Hello! from the Yellow Group Friends

We went on a "Nature Walk" to discover the different things in our environment:

We used magnifying glasses and "binoculars" to find all sorts of different things!



Juan Pablo was so excited when he found the ladybug. He said "Look! Look! A lady bug! The tree!"



Jesper said, "What is it?" and "Oh!! I found a seed! Look! A seed!"



Hello friends! Our second term blasted off with a bang - so many fun filled activities and new experiences!

Our main focus this term was the theme "Us and Our World". We have been learning all about our home countries, covering topics like the weather, animals, languages, types of transport used, festivals, clothes and food.

We have also been learning about the differences between our home countries, the country we live in now, and ourselves. It's been very exciting learning about all the differences between us, and all our similarities too!

Just a few short weeks after the term began, we celebrated Lunar New Year. To prepare for our Tet holiday we learned a song about a dragon dance, and read stories about why we eat watermelons and Vietnamese Rice Cakes (Banh Chung) during Tet. We even made our own rice cakes with peas, sticky rice and banana leaves - although most of us put more in our mouths than in our banana leaves!! After all our preparation, we celebrated with our very own Dragon Dance! Some friends from the other Smartkids locations joined us too, and it was loads of fun discovering that there were other children from a different Smartkids!





A few of us were quite nervous when we saw the dragon dancers and heard the loud drums - we jumped onto Ms. Nikki's lap until she was almost completely covered up!! But after a while we all began to enjoy it, and some of us even said "I'm not scared!"



Making sticky rice cakes was a highlight of our term! We had so much fun putting the rice and peas onto banana leaves - although most of it went into our mouths too!! And we learned about sharing and taking turns, and even helping our friends. Jesper and Thien Bao enjoyed helping each other, and Luna and Louis were very careful to put just the right amount. Johnny was surprised at the flavour of the peas and said "I like it!", and Liam said, "Yummy! It's so funny!".

Qur term in pictures...

<u>We say good bye to</u> <u>some friends this term:</u>

Christian moved to China at the end of January.





Amelie will move back to Denmark at the end of March.

We miss you both so much, and wish you all the best for the future! Keep in touch!

And we welcome new friends too:

Mia and Hanna will start in March and April.

Ioannis (Johnny), Louis and Layla joined the Yellow Group in Novemebr, December and January.

Louis



Johnny





Layla

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We made Australian Didgeridoos, and used them to make music for our dragon dance.





We also had two "Round the World" obstacle courses, where we climbed, crawled and flew to different countries.









This term has been all about discovering, developing friendships. learning new skills, and, most of all, having fun! Until next time, we'll be laughing, sharing and playing together!









