



Tenby Kindergarten

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Sports Day

March and April have indeed been very busy months for all of us. We had our Sports Day on the 20 March 2010 and it was a really exciting morning for all parents and children. The children were required to move from one station to another with each station testing the skills that they have learnt in their Physical Exercise periods in school. For the parent-Teachers' race, it was great fun to see our sporting parents doing the same crawling, balancing and running like their children. Parents, uncles, aunts and grandparents were all out in full swing to lend their support to their children. My thanks go to the teachers and parents for having made the Sports Day such an enjoyable and memorable day for all.

Parents' Evening

The turnout for Parents' Evening was very good. This is an evening that parents and teachers can get together to see how best they can work together to ensure that the children develop to their fullest potential. Parents and guardians are always encouraged to meet with the teachers whenever they feel a need to discuss their children's progress.



Trainee Teachers from Stranmillis College Belfast

From 10 April to 7 May 2010, we had the pleasure of hosting five trainee teachers from Stranmillis College of Belfast, Ireland. Two of these teachers, Rachel Green and Michelle Finlay were placed in the Pre School. These trainee teachers worked collaboratively with our teachers to give our students a fresh and exciting way of learning. They have expressed how much they have learnt from their 4 weeks of training in our school and our students and teachers have also missed their bubbly presence.

Driving in and out of the Kindergarten

We appeal to all parents to observe the traffic flow when you are driving in and out of the Kindergarten. We do not wish for any accidents to occur with so many young children on site.

School Production

This year's production themed "The Power of the Dream" will be staged on Saturday 12 June 2010. The Pre School and Yrs 1 – 4 and KBSR 1 – 4 will be in the morning show to be held in the Ungku Omar Polytechnic from 10 a.m. – 12.30 p.m. Currently, our children are busy practising their items for the school production. Full dress rehearsal will be on Thursday, 10 June 2010 at the Ungku Omar Polytechnic. More details about the production and the rehearsal will be given out soon.



Dental Care Session

Dental hygiene is part of our health care programme carried out by the teachers at Kindergarten. Recently a team of nurses from the Ipoh Health Department came to explain to our children the importance of dental care and the types of food that help in the development of good teeth.

FS1/Toddler 1 – Mrs. Nathan/ Ms. Fam**Theme: Shapes/ Animals**

Term two has just begun with all the Toddlers settling down. Two interesting and wide themes: Shapes and animals will be introduced. For IPC, children will learn and explore more about animals and their habitats as well as various shapes. Lots of fun is in store for them as they will be drawing and role-playing their favourite animals.

**FS1/Toddler 2 – Mrs. Rita/ Ms. Lim****Theme: Shapes/ Animals**

Dough play is a favourite activity of our children and it is also a fun way for them to develop their fine motor skills and to express themselves.

FS2 / KG1A – Ms. Sarah/Mrs. Ang**Theme: Sand and Water**

FS2/KG1A have been very busy with sand and water play. They have been playing with a variety of toys, building castles with wet and dry sand and drawing the sea creatures.

**FS2 / KG2A – Mrs. Hew / Ms. Sivagami****FS2 / KG2B – Ms. Wong / Ms. Arveen****Theme: Animals**

Children learn about wild animals and farm animals. They learn to sing songs and recite rhymes through imitating animal movements and sounds. They interact with each other using animal puppets during role-play. Their creativity is enhanced when they make animal masks, do collage work and painting pictures.

FS3 / Reception 1 – Mrs. Das / Ms. Ho**FS3 / Reception 2 – Mrs. Michael / Ms. Mah****Theme: Plants and Flowers**

Look at that beautiful flower! Plants grow from seeds. Plants have roots. That's what we, children of Rec 1 & 2 are going to learn. The children will be introduced to many types of plants and flowers. They will be encouraged to bring small potted plants to create a garden in class. They will get to learn the names of various flowers and plants. They will observe the growth of plants from seeds, cuttings and bulbs. They will be able to identify the parts of a plant and compare the various leaves and flowers according to their colour, size, shape, etc. They will learn that plants need water, air and sunlight to grow.

**FS3 / Reception 3 – Mrs. Carol / Ms. Bojinivani****FS3 / Reception 4 – Ms. Megala / Ms. Jamie Tan****Theme: Let's Pretend**

"Can I be a woodcutter???" "I want to be Goldilocks' teacher???" The children of Rec 3 & 4 were excited to play the role of various characters in this theme – "Let's Pretend".

The children were exposed to different characters, portrayed in famous fairy tales. They have enjoyed the various types of puppets in the puppet show. Children were asked to match clues to the relevant stories, eg. a broken chair, a red cape. They also practised changing their voice to suit the characters in the story.