

News from the Blue Group



October 2015

We've already done so much this year!



We began this year with a small group and we've more than doubled! The children returned to school interested in where food comes from and how it's made. We made pretzels and learned how to roll dough.



Playing with puppets and using face paint are both ways to build confidence and explore different roles!

We also took a trip to a local garden. We saw ducks, chickens, fish, and dogs and all sorts of vegetables like aubergines and squashes.



We celebrated Pirate Week and made treasure maps, dressed up as pirates, and dug for buried treasure! We even discovered fallen seeds.



The Big Kids also got to pick out new fish for the outdoor fish tank!



A new way to use bikes, but not the most comfortable.



The original Big Kids! The trampoline is fun even when we're done jumping.



Soga, Khai, and Hoang have joined the Blue Group from Kiddies! They came with us for our Mid-Autumn Festival celebration in the Phu Nhuan compound. We had fun walking around the neighborhood with our lanterns. We learned we had to look where we were going and move out of the way of cars!



We began exploring our five senses. We practiced using blindfolds and holding onto a friend's hand to guess what we were stepping on. Trying something we can't see while trusting a friend to help us can challenge us emotionally and helps us learn how to take safe risks.



We also did a sensory obstacle course with bells. We had to climb through a hoop without ringing the bell. It was tricky! We had to be aware of what we were doing with our bodies!



Slides are usually for going down, but in Big Kids we are learning to look at what is around us and be aware of danger and obstacles. Climbing up a slide also helps with our strength and coordination!



Even ninjas brush their teeth!

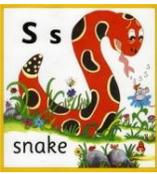
We used our bodies to paint a canvas for Smartkids' birthday! It was messy, but so much fun!



Right now we are busy talking about Halloween!



Noah and Simon have also just moved up to Big Kids!



The week of November 2nd we will begin Jolly Phonics, starting with the "sss" sound. This will be new to some children and familiar to others but it's always useful to refresh our memories and show our new friends what we can do!

Parent-teacher meetings will be the 23rd to 27th of November. There will be a sign-up sheet outside the Blue Room. Take care! ~ Ms. Katy and Ms. Juliette