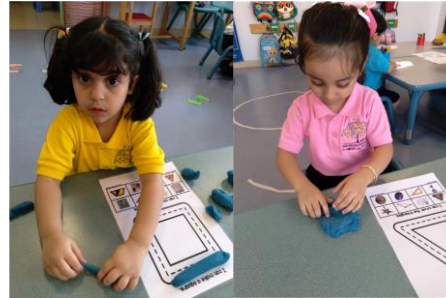




Preschool Maple Tree Newsletter



Sound searching is a fun way to help us remember new sounds that we have learnt. This is fun to do when we ride in the car to and from school too!



We are constantly practicing how to strengthen our fine motor skills. Here we incorporated it in our knowledge of shapes.

Activities Covered:

Last week, in week 5 we learnt all about our "Five Senses". We got to experience all the different senses through various play activities and really enjoyed this!

In **Communication and Language**, we focussed on the use of each sense. We listened to the stories 'My Five Senses' and 'I Hear a Pickle'. We learned new vocabulary and explored these senses at different stations set on the tables.

In **Personal, Social, and Emotional Development**, we played 'What's in the Box'. We had to feel different objects and guess what they were. This was tricky and so much fun! We also played a hearing game 'What's in the Tube', listening to different sounds by shaking tubes to identify the sounds.

In **Physical Development**, we played the game "Musical Movement Chairs". We were introduced to various movement cards placed at the back of the chairs, and when the music stopped, we had to copy the movement on the chair we sat on.

In **Literacy**, our Jolly Phonics sound was /a/. We learned how to recognise and write the sound in various mediums. Then we made an ant craft to remember our new sound.

In **Mathematics**, we learned the number 3 and its attributes. We learned to recognise, count, and practice writing it.

In **Expressive Arts and Design**, we had fun mixing paint and juice powder to make smelly paint.

On Thursday, we got to experience our senses in fun and exciting ways by visiting a sensory adventure in each class. We discovered new textures, fragrances, sounds, and tastes. This was a wonderful day that was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone. We are now confident in knowing that all our 5 senses are being used every day in our growth and development.

Upcoming Activities:

This week, in week 6, we will learn all about "Body Parts" and focus on the outer parts of the body.

In **Communication and Language**, we will learn what all the body parts are and their functions through the story 'My Busy Body'. Then we will play a game with a friend where we will stick stickers onto the body parts named.

In **Personal, Social, and Emotional Development**, we will play an interactive game using our listening ears and taking turns to guess what the body part asked.

In **Physical Development**, we will have some fun coordinating our body parts in rhythms of songs such as 'Head, Shoulders, Knees, and Toes' and the 'Hokey Pokey'.

In **Literacy**, we will learn the sound /t/. The sound will be taught in various ways such as with a story, a jingle song, and picture cards. We will also make a turtle craft to help us remember the sound.

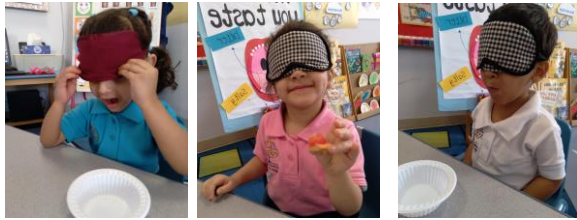
In **Expressive Arts and Design**, we will create "Shape Friends", using cut-out shapes to form a boy and a girl.

It is going to be a busy week of learning!



The world is such a wonderful place when we can experience it through our five senses and appreciate it.

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On Thursday we went to all the classrooms for different experiences. Here we were tasting different flavours blindfolded.

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.

My values Draw My Identity

Parents are our partners in responsibility.

What you say to your children is not important; what counts is what you do!

You are their role models.



Oh what fun it is to learn and play!

Upcoming Events:

Thursday 10th October - Pyjama Day & Build-A-bear Workshop.

Children are to come to school dressed in their pyjamas. We will practice a healthy bedtime routine. The day will end with building a bear.

This is going to be a very exciting experience so don't forget to return the slip together with the payment.



We used our eyes to see, our noses to smell, and our feet to touch!

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

The Aseel initiative:

I belong to a community.

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.