

Fortnightly Journal

11/04/16 to 22/04/16

What is happening at our centre?

Dear Families

This fortnight children have been learning about life cycle. To start with they all watch the journey of a seed from seed to plant. They got to sow seeds of different vegetables, water them, look after them, asked questions about the time they would take to grow and discussed about their favourite fruits and vegetables. Our discussion further covers the topic of benefits of eating fruits and vegetables and how they provide us different nutrients.

Children also got to grow different flowers. This time they followed the process of transferring/repotting the little plants in the flower bed. This experience provides children the opportunity to observe the web of roots. Children were very careful and cautious while transferring the plants to the flower bed.

Extending on the topic of life cycle, we have got the egg hatching happening at the centre. Children were thrilled to see the chickens coming out of the eggs. Children helped to make the new home for the chickens once they were ready to come out of the incubator. They spread the newspaper and wood shavings, filled their food and water bowl and got to hold and transfer them to their new home. The care and empathy children showed while handling the chickens clearly displayed their concern for the safety and wellbeing of the little chickens.

Children later presented their understanding of life cycle in the form of different art work like drawing/collage and painting of chickens coming out of the eggs.

***Dental hygiene week:** From April 18 to April 22 we have celebrated Dental hygiene week. Children brought in their tooth brushes to the centre and brushed their teeth after lunch every day. We have also had a visit by the dentist to teach children how to brush their teeth,*

and about good and bad food for dental health. Children were also told why they must visit the dentist and how dentist can help identify the problem and fix them. We would like to thank Sangeeta (Vishal's Mum) for the visit.

Apart from that children have been involved in lots of other activities of their choice where teacher and educators scaffold their learning.

Incursions:

Happy Feet Fitness: In happy Feet Fitness, Children learn about how eating vegetables are good for their brain, heart and bodies. They all sang and danced together holding vegetables (super stars) in their hands. The next week they got to involve in playing musical instruments and manipulated colourful scarves to the music.

Active start sport: As the footy season have started, Children got to develop an understanding of the rules and skills of the game. This week they played pirate games which encourage imagination and role play among children. Children pretended to be on a large pirate ship in the middle of the ocean for a game called 'The Pirate's Treasure' which focuses on counting and being very sneaky

Learning Outcome: 2.4.6: Children explore relationships with other living and non-living things and observe, notice and respond to change.

3.2.9: Children show an increasing awareness of healthy lifestyles and good nutrition.

4.2: Children develop a range of skills and processes such as problem solving, enquiry, experimentation, hypothesising, researching and investigating.

Happy Learning

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