



Reception Cocoa Tree's Newsletter



Having a fun time using our physical bodies to jump in out hoops.



Sharpening our mathematical skills to find and match objects around the classroom!

Activities Covered:

Welcome to the Reception Cocoa Tree class! Miss Pinto and Miss Loida are so excited to work together with you to make sure your child has a joyful, fulfilling, and successful year. We'd especially like to give a big, warm welcome to all the families and children who are joining us for the first time. We can't wait to begin this wonderful adventure together!

Our aim is for all children to reach their full potential in a happy, caring atmosphere, where everyone is valued. We want the children to become self-motivated, organised, responsible, independent, and considerate of others and the environment. We believe that enjoyment and willingness to learn are key factors in your child's success at school.

Last week, during our **Communication and Language** class, we enjoyed the story "The Kissing Hand". We talked about the little things that make us feel a bit nervous about starting school. We also discovered that Mummy and Daddy will always be there to support us, no matter what. Then, we got busy crafting a delightful raccoon with our very own handprint on its tummy!

In **Physical Development**, we discovered just how important it is to grow our big muscle skills. We had loads of fun practising how to cross over to the other side of our bodies and balancing in exciting activities. We also got better at using our small muscles by playing with peg games and practising cutting.

Last week in **Literacy**, we had loads of fun with the name game! We sang each other's names and took on the exciting challenge of finding our own names on paper plates. Painting our names was another joy-filled activity! We also spent time on visual discrimination activities, where we used real objects to complete exciting challenges we saw on flashcards.

Last week in **Mathematics**, our little explorers dived into the world of sorting, matching, and comparing objects! Through the magic of play, they discovered how to spot patterns, find similarities, and make connections. It's amazing to see their curious minds at work!

Upcoming Activities:

This week, as we move into week 2, we're going to keep getting familiar with our school routines. We'll also be having lots of fun making new friends and building special bonds with everyone in our class!

In **Communication and Language**, we'll enjoy the story "The Interrupting Chicken". This tale will help us learn how important it is to raise our hands before speaking. Remembering this is a key rule in our class!

In **Personal, Social and Emotional Development**, we will continue adapting to our class rules and routines through various hands-on tasks.

In **Mathematics**, we will continue to embark on a fantastic journey of sorting, matching, and comparing objects! Our little learners are in for a treat with engaging activities that spark curiosity and creativity.

In **Literacy**, we are diving into the lovely story of "Chrysanthemum" by Kevin Henkes. After enjoying the story, our little learners will get to have some fun with their own names! We'll be pasting them onto a big cardboard display to find out who has the longest and shortest names. It's a fun way to celebrate individuality and learn together. Can't wait to see the results!

It's going to be another fun-filled week!



The kids had a wonderful time learning the names of their classmates and had fun painting their own names!



Big smiles for the first week of school! Saying hello to our wonderful friends Atom and Life

Upcoming Events:

Thursday 11th September - Creative Group Door Décor

We will be working together to create our decorations for our door. This will represent all our friends together in one picture for our class!

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.



Dreams and wishes come true with our special fantasy fairy! The best surprise on our first week of school.

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](#)



Chasing a sweet sugar rush, decorating cupcakes with friends! We had a fantastic, fun Thursday.

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.