



AL KHOZAMA INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL DAMMAM, KSA

KINDERGARTEN NEWSLETTER – MAY 2023

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Closing words

“Children are not things to be molded, but are people to be unfolded”



Dear Parents,

Greeting from AKIS!!

“Every child is a different kind of flower and altogether make this world a beautiful garden”. Yes, Al Khozama has a very beautiful garden of tiny tots in our Kindergarten.

It gives us immense pleasure to showcase our monthly activities through our newsletter. You will find that it is filled with educational information, helpful hints, tips, events and news happening in your child's school.

Children are doing a great job by following the daily routine and have become more and more confident in all aspects. Varieties of activities are there to boost them intellectually and our sunshine rules make them humble and kind in leading our children on the right path to success. We continue to support our children to share their thoughts and ideas through many activities.

Let us sneak peek into the activities of the month of May 2023.

THANK YOU!!!



CIRCLE TIME



"Circle time is a way to start structured group time from free play."

A typical day starts with circle time. Our class puppet is the star of this session. Each child talks to the class puppet and share their name & feelings.

In the month of May, during circle time, children were able to look at themselves in a mirror and talk and share their names.

Children sang good morning song, days of week song & phonics song. They marked their attendance on the attendance chart and repeated class room norms and sunshine rules. Safety rules that the children need to follow while playing were also repeated over and over again.

Kindness and cleanliness were the main topic of discussion during circle time during the month of May. Activities involving magic words like please, thank you, welcome and sorry were done. Pretend plays for cleaning, washing, eating healthy and staying fit were done by children to understand its importance in day to day life.

We talked about ours and others feelings in different situations. Introduction of five senses was done though activities like using sunglasses, tasting various items, touching different textures and smelling different food items.

THEME / SCIENCE TIME

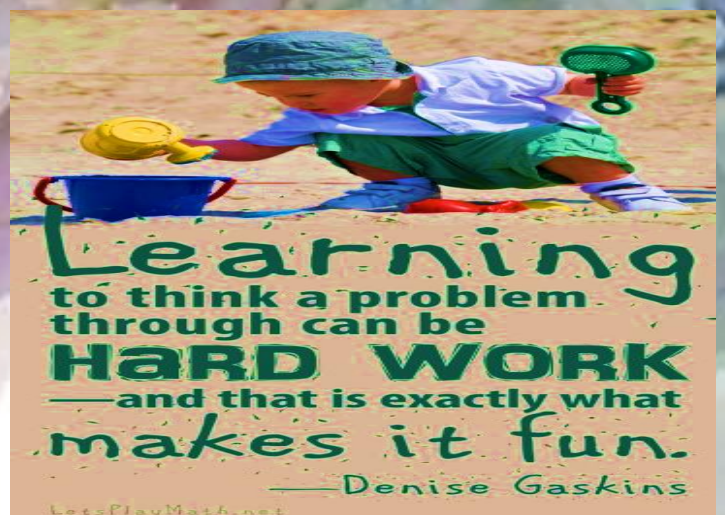
**"SCIENCE IS THE SYSTEMATIC
CLASSIFICATION OF EXPERIENCE"**

Theme for this month varied from body parts and its functions, sense organs, family and school.

Children were made to understand about keeping the body clean by identifying tools that help in doing so.

During science time different body parts and its uses were taught through various activities giving more importance to sense organs. Family members and their role were discussed. A school tour was done for LKG children to make them aware about their school premises.

Healthy habits and ways to stay healthy like exercises and breathing activities were done in the class.





**Play is our
brain's
favorite
way of
learning**

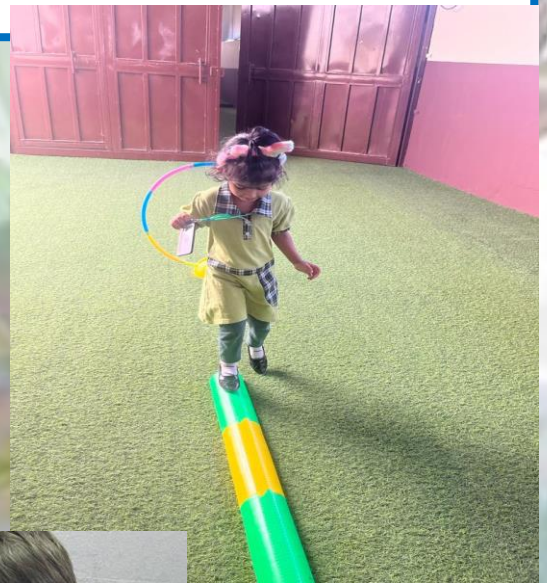
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PLAY/ART TIME

Play time plays a very important role for child's development and is also an integral part of foundation stage. It supports their learning journey.

In the month of May, children enjoyed doing activities like rolling on the mat, playing with ball, making cupcake and spider with clay, crawling through hula hoops, balancing on the beam, filling glass with water, hop into rings, etc.

Children had games to improve their gross & fine motor skills like taking turns to throw and catch balls, pencil grip activities, kick the ball at the targets, spreading paint, running through obstacle course, making wrapping paper and Simon says.



Language Time

"THE LIMIT OF MY LANGUAGE MEANS THE LIMIT OF MY WORLD."

In the month of May, for Pre Kg, children were able to name familiar things that begin with the letter Aa, Bb and identifying the formation of the letter through a story and letter cards and by tracing in a rice tray.

In LKG, children started to work on their pincer grip by writing sleeping line, right diagonal, left diagonal, right curve and left curve. Alphabets were introduced in S,A,T,P,I,N order. Children learned to recognize letter, its formation, beginning sound of words, a story and song associated with these letters.

Name, write, identify sound and draw pictures beginning with letters Dd, Gg, Oo, Uu, Ll, Ff, Bb, Vv, Jj, Zz, Ww, Yy, Xx, Qq were done in Ukg along with blending sounds in 2 letter & three letter words



Math Time

"NUMBERS HAVE LIFE, THEY ARE NOT JUST SYMBOLS ON PAPER."

In the month of May, while at play they explored to Pre-Math concepts like same and different, big and small. They also noticed the similarities and differences in them. They were able to identify shapes and fit in knob puzzles.

LKG children were introduced to the world of shapes like circle, square and triangle. Colours, yellow, blue and red were introduced. Various activities were done to make children relate these to the real world. Count and match from 1 to 10 were also done.

In UKG, introduction to ordinal numbers was done and they were also engaged in counting things to tell how many are there using vocabulary words more/less/equal. Recognition of numbers 1-10 and what number comes before, in between and after was also done.



Dress Up Days

To respect and honor the children of all nationalities, we are celebrating Dress Up days. Dress Up Day Yemen and Eritrea were celebrated on 21st May 2023 and 28th May 2023 respectively.

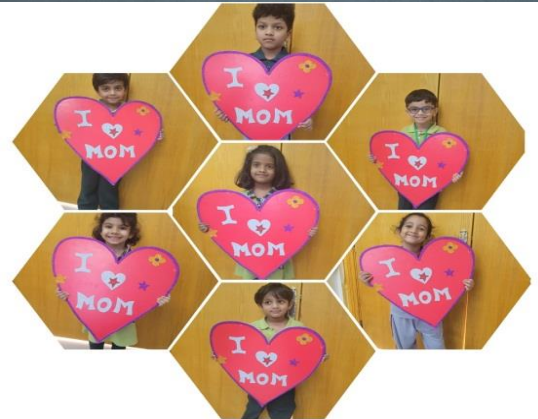
Children were dressed up in the country's traditional fashion. They brought traditional snacks like Falafel, Zatar, Mutabbaq and Foul with pita bread and happily had breakfast together. A friendly football match as well as cycle match was conducted in the school premises as football is the national sport of Yemen and cycling is the sport of Eritrea.



Mother`s Day

"A mother is your first friend, your best friend and forever friend."

On Sunday, 14th May 2023 we celebrated Mother`s day. To acknowledge each mother`s efforts in bringing up their child, badges were made by children and sent home to give it to their mothers.



Curriculum Road Mapping Day (CRMD)

"A good plan is like road map: it shows the final destination and usually the best way to get there."

Curriculum Road Mapping Day (CRMD) for Kindergarten was conducted successfully on Saturday, 20th May 2023. It provided the parents a glimpse of the kindergarten learning journey in the year 2023-24. It was conducted in two sessions. Pre Kg and LKG together had the first session followed by UKG parents.



BUNNIES CAMP 1

“Sometimes all you need is to break the routine and have some fun.”

It is important for children to do new things and learn new skills- Bunnies Camp is a great opportunity to develop a range of social skills.

Bunnies Camp 1 was held from 29th to 31th May 2023. The laughter and joy that was witnessed amongst the children was something beyond words. They were involved in lots of fun filled activities.

To name a few, in Food and Nutrition domain food art, making a teddy face using bread & vegetables, separating solids were done.

Children enjoyed physical activities like hop scotch, keep the balloon high & balancing on a beam. They showed their budding creativity doodle drawing & making a sunflower using hand prints. Their intellectual capacity was challenged with activities like blowing the glass, sorting shapes & pasting stickers on the outline.



CLOSING WORDS

Growing up

is losing some illusions,
in order to acquire
others.



THANK YOU