

# Green Group Newsletter

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This term was full of emotions as we have said goodbye to some old friends who have moved either to the 'Big Kids' or to other countries.

We are happy to have many new faces in the Green Group!



Addison Hunter

Hello everyone!

What an exciting, fun-filled beginning of the term we've had! This year the theme of our class is nature, every morning the children enjoy coming in the class and taking their animal name tag to stick on the mountain board.

During the past 2 months we have seen so many special friendships develop, as the children learn about themselves and each other. We are learning about how to be gentle towards others, helpful and use our words to express how we're feeling.

Our main focus this term was the theme "All About Me" where we learned about our immediate environment and ourselves. We talked about our families, our bodies, our senses, where we live and where we come from. We also had a lot of fun bringing elements of nature into the classroom to further the children's understanding of their world.



Volcano experiment



Helping each other



Licheng



Simon uses his strong fingers to make a happy face!



Painting our bodies after we drew around them!



Making German Cookies



Amber



Carl



Kana

We will also welcome Y-Vi and Lou Anh next month!



Making some important calls in the office!



Taking care of sick animals

It's been great to see the children get involved in role play in the Green Group. From doctor's surgeries to making birthday cakes in the sandpit, the children have been using their imaginations while interacting with each other! Role play is an effective way for children to make sense of the world around them. It allows them to explore real life contexts and encourages them to become active participants in their learning. Taking on the role of a character not only helps to develop language and communication skills, but can also help children learn to empathize as they develop their understanding of different perspectives.



Everybody helps to make a birthday cake!

Quick, call the doctor!



Dr Jaime and Licheng help a patient!



# All About Me!

Look what the Green Group have been doing!



We completed an obstacle course outside to further our knowledge of how we use our bodies. Climbing, crawling and balancing not only help to develop gross-motor skills, but are also great for building our confidence!



Addison and Loui used their strong leg and arm muscles to climb!

Balancing isn't an easy job! Well done, Jaime and Vincent!



Vilfred and Noah crawled their way through the tunnel!



Amber painting with her feet!



Pratyush and Simon try to identify which fruit they are eating using only their sense of taste!

We have been talking all about our senses. We found out that in order to learn more about the world around us, we need to use our senses! We even tried taking away the use of some senses so we could focus on just one!



Noah and Hunter paint with coffee to practise using their sense of smell!

Vincent used his eyes to look at the powder changing color when it gets wet.



Licheng and Addison use the magnifying glasses to look at their fingerprints!



Loui explores different textures with his sense of touch!



## Our Weekly Activity

### Swimming



### Show and Tell



We enjoyed making a present for Ms Yoko, as well as playing with the Big Kids on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of October for Smartkids 9<sup>th</sup> birthday!



We learnt about Vietnam, the country where we live, and the Vietnamese tradition of the Moon Festival. We had fun making lanterns and listening to the 'Moon Day' story read by Ms Tifa.



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Ms Cathy, Ms Nikki, Ms Tifa & Ms Ngoc

