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Hello Winter, Good Bye Old friends

The end of the 2014/15 School Year is upon us and we are in the last minute dash for the End Of Year Celebration to be held on 25 June 2015 and also looking forward to the long Winter break.

The year has been a fruitful one, full of laughter, love and growth for me personally and for all the children here at Lili's.

The children have moved from the unknown to the familiar, with tentativeness to total confidence and strength. It has been pleasure to see the strong, brave and wonderful individuals they are blossoming into.

We have seen the children discover skills of writing by recognizing their own names then progressing to blending sounds with awe and with equal measure of surprise we have seen letters, and cards and special notes written by them to each other full of lovely messages.

A particular favorite activity of the children at Lili's is the singing and dancing class.

Can you believe it! Washing & scrubbing (i.e anything to play with water) is relished.

A number of interactions with Parents during the year has served the purpose of bringing the learning process from school to the home and vice versa, thanks to all who attended the Parents Workshops, "Watch Me Work Day" and came out to support the children at our Celebrations past and future.

As the year ends & we prepare to say our good-byes to some of our students we are filled with sadness as well as great expectations. Some of you are leaving for home, others are going to Big Kids School etc.

Our only consolation is that we shall be making new friendships in the new school year. For me, we (you and I) have achieved something albeit small but amazing. I look forward to continued growth and much love and laughter next year!

Thank You to my team here at Lili's and all of you for a Great Year

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TEACHERS NOTE

It has been such a wonderful year working with the children. Watching them grow and develop in all areas of the their life. As teachers we understand we are secondary in a life of a child.

It has always been our priority to give the children an opportunity to unveil themselves to their full potential.

Amazingly we have learnt many things from them as well. Their love and hugs fulfilled our hearts and made our work easier and exciting. It was a pleasure working with the children that have will be leaving Lili's at the end of the year.

We will truly miss them, we hope each one of them continues to excel and continue to shine in all areas of their lives.

For our continuing children , our love and commitment for you is never ending.

Ms. Yumna & Ms. Tisu.

PARENTS AT SCHOOL

Montessorians believe that:



“The future, the present, the past of a child belongs to its family”

A child is not viewed as a separate entity, but one who belongs to a family. As part of the process of providing continuous methods and skill development we held another Parent’s Workshop on 14 May 2015.



As ever we had an amazing time with the parents who attended.

It was good time for sharing insights with each other on how best to help the children to develop and gain confidence in various aspects of their lives



Developing Independence



Dr. Maria Montessori once said “it has always been our desire to make the children become more independent”



Changing the vocabulary from
“I can’t do it”.
To
“Yes you I can do it”



Grace and Courtesy



The children value and respect each other. The teachers have always been reminding those who forget to be respectful with each other. Each day during circle time, the children are reminded about not breaking the bridge of trust. The wonderful thing is to hear them comment as, “no one will like you if you break the bridge”. The art of respecting one another has been the fuel for living in peace and harmony in the classroom and on the playground.

Enjoying working together

Leaves

Continuing from Term 2 when we discussed about "The Tree" it was time to break it into its parts, functions and types.

Practical Life: Washing Leaves.

Pretend cooking was also part of the excise.



Cleaning the vegetables



We love our salads!!



Ella Cooking



"Grubs up" Anna



The week ended with some chores
Washing & Scrubbing the dishes.

Fishy Things !



"look!
I am no longer afraid of fish!"



Asia - The Food, The People, The Animals & The Countries



It was fun to dress up, and the children shared with each other about their costumes



North America: Food, Animals & Places



Eating Fresh Corn a plant originating from North America

We learnt about the seven Continents in Term 1 and now it was time to explore some of the Continents in detail. We started with **North America**.

The children brought snacks from home to represent the continent.



We dressed up as people from North America. We also explored the animals such as the brown Bear



Alfeo dressed as A Native American

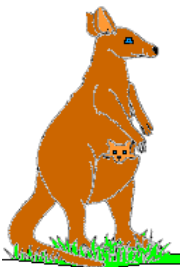


Australia: Animals, people and Places

The children also had a chance to learn about Australia, its animals and its people.

Some children brought items that represent Australia.

We also had a go doing some Native Australian (Aboriginal) Dot painting.



Amphibians: characteristics, adaptation and examples.



We learnt about the different kinds of Amphibians.

We played the Frog cycle game. From egg, tadpole and finally to a jumping frog.

Some children were stuck in the same tadpole position while others turned into full grown frogs.



Career week.

So exciting!! some parents came and shared about their work.

Simon Mangundu (Hydrologist): He shared about how he climbed on top of big mountains to check water levels n Namibia. The exciting part was the children asking him “were you not scared?” “What did you do if you felt like falling?”

David Sullivan (Doctor): He shared about “The Heart” and how to keep it healthy. Later it was “listen to the heart beating” the children lined up and waited patiently to listen to the Doctor’s

Oliver Pierson (Electrical Engineer)
It was a nice and quiet moment sitting down watching a presentation on how electricity is made in Malawi.

Maria Kim (Doctor)
She started with a play, Mohsen brought a sick baby to her. she did the diagnosis and prescribed some medicine. It was fun to dance “The Doctor,

Andry Andriamialison (Banker)
All about money, exchanging money and loans. He also talked about how important it is o be good to Customers.



Career Week in Pictures



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Despite eating fruits at home almost every day, the joyous moments are when we was sharing with our friends. How many seeds they found inside a tangerine? Are the tiny dots in a banana seeds ?!

Indeed knowledge and better understanding comes not only by being told, but experiencing the subject by touching and seeing first hand



Lemon printing was the exciting moment for the week.

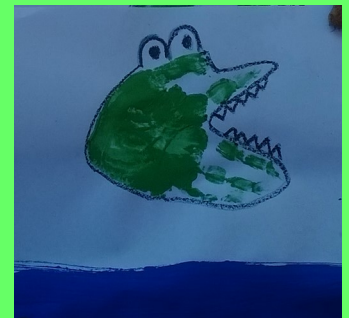
Reptiles : Examples, Characteristics and Adaptation



Aiden Gremley, showed us his

We learnt learned about examples, characteristics of Reptiles. The song was "Reptiles are bumpy and dry"

We played the exciting game about a Reptile: Be like A Turtle, Lizard and Crocodile.....



Handprint Crocodile Art

Seeds : Parts and Types



What a wonderful week. Learning about seeds. Each child brought a can and a seed from home to plant. The fun went further as the children starts to make own discoveries with the soaked beans and nuts. All one could hear is " I made a square".

Later it was Practical Life: outdoor activities. Shelling corn and sieving Corn flour. The concentration and the focus was so amazing.



Birds : Parts, Examples and Adaptation

We had an exciting time discussing about birds. At circle, the children had to play a game in which the children closed their eyes and felt a bird feather tickle them on the ear. There were a lot of giggles and laughter as the feathers tickled.

To explain different behaviors of birds there was a story that was read about a type of bird that are too lazy, to take care of their young chicks, and had to go into other birds nests to lay eggs.

For the class Project we made circles, semi circles and little triangles were into birds.



Europe : People, Animals, & Plants

The week started with a reminder of the Seven Continents.

The children were asked to locate each Continent on the world Map then point out to EUROPE. The children did graphic matching on animals, plants and places found in Europe.



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The First ever Lili's Easter Egg Hunt was held on 2 April 2015 to mark the Easter festivities. We had fun making baskets and gathering "eggs" from the School Playground that we hid as well as scattered. We played games where they were to only pick certain colors & certain number of "eggs" It was a



rather exhilarating day. There were goody baskets to take home.

Thanks a million to all of you Parents for the generous gifts we got for the goody baskets.



★HAPPY★ BIRTHDAY!



Morgan turned 4 in March



Double Trouble !
Oscar + Noah turned 3 in April



Oceane turned 4 in June



Jamila Maloya turned 5 in March



Adrian turned 3 in May



IMPORTANT DATES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

WINTER CAMP
WILL FROM RUN
7 JULY—24 JULY 2015
TIME: Mon—Fri
8am - 12 noon,
Register your child with
Tisu, Yumna or Fales



Term 1 2015/16
School Year
Opens
1 September 2015



WE HOPE YOU HAVE A RESTFULL WINTER or SUMMER WHEREVER YOU MAY BE THIS LONG HOLIDAY!