



# Preschool Maple Tree Newsletter



Finding out about what is on the inside of our bodies has been fascinating. Here we learnt what our bones look like on the inside and where they can be found.



Building the heart pump helped us to understand how the heart works. We practiced the pumping action too.

## Activities Covered:

Last week, in week 7 we learned all about "Parts of our Body" and focused on the inner body parts. We learned about what goes on inside our body and how the different parts of the body help us.

In **Communication and Language**, we listened to the song "The Skeleton Dance" which was so much fun and got to learn all about our bone structure and what an X-ray is.

In **Personal, Social, and Emotional Development**, we did a heart experiment that showed us how our heart pumps blood through our veins to the rest of our body. It was fascinating!

In **Literacy**, our Jolly Phonics sound was /i/. We learned how to recognise and write the sound in various mediums. Then we made a fun igloo craft with cotton wool to remember our new sound.

In **Mathematics**, we learned the number 5 and its attributes. We did a number sequencing activity of numbers 1 - 5 to revise the numbers we have learned so far.

In **Understanding the World**, we learned about our blood and to understand how blood helps us, we explored with a blood bath made of jelly. We had to use tweezers, spoons, or our hands to fish out the blood components such as the white and red blood cells.

In **Expressive Arts and Design**, we learned about our nervous system and did a craft experiment to show us how this works. Did you know that you can make invisible ink using bicarbonate soda?

On Thursday, we got physical with a morning full of exercises! We got to participate in various physical movement games to get our bodies moving and grooving and to remind us of the importance of getting exercise.

We had a very interesting week of fun and learning!

## Upcoming Activities:

This week, in week 8, it will be "All about Me" and will focus on our family, what roles we play within our families, who are our family members and how special it is to belong to a family.

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

In **Personal, Social, and Emotional Development**, we will listen to the story "My family support me and are proud of me". We will learn the meaning of the word proud, and we will create our own special painting to show our parents.

In **Literacy** our new sound for the week will be /p/ and we will make a piano craft to remember the new letter. We will also learn to recognise and write the sound in different mediums.

In **Understanding the World**, we will make a family tree, which will be completed at home during the mid-term break.

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

Investigating the blood was cool. We searched for white blood cells, bacteria and red blood cells.



# Maple Tree Weekly Newsletter



Let's get Physical and use our muscles! We were learning all the rules in the beginning but got the hang of it!

## Upcoming Events:

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> - Dress up as different family members. Mummy/daddy & me activities.

Children are asked to come to school dressed as a member of their family.

In line with the 'Aseel' initiative, parents are invited to join their children for an hour of fun activities in the class.

## 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 did so well, working in pairs.

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.



We did a great job with hand-eye co-ordination, balancing, working in a team, using our muscles.