



Reception Cocoa Tree Newsletter



z for zebra and zipper. We had a great time learning about this sound last week!



We learnt about dinosaur fossils and even where we can find them!

Activities Covered:

Last week, we embarked on a prehistoric adventure as we travelled back in time into the fascinating world of **Dinosaurs!** Our young explorers had the opportunity to learn about those magnificent creatures that once roamed the Earth millions of years ago.

For **Communication and Language**, we listened and recalled the story "**Star Fall Dinosaurs**" in our own words. We learnt that some of these giant reptiles were plant eaters, while others were carnivores!

For **Physical Development**, through fun and hands-on activities, we learnt how fossils were formed and used salt dough to replicate dinosaur eggs. It was an exciting opportunity to spark curiosity about science and history!

In **Literacy**, we learnt the letter sounds and the letter formation of **z** and **w**. The High-Frequency words were **come** and **here**. We are doing very well with developing our blending and writing skills.

For **Mathematics**, we learnt the concept of **measurements** and focused on measuring sizes and lengths using terminologies like big and small, thick and thin, and long and short. We also used different tools for measuring like strings, building blocks, and measuring tape.

In **Understanding the World**, we had an exciting time learning about dinosaur fossils and completed an activity where we created a dinosaur fossil craft.

In **Expressive Arts and Design**, we created a volcano and had so much fun conducting the eruption scientifically of the volcano.

On Thursday, we enjoyed hunting fossils in various mediums. They had some surprising textures! Some were goeey, some were cold while others were hard. We even got to hatch the dinosaur eggs we made during the week.

Upcoming Activities:

This week, we are taking a fun detour from our animal adventures to explore the wonderful world of **sports** in honour of Qatar National Sports Day! We'll be discovering different sports and how they help keep us active and healthy.

In **Communication and Language**, we will listen to the story "**Winners Never Quit**" and have a discussion that quitting is not the answer during games. Following this, we will play a soccer match.

In **Personal, Emotional, and Social Development**, we will continue learning the slogan "Healthy Living for a Strong Body and Mind". We will review some of the knowledge and information we gained from the "Your Well-being is a Trust" initiative - habits that strengthen the body.

In **Literacy**, we will learn the jolly phonics sounds **v** & **ng** alongside the High-Frequency Words **not** and **this**.

In **Mathematics**, we will continue with our topic of measuring and will focus on **measuring weight** and **capacity**. We will be doing practical experiments to help us compare these 2 concepts and learn new vocabulary as well, such as heavy, light, full, empty, etc.

It's going to be another fun week!



We had a blast watching the volcano erupted in front of us!



We just loved to be dinosaurs 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.

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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.



Did you know that a mommy dinosaur laid her eggs at our school. She left an egg for each of us, and we found a baby dinosaur inside of our eggs!

Upcoming Events:

Tuesday 11th February - Qatar National Sport Day

This will be a public holiday, and we hope you seize this opportunity to join in the many sporting events around Qatar.



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National Sport Day



Searching for fossils in shaving foam is the best fun ever!

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.