



FUNTASTIC GEMS

NEWSLETTER

TERM 3, WEEK 7

Friday 1st September, 2017

Dear Parents,

The Spring Vacation Care is up and available at www.funtastgems.com.au so please parents I do encourage you jump on our website the view our exciting programs. For the past few weeks I have been very busy recruiting and interviewing people for a casual position to work in my team. I would like to introduce everyone to Charissa Heng who started this week at Funtastic Gems. Charissa is currently studying a Bachelor of Early Education and is adjusting in slowing within the workplace. She is a very hard working staff and I am pleased to have her as part of my team. Please don't hesiate to approach her and get to know her more as you pick up your child as I know she be very happy to greet you. With the Father's Day assembly being held on Friday the children at Funtastic Gems created an amazing Father's Day mural to display on the wall. The teachers complimented highly of the work being made and praised that it is fantastic to see how Funtastic Gems works collaboratively with the school and create such a beautiful mural for the assembly. Alex and I was very priviledge to contribute 250 bread rolls for Father's Day breakfast on Friday 1st September, 2017. We both had to wake up very early that morning to collect our bread to have it delivered to the school by 6.30am. Once the bread was delivered Alex was very happy to have me stay back at the canteen to help Leanne and Mrs. Web with cutting up the bread rolls ready to serve the parents when they come. Through great team work all 250 rolls was cut up within 30 minutes and I was dismiss to assist Alex with operating the Before School Care. I enjoyed my time there very much mingle with the staff and parents and building a strong relationship within the school. On behalf of myself and my fantastic staff at Funtastic Gems I wish all fathers a faboulous Father's Day this Sunday 3rd September and Happy Father's Day.



Thanks,

Diana

Following Week Program

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Monday 4th September, 2017	Science & Craft – DIY Bubble Wand Science – Expanding Gummy Bear Experiment
Tuesday 5th September, 2017	Sports Incursion
Wednesday 6th September 2017	Sustainability – Puffy Newspaper Tree Cooking – Fruit Marshmallow Kebab
Thursday 7th September, 2017	Cooking – Orange & Watermelon Jello Art & Craft – 3D Foldable Paper Photo Frame Stand
Friday 8th September, 2017	Art & Craft – Paper Straw Tulips Art & Craft – DIY Pyramid Piñata

Star of the week

Rigzen

Rigzen was very helpful to pack up and clean up the toys and activities throughout the week.

Julie's Recap of the week



On Monday, Julie's group did a cooking activity baking Rainbow Cupcakes. All the children in her group were assigned to specific roles being encouraged to be involved. Some children were asked to measure the ingredients for the cupcakes and the other children were in charge of making rainbow colours of cupcake batter. Everyone had a chance to pour all different colours of cupcake mix into the cupcake tins. They were patiently waiting for their turn. After the cupcakes were done Julie couldn't take them out as they were too soft. She crushed the cupcakes and placed them in a cup with icing decoration so the children could enjoy their cupcakes. Charissa had the privileged to lead a craft activity for Father's Day with the help of Diana. Before this activity started, she prepared an example for the children to give them an idea as to what is expected. There were around 10 kids and they all started with choosing a colour for the card. Everyone of them were really active in the craft activity and they had so many unique cards for Fathers Day. They were all given the option of adding googly eyes, glow in the dark paint, colourful puffs, stamps etc. All of them had different versions and different things they wanted to say to their dad in the card. During the activity, the children challenged one another as to what they should put in their card and how they can make it look presentable for their dads. Towards the end, children also got very involved with helping to clean the area up. On Tuesday, all the children enjoyed sport incursion outside. While k to Y2 participated in the sports Diana had a group of Y3 to Y6 making Mini Aquarium Jars. It was a simple science experiment to see how water stays separated with oil in

the jar. All the children had a chance to have a go and they were very excited about the experiment. On Wednesday, Julie's group made a Pop up Butterfly Card for Father's Day. Those who didn't participate in Charissa's activity on Monday joined her group. The children were provided with two pieces of Butterfly templates to colour in and cut out. They were drawing patterns on the butterfly and colouring with all different colours of textas. Once it's done they were to cut out the templates and paste onto a piece of coloured paper. Then they were asked to write little messages to their dads. The cards turned out very beautiful and they couldn't wait to give it to their dads. Charissa's activity consisted of making Campfire Dessert. Majority of the group were the younger ones. Everyone in the group was told to line up in a line before they could start making their cones. They were really helpful with cleaning up and cooperating with one another, especially the older ones. The children who participated had fun while making it and they enjoyed every bit of their cones. On Thursday, Julie's group made a Bird



Feeder out of gift boxes as a part of Sustainability activity. The children in the group were grouped in pairs. They were to decorate the gift boxes with various materials such as pompoms, pipe cleaners and craft sticks. Some children were struggling to glue down things on the box so Julie helped them out with a hot glue gun. They put some craft sticks together to make a seat for birds to sit on when they

eat. Overall, everyone in the group worked very well as a team and helped one another throughout the activity. They were eager to hang it on the tree to see if birds come to eat food. Diana's activity the children participated in groups of 3 to construct a Father's Day banner to display on the wall ready for the Father's Day assembly being held the following day. Two children were nominated as group leaders to lead the group and construct images of what they think their Father love to do. Whereas the other group worked with Diana with the letters using assorted craft sticky tapes that has sparkly glitter, colours and patterns. The letters were then laminated and cut out with the help



of Julie. Once everything was completed between the groups the activity tables were cleaned and packed away. Diana then slowly pin the letters on the wall with the children pictures surrounding the words. The teachers from the school who was placing her children's work up for the assembly loved how Funtastic Gems accommodates and works together with the school to create the Father's Day mural and complimented the fantastic work made by the children. The children in all three groups worked very well in together. On Friday, Julie had all the children participating in her Chopstick Competition. The children were to move mini marshmallows and chocolates to their cups using chopsticks. Julie picked two children to compete against each other and everyone had a chance to have a go. They were so excited to do the competition and had so much fun throughout the activity. After they finish their competition they participated in two activities with Diana. The activities were done one at a time to have it linked at the end. Diana had one group starting the 3D flower with the coloured flowers template that has already been printed off. Only a very small group of girls as well as the help of Colin and Isaac they constructed 3D flowers using mini pompom and a large paddle pop stick. Once

the flowers were constructed Diana glued gun 9 paddle pop sticks around into a circle. The second activity then commenced. A small group assisted Diana with beading beads into strings for the dream catcher. As soon as they were done Diana used a glue gun to glue the beaded strings to the paddle pop sticks to complete the dream catcher. The Dream catcher turned out very good and everyone that participated enjoyed it very much. Diana was very impressed with everyone effort and the work that was put in by the children. Although both task was sort of difficult they managed to work together and have it completed which really made her proud.

