



Reception Cocoa Tree's Newsletter



Our class had a wonderful time exploring the story *The Ugly Five* by Julia Donaldson.



Inspired by the unique animals in the book, the children created their own colourful animal masks!

Activities Covered:

Last week, had a wonderful time celebrating Book Week! The children explored a variety of stories, developed a love for reading, and engaged in fun, literacy-rich activities. Overall, the Book Week was a joyful and enriching experience, helping to nurture a lifelong love of reading in our young learners!

In **Communication and Language**, we read an amazing and inspiring story called "The Ugly Five" and had a lovely time learning new vocabulary and important message of not judging people based on their appearance.

In **Personal, Social and Emotional Development**, we created faces masks of the amazing characters for the book of the week, the Ugly Five.

In **Mathematics** we started an amazing topic of 3D shapes, we discovered shapes such as cubes, spheres, cylinders, and cones, and enjoyed identifying them in both classroom objects and everyday items.

In **Literacy**, we focused on revising and checking our previously acquired knowledge as it was our assessment week.

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 got to build up on their teamwork skills, as we gathered our artistic skill in creating a big Mural representing the African savanna and the Ugly Five animals from our book.

What an amazing Thursday we had! Our character parade was full of giggles and creative costumes, and it was so special having parents join us to read stories. In our 'Tiddler' class, little fishers tried their luck at fishing! At 'The Ugly Five,' we munched on popcorn and enjoyed a fantastic puppet show. Over in 'The King and the Cook,' we got hands-on with a spaghetti activity. And at 'Sugarlump and the Unicorn,' we raced like unicorns!

Upcoming Activities:

This week, the children will have an exciting and meaningful time exploring the theme "Community Helpers: Emergency." Throughout the unit, the children learned about the important roles of helpers such as firefighters, police officers, and paramedics, and how they keep our community safe.

In **Literacy** we will dedicate the remaining time to practicing and perfecting our phonic knowledge, as well as out reading and writing skills, focusing on developing stronger writing skills in writing longer sentences.

In **Communication and Language** time we will read an amazing and inspiring story called "Community helpers".

In **Mathematics**, the children will explore the exciting world of complex patterns! Building on their understanding of simple patterns, they will learn to recognize, extend, and create more detailed sequences using colours, shapes, movements, and sounds.

In **Personal, Social and Emotional Development**, we will take the role of responsibility and safeguarding and pretend to be Police Officers, we will make our badges and hang them around our necks as we proudly take a stand of honour and justice. 😊

Once again, we will have an exciting week ahead!



Show and Tell fun—sharing smiles and special stories!



The Ugly Five came alive on our mural 😊



Fishing for fun and making waves with our Tiddler adventures! 

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.

The "Fitra" initiative, launches under the slogan "I honour how Allah created me" to strengthen awareness of the identity with which Allah created humans and to promote ways of achieving this innate identity by understanding the natural traits of each gender and recognizing their roles and responsibilities.



Imagination came to life this week, from pages of our favourite books to real life!

Upcoming Events:

Community Helpers

Thursday 7th April

Exciting Week Ahead!

Attention, parents! We will have a fun-filled day planned where everyone can dress up as the job they dream of having when they grow up!

We are also diving into the wonderful world of community workers. Little ones will explore different roles by role-playing in our mini-Supermarket, Cake Shop, Salon, and Hospital. It's going to be a fun and educational adventure!



Little readers brought their favourite characters to life and showed them off in a parade! 



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

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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.