

May 2024

TODDLER NEWS

Hello May. We look forward to a busy but fun next four weeks. We are so excited to hold our first mother's day muffins and we look forward to hosting all our moms, special ladies, aunties and grannies. Please be on the lookout for a sign up sheet to come in and join us during our book week. Have a wonderful month!

Birthdays

Ms Stella :7th
Riyansh :15th
Denzel : 18th
Ms Jacquie :23rd
Ms Debra: 25th
Oisin: 26th
Mio: 27th

What's new this month?
Over the next few weeks we will explore the amazing world of Animals, taking a look at wild animals found all around the world, arctic animals and nocturnal animals. Using this theme to focus on expanding our vocabulary by learning new animal names and exploring what sounds they make, which part of the world do they come from, Counting different body parts such as legs, where they live and what do they eat.

Important dates :

6-10th - book week
10th- Mothers' day muffins
24th -International day
25th -Africa freedom day

What we've learnt.

Last month we spent our mornings exploring the amazing world of insects. By making use of lifecycles and observing real insects we examined how worms move and are we working on creating our own worm farm. We investigated bees and built on our bee knowledge by learning new vocabulary. We explored moving like different insects during our movement sessions and learnt amazing facts about spiders. We continued working on our social skills such as taking turns and helping hands encouraging our toddlers to help each other when needed. This can be helping each other complete an activity or cleaning up the classroom.



April highlights



We explored different ways to use recycled materials such as squishy lids, toilet/kitchen rolls, dried tea leaves, yoghurt containers and recycled papers to spread the message of reuse and recycle. We explored the topic of pollution and how to avoid it especially to help keep our rivers, dams and oceans clean to ensure all waterlife safe.





Who doesn't love some good MUD? We used mud to strengthen our fine motor skills by pressing, rolling and squashing the mud either on our hands or in the sensory bins. We awakened our senses by exploring the smell, and how the mud felt on our hands. We worked on our counting skills by counting how many scoops of soil to put into the sensory bins and used words such as half or full to describe how much water we need.





We explored all things Zambia by wearing a touch of something Zambian to help celebrate Kenneth Kaunda's 100th birthday. Along with our mud exploration we had a Nyanja circle time, we learnt how the same mud was used to mould different household items and to plaster walls and floors. We ended the day by singing his favorite song "Tiende Pamodzi" which encourages the value of unity and family which we aim to teach our toddlers as a family we will always help each other.

