



Preschool Maple Tree Newsletter



Regular exercise is not only good to keep your body healthy and strong but also to keep your energy up and improve your mood.



We created a 'hues of blue' painting from a different perspective.

Activities Covered:

Last week we held our breathe and used all our senses to explore the underwater world of "Sea Animals".

In **Communication and Language**, we read the story of the "Fidgety Fish". In the story we learnt about the different features of the different animals we can meet in the sea.

In **Personal, Social, and Emotional Development**, we listened to the story of the "Rainbow Fish" and learnt the importance of knowing how to share. Playing the sea animal bingo game together was a lot of fun afterward.

In **Physical Development**, we did a group painting activity and practiced some underwater yoga movements.

In **Understanding the World**, we explored the depths of the ocean and how the colour of the "Hues of Blue" water changes the deeper you go.

In **Literacy**, we revised Jolly Phonics sounds 'c' and 'k'. We continued to practice these sounds looking for them in our environment, correct formation in various mediums, and worked in our revision booklets for extra practice.

On **Thursday**, we went on a school trip to the Hamad Port Aquarium. Finding out that you can go to a special place where parts of the ocean are above ground, and we can see it without getting wet, blew our minds.

We have become more comfortable with travelling on the bus now that we remember all the safety rules and can help our teachers to put on our seatbelts and keep our bags down by our feet.

We have been so fortunate to travel through the city and see all these wonderful things over the past few weeks. We look forward to more field trips together.

Upcoming Activities:

This week we are going to travel back in time to see how **Dinosaurs** roamed the Earth.

In **Personal, Social, and Emotional Development**, we will learn more about having a healthy lifestyle for a strong body and mind.

In **Physical Development**, we will learn how to be a paleontologist and search for the remains of ancient animals such as the dinosaurs. To practice these new skills, we will search for the fossils in our digger boxes.

In **Understanding the World**, we are going to explore the events around a volcano erupting and the impact it might have had on the lives of many dinosaurs.

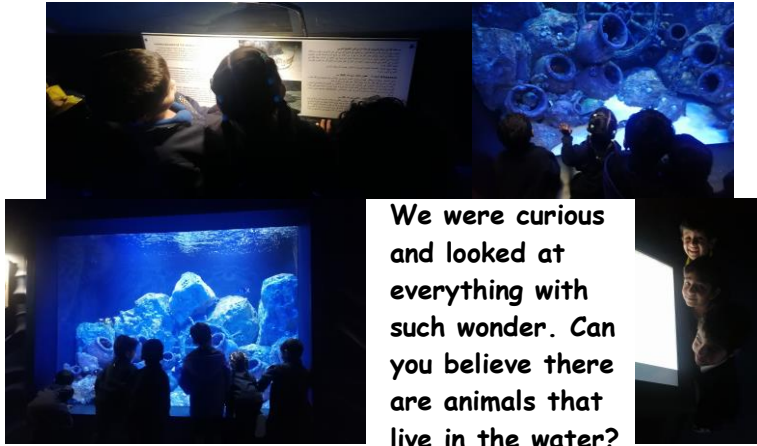
In **Expressive Art and Design**, we will do some creative work with paint. We will be painting the toy dinosaurs and painting our own dinosaur to go into the theme board scene.

In Literacy we will revise the jolly phonics sounds 'e' and 'h' using various practical methods such as sound games, matching items to the sounds, and practice their formations.

There is still so much to learn about the animals around us, from the past and the present!



We enjoy learning and growing together. We laugh and play and most importantly we are learning new and exciting things everyday!



We were curious and looked at everything with such wonder. Can you believe there are animals that live in the water?

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.

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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.



Learning about how the port was made and how many different ships come through here was interesting.

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!



The best part of our trip today was seeing all the sea creatures we have been learning about throughout the week right before our eyes.

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.