



# Reception Cocoa Tree's Newsletter



We had so much fun last week learning about body parts! In this activity, we learnt how to colour in and complete a body puzzle.



After triumphantly completing an obstacle course, we used our unique shape to piece together a fabulous shape body.

## Activities Covered:

Last week, in week 6 we learned all about "Parts of our Body" and focused on the outer body parts. We got to understand the positions of all the different parts of our body and what their main functions are.

In **Communication and Language**, we listened to the story 'Eyes, Nose, Fingers, and Toes'. We were very excited about our hands-on activity where we traced a boy and a girl on large paper, painted them, and then labelled each body part.

In **Personal, Social, and Emotional Development**, we learned the importance of taking care of our bodies by reinforcing healthy habits such as taking a shower, brushing our teeth, washing our face and hands, etc.

In **Physical Development**, we had some energetic fun as we challenged our bodies by playing the body shape game which was so much fun. We had to go through an obstacle course to complete this.

In **Literacy**, we learned the phonics sounds **ck** and **e**. In our workbooks, we continued to practice writing the sounds using the correct letter formation and identifying words that have each of these sounds. The 'High-Frequency Words for last week, were 'I' and 'a'.

In **Mathematics**, we concentrated on number recognition for numbers 18-20, as well as exploring their number concepts and writing them.

In **Understanding the World**, we played 'Simon Says' with a twist. Then we went on a scavenger hunt looking for hidden body parts flashcards.

On Thursday, we came to school wearing in our pyjamas for a day of fun. We practiced healthy bedtime routine and possibly the best of all, we got to build our very own bear. We met Bearemy who came to have lots of fun with us.

## Upcoming Activities:

In this fascinating week of learning, we will continue to learn about 'Parts of our Body', and we will discover the **inner body parts** and their functions.

In **Communication and Language**, we will explore the amazing story 'Bones'. Then we will explore a 'mystery box' to guess the body parts we have found. This is sure to be an enjoyable experience for us!

In **Physical Development**, we are going to learn the proper way of brushing our teeth and why it is important. Then we will practice in class, so we will need to bring our toothbrushes along with us.

In **Literacy**, we will learn the phonics sounds **h** and **r**. In our workbooks, we will continue to learn how to write the sounds using the correct letter formation and identify words that have each of these sounds. The 'High-Frequency Words for this week, are 'can' and 'is'.

In **Mathematics**, we will learn all our basic **2D shapes**, their recognition, and their properties. We will learn to build these shapes using various manipulatives.

We look forward to another fantastic week of learning!



Look at the fabulous body we were painting last week! Then we labeled each body part. What a brilliant way to learn!



We were so ready for pyjama day on Thursday!  
We wore in our pajamas and brought our blankets  
and books!

### 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.
- Encourage your child to complete their **homework** independently.

### 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.



What a fantastic day we had on Thursday! We built a bear and played a lot of games! We loved it so much!

### Upcoming Events:

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October - Let's get Physical.**

We are going to work through a different exercise to get our blood pumping and to help us engage our muscles more deeply we will have a visiting Pilates teacher come and show us some new movements!

Children should come dressed in their exercise outfits on this day.



We will tell you a secret! Shh... Did you know our bears have a heart inside? That's the only thing we want to tell you.

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.