



# FUNTASTIC GEMS

## NEWSLETTER

TERM 4, WEEK 3

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October, 2017

Dear Parents,

I hope that everyone enjoyed their week so far. The weather has yet been very hard to keep up as it is constantly changing. With stage 3 children attending camp at Nelson Island the group of children at Funtastic Gems has been small and quiet and the children are missing the presence of the children when absent. Without a doubt all children attending the camp is enjoying their time tremendously and having such a fun time catching up with their friends, and participating in fun activities. We are really looking forward to seeing everyone back on Friday afternoon. I would like to say a big thankyou to Mr. Vince from Got Game for doing such a fabulous job alternating the sport activities around and making it so fun for the children to participate. As Halloween is close approaching the children are in with a week of spooky cooking, science and craft activities next week and I am so excited to see how the week will fold out.

Thanks,

Diana

### Following Week Program

<b>Mon 30<sup>th</sup> Oct, 2017</b>	Cooking: Halloween Marshmallow Pop Cooking: Dark Chocolate Halloween Cookies
<b>Tues 31<sup>st</sup> Oct, 2017</b>	Got Game Sport Incursion: 3:30-4:30pm
<b>Wed 1<sup>st</sup> Nov, 2017</b>	Cooking: Lollipop Spider Halloween Face Painting
<b>Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> Oct, 2017</b>	Craft: Yarn Craft Mummy Craft: Halloween Mural
<b>Fri 27<sup>th</sup> Oct, 2017</b>	Craft: Paper Plate Witch Science: Halloween Ghost Pumpkin Eruption

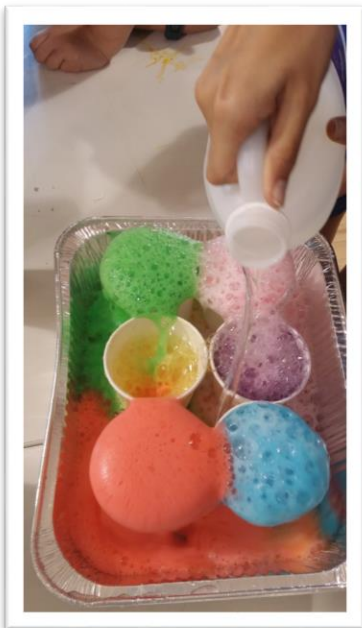
## Star of the Week Is

Chloe

Chloe helped other children who are in need of help during the activity.

## Julie's Recap of the week

On Monday, Julie's group did a Group activity creating a Nature Mural with Origami flowers, leaves and butterflies. The children were split into two groups according to their age group. The older ones were given origami papers and a tutorial to make a butterfly whereas the younger ones were following Julie's instruction to make flowers and leaves. Some kindergarten children were struggling with origami so the older ones were helping them out. Everyone was amazed with the artwork that they made and worked as a team throughout the activity. Charissa's activity consisted of using disc, papers and strings to make a Paper Spinner. Before the activity started, Thashalia helped Charissa in preparing the materials such as putting a disc on each seat and measuring the string for each individuals. All of them were excited to see how it all turns out and couldn't wait to play with it. However, some kids found it hard cutting out the circles. On Tuesday, we had the first sport incursion for this term. All the children were divided into



two age groups and participated in the sport. It was a beautiful day so they got to go outside to enjoy team games. Meanwhile, Julie did a quick science experiment with the older children and Charissa did a craft activity creating tiny finger puppets with the younger ones when they stay inside. On Wednesday, Julie's group did a cooking activity making Milo Balls. Her group mainly consisted of the younger children as the activity was pretty easy and simple. Chino, Jayden G and Chloe crushed biscuits into fine crumbs and the other younger ones were helping Julie with mixing coconuts, milo powder and condensed milk. After that everyone was given a scoop of the mixture and rolled it into a ball. Then they coated it with coconut powder. It made a mess after the activity but everyone worked as a team to clean up. Charissa did another cooking activity making Oreo Cheesecakes. Shayla was one of her helpers and she was very cooperative and helped the younger ones to mix all the ingredients together. This activity helped the younger ones to work together as a team to make cheesecake.

The activity was very successful however it was quite messy when they poured the entire mixtures into the cupcake holders. The children were excited and couldn't wait to try it. On Thursday, Julie's group did a craft activity making Animal Cootie Catchers. The children were provided with templates and they were to colour it in. Once it's coloured, Julie demonstrated how to fold the template into a catcher. It wasn't complicating so even the younger ones could make it by themselves. Everyone was so happy with their Cootie Catchers and playing with it all day. Charissa's activity was Paper Roll Rocket. Before

the activity, Charissa made an example of the rocket to show to the students as to what it should look like. During this activity, majority of the younger ones struggled with cutting out the shapes and using aluminium foil to cut circles and rectangles. However they were excited to fly the rocket around. On Friday, Julie's group did a craft activity making a Wolf. The children were given a wolf drawing template and they got to pick one out of three different materials including coloured paper, felt and foam sheet. They used the template to cut out the materials. Julie thought it was an easy activity so she took K-Y2 children. However, it turned out bit tricky because it required too much cutting out. Julie helped some of them with cutting out but majority of kindergarten children gave up. They tried their best though so Julie was very proud of them. Charissa's activity was 3D Hot Air Balloon. Before the activity, Charissa made an example of the 3D Hot Air Balloon and showed it to the children as to what it should look like. Charissa had majority of the older ones as this may be challenging for the younger ones to put it together. Majority of them struggled with putting the templates together however once Charissa have explained it slowly and do it as they go, they finally got it. After once they were done with the activity, they were thrilled to have a 3D hot air balloon and have it nicely decorate.



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