

Reception Oak Tree's Weekly Newsletter

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Reception Cocoa Tree's Newsletter



What a hands-on week! We created lots of beautiful crafts for the theme 'My Family'! The children were so excited to talk about their family members whilst making their trees.



What can we do to help at home? The children discussed what activities we do at home to help around the house and what activities we do that are fun with our families! We understand it's always kind to help tidy up after ourselves.

Activities Covered:

Last week, we explored the topic of the beautiful theme "My Family"! We talked about our family members, shared special moments, and discover how families show love, care, and support for one another.

In **Communication and Language**, we loved the story "My Family Book" that taught a meaningful message of how each family is different, special in its own way, but what makes them all similar is the love they share.

In **Personal, Social and Emotional Development**, we learned about the activities we do together as a family.

In **Physical Development**, we continued exercising and practicing the exercise curriculum we started this year.

In **Literacy**, we assessed our phonics knowledge with the letter sounds we have learned. Furthermore, we were writing and reading high-frequency words we covered so far.

In **Mathematics**, our little mathematicians put their number skills to the test! We assessed numbers 1-5 through writing, recognition, composition and sequencing, while showing off our counting skills all the way to 20. What fantastic number stars!

In **Understanding of the World**, we engaged in making our family tree. This was very emotional for us.

Our little learners had a wonderful time at the Kid'n Around Post Office on Thursday, buying stamps, sending letters and delivering smiles! But the biggest surprise was receiving special letters from their beloved parents! What a heartwarming moment filled with excitement, love and happy little faces!

Upcoming Activities:

This week, our little explorers will go on an exciting journey to discover **"Transportation"**! We will explore different ways people and things travel by land, water and air. The children will learn about a variety of vehicles, share their own travel experiences and talk about how to stay safe when travelling.

In **Literacy**, we learned two new sounds, **"o"** and **"u"**, followed by our High Frequency words: "**go & come**".

In **Communication and Language,** we will read the wonderful story "Transportation," which explores the different ways people travel and reminds us that, whether by land, water or air, every journey can be special.

In **Mathematics**, we will learn to spot squares, rectangles, rhombuses, pentagons and hexagons in our environment. We will recognize and describe each shape by its sides and corners. We will also explore composing shapes to make new shapes and decomposing them into smaller parts.

In Personal, Social and Emotional Development, we will do role-play about different ways to travel, in our fun bus!

It will be a wonderful week full of learning, sharing and discovering the world around us!



Look at the amazing Family Portraits we made in Art! The children discussed their family members and how many siblings they each have or don't have! We discussed that dads and brothers are boys, while mums and sisters are girls!

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Cocoa Tree love creating any type of craft, and they love it even more when they know its for their Mummies and Daddies! They were very patient with each other sharing the resources to make their beautiful cards.

Upcoming Events:

Wednesday 18th November
Doha Bus Trip

Adventure awaits! We're ready to hop on the Doha Bus and explore our beautiful city of Doha! From discovering traditional places to enjoying fun and games at the park, it's going to be a day full of excitement, little discoveries and unforgettable memories!

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.
- **Homework** will be sent out every Wednesday.

The "Safe Surfing" Initiative, in its third edition, is launched under the slogan "Make your time count by managing your screen time.". It emphasizes the importance of promoting awareness of balanced technology use in our children's lives.



Miss Angelique reminded the children what we use a Post Office for and here we created our own letters!



The children were given money to but the items they needed from the Post Office such as a stamp and envelope. They used their Math skills to count how much they needed!

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 12:30 p.m.

We look forward to working closely with you, to form a strong, home-school partnership, which will help to encourage your child to have a happy and successful year in Reception.