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#1 Place Value craft

Ms. Bharathi Selvakumar (Grade 5 Math Educator, BHIS)

A place value chart is a diagram that helps the students to find and compare the place value of the digits in numbers. Each digit has its place value in the number, which tells its position. To learn the large numbers without any confusion, we use this chart to arrange them into periods. Students of Grade 5, as a part of learning, did a Place value chart to learn about Indian and International number system. In this activity, students drew Caterpillar, Octopus and filled it with the whole numbers. Students were able to recognize the value of a digit based on its location within a number. It helped the students to understand the relationship between place value of Indian and International number system.



#2

GERMINATION OF SEED

Ms. Nithya S Mahendra (Grade 5 Science Educator)



The word germination comes from the Latin germinationem, "a sprouting forth or budding."

Germination of seed can be defined as the process by which a new plant grows from a single seed in the presence of water, air and warmth. This activity involved studying the germination of a seed by the students who have shown great interest in the same. The activity included placing the seeds in a moist piece of cotton wool for two days and observing the growth of the seed on each day. Through this activity students learnt how different environmental conditions affect the process of germination which was evident enough by presence of germination in few seeds and absence in others at the end of 2 days.



#3

Greatest and Smallest Numbers

Ms Bharathi Selvakumar (Grade 6 Math Educator, BHIS)

Students of Grade 6, as a part of learning, did a hands-on activity to learn about Forming greatest and smallest numbers using flash cards. Students were divided into groups and activities were assigned to them. In this activity, students used flash cards with different digits to form the greatest and smallest numbers. Each group tried to get the greatest number by arranging the flash cards in descending order. Thus, the students applied their understanding of place value to form the smallest or the greatest number by playing a fun game. It helped the students to gain hands-on experience to compare numbers in an efficient manner.



#4

ADDITION AND SUBTRACTION OF INTEGERS USING COUNTERS



Ms. Bharathi Selvakumar (Grade 6 Math Educator)

Integers are collections of numbers that include Positive, and negative numbers along with zero. The effect of positive and negative numbers in the real world is different. In most cases, they are used to illustrate two contradictory situations. Integers are used for players' scores in golf, football, and hockey tournaments, movie, or song ratings; in banks, credits and debits are represented as positive and negative numbers. Students of Grade 7, as a part of learning, did a hands-on activity to learn about Addition and subtraction of Integers. Students were divided into groups and activities were assigned to them. In this activity, students used two different colour counters to model the addition and subtraction of integers. Each group tried to solve the problem by interacting among themselves. Students understood the rules necessary to solve problems and recognized the relation between subtracting and adding two integers.



#5

A Brand-New Start

Ms. Saradha & Ms. Srividya (Grade 2 Educators)



"Memories never fade. It brings happiness...!"

Somewhere down the lane, we all remember our first day of school. Be it for the very first time to school or for every academic year, it will always remain special!

The learners were all curious to see their friends and excited to make new friends. They spent the day by talking about their holiday plans, their new classrooms and new teachers. It was a beautiful start to the most amazing academic year that's about to unfold. A glimpse of the first day of school of the grade 2 students.



My First Day Of School



My First Day at School



My First Day at School

#6

MINI WORKSHOP



Ms. Saradha & Ms. Karthikeyani (Grade 2 ICT Educators)

The learners of grade 2 had an opportunity to attend a mini workshop, as part of their curriculum in ICT. The workshop was to make the learners understand the components of a CPU, which is the brain of a computer. They were able to recollect the functionality of the components like the Mother board, RAM, Processor, SMPS, hard disk, the physical connections inside the CPU . They were curious to know why there was a fan in the CPU, and later they gave the answers. It was an interesting session and a knowledge sharing platform. We thank our host for today **Mr. Karthik**, The IT ADMIN who educated the learners, the functioning of the CPU .





#7

BHISK BEATS THE HEAT

Ms. Menaka (Middle School English Educator)

Billabong High International School Kelambakkam located in the southeast of Chennai has taken some measures to beat the heat of summer. Chennai, located on the south-eastern coast of India as we all know, trends the chart for its scorching summers. The temperatures can rise to 40 degrees Celsius or more, making it a challenging time for students to attend school. The summer months in Chennai usually start in March and can last until June, with April and May being the hottest months. During this time, schools must take extraordinary measures to ensure that their students are comfortable and safe. One of the most significant challenges during the summer is ensuring that the classrooms are cool enough for the daily routine. BHISK classes have ceiling fans and have air conditioning systems.



However, power cuts can be frequent during the summer, which can affect the functioning of these systems. To counter this, the school has backup generators to ensure uninterrupted power supply. Another issue is dehydration. Students need to drink plenty of water to stay hydrated, and school provides clean drinking water to their students. In addition, we also educate our students about the importance of staying hydrated and encourage them to drink water regularly. To cope with the heat, BHISK has introduced changes to their daily schedule. We start classes earlier in the morning, so that students can leave early in the afternoon when the sun is at its hottest. We also have breaks during the day, so that students can rest and rehydrate. Attending school during the blazing summer months in Chennai can be a challenge for both students and staff. However, with proper planning and measures in place, we can ensure that their students are safe and comfortable during this time. BHISK thinks it is crucial that they take steps to keep their students hydrated, cool, and comfortable so that they can concentrate on their studies and stay healthy during the summer months.

#8

OUR LITTLE DONUTS

Ms. Sivaranjani (Nursery Educator)



The "First day of school" is one memorable day that somehow can be forgotten. It is a milestone moment and an exciting time for students, teachers and parents.

It marks the beginning of a new adventure as the children explore new ideas, make new friends & learn to navigate their ever-growing independence.

This year kindergarten classroom was decorated with the theme of "Sweet/ KG" each class have been named as per the theme, Classroom were decorated with various attractive sweets to make them feel special & fascinated. The Kindergarten corridors witnessed a mixed bag of emotions - a lot of happiness, slight anxiousness and a pinch of awe! The tiny tots were super excited about their new name for the classroom - **Donut**- where our classroom is sprinkled with lovely kids.



The day spend by with them getting acquainted with friends , sharing stories about themselves and enjoying rhymes. They made beautiful donut paper craft that they happily posed with also to keepsake to remember their first day of school. We at BHIS- K were happy to see all the excited faces ! It's the energy that they bring along that makes learning fun.

#9

Our Cool Popsicles



Ms. Shahana Asrar (Junior Kindergarten Educator)

The first day of kindergarten is an infamously emotional time where children have a series of emotions. Kindergarten is a big step in a child's life. The child will be expected to learn a number of concepts throughout the year. They are entering a world where they're expected to learn and demonstrate their knowledge through fun and play. There are so many things that they will learn in school. Apart from books, there will be teachers and friends who will shape their personality. Whatever they learn they will keep it in mind forever. Our Junior Kindergarteners had a slurpy first day at school they enjoyed meeting their friends and had lots of fun. We are overjoyed to see the happy faces returning back to school and brightening up the classrooms by their smiles and laughter. They are excited to see their names written in popsicles on the door and felt happy to be called as popsicles. They made a slurpy popsicle card as their first day activity. Have a look at our super cool popsicles.



#10

CANDY LAND -THE LAND OF SWEET GALORE

Ms. Devi S (Senior Kindergarten Educator)



Teachers, parents, and kids all experience excitement and emotion on the first day of kindergarten. We were able to raise the child's enthusiasm for the significant change from one class to another by coming up with a creative method to celebrate the first day of kindergarten.

A delicious and colourful CANDY LAND was created in our Senior Kindergarten classroom. The kids were ecstatic to see their new classroom, which helped them get over their worries and gave them greater enthusiasm for the changes to their learning approach. They participated in a variety of activities and created take-home paper candies.



#11

Cute Cupcakes



Ms. Sarala Bakthavachalam (Senior Kindergarten Educator)

Cupcakes are small, tasty snack cakes that are favoured for their portability and portion-control. Like our kids are special with their unique characteristics. The tiny cupcake wonders made a cupcake activity with colourful papers. They enjoyed their first day of school activity with papers cupcakes



தமிழ் வருடப்பிறப்பு தின விழா



Ms. Bharani Chithra V (Tamil Educator)

பில்லா பாங் உயர் சர்வதேசப் பள்ளியின் நடப்புக் கல்வி ஆண்டிற்கான முதல் விழாவாகத் தமிழ் வருட பிறப்பு தின விழா தமிழ் துறை சார்பில் கொண்டாடப்பட்டது. “இளவேனிற் காலம்”என்னும் வசந்த காலத்தில் தொடங்கும் தமிழ் வருட பிறப்பு தினம் நம் பள்ளியிலும் கொண்டாடப்பட்டது. மாணவி சம்பர்சக்ஷனா விழா நிகழ்ச்சியைத் தொகுத்து வழங்கினார். மாணவர்களின் தமிழ்த்தாய் வாழ்த்துப் பாடலுடன் நிகழ்ச்சி தொடங்கப்பட்டது. மாணவி தர்ஷிதா திருக்குறளையும் மாணவி சாய் வேந்தரா சிந்தனைத் துளிகளையும் வழங்கினார்கள். இதனைத் தொடர்ந்து நம் செவிக்கு விருந்தளிக்கும் வகையில் மாணவர்கள் தமிழ் மொழியின் சிறப்புகளைப் பாடலாக இன்னிசையுடன் பாடினர். பாடலைத் தொடர்ந்து தமிழர்களின் பாரம்பரிய நடனமான பரதநாட்டியத்தை மாணவிகள் தமிழ் வருட பிறப்பை வணங்கி வரவேற்று அழகாக ஆடினர். மேலும், தமிழ் மொழியின் சிறப்புகளை மாணவர் சர்வேஷ் எடுத்துரைத்தார். நம் பள்ளியின் **தலைமை ஆசிரியர் திருமதி. அஸ்மா மேம்** அவர்கள் தமிழ் வருட பிறப்பின் சிறப்புகளை பற்றியும் நாம் ஏன் தமிழ் வருடப் பிறப்பு கொண்டாடுகிறோம் என்பதன் அவசியம் பற்றியும் சிறப்புரையாற்றினார். நிகழ்ச்சியின் நிறைவாக மாணவி அபர்ணா நன்றியுரையாற்றினார். இவ்வாறு சிறப்பாக நம் பள்ளியில் தமிழ் வருடப் பிறப்பு தின விழா கொண்டாடப்பட்டது.







