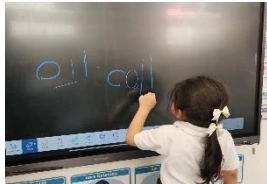




Reception Cocoa Tree Newsletter



We learnt letter sounds for "ue" and "oi" and made fun crafts.



Our crafts here represent camping under the stars and making a bon fire.



Activities Covered:

Last week, we had a wonderful time exploring our exciting Camping Week theme! The children were immersed in fun, hands-on activities that helped them learn about outdoor life, and teamwork.

In **Communication and Language**, we read an amazing story called "Pete the cat goes camping" and had a lovely time learning new vocabulary, discussing the adventures of the Pete the cat.

In **Personal, Social and Emotional Development**, we created an inspiring and relaxing atmosphere in class with our crafts of campfire and we sat in a circle to share our thoughts and emotions.

In **Mathematics** through hands-on and number recognition activities, helping children develop greater understanding of even and odd numbers to 10, as well as continuous provision.

In **Literacy**, we learned two new letter sounds "oi" and "ue", made some fun crafts and practiced our phonic writing and reading skills. We also learnt two new high frequency words, 'big' and 'three'.

In **Physical Development**, we worked very hard while having lots of fun as we practiced for our End of year play "The little start that learned to shine".

In **Understanding the World**, the children enjoyed a creative "Me on a Camp" craft activity. They designed their own camping scenes, including tents, campfires, trees, and themselves as campers.

Our little campers had an adventurous day in our kindergarten! We built cozy tents, listened to the magical night sounds, and used our torches to light the way. The highlight was gathering around our make-believe campfire, munching on sandwiches, and toasting marshmallows. Such wonderful memories made with friends!

Upcoming Activities:

This week, our learning will bring to life through the joyful theme of Nursery Rhymes. The children will explore a variety of well-loved rhymes, using them as a fun and meaningful way to develop language, rhythm, and creativity.

In **Literacy** children will learn two new sound "er" and "ar" and make creative crafts related to these sounds. We will also learn two new high frequency words, 'like' and 'yes'

In **Communication and Language time**, we'll enjoy learning "5 Little Ducks" through playful activities!

In **Mathematics**, the children will explore the exciting world of 3D shapes. They will be introduced to shapes such as cubes, spheres, cylinders, and cones, and enjoyed identifying them in both classroom objects and everyday items. Through hands-on activities, the children will investigate how these shapes look and feel, discussing their properties using simple mathematical language.

In **Personal, Social and Emotional Development**, through 'Itsy bitsy spider' rhyme activity, we will learn to understand the perspectives of other friends.

We cannot wait for to learn new rhymes!



Sticky fingers, blazing building, brave hero. We had fun with this craft, representing 'ue' for rescue.



9 + 10 = a whole lot of fun in math this week!



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.



On Thursday, we ended our fun day with putting some marshmallows on the fire.

Upcoming Events:

Reminder- Thursday 23rd April

Nursery Rhyme Fun Day Alert!

Next Thursday, our little learners will dive into the magical world of nursery rhymes! We'll:

Recite "Pat-a-Cake" and craft pretend cakes with foam shapes and shaving cream!

Performing "Hickory Dickory Dock" and brings a cheerful craft project to life!

Enjoy "Humpty Dumpty" with a splash-tastic egg splat painting!

And "Incy Wincy Spider" will inspire playful spider creations with playdough and a thrilling icy spider race!



Stars above,
friends
beside,
camping at
school was
the best day
ever!



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.