The Red Group Newsletter November 2011-Greetings from Classic **Red Room** The Red Group Quotes Welcome Parents to the first newsletter of the school L I year! Since returning to Smartkids in August, our I classroom has grown to ten children, and we have L I had so much fun getting to know each other and "We have to speak English in L making new friends! class, Jaaaaa?" - Claire I In addition, the children have been making great I strides in their development as they have explored I many different topics through play! So... what has been happening in The Red Group? "My Mommy's name is Mommy!" "You know Ms. Katie, I -Martha love mushrooms, but not the poisonous ones! " "Tomorrow, I'm going on a - Tilly giraffe with Martha!" - Yash "This is Max, but he's NOT real!" "I'mmm not scared of the -Micah Gruffalo!" - Barend Welcome New Friends! During the past few months, we have really grown



During the past few months, we have really grown comfortable in our classroom, and now we know all the rules and routines!

We can identify our names on labels and signs, help out our teachers and friends with a different daily job, and participate in circle time by singing songs, listening to stories and playing games!

Our confidence and self-help skills are really growing by the day thanks to a lot of encouragement and practice!

A very colorful Claire!



Micah demonstrates how to use lip gloss

Me, Myself, and I

Our focus on the theme of "Respect" led to many discussions about who we are and where we come from, as well as our physical selves, abilities, and emotions.

We learned all about our body parts and the five senses that we have. The children really enjoyed exploring different taste, smells and textures with fun art projects and activities.

Things got a little messy when we experimented with body painting, however it was well worth the clean up as it produced a lot of smiles and laughter!

We have also done a great job at welcoming our new friends from the Yellow Group into their new classroom. The children are working together to help their new fiends adjust to the rules and ways of the Red Group!



Yum! Tilly's ready to dig into her "happy face" sandwich!



Using our noses and sense of smell to play "Guess the Scent"!



Yash showing us his "Sad Apple"

Dragons and Pirates! Oh My! We had so much fun celebrating the Mid-Autumn Festival as well as 'International Talk Like A Pirate Day'! Both of which included dressing up, using our "scary voices" (to roar and say "Aarrgh!") and lots of dancing around!



International Week

After the Mid-term break, we returned to school to celebrate International Week! The children loved learning their country flags, sharing items from their home country and ending the week with a fantastic "Aroundthe-World" picnic and fashion show! A BIG "Thank You" to all the parents for helping! - Ms. Katie and Ms. Thanh



Things The Red Group 'S Song: "Humpty Dumpty" Book: Portside Pirates



Toy: "Bambi"