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Joeys on a learning adventure

Ms.Shahana (Nursery Educator)

Our little ones had a fantastic, fun-filled week. They sculpted playdoh models and created lovely fingerprint flowers. They have learned about healthy eating habits and enjoyed healthy snack time with their peers. Take a glance at their learning adventure.



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Let's Play With Colourful Dough

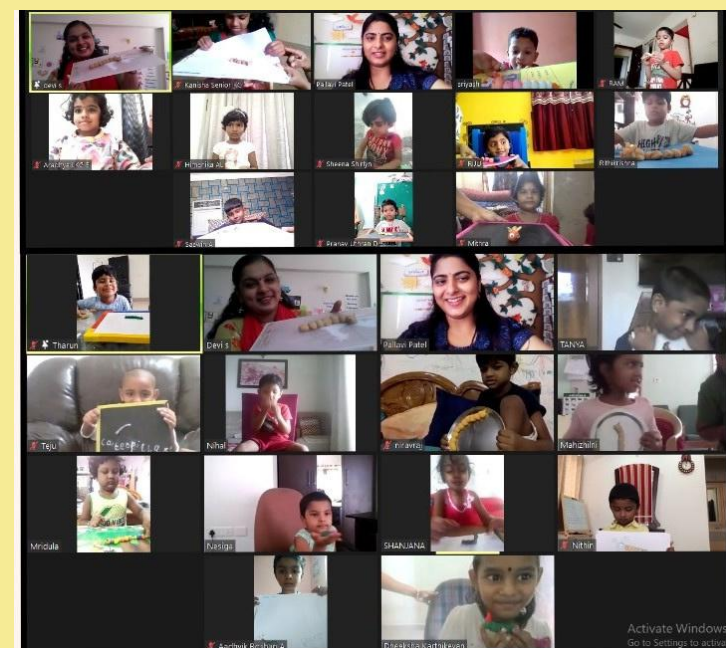
Ms.Pallavi Patel (Kindergarten Coordinator)

Play Dough is always an interesting play material for all children and once they start giving shape to the dough, many crazy creations will come up out of their imaginations.

Playing with dough has many benefits such as - Enhances fine motor skills, Improves pre-writing skills, Creativity and imagination, Calming effect, Develops eye-hand coordination, etc.

In Senior Kindergarten, after the recall of alphabet sounds, we used dough and asked students to make an object which has the letter b and letter c sound.

It was amazing to see them making /b//b/-Butterfly and /c//c/-Caterpillar. Everyone was so enthusiastic and excited while doing the activity.



YOGA and CO-ORDINATION

Ms.Kaviya (Primary PE Teacher)

The children of Grade 1 and 2 were introduced to their basic 'yogasanas'. They were very enthusiastic to learn about yoga. Yoga has been helpful to improve both Physical and Mental health for school-age children.

They came to know that yoga can help to make their memory sharp and focused vision also academic performance and classroom behavior. Yoga can even help in major areas to reduce stress in children.

In tune with this, the students of Grade 3 and 4 performed some Co-ordination Activity. It helped improve their Jumping and Balancing skills. Every Single child has shown more interest in this particular session because this activity will improve children's energy level and helps majorly to develop motor skills. The practice of balancing will also help the children to develop better concentration during their daily routine.



Flower addition

Ms. Priya Nicholas (Primary School Educator)

Math helps us think analytically and have better reasoning abilities. These skills are important because they help us solve problems and look for solutions. When we use concrete materials to help students practice math, they are more likely to understand the concept. Using hands-on activities like flower petal addition activity we can allow students to model and comprehend the concepts of addition and help them gain a better perspective to recognize math facts.

Ensuing at a sum is easy for the given addends whereas arriving at the addends for the given sum is quite challenging. Our Grade 3 learners have taken up this challenging activity with great enthusiasm and the outcome was spectacular.

This activity has enhanced their logical and analytical skills.



Young Scientists of Grade 2

Ms.Malar (Grade 2 Educator)

Water is very important. In fact, it is one of the most important substances on Earth. Water's extensive capability to dissolve a variety of molecules has earned it the designation of "Universal Solvent". Our second graders spontaneously carried out experiments using water. They did simple but amazing fun experiments to explore water properties. Also, they understood what soluble and insoluble substances / miscible and immiscible liquids are. Through sink and float activity they learned displacement of water and understood the principle behind how ships float. Our young scientists integrated their learning through music with the three states of water song.



Being Responsible

Ms. Cynthia Rajkumari (Grade 3A Educator)

In this world, every living being lives for a purpose. To achieve this purpose, we have to perform some sort of function and that function becomes our duty and that duty becomes our responsibility. Every one of us has different responsibilities on our shoulders. But what do our third graders have? When we as class teachers posted this question, we were amazed by their answers. Each one has taken up responsibility and they were proud to share whether watering a plant or arranging the bed in the morning or washing the dishes or clearing the table, they all were super responsible. To award them for being responsible we asked them to do an activity by making a tie and everyone completed and wore the tie saying, " I am a responsible super kid".



Waterbodies

Ms.Ruksana (Primary School in charge)

The evolution and the growth of the world are visible in it's geographic location, the physical environment, and the socio-economic environment. The fact that the earth is covered with 3/4th of water in various forms in its natural settings plays a vital role. Our grade 5 learners learned about various water bodies and created their own waterbody booklet as a part of their social activity. The presence of water bodies gives added social psychological and environmental value. Learner's enhanced their aesthetic values while performing this activity of making a water body booklet.



Ms. Kalpana Kumari (Activities Coordinator)

The collage displays various student assignments:

- Top Left:** A worksheet for the story "प्यासा कौआ" (Thirsty Crow). It includes the title in Hindi and English, a small illustration of a crow, and handwritten text in Hindi describing the plot.
- Top Middle:** A photograph of a brown rabbit sitting on a white surface.
- Top Right:** A close-up photograph of a young boy looking towards the camera.
- Middle Left:** A worksheet titled "संवादलेखन" (Dialogue Writing) by Divya Chughanand. It features a cartoon character and several speech bubbles containing handwritten dialogue in Hindi.
- Middle Center:** A photograph of a girl wearing glasses, holding up a piece of paper with text written on it.
- Middle Right:** A photograph of a girl holding up a drawing or project that includes a map and some text.
- Bottom Left:** A photograph of a boy holding up a sheet of paper with text and a small Indian flag graphic.
- Bottom Right:** A photograph of a student sitting at a desk, focused on their work.

Aparna (Grade 5 Student)

The collage consists of nine individual photos of students, each showing their work on a topic related to light. The students are of various ethnicities and are all smiling or looking directly at the camera. The work they are displaying includes:

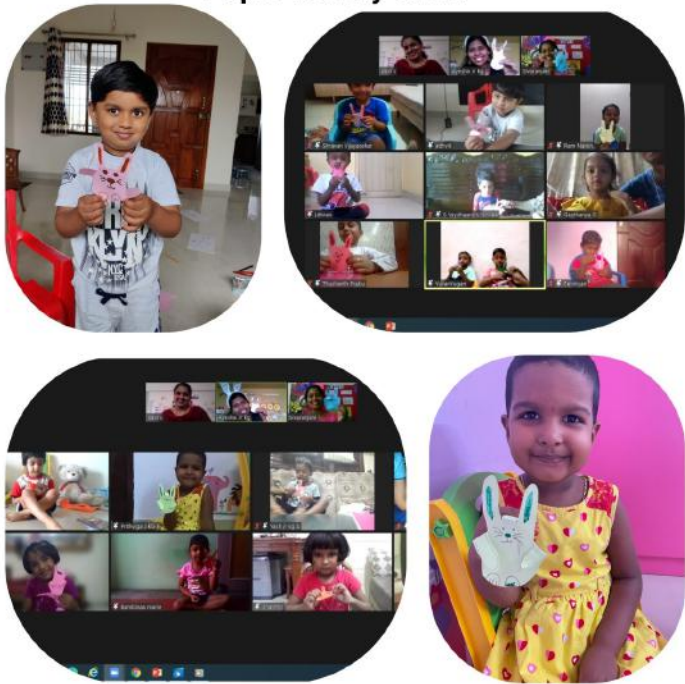
- Top Left:** A girl holding a white paper with the text "Light is ray" and "Light is wave" written on it.
- Top Middle:** A boy holding a white paper with a drawing of a light ray and a wave. The text "Draw something related to the three statements." is visible at the top.
- Top Right:** A girl holding a white paper with the text "Light is ray" written on it.
- Middle Left:** A boy holding a white paper with the text "Light is ray" written on it.
- Middle Middle:** A girl holding a white paper with the text "Light is ray" written on it.
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Craft fun by Jr.KG students

by Ms. Sivaranjani (Jr.KG Educator)

Our little sprout's happily engaged in various hands-on activities during this entire week, as it is the best way kids learn. Here are some glimpses of their handmade Bunny craft & popsicle stick flower crafts.

Paper Bunny craft



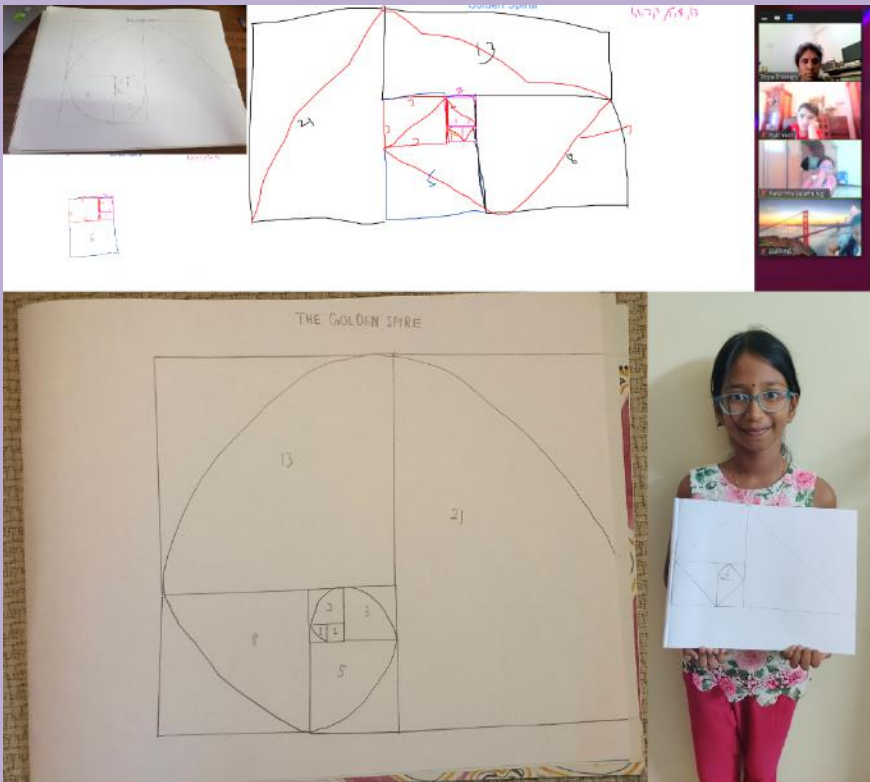
Bottle cap Painting



Fibonacci & Golden Spiral

B. Rakshitha (Grade 7 Student)

Fibonacci Sequence is quite a famous Sequence that is found in nature. For example, the spiral pattern found on pineapples, pinecones and Sunflowers are none other than Fibonacci numbers. The sequence is 0,1,1,2,3,5,8,13,21... ($0 + 1 = 1$, $1 + 1 = 2$, $1 + 2 = 3$, $2 + 3 = 5$, $3 + 5 = 8$...) It is an Infinite Sequence; it will go on and on and on. With these numbers, we can draw the golden spiral that is inherent in nature as well as found in many things like architecture. The Fibonacci numbers are Nature's numbering system. We seventh graders enjoyed creating the golden spiral as part of a fun math activity. Feast your eyes on our drawings.



Stay away from Drugs

Ms.Shiny Shajil (Activities coordinator)

"We promise to stay away from drugs and shall ensure the best for our health and wellbeing"- concluded the students of Grade 7 after they had an in-depth discussion on drug abuse. Through a partner activity, they put their heads together and chalked down the reasons why people turn to drugs, and then they presented their discussion in the form of posters and individual answers. This session helped the students to decide for themselves the various complications drug abuse can cause to one's life and hence they pledged to stay away from drugs.

Partner Activity

Why would someone take drugs?

With a partner, **make a list** of as many different reasons you can think of.

Reasons why people start using drugs

- Depression
- Stress
- Irritation
- Loneliness
- Unemployment
- Less income
- Financial loss

A Quiz on India's Heritage

- By the Heritage Club

1.Which Indian railway train has been nicknamed as Toy Train?

- a) Shimla –Kalka railway
- b) Darjeeling Himalayan railway.
- c) Nilgiri Mountain railway
- d) Rajdhani

2. Sunderbans National park is found in which State?

- a) Assam
- b) Manipur
- c) Mizoram
- d) West Bengal

3. Who is the voice behind the audio book "Wings of Fire" written by former President APJ Abdul Kalam?

- a)Om Puri
- b)Amitabh Bachchan
- c)Girish Karnad
- d)Harish Bhimani

4. Which of the following statement is not true about Red Fort of Agra?

- a)It is situated on the bank of river Yamuna
- b) This fort was built in 1565
- c) It was constructed by the Mughal emperor Akbar in 1565.
- d) It is tagged as world heritage site by UNESCO in 1989

5. In which field of Art did Jamini Roy make his name?

- a)Sculpture
- b)Music
- c)Painting
- d)Drama



Answers
1. b) Darjeeling Himalayan railway
2. d) West Bengal
3. c) Girish Karnad
4. d) It is tagged as world heritage site by UNESCO in 1989
5. c) Painting