staff members to the students and explained their duties.

In **Expressive Arts and Design**, we started to do preparations for our class door activity on Thursday!

On **Thursday**, we created a lovely display for our classroom door using all the amazing crafts we made together during the week. It was so much fun!

Upcoming Activities:

This week, we are excited to kickstart the EYFS curriculum through the 'Getting to Know You' topic. We will discuss the steps we need to take to make more friends and how cool it is to have friends in school.!

Guess what exciting thing we're going to do in **Literacy**? We're kicking off our Jolly Phonics journey by learning two fun new sounds every week. This week, we'll start with the sounds "s" and "a"! We'll also be exploring our Jolly Phonics Workbook for the first time. How exciting!

In our **Communication and Language** class, we're going to read a fun book called 'Why Should I Share'. After reading, we'll have a nice chat about what happened in the story and talk about why sharing with our friends is a good thing to do

In **Personal, Social, and Emotional Development**, we'll enjoy reading a story called "Manner Matters." We will learn how using our manners, like saying magic words such as please, thank you, and excuse me, is important and helps us get along with others.

In **Mathematics**, our little explorers will dive into the world of measuring and patterns! They'll have fun comparing different sizes, discovering which objects are heavier or lighter, and testing their skills with capacity. Let's see what exciting patterns they come up with!

We're about to have another exciting week full of fun!



During our **Physical Development** period, we develop our **gross motor** skills.



Decorating our classroom door as bright as our imaginations!



Upcoming Events:

Thursday 17th September - Friendship Mural and games

We will be spending the day together in the gym making a friendship mural for our classroom, and when we are all done, we will play various games together to further develop our skills, grow our friendships and most importantly, **HAVE FUN!**

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.



So much fun sticking and painting with our friends!

To see more photos of our adventures in learning be sure to visit our website:

<http://www.kidnaroundkg.com> or [Kid'n Around Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) - [kidnaroundkg](#)

Final Note:

Routine is an important part of building your child's comfort level at school. Please make sure you drop your child off at school no later than 7:30 a.m. and pick them up at the end of the day at 12:30 p.m.

We look forward to working closely with you, to form a strong, home-school partnership, which will encourage your child to have a happy and successful year in Reception.



Bright big smiles having fun decorating our classroom door all by ourselves!