

The Green Group Newsletter

March 2013



We have been having so much fun in the Green Group over the past few months!

In November, we talked a lot about Vietnam. We talked about how we were all from different countries but this we had in common : we all live in Vietnam !

We learned about the flag, the map, the language, the food and the culture using different activities, materials and textures !!! From cooking to reproducing a famous Vietnamese landscape...

The children also learned new words and vocabulary to enrich their language skills and they all seemed to find the topics very fun and interesting as we talked about things they were "experiencing" everyday. All were motivated to talk - even the younger ones - which helped building their communication skills as well as their confidence.



We painted conical hats



Look at me I look Vietnamese



We went on a cyclo ride !!!



Ms. Men showed us how to make spring rolls



We enjoyed this cooking activity so much : we got to taste all the ingredients, learn their names, put them all together in the rice paper & tried rolling...



Santa Claus came to visit us at Smartkids !!!

Getting ready for Christmas was such an exciting experience; we learned about Santa, what he looks like, what he does and how kind he is to us.. We got ready to welcome him and got used to the idea of how big, tall and loud he is !!! We also sang many Christmas songs to the rhythm of our bells !!!



We had a wonderful party with lots of yummy food (thank you parents !) and no one cried when meeting Santa !!!



Where we come from...



We've had such a nice couple of weeks in January & February learning about where everyone is from ! It is so interesting & fun as we have 10 different nationalities represented in the class !!! We learned about our flags, maps, traditional costumes, landmarks, languages & food !

We can often hear children say "Shalom Noam" ("hello" in Hebrew!) or "here's your flag Alua, you are from Kazakhstan"!!! We are all learning and having fun pointing out our cultural differences !!!



"Chuc Mung Nam Moi" - We celebrated the year of the SNAKE



In February, we talked about the Chinese New Year and learned about how people in Asia celebrate it ! We also went on a field trip to SmartKids Tran Ngoc Dien with our Yellow Group friends to watch a Dragon Dance show and to enjoy their playground !!! Even though the dragons were big & loud, the children coped well with them and had a good time and a wonderful experience ! They also expressed that the most exciting part was "the taxi ride!!"



Welcome friends

Over the past few months we've had the joy to welcome more friends !!! Welcome to Chiara, Emma, Lara, Noam & Samuel !!! Having a bigger group has proven to be very positive for all the children as they are growing in confidence, being able to act and react in a good and appropriate way with others, becoming more aware of themselves and their friends & they are all very sweet and kind to each other ! We are so proud of all of them !!!



Our second Parent/Teacher meetings will be held from the 18th to 22nd of March 2013.
See you soon.
Green Group team: Ms Chloe, Ms Tifa, Ms Linh & Ms Gael