

K2 THEME 5: INSIDE AND OUTSIDE ME (31st Dec. to 25th Jan.)

Our fifth topic of the year focuses on our bodies. Our body parts, inside and outside and what they are used for.

THEME LESSONS

Some keywords and songs you can practice with your children at home:

Keywords: Body, care, amazing, all body parts (inside and out), re-use, recycle, parts, animal, scales, fur, tail, fins, wings, feathers, horns, sight, hearing, touch, smell, taste, senses, nature, sport, learn, move, stretch, muscles.

Songs: 'Hokey pokey,' 'My whole body can move' and 'Five senses.'

The teacher will start this theme by reviewing the body parts the children learnt in previous grades, as well as how we can look after our bodies. The class will label a life size picture of a little girl or boy, with all the body parts they have learnt. They will also read the book, 'My amazing body' and complete a body count worksheet. The classes will then move onto discussing animal bodies, how and why they are different to human bodies. The teacher will read a fun book called, 'What if you had animal hair?' The children will have fun imagining themselves with a lion's mane or porcupine quills. The classes will then move onto exploring their five senses. They will learn a short poem to remind them of their senses and how they use them. The children will then go outside to experience nature through all their five senses. They will also have lots of fun making popcorn, experiencing it through their five senses and then describing their experiences on a worksheet. Lastly, the teacher will read a book titled, 'Ready, set, go!' Showing the children how they can use their bodies in many different ways and to do many different sporting activities.

ART LESSONS *(sample to the right may vary from actual art work)*

In their art lessons the classes will have fun making body art, using recycled materials. They will then explore more with their senses by using scented paint to paint different 'flavoured' ice-cream. Lastly, a celebration of winter, with some beautiful snowflake art!



MATH & READING LESSONS

Some keywords and songs you can practice with your children at home:

Keywords: Money, buy, job, save, coins, notes, Yuan, wants, needs, RMB, Kwai, value, foreign, currency, number 1–100, number line, exactly.

Songs: 'Action song,' 'The number dance' and 'Let's count to 20.'

The teacher will start this theme's math lessons by discussing money, where it comes from and how we use it. The children will learn what the money is called in China and that money in other countries is called something different. The classes will read the book, 'Ella earns her own money.' The book, 'Lilly learns about wants and needs,' will help them to understand the difference and level of importance between the two. The teacher will also bring in different items and discuss the estimated value of each. Explaining to the children that not everything has the same worth. For example, a house is worth a lot more than a bicycle and so will cost more money. The children will end off the theme by playing some number games, learning to count all the way to 100. They will also learn about number lines, also how to make their own.

In their reading line lessons, the children will read the following books with the teacher, 'What is big?' and 'Hop in.' Teaching the children the phonograms, 'ig' and 'op.'