



Reception Cocoa Tree's Newsletter



Welcome to our jungle where every child is a unique jungle animal: strong, curious and kind 😊



Learning and creating big jungle adventures!

Activities Covered:

Last week, we went on an exciting adventure into the world of **Jungle and Zoo animals**. The children enjoyed learning about a variety of animals, where they live, what they eat, and how they move. Through stories, songs, role-play, and hands-on activities, the children explored animal names, sounds, patterns, and habitats.

In **Communication and Language**, last we had the assessment conducted on the knowledge and comprehension skills on the story "Rainbow fish".

In **Personal, Social and Emotional Development** we dedicated our time to a rather special topic, the mother's love, we touched on empathy, family love, emotions and protection.

In **Mathematics**, we worked very hard on learning about the new concepts of mass and balance. The children explored the new concepts by comparing objects, using scales and everyday objects from the classroom.

In **Literacy**, last week the children learned two new sounds "oa" and "ie" and practiced reading and recognizing new high frequency words. We crafted, learned songs and through hands-on activities they strengthened their phonics skills.

In **Physical Development**, everyone took great enjoyment when it in doing jungle animals movements.

In **Understanding the World**, we went on a scavenger hunt in search of wild animals.

Our **Expressive Arts class** was a stage for an outstanding art piece that combined painting and crafting of a jungle animal of children's choice.

Final touch to our week in the wild was a dress-up Thursday where we all joined forces to create a Zoo and give life to our amazing wild animal crafts.

Upcoming Activities:

This week, we shift our focus to a different sphere of animal world, we move into a Farm to discover and learn about the Farm animals and how the farmers take care of them. We will learn to name common farm animals and their babies, explore where animals live (the farm) and what are the roles and responsibilities of a farmer.

In **Literacy**, we will learn two sounds "ee" and "or", as well as new high frequency words "at" and "go" through fun phonics games, songs and story time.

In **Communication and Language**: We will share adventures with one of the farm animals in a story 'The Duck in The Truck'. We will use our imagination to describe what happens to the duck in the story and offer different endings.

In **Mathematics**, we are focusing on the next group of numbers and will learn to recognize and name numbers 6,7,8. We will also learn of different ways to create and represent numbers 6,7 and 8. We will practice counting, matching and sorting different animals and objects.

We look forward to a joyful and engaging week in which our children will share new experiences related to the farm and the animals living there.



Roar, crawl, stretch and run -moving like jungle animals - learning with our whole bodies! 😊

Upcoming Events:

Thursday 22nd January - School Trip

We will be going on a school trip to the North Sedra Farm to learn about the animals and produce of the farm.

Please return the signed permission slip along with payment as soon as possible if you haven't done so already.

Children need to arrive on time for the bus and should wear complete school uniform including the school jacket.



Little hands crafting big art 😊

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.
- Read the **weekly newsletter**, so that you keep up to date on what is happening.
- Encourage your child to complete their homework independently.



A wild and wonderful Jungle and Zoo animals dress-up day!

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.

From roars to giggles, our jungle week was full of joy, laughs and creativity!

