

# Early Years News Letter

Dear Parents,

The first term of the new school year has flown by! All of our new starter children in Pre-KG and Kindergarden have settled in so well, and the older children have really grown in confidence and have enjoyed their new responsibilities as the 'big children' of

Reception. The main focus of the half term was to reinforce classroom and playground rules, familiarise the children with the routines of the day, and to develop the children's general confidence and independence.



### PRE-KG and KINDERGARDEN FIRST HALF TERM

In Pre-KG, our little ones have enjoyed the topics We've looked at many big story books and used puppets to act the story out. Dressing –up has been one of our favourite part of the day and playing with sand.



Kindergarden students have really enjoyed the topics 'Over the Rainbow' and 'Going on a Bear Hunt'. We've went on several walks to the park, had a bear picnic and explored the local environment. We've also cooked and baked a wide selection of foods with the children, including making

fruit salads, cookies, bear sandwiches and delicious pizzas.















### **RECEPTION -FIRST HALF TERM**

In Reception, the first half of the term involved the topics; 'All About Me' and 'Professions'. Students had so many role-play Opportunities with plenty of pretend play! We've dressed up as firemen, doctors, nurses, chefs and many more. We've also made fruit salads and baked cookies.



Practising number formation with shaving foam is so much fun!

# Pink Day Activities





To celebrate Pink Day, our wonderful teachers organised a variety of activities such as investigating which two colours made pink, painting pink flamingos, attaching a stem to a pink flower and baking cookies in the shape of a pink ribbon. We had so much fun!





### SECOND HALF OF TERM 1 IN EARLY YEARS

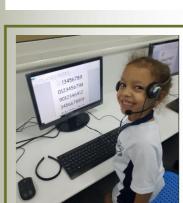
I am sure you will agree that it has been a busy and successful second half of Term 1 in Early Years with the academic work and fun days.

To celebrate Book Week, students spent the week listening to Traditional Fairytales. When we heard the drums banging, we knew we had to drop what we were doing and **READ**! Our students got so good at doing this! We also got to visit the book fair.

The Character Parade was such a success! All of our students looked amazing! Thank you mummies and daddies for organising costumes for your children.







### ICT IN EARLY YEARS

One of the things I am particularly pleased about is that this year we have our own ICT room! We also have new ICT tools and software in Early Years. Busy things is an interactive website specifically designed for Early Years and the children are really enjoying this. We now also have Bee Bots which is a little robotic device that is a perfect tool for teaching direction, sequencing, estimation, problem-solving and just having fun!





## Class Assemblies This Term



KG Orange's performance was based on the book: We're going on a bear hunt'.



Reception Yellow and Reception Blue's performance was based on the topic; 'Professions'.



Reception Red and Reception Silver's performance was based on the book: The Hungry Caterpillar'.



KG Silver's performance was based on the book: We're going on a bear hunt'.



KG Yellow is enjoying story time in the igloo.

#### Coming soon

- Our sand room will be ready to use in January! •
- Career Day on the 17<sup>th</sup> January
- Silly socks on the 31<sup>st</sup> January
- Reception Sports Day: 6<sup>th</sup> February KG Sports Day: 7<sup>th</sup> February