



Preschool Palm Tree's Weekly  
Newsletter

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We enjoyed playing a game called "Matching body parts where we had to stick stickers onto our friend's body parts.



Here, we used cut-out shapes to create our "Shape friends" and we loved doing this activity!

## 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 'My Busy Body'. Then we played a matching game that was so much fun because we did so well at identifying the different body parts.

In **Personal, Social, and Emotional Development**, we played an interactive game where we had to identify more parts of the body, and boy, did we laugh when we didn't quite get it right!

In **Physical Development**, we learned the song "The Hokey Pokey" and learned to move our bodies in different ways again. Who knew we could do so many things with one body?

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

In **Mathematics**, we learned the number 4 and its attributes. We learned to recognise, count, and practice writing it.

In **Expressive Arts and Design**, we used our knowledge of shapes and related it to the body and the different parts we have. When we were done with our craft, we had two bodies we could identify as a girl and a boy.

On Thursday, we had a pyjama party at school with all our friends. Firstly, coming to school in our pyjamas was very strange but oh did we have fun listening to different stories, secondly, and possibly best of all, we got to make a build-a-bear toy for home!

We met a special guest; Bearemy the Bear, who came to play fun games with us!

## Upcoming Activities:

This week, in week 7, we will continue to learn about 'Parts of our Body' and this time we will explore the inner body parts.

In **Communication and Language**, we will learn all about our skeleton and the importance of our bones in the structure of our body. We will also listen to stories together and learn all about x-rays.

In **Personal, Social, and Emotional Development**, we discover the function of our heart. Then will play with a heart pump that we will make on our own using a few simple things around the classroom like a balloon, plastic jars and some food colouring and water.

In **Physical Development**, we will focus on using our fine motor skills to follow the pathway of digestion in our body.

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

It is going to be another exhilarating week of hands-on learning!



We had so much fun last week singing action songs about our body parts. We had to listen carefully and practice our co-ordination skills.

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Build-A-Bear came to school on Thursday, and we all got to stuff our very own bear. It was very exciting!

### 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 had so much fun on Thursday and enjoyed building a bear. Look at us giving it some cuddles.

### 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.



Smile... taking a pose with the famous Bearemy!

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

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*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.