



# FUNTASTIC GEMS

## NEWSLETTER

TERM 4, WEEK 8

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2017

Dear Parents

It was such a privileged to be invited to the school Christmas concert on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November, 2017. The past few weeks I have observed the children in their grades work very hard in rehearsing their performance. It was amazing to such talent on the night and the beautiful performance from every grade. The food was delicious and I feel very privileged with my team to stay back. With only two more weeks till the term comes to an end I would like to remind parents to re-enroll for 2018 and do check our website for vacation care program. A free dental service in February has been email out to all parents so please if you would like your child to have the free service a consent form would need to be filled out and given back to me before Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2017.

Thanks,

Diana

### Following Week Program

Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> Dec, 2017	Community – Group Christmas Mural Science – Straw Airplane
Tues 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec, 2017	Got Game: Multi-sport Incursion 3:30PM – 4:30PM
Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec, 2017	Cooking – Gingerbread Brownies Craft – Pop up frogs
Thur 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec, 2017	Craft – Yarn Wrapped Ornament Cooking – Chocolate Chip Muffin
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec, 2017	Fun Group Time – Christmas Trivia Craft – Candy Cane & Wreath Ornament

### Star of the Week Is

Sua

Sua helped the younger children with the craft during the activities.

## Julie's Recap of the week



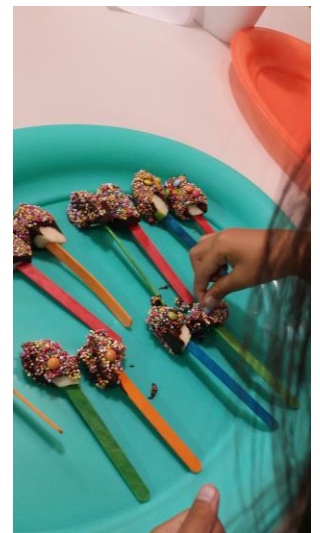
On Monday Julie's group did a craft activity creating Emoji Face Masks with paper plates. The children were given paper plates and different colours of papers. They were to pick any face that they would like to make. It was a great opportunity for them to be creative. Everyone made all different Emoji faces which were awesome. Some children shared an idea of using the masks as a fan. For Charissa's activity, she had majority of the kindergartens as this was easier than Julie's activity. Shayla and Sua were Charissa's helpers. They were very helpful with assisting the younger ones to cut the leaf template out. Everyone in the group enjoyed the activity and loved the fact that they get to colour the leaf template in and using different colour pompoms to make unique caterpillars. They were all very cooperative during and after the activity with cleaning up. On Tuesday, the children participated in the sport incursion playing

basketball game outside. On Wednesday, before two planned activities commenced Julie and Charissa had an Emergency Drill Workshop with all children. After the workshop, Julie's group did a cooking activity making Triple Chocolate Fudge Cookies. The children were assigned to specific roles to make cookie dough together. They worked as a team and cooperated very well. Everyone loved the activity and couldn't wait to eat them. Charissa's activity consisted of using borax and pipe cleaners to make Crystallised Christmas Ornaments. Throughout the activity, majority of the children were listening and was cooperative. Before the activity, Charissa mentioned that this will take approx. 24 hours for the borax to crystallised and they were shocked at the fact that Borax could do that. Some of the children struggled with putting the pipe cleaners together therefore Charissa helped to assist them. On Thursday, Julie's group did a Science Experiment making Crystal Rainbows.

The children were given rainbow colours of pipe cleaners to make a Rainbow. Julie showed them how to curve and bend the pipe cleaners. Some of the children were struggling with the pipe cleaners. Some of the older ones were asked to help them out. Once they were done Julie put strings on the rainbows and put them in Borax solution to make them crystallised. Everyone enjoyed the activity a lot and couldn't wait to take it home. Charissa's activity was to make Apple Chocolates. Before the activity, Diana helped Charissa to cut out the apples in small chunks and Charissa was



in charge of putting the paddle pop sticks into the apples. This activity went really smooth and majority of the children were cooperating. Charissa had set out the sprinkles, melted chocolates and m&m's in a line so they could do it one at a time. The children loved this activity. On Friday, Julie's group did a craft activity making Butterfly Sun Catcher. The idea was from Emily and Mishka. Julie had prepared



Black butterfly templates for the children. They were to stick stained glass papers on the butterfly to make sun catchers. It was a great opportunity to develop fine motor skills and concentration. After the activity all the children working as a team cleaned up the tables together. Charissa's group did a craft activity making Christmas cards. They were all given green and red cards and using the buttons to decorate the front page. They were excited to be making this Christmas card as Christmas is just around the corner and they wanted to give it to their loved ones.

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