



# Reception Cocoa Tree Newsletter



We played a bowling game to reinforce the subtraction concept. It was so much fun!



We loved to use the glue, salt and food colouring experiment to make autumn leaves!

## Activities Covered:

Last week, we started a new series of topics on 'Seasons' and explored **autumn** and **winter** through various fun activities.

In **Communication and Language**, we read the stories '*Pete the Cat and Snow Daze*' and '*Autumn Leaves*'. We discussed the stories and recalled them in our own words. We did our best in using well-formed sentences.

In **Physical Development**, we participated in winter and autumn games activities like snowman slam and ice skating with paper plates and leaf hunt. That was great fun!

In **Literacy**, we learnt the jolly phonics sounds **x** and **y**. We learnt their actions, and songs and practiced their letter formations. We also learnt the High-Frequency words **all** and **said**.

In **Mathematics**, we continued to explore the topic of subtraction through various practical exercises to help us compare numbers and practice the concept, learning new vocabulary such as "more," "less," "take away," and "difference."

In **Personal, Social, and Emotional Development**, we explored fun autumn and winter activities that help to develop our emotions, social skills, and self-awareness.

In **Understanding the World**, we had dived into the story of '*Little Acorns*'. Afterward, we had fun with a creative craft activity where we explored the differences between the chilly season of winter and the colourful time of autumn.

In **Expressive Arts and Design**, we made a snowman through an engaging experiment. That was so much fun!

On Thursday we can to school ready to play autumn and winter games. We even went ice fishing, which was really cold!

We've had another cool week of school.

## Upcoming Activities:

This week, we're going to jump into the wonderful world of **spring season**! We'll enjoy delightful stories, make amazing crafts, and try out an awesome experiment to help us celebrate all the fantastic things that make spring so special.

In **Communication and Language**, we will learn how the weather and nature changes and how it impacts the type of clothes we should wear. Spring is also the time when animals have their babies and new plants grow. So, we use our creativity and make our own gardens.

In **Personal, Social, and Emotional development** we will read the story "*The Cautious Caterpillar*". We will discuss the emotions of worry and bravery from the perspective of Cody the caterpillar and how we can manage these emotions in our daily lives.

In **Literacy**, we will introduce the jolly phonics sounds **ch** and **sh**. We will also introduce the High-Frequency Words '**will**' and '**like**'.

In **Mathematics**, we will discover the topic more than, less than. We will use the hands-on approach to learn this new topic.

In **Understanding the World**, we will listen to a story '*A Thing About Spring*' which will be followed by a colourful rain experiment. This sounds interesting!

We look forward to an amazing week!



We learnt about brr... cold winter and then we had fun conducting a snowball experiment.



We had such a brrrrr...cold...fun day with our friends 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

#### Fitra Initiative:

*Fostering Taqwa of Allah (Allah-consciousness) in the Blessed Month of Ramadan.*



In Autumn we believe "an apple a day keeps the doctor away". We loved the apple eating challenge!

### Upcoming Events:

#### Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> - Garangao celebrations

- Children are asked to come dressed for this occasion.
- Kindly inform us also if your child is allergic to nuts, dried fruits, and candies.



Did you know that you can make your own snow by using only 2 ingredients?

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

#### Fitra Initiative:

*Following Allah's Guidance in My Path*

### Final Note:

Ensure that children maintain a consistent sleep routine during Ramadan and attend school on time, every day.