



Preschool Maple Tree's Weekly
Newsletter

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Expressing ourselves through art has quickly become a great tool to helping us tell stories about our lives.



I am so proud of all our friends in class for their persistence and focus in learning their Phonics and practicing good formation!

Activities Covered:

We have reached the end of the first half of the term. Wow! Time is flying past quickly! This week learned 'All About Me' and focused on our family. We learned about working together to understand the different roles each family member has and how wonderful it is to be a part of a family and have people who love you and care for you.

In **Communication and Language**, we talked about the importance of family and how we all play a part and role within our family. We spoke about the characteristics of the members of our family.

In **Personal, Social, and Emotional Development**, we listened to the story "My family supports me and is proud of me". We learned the meaning of the word proud, and we created our own special painting to show our parents.

In **Literacy**, our Jolly Phonics sound was /p/. We learned how to recognise and write the sound in various mediums. Then we made a p, p, piano craft with black and white strips of paper on the 'p' sound to represent the keys we can play to make notes.

In **Mathematics**, we learned the number 6 and its attributes. We made Sammy Snail to help us remember the number.

In **Understanding the World**, we started a family tree, which will be completed at home during the mid-term break and sent back when school opens on Sunday the 3rd of November.

Today, we had some of our mummies come in and spend some time with us doing fun activities like story time, a role-play and decorating cookies. It was wonderful to see our parents and teachers working together on our learning journey.

We had a very interesting week of fun and learning! Now we are ready for a well-deserved break.

Upcoming Activities:

When we resume school after the mid-term break, our topic will be "Growing People" and will focus on the different stages of growth from being a baby to a grandpa or grandma. We have different responsibilities at different stages in our lives and we will be looking at how we all contribute at home.

In **Communication and Language**, we will continue to learn about the importance of family and how we all play a part and role within our family. We will revisit the characteristics of the members of our family and get a chance to stand up and share our roles and responsibilities with our friends. Two friends will be chosen from the group to participate in a short video for social media.

In **Personal, Social, and Emotional Development**, we will play a game called 'Who's the most?'. In this game, we will listen to a list of questions and stand when it applies to us.

In **Literacy**, our new sound for the week will be /n/ and we will make a nest to remember the new sound. We will also learn to recognise and write the sound in different mediums.

It is going to be another busy week of getting to know each other and all about our families.



Learning how we love, care for and help in our families has made us closer as friends. These are some of the characteristics of healthy friendships too.

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We came dressed up like different family members today. We had some moms, dads, brothers, and sisters.

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.

Sit along with your kids to build a stronger relationship. Make them feel that you are the source of their affection, safety, and warmth.



We decorated different shaped cookies using different coloured icing sugar and sprinkles. This was a wonderful way to end off our fun filled day.

Upcoming Events:

Thursday 7th November - I can Challenge.

As we learn about the different stages of life, we will challenge ourselves to do different tasks as if we were different ages.

Basic activities can sometimes be challenging at different ages in our lives, let's see how well they do!



We enjoyed a story from one of our parents. We used our listening ears and our looking eyes to make sure we don't miss anything.

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.