

WEEKLY PARENT NEWSLETTER - Pre Nursery 24 March 2014



International Week

Messages

• International Food Tasting

The children will all be invited to try some new foods from around the world on Wednesday and encouraged to be adventurous! There will also be a full 'packed lunch' available for each child so that those whose taste buds aren't tingling will still have a full tummy!

- International Day Parade takes place on Friday. The Pre-Nursery children will
 walk in their classes led by their teacher and LAs. It's a great celebration of our
 schools cultural diversity and so we hope that all the nursery children will
 celebrate their home nations and heritage in traditional dress or inspired
 costumes!
- A gentle reminder that half day children can be picked up between 12:30 and 12:50.
 If you think you will be late please call the school on 5226 3211



Learning Theme of the week

This year the International week will be centered around Brazil. Our learning will be supported by images from the musical adventurte Rio.

We will start the week by learning to say hello in various languages.

We will talk about Brazil and the rainforest. Where is this? Have you been here? There are lots of birds in Brazil. Can you name any of tehse birds?

Mathematics - Shapes, space and measures

Our adult focus will be assessing a shape assessment. Through games and play opportunities we will be looking out for children using sorting by shape and also using shape names.

Vocabulary: circle, square, triangle, rectangle

Expressive arts and design

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We will setup easels in our creative areas and encourage the children to listen to music then express themselves through painting. We will vary the rhythm and the tempo of the music we use.

Vocabulary:



As you become more familiar with tapestry, you will find at the bottom of each observation the development matters statements. We use these on a daily basis and many activities cover several areas of learning. Below are some of the statements we will be focusing on through child initiated learning and our teacher inputs.

Mathematics - shapes, space and measures

- Notices simple shapes and patterns in pictures
- Beginning to categorise objects according to properties such as shape or size.
- Uses shapes appropriately for tasks

Expressive arts and design

- Experiments with blocks, colours and marks.
- Imitates movement in response to music.
- Explores colour and how colour can be changed

Mandarin

We will introduce some traditional food from different countries and talk about how to cook these foods.

Vocabulary: dumplings-jiao zi, noodles-mian tiao, sushi- shou si, meatballs-rou wan, hotdog-re gou, hamburger-han bao bao, pizza- pi sa.

Please let us know if you have any questions or comments.

Many thanks again.

The Pre Nursery Team.



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