



Reception Cocoa Tree Newsletter



The mathematicians in Cocoa Tree were busy last week to learn all the 3D shapes. Look at our pyramid!



We created our little aquariums in a bottle. We loved learning about the habitat of the sea animals.

Activities Covered:

Last week, we ventured deep into the sea, and we will learn about **Sea Animals**. We learnt all about the wonderful sea life. We learnt about habitats and what they eat, how they survive, and how we can play a big role in protecting our marine life.

In **Communication and Language**, we read and listened to the story "**Starry Eyed Stan**". We were able to retell the story in our own words. It was so easy as it was a story filled with sea life. Then we did sea animal crafts related to the story.

In **Physical Development**, we continued with the Ministry of Education and Higher Education initiative, Healthy Living for a Strong Body and Mind. We reinforced healthy eating habits and routines for our physical well-being. We focused on foods that are healthy for our bodies and foods that can make us sick.

In **Literacy**, learnt the sounds **ee** & **or**. We learnt their actions, songs, and formation before practicing them in our books. Doing the crafts was so much fun! The High-Frequency words for last week were very easy to make a sentence with. We are getting along with dictation. Sometimes we need help and other times the words are super easy!

In **Mathematics**, we learnt the 3D shapes, cylinder, pyramid, and rectangular prism(cuboid). We continued using fun hands-on activities to learn these shapes. Building these shapes with sticks and clay was not very easy, but working with a partner made it much easier. Our modes were amazing! Have a look at ClassDojo.

In **Understanding the World**, we made our own little aquarium in a bottle. How cool was that? This was very fun making.

On Thursday, we went on a school trip to the Hamad Port Aquarium to discover the sea life they kept on display. There, we explored various species of sea creatures. We also went on an exciting 4D adventure to learn about the making of the Hamad Port. It was an incredible experience!

Upcoming Activities:

This week, we're excited to announce that we're embarking on a prehistoric adventure as we travel back in time into the fascinating world of **Dinosaurs**! Our young explorers will have the opportunity to learn about these magnificent creatures that once roamed the Earth millions of years ago.

For **Communication and Language**, we will listen and retell the story "**Star Fall Dinosaurs**" in our own words. We will learn about these giant reptiles that lived millions of years ago. Some were plant eaters, while others were carnivores!

For **Physical Development**, through fun, hands-on activities, we will make and learn how fossils are formed and what they can tell us about life millions of years ago. It's an exciting opportunity to spark curiosity about science and history!

In **Literacy**, we will learn the letter sounds and the letter formation of **z** and **w**. The High-Frequency words we will learn are **come** and **here**.

For **Mathematics**, we will learn the concept of **measurements** and will focus on measuring sizes and lengths using terminologies like big and small, long and short. We will be using different tools for measuring like string, building blocks, and measuring tape.

We look forward to a fun and educational month filled with roaring good times!



Listening to the "**Starry Eyed Stan**" story was so excited! It was followed by creating sea animals crafts. We loved being so creative!



What a great experience we had at Hamad Port Aquarium on Thursday!

Tips for home:

- 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

Our Partners in Responsibility

To help your children develop the habit of 'exercising, be their role models and ensure the following: Limit screen time, set a fixed time for exercise, provide a safe environment, and join them in outdoor walking activities.



Look at all the beautiful starfish! It was just incredible to experience it!

Upcoming Events:

Thursday 6th February- Fossil Hunt in different mediums

Let's go to work Friends! We have some digging to do!

Bring your brushes and magnifying glasses and help us dig for fossils in sand, water, foam, and rice!

Let's make this activity even more fun by coming to school dressed in your dinosaur costume. You don't need to buy a new one, you can be creative and make your own!



We even learnt about Hamad port and how it developed. How insightful!

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

'Your well-being is a trust' initiative:
Healthy living for a strong body and mind.

Final Note:

A friendly reminder that children must wear their school jackets as part of their uniform. Jackets and long pants are available for purchase.