



Preschool Maple Tree Newsletter



We enjoy playing guessing games and trying to find the answers with only a part of the information. Here we were guessing who was in the pictures by just seeing part of their bodies.



I am just so proud of our children for growing in confidence with cutting out various shapes. They loved making their little hexagon man.

Activities Covered:

Summer has got to be one of our favourite seasons of the year! Splashing about at the beach, going for picnics with friends and enjoying fun and games outdoors brings us great joy.

In **Communication and Language**, we learnt all about the fun adventure **Pete the Cat** goes on when he is at the beach.

In **Personal, Social and Emotional Development**, we explore some new games to play outside or at the pool using our hands and feet to coordinate our movements.

In **Literacy**, we worked through revision s, a, t, i, p, n phonics sounds and introduced blending. This is a new concept and they will benefit from extra practice putting two sounds together at home.

In **Mathematics**, we learnt the Hexagon and a cylinder, the second 3D shape this term. We did different hands-on activities to make the shapes.

In **Understanding of the World**, we learnt about the importance of wearing sunscreen and did an experiment to show how it protects our skin.

In **Physical Development**, we had some fun paint balloons in the gym using gross motor skills and hand eye coordination.

In **Expressive Arts and Design**, our talented students are joyfully practicing the lively "Animals Boogie" song and sharing sweet words with the lovely "Kindness" poem.



We are learning the composition of shapes too. This is a challenging activity but they all did really well.

Upcoming Activities:

This week we look at the way different people go '**Camping**' and learn about the ways we can prepare for this experience.

In **Communication and Language**, we will follow Tobee as he goes camping for the first time. In the video we will be able to see how he use the different materials he has to spend the night in the woods.

In **Personal, Social and Emotional Development**, we will look at different activities we can do when we go camping, specifically singing by the camp fire.

In **Physical Development**, we will go on an imaginary hike by the camp site. We will do this activity in the gym.

In **Mathematics**, we will revise the pentagon and hexagon characteristics and play a game to help us remember some of them. We will learn the third 3D shape- triangular prism and make a tent for our camp site.

In **Understanding of the World**, we will learn how to build a tent using blankets, sheets and pegs.

In **Expressive Art and Design**, we will make a camp site sign for our camp.



Let's go to the beach and see what creatures we can make using the sand!



Water play is one of the most popular activities in the summertime. Soaking and squeezing was exciting.

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.

Upcoming Events:

Reminder- Thursday 16th of April - Camping Day!

This week, our gym will turn into a campsite wonderland for our little campers! Remember to bring a large blanket or bed sheet, a torch, your treasured storybook, and your favourite soft toy. We'll build our cozy tents, sit beside a pretend fire, listen to the magical night sounds, and treat ourselves to yummy marshmallow s'mores. It's going to be a day full of smiles and laughter!



Music is life. We used simple materials to make shakers to use when we dance and sing.

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

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 12:30p.m.



We are learning how to use our gross motor skills for different activities this term. Here we were painting balloons that were hanging in the air.